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Dear Members

Pennant bowls

As we head into the business end of the pennant season, we have over half our teams with a good opportunity to play finals. I ask that bowlers get serious about their bowling for the next couple of months to give ourselves every opportunity do well. I ask that you are available to play whenever possible so we have our strongest teams, and full teams. I ask that you practice regularly and focus when playing. I know that winning is not everything, but it sure is nice when you do.

Mid-season bowls review

Our call for comments on bowls operations so far resulted in very few responses. We will read that as meaning members are mostly satisfied. You may still have input if you wish by speaking with, or emailing, Alan Freeman.

Night Owls

Matches recommenced this week and so far, we are thrilled with the success of the night owls program. However, it does take about a dozen volunteers each week in a variety of roles. We could still use a few more helpers, so volunteers don't necessarily have to come every week. Could you help in the locker room, the kitchen or on the registration desk. Don't wait to be asked, just turn up and say what can I do to help?

Club coach

No decision has been made about whether we explore options for a replacement coach next year. That will be considered over the coming months. Do you think we should be looking for a replacement coach? Members are invited to pass on their thoughts to Alan or Tom. However, in the meantime, we are very thankful to Steve Coultas for his mentoring of some of the ladies in recent times.

Functions coordinator

We still have a vacancy for the very important role of Functions Coordinator. Functions bring invaluable income to our club which means that members don't have to chip in more. Please think about whether you can help.

Club Championships

Our championships are pretty well on track and those still involved are asked to keep the events moving. There are set dates for finals on March 2nd for pairs and 9th for singles.

Bistro

Our Thursday night bistros regularly attract about 40 diners and sometimes more.

The meals are particularly tasty and reasonably priced. The club takes approx \$700 - \$800 over the bar each week which is a significant boost to our finances. You are all welcome to join us. Bookings with Cathie Roff please. 0488171401

Volunteers thankyou function

It was great that we had approx. 40 volunteers to our Thankyou drinks just before Christmas. I know that there are a lot more than 40 who do volunteer in various ways so if you couldn't attend, we still want you to know your efforts are appreciated. If you haven't been able to contribute recently then there are always little tasks that need doing. Just ask how you can help.

Bowls SA events

We have such good greens now that we have been asked to host several Bowls SA events.

We will be hosting the State pairs on Sun Feb 16 (deferred from Jan 19), State under 18s on Sunday Feb 2, Country Carnival pairs on Wed Feb 5, and the women's pairs knockout round on March 9. We will call for some help with these events closer to the dates.

These events are great promotion of our club and credit goes to the greens manager and green keeper.

Quiz night

Our deferred trivia quiz night will be held on Friday 14 February.

That happens to be Valentine's Day so what could be more romantic than taking your loved one to the club for a quiz.

Seriously, they are always a lot of fun so we would love to get 8-10 tables of 8.

Names to the sheet on the information ledge please.

Sponsors

Have you had a good experience using one of our club's sponsors? Please let us know so we can publicise it. I know Brenton Key now has a new car from Northpoint Toyota and Ash and Cathie were very pleased with the work of Humphreys Electrical. Any more examples?

Joke

A doctor, a lawyer, a Boy Scout and a pastor were out for a Sunday afternoon joy flight on a small plane. The plane developed engine trouble and despite the frantic work of the pilot it started to go down. The pilot grabbed a parachute, yelled to the passengers to jump, and he bailed out.

Unfortunately, there were only three parachutes remaining.

The doctor grabbed one and said "I am a doctor and I save lives so I must live." Out he went.

The lawyer grabbed one and said "I am the smartest man in the world. I must live." Out he went.

The pastor looked at the boy and said "My son I have lived a long and full life. You are young with your whole future ahead of you. You take the parachute."

The boy replied "Not to worry sir. The smartest man in the world just jumped out with my backpack."

See you on the greens. Tom