

THE BUZZ



HORNETS

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PATRON, FRANCES BEDFORD
& SUPPORTED BY CO-PATRON
RICHARD HARVEY



FROM THE CHAIRPERSON'S DESK



I would like to thank members for their support and help during my recovery from a hip replacement. I have just started driving again, and plan to be back on the bowling green early July.

At this time of the year, activities at the Club slow down. Social Bowls continue on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, although wet weather has already cancelled several days.

Pennant season will be upon us before we know it, so I encourage you to let the Club know of your availability to play pennants in the new season. Subscriptions are due to be paid by 31 July.

We held our **Club AGM** last month and I congratulate Alan Wheeldon on being elected to the Board and thank Martin Smith who did not seek re-election for his contribution to the Board over many years. At the AGM, members approved expenditure for the installation of an in-ground watering system for all three greens. We are currently looking for Government grants to assist with this expense. Following the change of Government at both State and Federal levels, there are no current grants available, but I notice that, in the recent State Government Budget, \$68.1 million has been allocated to fund community infrastructure projects and \$10 million in sports grants. We have already had a meeting with the Olivia Savvas, our local member, who has offered her support.

The Board will continue to meet monthly to ensure the smooth running of the Club. A copy of the Minutes of each meeting can be found in the folder at the back of the Club.

I am pleased to see that all Government restrictions regarding Covid have been lifted, including the “No Jab, No Play” policy. Again, I would like to thank Nola Manuel for her excellent work in keeping the Club informed of changes.

FROM THE CHAIRPERSON'S DESK cont./...

Sponsorship is an important aspect of the Club - it works in two ways. Firstly, it generates income for the Club, but this only happens if Club members support our Sponsors. During the Covid pandemic we have had several businesses drop their sponsorship due either to financial hardship, or their perceived idea that they are not getting a response for their outlay. May I suggest that as you engage with our Sponsors, as members, that you mention that you are from the Hope Valley Bowling Club AND appreciate their support.

Secondly, if you know of any potential Sponsors, please let either Brian Thompson or myself know. We would appreciate it if you didn't approach them yourselves, as we have different levels of sponsorship that we can offer them.

Until next time. **DAVID McMARTIN**

FROM THE MEN'S PRESIDENT

I have several news items below, so please read to the end and share with others who may not see this.

Firstly, a warm welcome to 2 new full members; *Brenton Whittlesea* and *Noel Dowse*. Bowl well and enjoy your time at Hope Valley guys.

Volunteers are needed to assist behind the bar from time to time. See Ross Porritt if you are interested. John Peek is also seeking a volunteer or two to help him with **Thursday Night Owls** for the upcoming season. Let Peeky know if you can help.

Thanks to Jim Terrington for our new **NOTICE BOARD** that can be viewed from outside. This will be used to supplement emails and text messages that are sent out to everyone from time to time. See the notice board for information about the proposed Masters' competition.



FROM THE MEN'S PRESIDENT cont./...

Please take the responsibility to check the notice board whenever you attend the Clubhouse.

More than 70 of our pennant bowlers have attended one of the 30-minute coaching sessions with Gary Davies. I have only received positive feedback so far. A special thank you to *Andrea Williams* for facilitating the attendance of many of the ladies. If you missed out don't fret; supplementary sessions can be arranged for those who missed the emails, or who may have been ill or on holiday. **Keep watching the new notice board** for times when Gary will be available to follow-up with any individual who needs further support, is seeking more tips, or simply to see how your 40-bowl test score compares to others.

By the end of June, the Club will respond to an expression of interest request about entering a side in the proposed **Masters (over age 75) pennant division (Saturday competition)**. To date only 5 individuals have expressed interest, so unless numbers increase, we shall be responding in the negative. There's still time to let Chris Parry know if you are interested.

Any men requiring uniforms please see David Binns ASAP. David does have some stock, but may need to order new items prior to the start of the season and this could take several weeks.

Dean Sanders' role with the **juniors is expanding**. Currently Dean is coordinating the growth of our junior programme, writing to local schools for new participants and exploring how best to implement an after-school weekly junior competition. Additional help will be needed later in the year, so if you are interested in assisting with our junior development, please see Dean.

For all the usual reasons we have lost a few players before the new season even starts; at this stage we have almost 60 confirmed starters for Wednesday pennants and almost 70 starters for Saturday. Pennant sides will have to be nominated very shortly, so if you are yet to confirm your participation for next season please do so with Chris Parry at your earliest convenience.

FROM THE MEN'S PRESIDENT cont./...

