



THE WHISPERING GULL

INVERLOCH BOWLING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Carpet Bowls Presentation Night

Another great season was enjoyed by all with Marg Griffin defeating defending champion Harry Dunn to take out the 2013 Championship. Marg was presented with the Stoneham memorial trophy on the night. The carpet bowls season raised a total of approx \$1400 with the Dinner also raising \$750.00 and the Raffle drawing another \$216.90. It was great to see Herb Barclay at the club joining in after his long illness. Most improved player was new bowler Margaret Hyslop. A big thank you to Pat Stoneham, Rob Huntley and the Stoneham family for organising this event.

Club Opening Day

All Ladies and Men are cordially invited to participate in the official opening of the Club for Season 2013-2014. The festivities start from 1.00pm. Bowls Victoria Director, Creagh Bown will be in attendance to make several presentations to our deserving members. Our local Councillor, Jordan Crugnale will also be there to help mark the occasion. The formal opening will consist of the Ladies Champion, Lorraine Dowson and the Men's Champion, Kieran Gardiner having the honour of rolling the first jack and bowl of the season. A game of bowls will follow. Refreshments will be served. All we need is you to make this day special.

Club Contacts

President – Nic Van Grunsven
Vice President – Ron Burge
Secretary – Carol Waters
Treasurer – John Sutcliffe
Directors –
Ron Burge – Mens Section
Joyce Arnold- Catering
Bev Kurrle – Ladies Section
Neil Everitt – Sponsorship
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Carol Waters – Communications
Mens Selectors
Graham Pope – Chairperson
Mick Coram
Mick Bowman
Trevor Scott
Tim Hancock
Ladies Selectors
Maureen Paynting
Pam Lawson
Cynthia Hensley
Shirley Cook
Joyce Arnold
Tournament Secretary
Ladies – Ivy Sheppard

THE SHOT Magazine

The first issue of the 2013-14 season should arrive the first week of September. There's a big feature on the new IT system, advice on how clubs and bowlers can benefit from Bowls Victoria partners and a feature on Australian and Victorian representative Matt Flapper. Grab your copy.

Ladies Opening Day –

All Ladies are invited to the Opening of Social Bowls for Season 2013-2014. This will be held at 1.00pm on Wednesday, 11th September. Our Very Special Ladies will also be invited to watch the games or just share afternoon tea with us. Dress to impress in your uniform and bring a plate to share.

Ladies Pennant Practice –Pennant practice held at Inverloch against Phillip Island on September 16th. Players from all divisions are welcomed. It is 10.00am start, wear your uniform and BYO lunch. Write your name on the sheet on the noticeboard if you can attend.

Battle of Hastings

Our men will be hosting Hastings this year for the annual Battle of Hastings match. The battle will be held on Saturday, 14th September.

They're back!

Members from Tecoma/Upwey Bowls Club are visiting again and would like to organise a scratch match on **Friday 13th September at 1.00pm**. They're a mixed group of 16 bowlers. Put your name on the list at the club if you wish to play in this scratch match.

Note from the Mens Director

All club events are required to be played by the designated dates as the Club Singles and Club Pairs finals will both be played on December 15th. This is to enable all members to come along and support our players and enjoy some great bowls. We wish everyone well and good bowling for the coming season. Please support the club both on and off the green.

All the best in bowling ~ Ron Burge – Mens Director

Are you an existing Umpire or Measurer? Would you like to learn what it takes to become one? Upcoming Umpire & Measurer Seminars may be for you. Mark the following day in your calendar

Venue:
Glen Waverley Bowls Club on Sunday, 22nd September. The course goes from 10.00am-3.00pm. Check the noticeboard for further details.

MEMBERS DEAL

20% OFF

750ML BOTTLED WINE

WHEN YOU SHOW YOUR INVERLOCH BOWLS CLUB CARD AT THE MONACELLARS/DUNCANS DRIVE THRU WONTHAGGI

REAR OF WHALEBONE HOTEL
ACCESS VIA MURRAY ST. (03) 56 772 75!

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IBC Internet Kiosk

Now that our winter break is over our tutors are again available to those who wish to take advantage of our one on one tutoring. Check club for booking details.

