

Beaumont Bowling Club Inc.

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Dear Members

Pennant bowls

It has been pleasing to note that in the first month of pennant matches Beaumont teams have been doing quite well. We have many teams in the top four on their respective ladders and even a couple of teams sitting first. Keep up the practice, encourage one another, and I am sure that success will continue. Well done.

Night Owls

Night owls is going really well with approximately 100 regulars playing every Tuesday. It takes a team of helpers to ensure everything runs smoothly so if you think you could help out on Tuesday nights, either regularly or randomly, please see Alan, Sally or Merv to offer assistance. Or you could put your name on the casual helpers list on the communication ledge.

Facebook

Don't forget to check out our Facebook page regularly. Connie is always on the lookout for photos or snippets of information to add to the page so please send them through to her.

Club Championships (Alan Freeman)

As the Club Championships are now underway, we'd like to remind all participants that **the deadline for completing first-round matches is Friday, 24**th **November**. Please make sure to organize your games promptly to meet this deadline.

Important Reminder – Competition Rules

According to the competition rules, if a match has not been completed within two weeks of the allocated date, the responsibility falls to the **top-listed player/team to** arrange the match. In the event the match is still not played, the top-listed player/team may be required to forfeit. If genuine circumstances prevent you from completing your match on time, please contact the Championships Manager as soon as possible to discuss possible arrangements.

We appreciate everyone's cooperation in keeping the championship on track and ensuring that all players have a fair and enjoyable experience.

Best of luck, and here's to an exciting first round!

Markers, Measurers and Umpires

Our club is a little light on for these officials for match days. If you have any interest in qualifying for one of these roles, please speak with Alan as there is now an online module available to more easily achieve the knowledge and skills required.

Special General Meeting

A meeting of members has been called for Monday 2 December at 7:00pm. At this meeting plans will be presented to members for phase 2 of our shades replacement program. Members will be asked to approve funding for this project. It won't be a long meeting, and nibbles will be provided afterwards.

Club Christmas Dinner

Our regular bistro chef Rhys will prepare a sumptuous 3 course Christmas feast on Thursday December 12. Information is on the white board and on the website. The club is partly sponsoring the evening, so the price has been kept affordable at \$38. Bookings are now being taken at the bar. A bar receipt will be your ticket. Bookings close on Dec 6 and there will be no admission to anyone who hasn't booked and paid by this date.

This dinner is open to all our club community. If you are a night owler or an associate member or just a friend of the club, you are very welcome.

Christmas Raffle

Tickets will be distributed shortly for our Christmas hamper raffle. Donations for the hamper are now being accepted in the plastic tub under the information ledge. Next time you are doing your shopping you may be able to get one extra item and donate it to our hampers.

Christmas decorations

Is anyone available to set up a Christmas tree and decorate the clubrooms a bit prior to our dinner on Dec 12? In fact, anytime from now is acceptable. Please see Tom

Volunteers Christmas Drinks

Beaumont Bowling Club is incredibly fortunate to have a large band of volunteers who ensure our club runs smoothly and efficiently. We don't have to employ staff to manage tasks and so are financially much better off because of our volunteers.

To show our appreciation of what these people do the Board offers an open invitation to all volunteers to join us for a free drink and some nibbles. We will do this on Friday 20 December at 5:00pm.

There is no set criteria for what level of volunteering is required to qualify. If you have volunteered in any capacity this season, then please join us.

You can also purchase drinks if you wish or byo without a corkage fee.

Volunteers make our club great, and we want to say "Thank you."

Bar rush periods

All authorised bar staff are asked to jump on and assist the bar staff in the rush periods after bowls. It may only take 10 minutes but to clear the long lineups we need many hands-on deck. Thanks

Raffle tickets.

Beaumont players are used to buying their raffle tickets from the bar prior to the game but many visiting players are not aware of this. We still need to wander the room and sell tickets. If you are playing home on Wednesdays or Saturdays, please consider asking the bar staff if you can assist selling tickets.

Diary Dates

Special General Meeting 7:00 pm Monday Dec 2 Christmas Dinner Thursday Dec 12 Volunteers Christmas Drinks Dec 20 Open pairs tournament on Jan 25 Quiz night Feb 14

Joke

A decent young Scottish lad named Jock had moved to New York City. After about a week his mother called him, and she asked how he found Americans. "Horrible" he said. "They are always yelling and screaming. They pound on the walls, and they stomp on the floor."

"Oh you poor dear" his mother responded. "How do you cope with that?"

"I just relax on the couch and play my bagpipes" he replied.

Many thanks and enjoy your bowling.

Tom