Your Men's Committee and primary roles are:-

President:	Ivan Lawton
Secretary:	Chris Parry
Vice-President:	Ken Seymour
Treasurer & Awards officer:	Len Blakeney
Club Championship Director:	Jamie Jarman
Tournament Director:	Ross Porritt
Night Owls Coordinator:	John Peek
Uniforms Officer:	David Binns
Junior Coach/Coordinator:	Dean Sanders
Selectors:	Warren Taylor (Open Gender) & Ken Seymour (Men's)

Many of you have been office bearers in the past, but for those who have not and wonder what your Committee does, then below is a list of events we hope to implement over the next 12 months. Some will not go ahead without additional volunteer support, so ***if you are interested in helping out with any events listed below, then please see me or the responsible Committee Office bearer.***

Dates cannot be finalised until we have the season start and finals dates from MBA, which we probably won't receive until late July or August. So, keep your eyes on the notice board or lookout for the NEXT BUZZ for a fuller timetable of events.

EVENTS WE HOPE TO CONDUCT:

Open Day - First week celebration
Junior Come 'n' Try (September school vacation)
Cooper's Day - Skins Night
Ultimate Bowls - Easter Competition
Anzac Day (Australia Vs World) 25 April
Final week BBQ (yes, I know about it this year)
Club Championships: 5 Sundays have been set aside (in pencil) for opening rounds of Club Championships this year: 30 October, 6, 13, 20 and 27 November.

IVAN LAWTON

FROM THE LADIES' PRESIDENT



FROM THE LADIES' LOCKER ROOM

Our AGM was conducted on the 5 April, well attended by 30 Full Members with apologies from 4. Office Bearers and Committee Members were elected as follows:

- President: Jill Chandler
Vice President: Bev Thompson
Secretary: Roslyn Blakeney
Treasurer: Shirley Kipling
Committee: Sue Kelly, Nola Manuel, Nadene Morrow, Chris Murphy, Jane Oswald, Brenda Seymour
Tournament Director: Brenda Seymour
Club C'ship Director: Jane Oswald
Women's Selector: (Since been appointed by the Committee) Andrea Williams

The Ladies "End of Season" luncheon was held at the Modbury Hotel following the AGM, and was enjoyed by many, except for the unwelcome arrival of 'Covid' soon afterwards!!! Not good.

Here, I would like to acknowledge the work that has been done in the past by our 'Retirees' who are: Raelene Heitmann, Patricia Deacon and Vonnie Secker. Your efforts have been very much appreciated ladies, thank you.

And Nadene Morrow, who has worked tirelessly as our Chairperson of Selectors, sincere thanks go to you also.

Our Information Morning for the coming Season will be Tuesday, 6 September at 10 am followed by the first official practice session on Thursday, 8 September at 9.30 am.

I hope everyone is enjoying a 'break' from Pennant Competition over the Winter months – we now look forward to the coming Season.

Cheers for now.

JILL CHANDLER

HOUSE MANAGER'S REPORT



All supplies that are required for the cleaning and upkeep of the Club are now in stock and stored in a manageable allocated area.

As will have been observed, there is a new cupboard for the *coffee machine*. I have also had the water plumbed directly, into the water reservoir. This water is fed from the plumbing within the bar area and is both filtered and fitted with a non-return valve.

The *Sunday cleaning roster* is running as well as can be expected, with most rostered members turning up for cleaning duties, the introduction of the new scrubbing machine is working well and has provided the potential to reduce the number of volunteers to four instead of five, as is the current case.

Currently we have introduced a system whereby the objective is to leave the clubrooms in a state of preparedness, which will assist the next users to commence their activities within the clubroom, without the hassle of having to re-arrange all the tables and chairs.

The only obstacle so far, is the abundance of advisers all willing to participate - unfortunately some of these advisers are ill-equipped to know exactly what is required to achieve our objective.

I have drawn up two simple layout plans and posted them on the notice board at the rear of the Club. These plans, when followed, make everything so easy for all members using the facilities.

The indoor bowlers are pleased with how the Club is prepared for their arrival to play their indoor games. And when they finish, they also leave the Club ready for social bowls for the next day.

The *storage area for supplies and cleaning equipment* has been re-organised with a re-vamped hanging space for mops and brooms, a shelf to hold the battery charger has been installed, and all mops have been thoroughly soaked in bleached water and restored to their original colours. They also do not seem to smell so much now. Happy days.

JIM TERRINGTON, HOUSE MANAGER.



