



Wayne Taylor & Barbara Turner

Congratulations to Wayne & Barbara on becoming the 2023 Club Champions. Runners up were Pranas Silas and Dot Tamburrini respectively.





Mount Martha Bowls, Petanque and Social Club

Mt Martha Awarded \$15,000 as part of Bendigo Bank's Stronger Community Grant Programme



Mt Martha Bowls, Petanque & Social Club applied for \$20,000 to assist with replacement furniture in our main gathering area. On the first night of Jack Attack, Bendigo Manager Gary Stanford was very pleased to advise that the Club were successful and would be receiving a \$15,000 Grant. Gary thanked the Club and all of its members that bank at Community Bank Mt Martha because this is how these amounts are possible."



This is an artists impression of a possible furniture layout that was used to support our application.

A sub committee will be set up to investigate what we should be doing to improve the ambience of the club and how much additional funding will be required.

Mount Martha Community Bank are a major club sponsor and recently delivered 2 pop up dual branded marquees which have already been put to good use at several bowls and petangue events.





Geoff Shaw– Australian Gold Medallist



Big congratulations to Geoff Shaw who took out the gold medal in the Singles Complementaire Division 60+ at the Australian National Championships held in Adelaide.

Congratulations to Jennifer Cuthbert



for not only winning the Vic Doubles Championship, being selected to play for Australia in the Trans Tasman event Jennifer also won the award as the best Victorian 60+ female player for 2022

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Jennifer Shaw Memorial Tournament March 24th

Well done and thank you to everyone who contributed to making our Jennifer Shaw Memorial Tournament such a big success again in 2023.







Even better the event was won by one of our members Sue Rickarby, along with Guy Mercier & Martial Leconte,

South & Metro Region Challenge – 23rd April 2023

Our club hosted this year's competition with 10 teams from five clubs playing for the Cup. The level of competition was high with many close games in singles, doubles and triples formats. We are gaining an excellent reputation for hosting competitions and great hospitality.







The early showers gave way to a lovely day for petanque. Camberwell 1 were the winners, with Dove 1 in 2nd place, and St. Kilda Reds in 3rd place - congratulations to all three teams. A big thanks to all those who assisted with setting up/dismantling the marquees etc. around the terrain, preparing the lunch rolls, bringing along cakes, selling tea/coffee & raffle tickets etc. etc. - your help was very much appreciated and ensured all the players had an enjoyable day at our club. We also thank Peter for scoring and David for umpiring.





Member Benefit

For your enjoyment, as a member you can hire the premises as part of your membership package at a 50% discount. We offer your guests beautiful surroundings, and a friendly environment with sea views.

Our Clubhouse is a wonderful setting for birthday celebrations, engagement parties, workplace break ups, Christmas functions and many other events.

The Club facilities are ideal for small or large groups and are competitively priced. We offer a flexible facility with space for up to 140 standing or 90 – 110 seated around dance floor.

For more information contact
Jan Bettess

Mount Martha Bowls Petanque and Social Club

Roz Allen-Petanque Poster Girl.

Yes it is our own Roz Allen that is on the flyer promoting Petanque as one of the events in this year's Masters Games being held in Adelaide in October.



The Inaugural Judy Alexander Ladies Triples was held on Tuesday 21st March. Wow what a fantastic day.



Overall Winners Judy, Vicky and Sandra with Eddy Brown of Impact Realty.

- 90 Lady bowlers,
- A large team of Men and some Ladies performing a range of roles in the Club House,
- · A full clubhouse,
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea provided,

- · Music,
- Great bowling prizes,
- · A successful raffle, and Pop Up Bowls Shop The sponsors for the day were CoastCom Security, Main Beach Travel and Impact Realty.
- Jessica Cameron, an Independent Travel Consultant who operates under the Main Beach Travel banner, gave a great presentation at lunchtime and won over many of those in attendance with her enthusiasm and travel stories. She topped it off by donating generous Travel Vouchers to 2 very happy bowlers!
- Eddy Brown, Co-Director of Impact Realty Group, and Jeanette Phillips, Marketing Coordinator of Impact Realty Group, attended for the awarding of prizes and were clearly taken aback by the packed club rooms, and impressed by the atmosphere and overall experience. Impact Realty Group are the new owners of the former Bonaccorde agency.

The 90 bowlers included players from 14 clubs, including 4 clubs from outside the Peninsula. The compliments and joy were flowing, and the question – "Will this happen again next year?" The answer is yes.





New Members

We are pleased to welcome

Bowls Section

Donald Armstrong
Mark Burton
Zillah Carlin
Maria Celentrino
Alec Clews
Elizabeth Evans
Carol Hardman
Gary Hardman
Suzanne Hughes
John O'Brien
Tony Reidy
Lyon Roberts
Roland Smith
Glynis Smith

Petangue Section

Jillian Biencroft
Philip Biencroft
Cathryn Leonard
Helen Lingaard
Noel McKenzie
Peter Strong
Elaine Watson
Gary Williams
Krysia Williams

Social

Angela Wall

Please introduce yourselves to these new members and make them feel welcome.

Mount Martha Bowls Petanque and Social Club

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Over the last few months we have been reviewing many aspects of the club's operations and it is very obvious that the Board of Management is too top heavy with eleven members.

We have also identified from feedback from visitors, barefoot bowlers, people playing pop up petanque and attending functions that we need to be more visible as a club and develop a closer relationship with the local community.

