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The Newsletter of the Burwood District Bowls Club

#### From the Bowls Directors Desk

It's hard to think that it was not even two months ago that we were opening the official season with the first pennant games. When looking at that time frame it serves as a great reminder of how long and grinding the bowls year can

Over the last few weeks the JA Cain Saturday Pennant Sides have suffered a washout and the Victorian Open bye and likewise the Ryman Healthcare Midweek Pennant Sides had weeks off for the Melbourne Cup and now have their Victorian Open bye too. This stagnation is less than ideal for maintaining rhythm and consistency across the season on the green, however it also doesn't aid in club spirit and interconnectedness off the green either.

With that in mind I implore all members to look into themselves and ask a few questions:

- What is Burwood District Bowls Club to me?
- Why did I initially join this club?
- How can I make the most of my time with **Burwood District Bowls Club?**

We all came to this club for a number of various reasons. For some it was purely for a love of the game and on green exploits, for others it was to expand social circles and a sense of community. Maybe it was a way to fill time after retirement or possibly to stay active and healthy. Regardless I'd love to see our members look back to what brought them through the gate and into the wonderful surrounds of our club and in doing so find some of that excitement they had upon first entry.

I say all this as just this past Saturday, a group of members took the opportunity to share a day of true club spirit and show what our little community as a club is all about. The three remaining quarter final games of men's singles were played, Jim Sumsion and his merry group of regular social bowlers enjoyed a game and a working group got together under the watchful eye of Jon Mann to continue with the bank repair works on the top McClellan green. After a brief stay for lunch a number of those that played games earlier joined the working crew. Although the day was effective for getting a number of things completed, it was notable for the sense of conviviality and clubmanship on display. I stand back and fondly look on the day as a proud Burwood member.

You may wonder what all this has to do with my role as Bowls Director and that answer is simple. The best teams care about each other and the logo on their shirt. Great sides are close with teammates and have a respect and fighting spirit that upholds their team and club values. There are many opportunities over the next few weeks to build these bonds with the club and teammates. Between the ladies classic day this week, multiple Christmas functions that Jen always needs helpers for and jobs as simple as scoreboard attendants for the upcoming Singles Championship finals night. There is never a situation we couldn't use an extra helper for. So please, put your hand up to volunteer. It may just help your bowls and renew your love for the club.

Good Bowling Glen Sodaitis **Bowls Director** 

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#### Dates to Remember

All of the following will have relevant information on the noticeboard.

#### Club Dates

- Friday nights at the club: Every Friday Night Doors open 5:30, raffles at 7pm and 7:30pm
  - Ladies Classic Day -22nd Nov
  - Club Singles Finals Friday 13th Dec 5:30pm
    - Club Christmas Party- Saturday 16th Dec

Please ensure that all club games are played by the relevant dates.

#### <u>Function Help Needed</u> <u>NOVEMBER</u>

\*Sunday 24th November 12-3pm bar helpers especially required
\*Wednesday 27th November 4-6pm bowls and bar (repeat visitors)

\*Friday 29th November 12-4pm bowls and bar

#### **DECEMBER**

\*Sunday 1st December 12-5pm,

\*Friday 6th December 2-4pm, bar and bowls

\*Sunday 8th December 10- 2pm, bar and bowls

\*Sunday 15th December 11-3pm, bar and bowls

\*Sunday 15th December 4-8pm, bar and bowls

\*Tuesday 17th December 4-6pm, bar and bowls

\*Friday 20th December 2-5pm, bar and bowls

\*Sunday 22nd December 2-6pm, bar and possibly bowls

Please speak to Jen Morley if you are able to assist for any upcoming functions!

#### Chill Towels

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excess water, leaving it nice and moist. Take hold of two of the corners, and wave it up and down for about ten seconds. Wrap it around your neck or other warm point on the skin for instant cooling relief. To reactivate give it a quick wave every 15-20 minutes to reactivate the cooling process. Re-wet every few hours as needed. If you are interested in a Chill towel, can you please speak to Secretary Stuart Nicoll.



