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Clubhouse Facilities

After delays due to covid restrictions the shire have finally been able to sand and reseal the dance floor in the clubhouse. Whilst we can start using the area again, please avoid dragging chairs and tables across the area to allow the surface to totally cure and harden.

The carpet cleaners have also now been booked for the last Thursday in May.

Club Security

There have been a number of instances recently where either the wooden dowel has not been placed in the window frame in the bowls office, the air conditioners have been left on at the end of the day, doors out onto the balcony left unlocked and the front door left wide open. With fewer members around during winter it is important that we all take responsibility for checking everything is closed up when we leave. Those on the lock up roster will obviously check again before they seal up the building.

Geoff Gilsenan is investigating the feasibility of installing a self closer on the front door, so it closes behind you.

Mount Martha Bowls, Petanque and Social Club

How wonderful it was to see so many Members at our AGM's on Tuesday, May 10th! Your interest and support was noticed and very much appreciated. As we farewelled some of our Board of Management Directors and Bowls Committee Members we welcomed their replacements, however, I have to report that not all positions have been filled. This of course is disappointing. But in saying that I do hope that those willing workers who have taken on roles will have your full support as decisions are made in the Club's best interest.

The Board of Management Members are; Gill Tebby [Bowls Section Vice [President], Ron Turner [Sponsorship Director], Bill Gomme [Chairman], John Osborne [Greens Director], Hank Dankers [Membership Director], Barry Woods [Bowls Section President], Michael Harrisson [Petanque Section President], Andrea Bowles [Petanque Director], Geoff King [Secretary], Geoff Gilsenan [Facilities Director]. These are the people you can go to if you have an issue that the Board should address and resolve.



Following Celia Patrick's resignation we still have to fill the vital role of Treasurer. John Renowden has agreed to join the Board in a role to be determined and as Deny Phillips has needed to step down for health reasons, we require someone to be responsible for Catering.

We all thank all those people who took up office on the

Bowls and Petanque Section Committees and offer our support as they make decisions in regard to all Bowling or Petanque activities.

With the onset of the Winter Bowls Season there are a few changes that we must remember: dress for games is neat casual /mufti the Clubhouse is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, for Winter Bowls. Petanque are playing Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

For those who are heading North, or overseas, we wish you safe travel. And those who are staying in Mt Martha we hope enjoy what the Club has to offer. and above all enjoy your break and stay well.

Bill Gomme



Blues Music Nights

Martha Salt have presented 2 great shows in the last month, commencing with the Jump Cats and followed up by Jimi Hocking and the Blues Roulette. The latter drew a full house with people coming down from town. Max Chaperon, Michael Harrisson, Carole Rivett, Margaret McInerney, Chris Nelms and supported by our Bar Manager Vaughan King have ensured not only are the patrons enjoying their time but also guaranteeing the club is enjoying great sales being made through the bar, around \$10,000 raised so far.

Salty & Tracey are taking some time off so the next show will not be until the end of June on Saturday 25th.



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Floodlights for the Terrain

Legacy Lighting the official partner to Bowls Australia will be supplying the two floodlights to be erected on the east side of the terrain.



The cost for the lights is fully covered by the monies already raised by the petanque section.

The erection of the lights has been delayed somewhat as the shire have now requested engineering certification for the project which includes the existing light poles.

Probus Visit



Thursday 26 May 10 – 12 noon we are providing a Pop Up Petanque session for Osborne Ladies Probus group. We are expecting approx. 25 women to attend. We will provide them with morning tea as part of the activity.

Mount Martha Bowls Petanque and Social Club

Australian National Petanque Championships – Easter 2022.

At the recent Championships held in Adelaide we had success in a number of events with the following results:



Women 60+ Singles

Ros Allen – 1st place Complementary.

Women 60+ Doubles

Andrea Bowles & Kerrie (St. Kilda) – 1st place Complementary;

Lyn McLeod & Ros Allen – 2nd place Complementary.

Men 60+ Doubles

Laurie McLeod & Roger (St. Kilda) – 4th place Principale.

Open 60+ Triples

Geoff Shaw, Laurie McLeod & Roger (St. Kilda) – 1st place Complementary.



The club entered two teams in the recent **Metro & South Regional Cup** inter-club competition played at Dove PC. Both finished outside the top three in the face of some very tough competition. It was a good opportunity to represent the club.

On Friday May 20th. We will be entertaining members from St. Andrews Beach including a BBQ after the game.

Winter Bowls

Our Winter Bowls Program has commenced.

There is Open nominated Triples on Mondays, followed by Social Bowls on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Uniform for all events is mufti and all play commences at 11 am.

Bring your own lunch or order a pie or pastie before the game. Cup of soup will also be available.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to work in the office On the last Friday in each month we play the Mt Martha/Mornington Winter Challenge. Sponsored by the Bendigo Bank, we alternate between the two clubs. On May 27th we are at home, so put your names on the list in the foyer





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Clubhouse Hire

As we have seen from the Blues Music Nights the utilisation of the clubhouse for functions and other activities can provide us with a valuable alternative income stream. Recently Padua College utilised the facility for 6 hours and the kindergarten have indicated that they will use it for a function later in the year. Remember as a member you are eligible for a substantially discounted rate to hire the facilities

Function Co-ordinator

It is very pleasing to announce that Jan Bettess has volunteered to take over the important role of Functions Co-ordinator, and Gill Tebby has offered to help. Thank you both.



Presentation Day 2022

Money Squares

The money squares fundraising program co-ordinated by Irene Hey continues to provide additional facilities for us all. After the new large screen TV, we now have a new BBQ. Going into winter Irene is running mini squares with just 50 numbers to be sold before the draw. After an incident with the raffle balls recently Irene is investigating an electronic method to conduct the draws when we re-introduce the lunch time raffles and talking to Andrea to ensure the petanque members are all involved.