**ALFRED
JAMES**



For 100 years we have been there, supporting families when a loved one dies.

We've seen a lot of changes in that time. We've been there through wars, depressions, booms, busts and natural disasters – the good times and the bad. Always there to provide support and care to families who have lost a loved one.

The very nature of life and death has changed radically in the past century. Today, we can expect to live into our 80's which is 25 years longer than in 1922 when we first started. We are healthier and we live longer.

We also honour the individual life in a way that wasn't done in the 1920's. It's fair to say that no two funerals are the same anymore, they are a true reflection of the person we honour and their families and friends.

But what hasn't changed is that we are there when people need us. At a time that is difficult and emotional we are trusted to care, to honour, to be there. Yesterday, today and tomorrow.

If you would like information about funeral options, including pre-paid funerals, please do not hesitate to call us on 8272 8555.

HVBC COACHING 2022

You may be aware that coach Gary Davies is conducting 30-minute, once-off coaching sessions (up to 6 in each group). At these sessions Gary is talking about our off-season practice plan, is conducting a review of your bowling technique and providing tips for individual off-season practice.

Selectors would like every pennant player to attend a 30-minute session with Gary, but particularly those players who wish to be considered for the first and second sides. Your attendance is only required once.

Sessions are being conducted

- Tuesdays 10.00am, 10.30am, 4.00pm, 4.30pm
- Thursdays 4.00pm, 4.30pm and
- Saturdays 10.00am, 10.30am

Many players have already booked and attended a session. Further sessions continue over the next few weeks. Members with email are being notified when they are scheduled to attend a session. If you receive email notification, please reply to confirm your availability or your wish to attend a different date/timeslot.

For those without email **a Paper list is in the Clubhouse**, adjacent to the social bowls lists.

- Please check this list to see what time/date you have been allocated.
- If your name is not listed either add it yourself or contact Ivan to negotiate a timeslot that suits.
- Do not exceed 6 names in any single session.
- Ensure your name is not allocated to more than one time/date.
- Do not remove the paper lists from the Clubhouse.

Ivan will update the lists each week.

QUESTION ASKED OF PETER HURT

I have just received this email from Mick Noonan:

“During an away game towards the end of last season, with about three or four ends to go on each rink, I asked my opposition skipper if he would make sure that the scoreboard is kept up to date after each end because it looked like it was going to be a close finish. He replied something like ‘I’m not allowed to touch the scoreboard, that’s the job of my second’. I again explained the reason for my request and, after much consternation on his part, he eventually agreed to my request. I would have talked with his team manager had he still argued the point.

I recall one example last season when one of our rinks indicated 20 ends at the end of the game and our second was in the clubhouse!

Is there anything in the rules that would give emphasis to the validity of my request?”

My answer is in **Conditions of Play**, as follows:

5.1 Scorecards: In a fours game the second of each team shall be responsible for the scorecard ... At the end of the game, players who are responsible for maintaining the scorecards must record the time of completion and sign both cards.

It is recommended that seconds confirm the score each end.

PETER HURT

CARPARK SPEED LIMIT:

Members are reminded of the speed limit within the Club carpark as displayed at the carpark entrance **(20 kph!!)**.

To avoid the possibility of an accident, walking pace is considered appropriate given the age of many of our members.



AUSTRALIA VS REST OF THE WORLD - ANZAC DAY 2022

Sixty-one players, comprising of 8 rinks, contributed to a close competition this year on Anzac Day, played in excellent conditions with the greens being of the usual high standard. The winning rinks were split at 4 apiece, 6 rinks had a shots-up difference of 5 or less and each side won 72 ends. The other two rinks were not quite so close!

And the winning team isAustralia, 129 shots to 124



From left to right - the best Rest of the World winning rink – George Brady, Barry Reynolds, Jo Caruana (skip), David Binns, Len Blakeney (Australian Captain) followed by the best Australian winning rink – Andrea Williams (skip), Jane Oswald, Helen Taylor, Brenton Whittlesea. Below – The Australian Team



FROM YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE



My caretaker year of chairing the Social Committee has finished and I am pleased to say that Alan Wheeldon has taken on the role of Chairperson.

A small Committee of Jane Oswald as Secretary, myself as Treasurer and Committee members, Therese Snape and Keith Knipe, will join him to plan our yearly functions. It would be great if a few more people with ideas would come on board, they would be very welcome. Please speak to Alan or myself if you are interested.

ROS BLAKENEY.



THE BOWLER'S DILEMMA

(written by Nadene when she first took up bowling several years ago!!)

