

THE SQUARE BULLETIN

GOLDEN SQUARE BOWLING AND CROQUET CLUB Inc

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INFORMATION REGARDS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Due to the State of Emergency regards social gatherings restrictions the Club's Board of Management (BoM) has had to re-schedule the Club and Bowls Section AGM. It will now be held on FRIDAY AUGUST 28th. The Bowls Section AGM will be held at 4:30 and the Club BoM AGM will commence at 5:15. Presentations will take place at the Opening Day event on September 4th.

All elected positions are open for nomination on both the BoM and Bowls Section. **The nomination forms for both committees are pinned to the club noticeboard.** Completed forms for the BoM need to be returned to the BoM Secretary's mailbox and similarly so do the Bowls Section Secretary's mailbox by close of business **Friday, August 7th**. Copies of the Club's Annual report will be made available at the Clubhouse at the AGM. The Croquet Section's AGM will be held in mid-August.



A huge thanks to Tas Wallis and his band of helpers, retired baker and "Square bowler Les Marshall plus the crew at the Golden Village Bakery for their marvellous support of the recent Pastie fundraiser. We have raised \$1767.40 for the club to alleviate some of the financial needs we have suffered

due to the lock down and no bowling happening. Please show your support to the Golden Village Bakery and let them know that you are Golden Square Bowling and Croquet Club members when you are next in the bakery.



Bendigo Bowls Division 2020/21 Season Nomination forms are available on the Club noticeboards. Nominations close on Wednesday July 22nd. Nominations need to be signed by Delegates of 2 separate clubs and accompanied by the written consent of the nomi



A Note from Our BoM Chairman regards future plans
As most members would be aware, council voted on Wednesday night to keep the pool and relocate our club which has caused a lot of questions. To give you a little insight, the board nominated myself and Bob Hutchinson to talk to the consultants (Otium) who prepared 5 options

for the Golden Square Reserve. These talks and meetings with Council staff have been going on for 18 months, Last year there was a meeting with all users i.e. football, netball, cricket, junior football and the swimming pool. At that meeting, it was spelt out by the consultants that we have a "land lock" situation here because the Bowling Club own their land and it makes our job very difficult. We were asked, would we consider moving and we replied by saying, where and what would council be offering. Never at any stage did we say we were happy to move as reported at the council meeting!

A number of venues were suggested i.e The Quarry Hill Golf Club which was "knocked on the head" almost straight away. After more zoom meetings, we suggested Backhaus Oval providing Council purchases the land, builds a Indoor Bowling Green (like Shepparton) 2 outside greens and a new Club House. We saw another big advantage with the new retirement village being built next door with 110 units and over 200 people that no doubt would increase our membership base.

At most meetings, we reiterated that whatever happens, **75% of our members have to agree on any change otherwise we stay put!**

So regardless of what you hear or see, this is where we are at the moment and we look forward to Council inviting us back into further meetings

Yours In Bowls

Allan Slingo (BoM Chairman) and Bob Hutchinson (BoM Facilities Director)

Welcome to new members. John (Jacko) Jackman from Dingee and Daniel Berry from K Flat.

Club Events:

Wayne and Julie Robins won by 2 shots over Travis Berry and Ruth Pearce in the Club Mixed Pairs.



Julie Baird at Maiden Gully is fundraising for MND and has been making tomato relish for sale. We are short of jars at present. If anyone has any spare jars could they please leave them at the bowling club or Maiden Gully café or **contact Peter Ferrier on 0427854264**



OUR HEARTFELT THANKS

We wish to sincerely thank our friends at the Golden Square Bowling and Croquet Club, for their love & kindness in the loss of Ernie. Your cards, flowers, food, phone calls, texts & visits have been such a comfort to us. Lois & Fiona Bell & Family.