### Friday night Members Draw

Next draw (22/11): \$100

Winner must be in attendance within 4 minutes of draw (drawn at 7:30pm) with green members draw card



#### **Books for Sale**

Over many years now, the money received from the sale of books, has enabled the club to purchase many items such as, a vacuum cleaner, 2 fans, a collapsible lounge chair, glassware, crockery and many other items that are needed around the club. The books sell for \$2 each, and are located in the bookcase in the locker room. At this point in time there are many great books in the bookcase. Please have a look and purchase any of the books available.

#### **Christmas Ham's**



Wondering what you will bring to a party or serve this Christmas to your family. Your Local Butcher is here to help. Why not buy one of their famous, house smoked shoulder of ham on the bone?

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#### **CHRISTMAS**



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## Pennant Results

MIDWEEK PENNANT RESULTS			Round	d 5 29th Octob			er	
LEADER	SECOND	THIRD	SKIP	For	Agst	Diff	PTS	
BURWOOD 1	<u>Away</u>	Caulfield PK	<u>Alma</u>					
G Nielsen	M Hawes	B Chittenden	M Chittenden	20	24	-4		
P Williams	H Kennedy	B Wyatt	S Collins	22	15	7	2	
B Matthews	G Burgess	P Kaye	J Hawes	4	38	-34		
			Loss	46	77	-38	2	
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BURWOOD 2 v	<u>Away</u>	<b>Caulfield PK</b>	Alma					
J Sloman	B Hall	A Marshall	J Kent	25	18	7	2	
E Payne	T Cove	L Larher	L Rasmussen	18	18	0	1	
B Dunstan	K Murphy	G Murphy	J Sumsion	15	39	-24		
			Loss	58	75	-17	3	
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BOWLS VICTORIA PENNANT RESULTS			Round	6	9/11/2019		
LEADER	SECOND	THIRD	SKIP		Agst	Diff	PTS
Burwood 1	Ashburton 1	AT	Ashburton 1				
WORBOYS C	HENDRY M	PEISLEY S	CREEK S	21	20	1	2
BROWN J	SMITH I	LANG G	SODAITIS G	12	38	-26	0
NIELSEN G	HENDRA D	CHITTENDEN M	ROBINSON M	32	19	13	2
KENT B	CORRIE J	WYATT B	GASCOIGNE R	13	29	-16	0
			W/L	78	106	-28	4
Burwood 2	Sandringham 2	AT	Burwood				
PALUN V	CHITTENDEN B	CREEK R	COVE R	20	13	7	2
TWITT N	HAWES M	JENKINS P	HODGENS N	32	11	21	2
BIRCH J	MURPHY G	WILLIAMS P	FERGUSON J	18	22	-4	0
BELL S	NICOLL S	KENT J	HAWES J	15	21	-6	0
			W/L	85	67	18	14
Burwood 3	Murrumbeena 2	AT	Burwood				
PAYNE E		VEITCH H	SUMSION J	17	20	-3	0
VEITCH M		BEACH J	KENNEDY H	34	9	25	2
			W/L	51	29	22	12

NIGHT PENNANT RESULTS			Round	Round 1 12/11,			/19	
LEADER	SECOND	THIRD	SKIP	For	Agst	Diff	PTS	
BURWOOD	<b>HOME</b>		Mulgrave CC					
S Nicoll		I Smith	N Hodgens	19	13	6	2	
J Morley		M Robinson	D Hendra	17	15	2	2	
J Brown		J Kent	R Cove	18	22	-4		
C Worboys		P Williams	M Hendry	18	22	-4		
			DRAW	72	72	0	9	
			<b>-</b>					

#### **Christmas Hamper**

Christmas is fast approaching and as in the usual BDBC tradition we will be running our Christmas Hamper Raffle(s).

We are now accepting donations of cash or items to put in the hamper.

Donations of goods can be left in the office. If you are donating cash please put in an envelope labelled "Christmas Hamper" and leave it at the bar (please slide it under the grille if the bar is unattended).

If it is possible we would like to receive your donation prior to 7th December to enable us to have time to put the hampers together.



## Congratulations



We would like to congratulate our Saturday Chairman of Selectors, Steve Peisley on making it to the final 8 of the Victorian Open in the Men's Triples. Steve played with former member Rob Wilson and Chris Wallace. Unfortunately they were not successful in going any further, though they did themselves and each of their clubs proud.

Well done gentlemen on making it so far in a tough field.



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