



THE WHISPERING GULL

INVERLOCH BOWLING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Battle of Hastings – 13/09
Tuesday Pennant Practice
16/09 (Inverloch)
Tuesday Pennant Practice
23/09 (Leongatha)
Saturday pennant Practice
20/09 (Inverloch) vs Yarra Glen
Saturday Pennant Practice
04/10 Inverloch vs Wonthaggi
Bunnurong Shield at Wonthaggi

Ham and Eggs: A day's work for a chicken; A lifetime commitment for a pig.

RENOVATIONS WELL UNDER WAY

Welcome to Season 2014-2015, while some members have been holidaying, others have been busy attending working bee's and assisting with our currently ongoing renovations. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank those members who have made themselves available to assist whenever possible. There is still a lot more work to be done and volunteer assistance no matter how large or small the job, we would greatly appreciate your help when needed. The more people available to assist, the less work it will be for individuals. We would like to see more members, both men and ladies coming to our Friday night sessions to support our newly introduced member draw. A number will appear on your membership ticket and you will be automatically entered. You must however be present to be eligible to collect your winnings. If no winner is present then the amount will jackpot to the following week.

We look forward to a great season and hope to run some fantastic fund raising events throughout. Remember it's your club.. It's up to you to support it.

Good Bowling.. **RON BURGE - PRESIDENT**

Club Contacts

President – Ron Burge
Vice President – Brian Humphris
Secretary – Carol Waters
Treasurer – John Sutcliffe
Directors –
Brian Humphris – Men's Section
Gary Hardy - Green's Director
Gloria Grouse- Catering
Bev Kurrel – Ladies Section
Neil Everitt – Sponsorship
Jack Miller – Social Director
Carol Waters – Communications

Mens Selectors

Graham Pope – Chairperson
Mick Coram
Trevor Scott

Brian Hensley
Brian Humphris

Ladies Selectors

Cynthia Hensley
Lola Marsh
Ann Tschiderer
Lorraine Dowson
Pam Sutcliffe

Tournament Secretary

Ladies – Ivy Sheppard

** CARPET BOWLS **

Don Stoneham Memorial Shield won by Jill Bateman



The annual Carpet Bowls Dinner was held on Friday, August 22 with over 60 people enjoying the meal. The purpose of the dinner was to celebrate the end of the Carpet Bowls for another season and for the play-off for the Don Stoneham Memorial Shield Trophy. The playoff was between the Men's Champion, Harry Dunn and the Ladies Champion, Jill Bateman.

The evening was introduced by MC Allan Johnstone and Carol Hughes. It commenced with the presentation of a trophy to the Men's and Ladies winners and runners-up of the season. Congratulations to Men's Runner-up, Allan Johnstone and the Ladies Runner-up, Edith Perrett who had great games against the ultimate winners Harry and Jill. The Most Improved Player award went to Joan Clark. Well done Joan.

After entrée, the carpet mat was rolled out down the centre of the floor for the playoff between Harry and Jill for the Memorial Shield Trophy. The game was played over 12 ends. Harry got off to an excellent start but Jill kept in touch with a few good ends. Harry maintained the lead up until the 10th end when Jill edged ahead by 2 shots on the 11th end. At the last end, it was still anyone's game. Jill maintained her calm and bowled beautifully to win this end by 2 shots. The final score was Harry 11, Jill 15. Congratulations to Jill, the 2014 winner of the Don Stoneham Memorial Shield Trophy.

Thanks for the donation of raffles prizes. First prize was won by Judy Parker, Heb Barclay claimed second prize and Fred Morrison third.

This is the 20th year that Pat Stoneham has run the Carpet Bowls and her family have donated their time and effort in providing an excellent meal and evening. The Club would like to express its gratitude for all the work done this year and every year since 1995. All proceeds from the meal were donated to the club. The Club is grateful for over \$2,000 being raised during the season. These are much needed funds for our on-going renovations. As the weather prohibited much action of the outside green, at least the mat fees for carpet bowls helped alleviate the shortfall.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a **Special General Meeting** of the Inverloch Bowling Club Inc will be held on **Tuesday, 16th September at 7.30pm** in the downstairs room of the Clubhouse. The purpose of this meeting is to consider a member generated proposal to install a synthetic green on Green #2. All affiliated members are requested to attend.

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) 56 772 755**

Monacellars **DUNCAN'S**

BOWLS OPENING DAY

Our opening was well attended with approximately 50 bowlers participating. The weather was beautiful and one game of 15 ends was played, followed by a lovely afternoon tea supplied by the lady members. Our club champions Anne Tschiderer and Dave Roberts rolled the first kitty and first bowl consecutively. A spider event created a lot of interest with the winner of a hamper being Rob Howard for closest bowl.



No club can exist without the support of its club members. Your help and input is important!

*** 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.

Please Note !

Our Friday dinners will not be held until further notice due to club renovations. Watch the blackboard for further updates on when they will recommence.

CLUB FEES NOW DUE

If club fees have not been paid, you will not be eligible to play in pennant practice matches. Please get your fees in NOW!



Thank you to Ron and Pam Lawson for the donation of plants to help beautify our surrounds.

New Recruitment Drive Committee

A new committee has been formed to assist our club in gaining new memberships. It comprises of the following club members, Brian Humphris, Bob Pritchard, Pam Sutcliffe, Ivy Sheppard, Terry Seward and Janis Parks.

The committee has held its first meeting and brainstorming session and would appreciate any ideas or suggestions members can offer. Remember these committees represent you and your club and value your input.

Mahatma Gandhi, as you know, walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet. He also ate very little, which made him rather frail and, with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath. This made him (*Oh, dude, this is so bad, it's good*) a super callused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis.

I have friends who swear they dream in colour...It's just a pigment of their imagination.

Board Meeting Snippets.

The Chairman welcomed newly elected Board members Brian Humphris, Gloria Growse and Gary Hardy to the May Board Meeting. They are already having an impact on the operation of the Club. We also have a new Chairman/President in Ron Burge who will lead our club for the next couple of years. Board meetings have continued on a monthly basis during the winter months.

Snippets from recent Board Meetings.

- The Board is formalising roles within committees to eventually produce an “Operations Manual” for use within the club which will include job descriptions.
- A “New Member” welcome kit is being prepared to give to new members joining the Inverloch Bowling Club.
- Eight new bowling arms have been purchased with grant money. These will be available on a “loan” basis to members wishing to try out the use of an “arm”.
- Letter to Inverloch Lions Club thanking them for \$2,000 donation.
- Update of recently formalised catering quote forms.
- Try Bowls Day arranged for Sunday October 19th, 11.00am – 2.00pm.
- Approval given to member driven investigation into possibility and cost of installing a synthetic green.
- Weekly Friday night “jackpot” draw to commence with season opening. Winner decided by numbered membership cards, must be present to collect.
- Member volunteer forms have been returned and are being analysed and prepared for allocation of jobs – good response and thanks from Board.
- Our club has been represented at SGBA delegates meetings and the Annual Meeting.
- It was decided that membership subs must be paid before September 1st to be eligible to play in pre season pennant practice matches.

Grants

The Board of Management has been continually sourcing small grants whenever they become available.

Recent successful applications include:

Installation of Solar Panels	\$5,000 (Bass Coast Shire)
Replacement of kitchen utensils	\$2,275 (Federal Gov)
New bowling arms for “loan” to members (Club)	\$1,560 (Vic Health Active)
Water saving-new building project	\$ 500 (S.G.Water Board)
Replacement of fence and new entrance gates	\$8,078 (Dept of Justice)
Total in hand	\$17,413

Current grant applications:

New “Zip Boil” unit for kitchen \$1,500 (Bass Coast Shire)

Work in progress application :

Grant towards new building renovation \$7000 - \$10,000 (Dept Veteran Affairs)

As can be seen from the above details every opportunity is being taken to apply for funds when ever grant monies are being made available from the various sources. So far the amount of time and effort in preparing grant applications has proved successful, it is hoped we may “snare” a sizeable grant in the near future.

A vulture boards an airplane, carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at him and says, "I'm sorry, sir, only one carrion allowed per passenger."