I retired from work, which was just fine,
Then what to do with my spare time?
Try lawn bowls – give it a go.
Not for me – that's too slow.
I finally decided to go out and play,
Purchased some bowls and was on my way.
The bowls I bought have got a will of their own,
They want to be bowled and not be thrown.
A pendulum swing – it's as easy as that,
And please remember to keep a foot on the mat.
I've met no-one here who is great
Cos they all tell me to watch my weight!!

I eat as healthy as you've ever seen,
And still they tell me to take more green.
I got a wick, but my skipper frowned
We were up – we're now 6 down.
A bowl near kitty – I was tickled pink.
Unfortunately, it was to the other rink.
This silly game haunts me night and day.
In my dreams I hear the coaches say,

**CORRECTION
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That's your way to perfection.

LADIES THURSDAY PENNANT FINALS

The Metropolitan Bowls Association asked HVBC to host the Ladies Thursday Pennant Finals for four divisions on Thursday, 31 March. This was a great opportunity to showcase the Club in the best possible way, which we certainly did, but it also took an enormous amount of work by our many dedicated volunteers.

Credit must go to Jim Terrington and his band of volunteers, including our umpire and measurers, those manning the scoreboards and setting up the umbrellas and chairs for the many spectators who attended the day. Our team of gardeners and green-keeper Mick had the greens and surrounds looking picture perfect, as always.

Raelene Heitmann has found her new calling as kitchen manager, and with her team in the kitchen, did a great job in feeding the players and visitors with toasted sandwiches and scones, jam and cream. Vonnie made approximately 200 scones for the day.

The barmen were very busy throughout the day, particularly when the games finished, so well done guys.

The comments received from MBA officials, Trevor Horne and Ron Mulliner, and players and spectators alike, were very complimentary to all concerned, and indicative of the amount of work HVBC members put into making the day such a success.

The coffee machine proved to be a valuable asset with \$206 going through the machine.

NOLA MANUEL

Administration Secretary

On behalf of the Board of Management



LADIES INDOOR BOWLS GALA DAY

Our Ladies Indoor Bowls Gala day held on 26 May was very successful due largely to our very popular pasties, trading table with home baked goodies and Paul Raby's plants, plus generous donations from the ladies for our raffle.



Also, a big thank you to Dave from Valley Butchers in the Hope Valley Shopping Centre who, whilst not a sponsor, always donates to our raffles. Please support him if you can.

We were able to pass on \$1,316.00 to the Women's Committee. Well done to all the ladies who contributed to the day.

Congratulations to Vonnie, Raelene, Helen Stephenson and Margaret Bibby from our Gold team for obtaining an '8' badge against Port Adelaide in May.

Well done, everyone.



LINDA SCARLETT

President - Hope Valley Indoor Bias Bowls



L-R Back:
Joe, Bob, Ron,
Dave, Keith,
Jane, Malcolm,
Jeff, Rocco, Don,
Norma
Front L-R:
Elliott, Cameron,
Rhys

Congratulations to our Div 6 North team who made the 2021/2022 Grand Final, losing in a very close finish. Everyone played really well and deserve all the accolades they can get!! It was exciting to watch.

VALE – KEVIN HALL – 1942 – 2022

HVBC offer their sincere condolences to Beth and family on the passing of Kevin, a much loved member of the Club, always smiling, joking and never complaining. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTATIONS

23 APRIL 2022

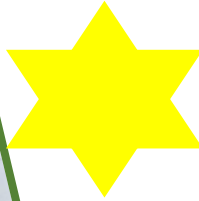


Clockwise: **Women's Champs – Singles** – Rae, R/Up – Andrea; **100 Up** – Rae, R/Up – Bev; **Pairs** – Bev & Rae, R/Up – Nadene & Jill; **Coral Farelly Trophy** winner, for Highest Achieving Pennant Player – winning on percentage from Jill – Chris Nemeth; **Triples** – Bev, Rae, Maryann; R/Up – Andrea, Helen, Vonnie; **Div 2 Singles** – Ester, R/Up – Chris Murphy (no photo)



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTATIONS

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Clockwise: **Men's Champs** – *Singles* – Chris Parry, R/Up – Keld; *100 Up* – Chris P, R/Up – Ken Seymour (no photo); *Pairs* – Kobe & John Bywater (no photo), R/Up – Keld & Len; *Mixed Pairs* – Bev & Brian, R/Up – Linda Scarlett & Ross Porritt (no photo), *Handicap Singles* – Dean Sanders (no photo), R/Up – Bob Basedow

