MULGRAVE COUNTRY CLUB – BOWLS SECTION

BREAKING NEWS

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Thanks To Our Amazing Bowls Section Volunteers

It's timely on such a beautiful day to formerly acknowledge the great work of our numerous volunteers. The Bowls Section is a vibrant and consolidated group and much of that positive positioning can be attributed to our vast volunteer base. From elected positions of responsibility, roles filled from a perspective of pure enjoyment and those that just want to be able to contribute in some way, each element helps form an environment where bowlers and visitors to the club can get the most from their bowls experience.

It's important to both recognise those people but to also record that level of contribution, whatever the scale. The Bowls Committee have been regularly reporting on the hours contributed by Bowls Section volunteers for some months now as part of the monthly sections report. Not everyone would be aware of this fact. I would encourage bowlers that are part of a group, committee or individually to ensure that each month you estimate your individual hours of contribution and report that back through the relevant manager of your group or committee. Whether it be selection, corporate, social, pennant etc. it's important for us to give that indication of time spent for the betterment of members, in our monthly reporting cycle. So keep providing this information to whoever it is running your group.

In including that in my monthly reports it has been humbling to see and understand how so many people are giving so much of their time in order to maintain a strong and viable Bowls Section. Most of which would go unnoticed and by extension, perhaps under appreciated.

So to all those that contribute to the fabric of what the Bowls section is and wants to be, on behalf of the Bowls Committee and Bowlers, I pass on a huge vote of thanks and appreciation.

We couldn't do it without you.
Shane McCluskey.

Pennant Selectors

Nominations are now open for those bowlers wishing you nominate for a position on the Weekend, Midweek or Thursday selection committee's.

A list is on the Alcove notice board. Please write your name on the list. