



THE WHISPERING GULL

INVERLOCH BOWLING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Things Do Change!

Lady bowlers come and go
Dress rules go on forever.
How dare you try to make a change
No never, never, never!
The men think we are a joke
and look like mobs of sheep.
With madam snapping at our heels.
It's to the rules you'll keep.
The young are keen to play the game.
But won't of course unless,
we put some colour on our frame,
and try to change our dress.
The men indeed have got more sense.
Their rules are not so stuffy
They have more fun and play the game,
you've guessed it; dressed in 'mufti'.

NORM WEST SERVICES AWARD



Long time club member Norm West was presented with a distinguished service award from Bowls Victoria. Norm is an outstanding member of the Inverloch Bowling Club and well deserving of this honor. The award was presented by Carol Waters standing in for Joy Hargreaves, President of Strzelecki Region. It was attended by Ron Burge, Harry Dunn, Stan Drew, Ron Lawson, Jim Scott, Carol Waters and Ivy Sheppard.

~ WORKING BEE ~

As you know, we are preparing for the club extensions to begin very soon and there are a number of jobs that can be achieved by voluntary labour. We have had two very successful working bees so far and I would like to thank all those who have made themselves available. There will be ongoing working bees in the next month and we will be holding them on a Monday, generally from 9.30am – 12pm. Please join in and make yourself part of the team. Remember, the more we do ourselves, the further our money will go! – Ron Burge (Mens Director)

KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

- Nov 4 –**
1st round Men's Club Singles to be completed
1st round Men's Club Pairs to be completed
- Nov 8 –** Ladies Guest Day
- Nov 13 –** Ladies Triples
- Nov 15 –** Friday Night Meals
- Nov 17 –**
2nd round Men's Club Singles to be completed
2nd round Men's Club Pairs to be completed
Strzelecki Region Inter Association Match
- Nov 20 –**
2nd round Ladies Club Singles to be completed
3rd round Ladies Club Pairs to be completed
- Nov 21 –** Men's Triples
- Nov 27 –**
3rd round Ladies Club Singles to be completed
- Nov 29 –** Friday Night Meals

Quote of the Month: "You know, somebody actually complimented me on my driving today. They left a little note on the windscreen, it said 'Parking Fine.'"

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 Kurrel – Ladies Section
Neil Everitt – Sponsorship
Jack Miller – Social Director
Carol Waters – Communications
- Mens Selectors**
Graham Pope – Chairperson
Mick Coram
Mick Bowman
Trevor Scott
Tim Hancock
- Ladies Selectors**
Maureen Paynting - Chairperson
Pam Lawson
Cynthia Hensley
Shirley Cook
Joyce Arnold
- Tournament Secretary**
Ladies – Ivy Sheppard

SGBD Winners

As the State Events are now in full swing, Inverloch has again featured in the winners list. Our first SGBD winner was Janis Parks who took out the Novice Singles competition. Next were John Sutcliffe and Gary Hardy who won the Over 60 Men's Pairs. Congratulations also to Kieran Gardiner, Adam Pope and Norm Hughes on winning the South Gippsland Triples along with Mick Coram, Mick Bowman, Kieran Gardiner and Dave Roberts on winning the South Gippsland Fours. They are gearing up for their next round representing South Gippsland against West Gippsland. Good bowling to all.

WELCOME NEW CLUB MEMBERS

- Kath Boyd
- Terry Seaward
- John Fisher
- Joe Pinneri
- John Dowson
- Ross Gabb
- Norm Price

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!

Monacellars **DUNCANS**

A big thank you to all those who help with Friday night meals, manning the bar, morning tea duties and all those other little jobs around the clubhouse. It's a team effort that makes a good club.

I woke up last night to find the ghost of Gloria Gaynor standing at the foot of my bed. At first I was afraid...then I was petrified.....



If you can't beat them, arrange to have them beaten!

*** SOCIAL EVENTS – WHAT'S ON ***

BINGO

Every Thursday night – 30 games. 10 games for \$2.00 \$200 Jackpot. Instant Bingo tickets – prizes to \$100. Come along and join in the fun. , 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 10am 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.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A guy is sitting at home alone when he hears a knock on the front door. When he opens the door, he encounters two sheriff's deputies, one of whom asks if he is married and if so, whether the deputy can see a picture her.

The guy says "Sure, " and shows him a picture of his wife.

The deputy looks carefully at the picture and then gravely says, "I'm sorry sir, but it looks like your wife's been hit by a truck."

The guy says, "I know, but she has a great personality, is an excellent cook, and lets me play bowls whenever I want to!"

Buy a Brick – Major Fundraising

With the Clubhouse renovation project almost ready to commence the Club is about to launch its major fundraising project for the year – **BUY A BRICK**. For a modest donation Club Members, Supporters and Sponsors will be able to get their family name permanently inscribed in a prominent place at the Club. What a great way to record your valued support for the Club or pay a tribute to someone special. All funds raised from the sale of these bricks will go towards the cost of the renovations.

Members can assist with this fundraiser in a number of ways as follows:

1. Making a donation and buying a brick.
2. Assisting with a letter box drop in their local area.
3. Approaching their favourite retailer or business in Inverloch and getting them to subscribe to our fundraiser.

For further details on the fundraiser or secure your brick please contact one of the following - Gloria Growse, Gary Hardy, Lois Luby or John Sutcliffe.

Board Meeting Snippets.

Snippets from the Board Meeting.

- Director Vacancy – any member wishing to fill vacancy please direct expression of interest to President Nic, to serve as a Director until next Annual Meeting.
- Honour Boards – our current honour boards are nearing capacity and two new boards are to be prepared.
- Very Special Kids – the Board have agreed to support this worthwhile charity which is being when the time arrives.
- A thank you received from the Tecoma-Upwey bowls club for our hospitality during their recent visit to our club.
- Cup Day – a few changes to be made in the running of this day. More information to follow.
- Reports tabled included Bar, Bingo, Catering, Social, Sponsorship and Building.
- New Members Jason Bjorksten and Rolf Haugen approved, please make welcome if you see them on the green or around the club.
- Friday night meals have shown a profit of \$6,000 so far this financial year, a great effort on the part of the helpers each fortnight. Need to see more members at the meals.
- Greenkeeper, Kieran Gardiner gave his monthly report to the Board.
- Impact on major bowls days during renovation discussed and to be monitored with match and catering committees.
- Extensive Building Report prepared by John Sutcliffe tabled at meeting and included such matters as Project Timeline, Impact, Status of Lease, Financing Project, Accounting and Control, Member Labour Assistance and Member Update.

TELL ALL BOWLS

Historical evidence has been found that William Tell and his family were avid bowlers (known as lawn bowling at the time). However, all the league records were unfortunately lost to antiquity. Thus we'll never know for whom the Tells bowled.

Definition of a Novice:

A new convert to bowls who confesses he knows nothing about the game and then becomes angry when you agree with him.



My neighbour knocked on my door at 2:30am this morning, can you believe that, 2:30am?! Luckily for him I was still up playing my bagpipes.