Therefore we are proposing to restructure the board and reduce it from eleven down to seven members, whilst still retaining the option to appoint up to two others with specialised skills.

The board would then consist of a Chairperson, Club Secretary, Club Treasurer, Bowls President, Petanque President, Property & Facilities Director and a Marketing Director. The previous roles of membership and sponsorship will report into the marketing director whilst the greens director would along with the maintenance manager report into the property & facilities director.

The role of Marketing Director will be to:

- 1. Form relationships within the community with the goal of recruiting players to the club.
- 2. Create additional awareness for the club within the community.
- 3. Create and implement player recruitment strategies for both bowls and pétanque.
- 4. Advertise and promote the playing opportunities of the club.
- 5. Create marketing information which can be provided to club participants to assist in recruiting new players to the club.
- 6. Update the club website to reflect the latest recruitment information.
- 7. Develop social media campaigns to increase awareness of the club.
- 8. In conjunction with the Membership Manager, Bowls and Pétanque Presidents consider running a number of "come and try" or "meet the coach" days inviting potential players to come and experience our sports and our club.
- 9. Create and maintain a register of key relationships in recruitment (e.g. junior clubs, schools, barefoot bowls, pop up Pétanque attendees etc.).
- 10. If participating in the Sporting Schools program, work closely with the Coaching coordinator(s) who will be the primary co-ordinator.
- 11. Appoint a Membership and a Sponsorship Manager for a 12-month period.

This is indeed a key role in developing the future of the club. If you would like more information on the position please do not hesitate to contact Bill Gomme





Club Champions

Ron Turner Achievement Danny Tamburrini Wayne Taylor

Mens Singles

Wayne Taylor RU Pranas Silas

Women's Singles Barbara Turner RU Dot Tamburrini

Mens Pairs

Ray Owens Hayden Rees RU **Tony Spring Terry Leech Women's Pairs Barbara Turner** Di Dungey RU **Lesley Eade** Sandra Richardson

Mixed Pairs

Wayne Taylor Lynette Taylor RU **Di Dungey Kevin Dungey Minor Bob Russo RU Vaughan King Women's Minor Dot Tamburrini RU Kerrin Grant**

100 Up **Tony Spring RU Danny Tamburrini**

Novice Geoff Bell RU Pam de Kort

Night Owls Lucrezia Chatham

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Clubhouse Extension

In our last newsletter we outlined how we were in discussion with the Mornington Shire to extend the size of the club House

At a recent meeting with the Briars Councillors and the a couple of Shire Officers we were advised that there were no funds for capital expenditure.

In fact before we could carry out any building improvements there has to be a toilet for people with disabilities down near the greens and terrain.

So we have embarked on a program to determine has this can be achieved economically.

Member

One complaint we often receive is that we were never asked our opinion. Well now that can never be said.

Over the next few weeks you will be invited to participate in a number of online surveys which will provide you with the opportunity to contribute your ideas on how we can improve as a club. The surveys are simple with most questions having multiple answers for you to simply tick and move on to the next question.

Your responses will be invaluable in helping to determine the future direction of the club.

Mount Martha Bowls, Petangue and Social Club

Winter Bowls

On Saturday May 6th our Winter Bowls Program will be officially opened.

We will be offering Open nominated Triples on Mondays, followed by Social Bowls on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The dress code for all events is mufti and play commences at 11 am. Great prizes.

Bring your own lunch. Cup of soup will also be available.

The sheets for the nominated event are available in the foyer so you can enter your team, or put yourself down as a single entry.

As with any event we will need your help to work in the office so please indicate on the list in the foyer which day(s) you are available.



Jack Attack.

Our second series of Jack Attack held in March on Wednesday Nights saw twice as many teams playing in this latest version of our Community Bowls Challenge. This is a very important part of our membership programme as not only are we encouraging people who are still working to come along and play but we obviously are aiming for them to get the bowls bug and want to join







up as members, whether now or in the future. Hayden Rees despite moving away from the area drove up every week to run the event. Ron Young & Michael McInerney were on hand to help develop the skills of those playing.

Supper and drinks were provided by Vaughan King. The team from Vita Wealth ended the series as champions.





Lucrezia Chatham Night Owls Challenge Winner

Throughout the sum-

mer season Monday Nights have been filled with the sound of music and much laughter as the Night Owls Challenge continued under lights. On the final night **Lucrezia Chatham was** presented with the **Perpetual Night Owl** Trophy by event coordinators Di & Ben Bennett. With playing numbers increasing each week-Night Owls is a great way to ease yourself into the game. Each week members of club coaching were



on hand and giving

little tips to help im-

prove our bowling.

Lucrezia seen here receiving the trophy from Night Owls Co-Ordinator Di Bennett.

The next season is scheduled to start in November

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Supervets Morning Tea Monday February 20th.



Once again it was great to see so many loyal supporters of the club at the Supervets morning tea.

Evening Petanque – The new lights on the terrain are currently



being enjoyed on Tuesdays commencing at 5pm – at least until the wintry weather sets in! It's a great experience and enables players who have commitments during the day a chance to come along and enjoy a couple of games. We welcome beginners and experienced players to join us.

Blues Music Programme

The club has really benefitted from the regular Blues Music Events.



As well as the increased turnover across the bar the club is being exposed across a wider cross section of the community. However, this would not have been possible without the wonderful support of Vaughan King and his bar team. There are 3 shows in May. To book go to the Martha Salt Music website. Doors open at 7.30 and the music starts at 8.30. You bring along your own nibbles.