**JULY 2021**

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| **Direction of Play on Synthetic Green**  Following advice received from True Draw, the Club Board has decided that all play on the synthetic green during the off-season will be from North to South (opposite to what we normally play on it). The Board is keen to see how the green plays this way as there are a number of problem areas on some of the rinks when we play East to West. Furthermore, True Draw has advised that the green should be played on both ways to avoid compacting particular areas that are used all the time and under no circumstances should the green be rolled.  **Club Project Planning Suggestions Invited**  The Club is interested in hearing the views of members about what you think needs to be done or could be done at the Club to improve the great facilities that we already have. Projects could include major ones such as covering our synthetic green, intermediate one or minor ones – and could include projects on or around the greens, inside the Club or those that could benefit or assist our volunteers directly. The Club’s Board is interested to hear your thoughts on projects – big or small – that could improve our Club and whether or not you believe the projects to be urgent, important or otherwise. Once received the Club Board will prepare a strategic project plan and will prioritise projects in accordance with needs of the Club. Grant applications can then be submitted as the arise. Please send your thoughts to [bucksbowls@bigpond.com](mailto:bucksbowls@bigpond.com) before 31 July 2021.  **Selectors for 2021-22**  The Board is calling for nominations for the following Selector positions - Chair of Selectors Saturday and Wednesday Pennant (One position), Saturday Pennant Divisions 1, 3, 5 and 6 or 7, Thursday Pennant Divisions 2, 4 and 5 and Wednesday Midweek Pennant Divisions 1 and 2.  Nomination forms are available at the Club. Please return applications in a sealed envelope to the green box in front of the selection board, the Secretary pigeon hole in the small office, or to the Secretary in the main office.  Applications close 31 July 2021. |  | **Vale Neil Clark**  It is with deep regret that I am writing to advise you that Neil Clark passed away suddenly on 2 July on the North West Coast. Neil was 83.  Neil joined Buckingham in September 1980 and was a member there until he moved to the North West Coast in 2019 to be closer to his family.  Neil was involved in bowls administration at one level or another from 1981 until 2014. He was the Club’s Assistant Secretary from 1990-92 and was Secretary from 1992-97, 2001-02 and 2005-06. Other roles within the Club included Match Manager, a member of the Club Committee, a member of the Men’s Match Committee, delegate to BTS, bar steward and Licensee.  **Thanks from Chardonnay Hash House Harriers**  *“Many thanks to the bowls club for allowing us to run a trail from the club on Thursday 17 June 2021. The meals were terrific and the bar service excellent. On such a terrible night it was amazing that we had 25 hashers turn up. To be served with a great meal and to have good bar service was just fantastic. To Romun, Lorraine and Mel, many thanks. Our club will look forward to returning to the club in the not too far distant future. Once again many thanks for a great night.”*  **Other Thank You’s**  The Club hosted four groups totalling around 220 children from Sacred Heart College on Friday 4 June 2021. Thank you to the following members who helped make this day happen: Deb Colls, Mel Cotton, Miriam and John Garrett, Kevin Raby, Helen Sarfalvy, Noel Sargent and Pat Zapotocky.  Thank you also to Mel Cotton and Jill Klye for stepping in to help with cleaning the Club until a new cleaner is employed following the resignation of Janine Oakley due to health reasons.     * **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY** * Friday 16 July - Snack Meals. * Friday 30 July – Snack Meals. |

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| **Committee and Other Appointments**  The Club Board has made the following appointments for the 2021-22 year:  Assistant Secretary – Jill Klye  Bar Committee – Todd Oakley (Chair), Cindy Gangell, John Garrett and George Kovacs.  Bingo Committee – Peter Cavanagh (Chair) and Ike Smith.  Bowls and Match Committee – Deb Colls (Chair), John Garrett, Jeanette Lane and Rob McGuire.  Care Officer – Jillian Thurley.  COVID-19 Officer – Mel Cotton.  Facebook Co-Ordinator – Andrew Chamberlain.  Functions Co-Ordinator – Pat Zapotocky.  Grants Committee – Pat Zapotocky and Rob McGuire.  Greens Co-Ordinator – Rob McGuire  Licensee – Todd Oakley.  Providor – VACANT.  Publicity (including Newsletter and Website) – Rob McGuire.  Public Officer – Arija Bayles.  Recruitment – Mel Cotton.  Social Bowls – Mel Cotton.  Social Committee – Maree Evans and Helen Sarfalvy.  **Subscriptions 2021-22**  Subscriptions for 2021-22 are now due:  Full Member $330  Social Playing Member $200  Social Member $20  Junior Member $125  New Member $125  New Junior Member $75  Subscriptions can be paid by the following:  1. Direct deposit Bendigo Bank BSB 633-000 Account 115471971.  2. Cash or Cheque.  3. EFTPOS (1% surcharge applies).  **Board Changes 2021-22**  Paul Evans has resigned as Vice President. Rob McGuire has been appointed as Vice President for the rest of the year. Expressions of interest in the Board vacancy left by Rob McGuire moving to Vice President are now being called. |  | **Free Sanitizer and Disinfectant from Shiploads and THA**  A big thank you to Shiploads Glenorchy and the Tasmanian Hotels Association for providing twelve free boxes of sanitiser and disinfectant for the Club which is greatly appreciated.  **Grants Update**  The Tasmanian Liberal Government has paid the Club $50,000 for retractable awnings for shade off the Clubhouse for Green 1 as promised in the lead up to the election. The awning have been ordered and will be in place before the end of September 2021.  The Federal Government through Andrew Wilkie and the Stronger Communities has paid the Club $15,000 for upgrading the women’s toilets including a new disabled toilet and work should commence soon thanks to Dennis Silver who is co-ordinating this project.  After being nominated by Andrew Wilkie MP, the Club has submitted a grant application for $5,000 under the Federal Government’s Community Hubs 2021 Volunteers Grants for two laptops, docking stations and a back-up system for the Club.  Our grant application for $6,000 for a new electric drive carpet sweeper for Green One has been delayed until mid-July 2021.  **Thank You**  The Club would like to acknowledge the financial and other support that is provided to it from the following sponsors. Club Members are encouraged to support our sponsors if at all possible:  **Banjos Bakery Moonah; Elise Archer MHA; Fairbrother; Frank Hill Roofing; Jackman’s Garage; McKay Timber; Intercity Signs; Roberts Don Mac; Mel Shutt / Ripple Realty; P.J. Robinson Discount Meats; Northside Physiotherapy, Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra, Graham Family Funerals; Pace Financial, Josh Willie MLC, Ziggy’s Smallgoods.**  *Thanks to the Hon Elise Archer MHA and staff for printing this newsletter.* |