

NEWSLETTER



January/February 2019

Belated New Year's Greetings to everyone! May this year be filled with joy and good health and trust that all your bowls go where they are directed!! (That would be "*may this year be filled with joy and good health and HOPE!*")

The Executive has held its first meeting of the year and there are some dates to remember as well as reports on events to share. Thanks, as always, to Mary Forster for enhancing this letter with her usual skill.

Our new President, Brian Morin, has a message for our club members and I hope that he will make it a regular feature of the Newsletter. I have been instructed to make this publication 'fun', so we will endeavour to add some levity to its pages...



See last page for photos on how our club's night owls ushered in 2019.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Brian's rationale for having Saturday bowls in the morning:

Q. As people age, do they sleep more soundly?

A. Yes, in the afternoon.



GAMES NIGHT



I don't know about you, but I am getting very excited about getting on the grass again for another season of Lawn Bowling.

My goal this year is to try to raise the bar for social bowling by giving more opportunities to bowl in friendly matches. One of the first changes that you will see this season is that weekend bowling will be scheduled for Saturday morning and Sunday afternoons instead of both afternoons. Saturday afternoons may be reserved for mini competitions of may be singles, pairs or triples in may be 4-end games. Stay tuned!

The very successful Monday Ladder will continue, with tag-up at 9:45am and games starting at 10:00am.

We are looking for options for Friday evenings, making it a night of bowling, perhaps with varying formats. Do you have any ideas for what you might like to see happen at the Club that can "up" the participation? Share those great ideas with your Club Executive. Remember, it is your Club and you can make a difference in how it supports its members.

The first Games Night of the Year was held on January 11. A good crowd turned out to play carpet bowls and then enjoyed a selection of pizzas followed by darts, board games and card games. It was mostly the men who used the two dart boards and, judging by the decibel level, they had an enormously good time! There didn't seem to be any holes in the wall so there must be a great degree of skill there! The rest of the people played board games and card games and the evening wound up around 8:00pm.

The February Games nights will be held on Friday, February 8 and 22. Tag-up for bowls at 4:15pm, play at 4:30pm, pizza at 6:00pm and games after that.

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION



Robin informs us that both online and paper registration are now available on the Website.

The online registration form is **ONLY TO BE USED BY THOSE MEMBERS WISHING TO PAY BY INTERAC E-TRANSFER.**

Those paying by cheque must use the paper registration form which can be downloaded and printed. Paper forms will also be available in the Club house. The form is accessible on the Website under the heading "MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION".

LOYALTY CARDS



*Thank you,
Rosemary!*

As most members know, Rosemary Ward has overseen the Loyalty Cards of Thrifty Foods and Fairway Market for many years. Now Rosemary has asked someone else to take over this position and Lorne Lewthwaite has volunteered. We thank Rosemary for all the years of hard work that she has put into this Committee, which involves getting the money from the stores, determining how to use it and carrying out the purchase and installation of various items. In recent years we have replaced card tables, replaced chairs and installed the cabinet in the Club house, to name but a few. At present the cash raised from the Loyalty Cards is supporting the installation of new commemorative benches beside the green.

Please, do support the Loyalty Card program. It enables us to buy things for the Club that otherwise would have to come out of Club funds. Cards can be obtained for either or both the stores from Lorne Lewthwaite.

In addition to the work Rosemary has done on the Loyalty Cards, she has been a key member of our Club and has also made sure that we always have a good supply of essentials in the back room.



- **Wednesday, March 27 @ 10:00am**
COACHES' MEETING
- **Sunday, April 7 @ 2:00pm**
OPEN HOUSE
- **Sunday, April 14 @ 2:00 pm**
SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OPEN HOUSE

Flyer and Save The Date Card will soon be available!



AUSTRALIAN VISIT 2020

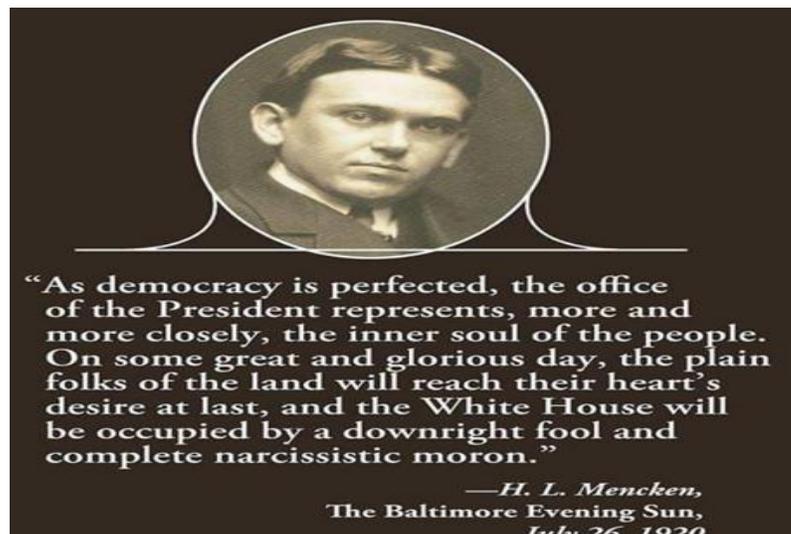


One of our members has asked if she could organise a visit by a group of Australian bowlers in September 2020. The Executive thought it would be a good project, so it has been approved. This will be put into our plans for the future.

HUMOUR ME!

We thank Ahnne Colins for her regular stream of pithy, amusing, sentient and risqué quotations and sayings over the years. Here is one of them.

This farsighted comment is from 1920. How on earth could Henry Louis Mencken have known?!



... the last end

Question: You have a Referee in football, an Umpire in cricket. What do you have in Bowls?

ANSWER: GOLDFISH



USHERING IN A BRAND-NEW YEAR ON DECEMBER 31, 2018

