



VALE

John Gill

A great clubman. – A great bloke.

FROM THE BOARD:

Most members would have by now seen the new TV which is acting as an honour board for the club. For those who have not noticed the TV, it is located on the wall above the pennant notice board. Thanks to Lesley Duncan who put a considerable amount of time and effort into this project in order to get it up and running. Could members please note that this screen is to be used exclusively as an honour board.

As a result of our very successful Christmas raffle the board has been able to allocate some funds to improvements around the club which will benefit members. A set of new rink score boards has been ordered and should arrive in the very near future. The catering committee made a number of requests for new and replacement equipment for the kitchen which have been approved.

A job description has been created for the position of club catering officer which should be a great help to all those involved with catering. It will be displayed in the kitchen if anyone wishes to read the document.

Two Board members are going to attend a regional information meeting to be held in Yarrawonga on 1st March. Hopefully the day will be beneficial for us.

The Board have received a letter of resignation from Ray Beer. As we are close to the AGM meeting this position will not be filled until then. In the mean time Ken Barnes will be acting as spokes person for the Board. We thank Ray for his contribution over the last 11 months.

We are in the process of organising shirts for RSA and volunteers working behind the bar. This will make them easy to identify especially when they are in other areas of the club.

The board has approved the addition of a wind jacket (hoodie with no hood) Cost \$85.00 and a waterproof jacket Cost \$90.00 to the range of optional member's attire. Please see David King if you are interested in purchasing either item. Please note that we will not be holding stock on hand and David will order on request. Thanks David for organising this.

The current club logo was purloined from the City of Wodonga. (It is the old city logo). The Board feels there is probably a more suitable logo out there we could adopt and retain as a long-term logo. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions regarding a new design, we would be pleased to hear from you.

The AGM is just around the corner, being scheduled for March 21st. Nomination forms have been posted on the notice board so please put your hand up and be prepared to assist the club by accepting a position on the board or a committee.

CAMMO'S CORNER:

Australia Day Annual Tournament

With the hot weather curtailing some bowl's activities during January/February it was good to see the temperature drop enough to allow the Annual Australia Day Major/Minor 3-bowl Pairs Tournament, once again sponsored by **GET OFF ROAD 4 x 4**, get under way on 28/1/19.

Sixty players from around the district and beyond participated in sectional format with the eight section winners playing off over four ends. Six teams were eliminated in the play-offs with the father/son combination of Ron and Paul Tarbit coming up trumps in the final over Laurie McDonald and Ian Keats from Myrtleford. Ron Tarbit travelled down from Tamora to join son Paul, who is a pennant player with Wodonga, and both bowled very steadily throughout the play-offs. Equal third place went to Ian Soulsby and Mason Bayliss plus Maxine Bounader and Bob Harbridge with equal fifth prize going to Jack Blom and Don Cameron, Bruce Owen and Paul Davies, Adam Streltschenko and Fred Baldock and David Jackaman and Stephen Coulston.

Many thanks to the ladies who served lunch and a big thank you to Terry and Robyn Bradbury of **GET OFF ROAD 4 x 4** for their generous sponsorship of the day and their donation of the raffle prizes. (When you call in to their shop don't forget to tell them you are from WBC.)

Valentine's Day Tournament



Sixty-six bowlers from around the district enjoyed an excellent day of bowling competing in a 2-bowl mixed triples event conducted on Valentine's Day. The Tournament was sponsored by Sally Stein of **MOBILE TRAVEL AGENTS** and not only did Sally sponsor the event she also played. Many thanks to Sally for her support.

The Valentine's theme for the day was featured in the table decorations and, of course, love songs played as we bowled and enhanced by every player receiving a rose brilliantly made by Wendy Mundy.

The team of Joan and John Boyd with Bill Luty as skip came out on top from the North Albury combination of Di Ronan, Lloyd Ronan and Mark Mulcahy(s) and third place going to Tony Mark, Maxine Bounader and Bob Harbridge(s). The prize for Best Last Game winner went to Christa Broad, Pat Jackaman and David Jackaman(s).

The event was the brainchild of Lesley Duncan and, judging by the success of the event, it may become a regular feature on our Club's calendar.



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COACHING TIP:

It is not imperative to have the smoothest or the best-looking bowls delivery, it is important that your delivery is the same every time all the time.

As a player you should also be open minded about changing certain aspects of your game, if you are not achieving the success that you crave for. It might be your tactics, shot selection or ability to play certain shots. Don't be afraid to seek advice from your club coaches who are always willing to help you out.

SPONSORSHIP:

David Turnbull from Sunrise Power Solutions, the Club's new very generous sponsor, wishes to thank the members of the Wodonga Bowling Club for the opportunity to make a presentation last Friday evening. It was well attended with many interested participants. Below is a follow up article of interest to Club members.

Sunrise Power Energy Systems are Designed to Power Lives

With electricity prices continuing to skyrocket across Australia, households are rushing to install solar power to reduce their power bills, especially now that solar panel prices in Australia are at an all-time record low. Solar panel prices are at a record low, with an average-sized 5kW solar system with good quality panels now costing as little around \$6,500 fully installed, generating around 20 kWh a day (averaged out across the year). If we assume you are paying 30c per kWh, you can expect to save you over \$2,000 every year on your power bills if you use all of the solar power as it is generated. The price of good quality solar panels is now so affordable, it is possible to get a return on your money in 3-5 years.

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We make it easy to switch to solar by assigning a Sunrise Specialist to your project who will guide you every step of the way. Our crew of world-class professionals will help arrange for the installation of your custom system to the highest standards. We will then give you the tools to see your energy production and savings in real-time. Harnessing the power of the sun begins with a free, no-pressure consultation today.

Brian Gilby - Sponsorship



MEMBERS MEETING

1:00PM

MONDAY MARCH 4

FROM MID-WEEK SELECTION COMMITTEE:

It has been an eventful season for the club thus far with all grades in the mid-week pennant reaching the finals. This has been a great effort by all concerned, particularly all the players that committed themselves to represent the club.

The A1 side unfortunately missed an opportunity of having the double chance in the last home and away game away to YMGCRC. The A1 grade was so close all season that the final four positions were only separated by a handful of points. Although the A1's tried valiantly in the elimination final against Yarrowonga, they fell just short of the mark against a team that boasted several A1 weekend pennant players.

The A2 team finished second and lost their qualifying final again by a handful of shots but came back to be successful in yesterday's preliminary final. We wish them well in the grand final.

The A3 team also finished second after the home and away season and have won their qualifying final and play in the grand final next week. We also wish them well in the big dance. This grade is looking at going back to back flag winners.

Paul Davies

The B2 grade won their elimination final however their mission yesterday to win their preliminary final didn't go to plan.

The B3 side finished in the top four but like the A1 side just fell short in the elimination final.

We hope members of WBC get behind the teams still vying to win a pennant flag for our club, get along to their games and cheer them on.

The selectors were resolute in their policy of selection this season and right or wrong we are always judged on how many grades make the finals and how many pennants are won. So far we were able, with the performances of the players to get all grades playing finals, we will wait for another week to see if we are successful with the final part of the puzzle.

On behalf of the mid-week selectors, I would also like to congratulate the weekend selection committee on their endeavours this season. Having five of the six grades playing finals and three of those grades playing in the grand final is an awesome effort. Well done!



WINNERS of the VALENTINE'S DAY TOURNAMENT: Bill Luty, John Boyd and Joan Boyd with sponsor Sally Stein, and Ladies' President, Pat Jackaman.