

Okupu

The Newsletter of the Burwood District Bowls Club

From the President's Desk

Always and quite appropriately, the efforts of the retiring Board deserve our full appreciation. They have given generously of their time and talents for our Club. Thanks you each and every one of you.

Especially we should mark with warmest appreciation the service of the special Lynne Rasmussen for commitment and dedication over and above. Few in any club have held the office of Secretary for 16 consecutive years. Lynne was Section A Secretary for 6 years before the unification of the Club when she became Secretary of the Board, a position held now for a decade. She has generously agreed to remain in an assisting role until the new Board settles in. Well done, Lynne. Enjoy the change of pace.

Familiar challenges will occupy the new Board and they are also your challenges. You know what they are because they are listed at the beginning of each year. They incorporate in broad sweep, the **bowling life** of the club, our financial health, very obviously **membership**, along with maximising our value in what is a fine **property**.

With the return of OKUPU, and an upto-date web-site, communication channels so crucial to organisational health will return to where they should be.

It's well understood across the membership, I believe, that the very future of this once great club hinges on our joint efforts and application to the challenge we face right now. I will commit the Board to the task. I want you all to make your own commitment in whatever way you can. Be not a watcher; be a doer. Be not a carping critic; give of your experience, your knowledge, your initiative. Then as the club surges forward you will rightly feel pride in the achievement because it will be your achievement.

Together much can be achieved. Come join the battle.

Michael Chittenden

2018-19 Board of Management

President: **Vice-President:**

Secretary: **Treasurer:**

Michael Chittenden

Stephen Creek Stuart Nicoll Craig Worboys **Board Members:** *Ian McCahon*

> Paul Williams Glen Sodaitis Mike Hendry

Dates to Remember

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

Indoor Bowls

The Club has purchased two Indoor carpet mats, associated bowls and equipment. After two 'introduction' evenings we have found it a great way to socialise and keep your touch over the Winter. Rollup at 7pm on Monday May 7th, Tuesday June 5th, Monday July 2nd, Monday August 6th, and Monday September 3rd. Cost is \$5 per night, all family/friends are welcome. If you are interested please contact Sue Collins.

Winter Saturday Roasts

Commencing May 19th, we will once again be holding our excellent winter roast lunch on the third Saturday of the month, through to August. If you want a great meal and a catchup please contact Jen Morley.

Winter Whiskey Tasting.

Friday June 1st. Our fourth such annual event and an excellent night and terrific fundraiser for the Club. Cost is \$50 pp. Contact Mike Hendry for more information.

Yarra Valley Wine & Cider Adventure

A full day out in the beautiful Yarra Valley sampling some great wine, cider, gin and even chocolate will take place on Sunday July 8th! This is not a fundraiser, just a very social day. Cost is \$150 all inclusive (bus, tastings and lunch). Contact Jen Morley

Woolworths Ashwood BBQ

Date TBC for an August Saturday. We'll keep you posted on dates. This has been a consistent fundraiser for us in the winter and with 90 minutes shifts it's a pretty relaxed gig.

Club WORKING BEE

The Club working bee will take place on Saturday August 25th. This is in preparation for the Opening of the Green the following week there will be a working bee to make the Clubrooms spic-and-span. All are welcome!

In coming weeks you'll be informed about pre-season training and practice games for September, plus other news as it comes to hand.



Presentation Night

2017/18 Champions and Runners up

Ladies Singles Champion: Pam Kaye

Runner Up: Sue Collins

Ladies 100 up Champion: Sue Collins

Runner Up: Lou Larher

Mens Singles Champion: Barrie Jackett

Runner Up: Michael Chittenden Ladies Pairs Champions: P Kaye/B Chittenden

Runner Up: L Rasmussen/W Promnitz

Mens Pairs Champions: J Corrie/N Hodgens

Runner Up: B Wyatt/M Chittenden



Our website has now been updated and given a new look. Please go and check it out and tell us what you think. It can be found at: http://www.burwooddistrict.com.au