The Board of Management is pleased to advise that criteria for the Life Membership award, Process for Assessment and Application Form have been approved. Nominations will be accepted on the Application Form by the Board from 1st November to 28th February. These documents will be posted on our website and in the clubrooms

*** SOCIAL EVENTS – WHAT'S ON ***

BINGO

Bingo held every Thursday night. Ticket sales from 7.30pm, eyes down at 8.00pm. Helpers wanted, contact – **John Sutcliffe 5674 1057**

FRIDAY NIGHT MEALS

The club run a \$12.00 Meal deal. Starting at 6.30pm. Enjoy our Raffles - \$2.00 for 3 Tickets. Also our Spinning Wheel - \$2.00 per ticket. Names to be placed on chalkboard by midday on the day. See Board for dates. Any enquiries can be directed to either Pam or John Sutcliffe

CLUB BAR

Come along and enjoy a coldie or whatever your preference. Our club bar is open from 4.30pm, Tuesday's to Saturday's inc. Served with a smile at competitive prices. It would be great to see more members popping in.

Club Shirts and Jackets

Both Men's & Ladies Club polo shirts and jackets are available for sale. Regrettably, the price of the polo shirts for Men and Ladies is now \$75.00. This is due to the increased cost from the supplier, GST and freight. The price of jackets and baseball hats will not increase. The sale of club clothing is not a money making exercise for the Club. We charge this price to cover what it costs the club, no more. If you need a polo shirt, jacket or baseball hat, please see Carol or Nic.

Board Meeting Snippets.

An application has been made to continue "Broadband for Seniors" until June 2015. As we have chosen to extend our contract for BFS, we were eligible to apply for a new computer with touch screen and a "one off" \$2,000 grant if successful with our application.

Advance notice that a Special General Meeting will be held at the clubhouse on Wednesday, September 25th at 7.30pm. The purpose of the meeting is to seek member approval to minor updates of the Club's Constitution due to changes to the Associations Incorporation Act. A formal letter will be sent to all affiliated members soon. Please mark your diary for this date.

The Board has been looking at further ways to make savings in our operational costs and plan to negotiate with Telstra before committing to another telephone contract with them.

A vacancy exists on the Board of Management. Either a male or female affiliated member can apply. Expression of interest to Nic.

The Bingo report to the Board indicated this part of our fundraising is continuing to help with the running costs of the club and the new calling machine is working well. The weekly Bingo helpers are to be commended in their dedication to the task.

Secretary Carol has consulted with the Bass Coast Shire concerning the annual fee charged for our food premises licence and as it appears that the \$454 fee will be waived.

It was decided to offer members "signature bricks" from \$50 each as a fund raiser for the building fund. Personalised bricks purchased will become part of the new building extension.

New full membership applications were approved for Patricia Parsons and Norman Price. Please welcome them into the club when you see them on the green.

A greens report was tendered in person by our green keeper Kieran and included the results of the recent soil tests. Vice President Ron Burge is until further notice handling all matters pertaining to the greens and members are reminded that any concerns related to the greens are to be directed through him.

The honour boards are to be updated with the current club champion's names

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A man and his wife were awakened at 3:00 am by a loud pounding on the door. The man gets up and goes to the door where a drunken stranger, standing in the pouring rain, is asking for a push.
'Not a chance,' says the husband, 'it is 3:00 in the morning!'
He slams the door and returns to bed.
'Who was that?' asked his wife.
'Just some drunk guy asking for a push,' he answers.
'Did you help him?' she asks.
'No, I did not, it is 3:00 in the morning and it is pouring rain out there!'
'Well, you have a short memory,' says his wife. 'Can't you remember about three months ago when we broke down, and those two guys helped us? I think you should help him, and you should be ashamed of yourself!'
The man does as he is told, gets dressed, and goes out into the pounding rain.
He calls out into the dark, 'Hello, are you still there?'
'Yes,' comes back the answer.
'Do you still need a push?' calls out the husband.
'Yes, please!' comes the reply from the dark.
'Where are you?' asks the husband.
'Over here on the swing,' replied the drunk.

What is Celibacy?

Celibacy can be a choice in life, or a condition imposed by circumstances. While attending a Marriage Weekend, my wife and I listened to the instructor declare, 'It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other..'
He then addressed the men; "Can you name and describe your wife's favourite flower?"
I leaned over, touched my wife's hand gently, and whispered,
White Wings Self-Raising Flour, isn't it?
And thus began my life of celibacy....

Draw Bowl Clinic

Thanks to Ivy Sheppard who has been running draw bowl clinics for our lady members. The turn out to these has been wonderful with members taking full advantage of Ivy's knowledge and experience. Note that these clinics are open to our Men bowlers also. To encourage Ivy to continue with these great practice sessions please express your interest and attend.



All members are encouraged to contribute items to this newsletter. See Carol Waters or Gail Burge

Why do we press harder on the remote control when we know the batteries are getting weak?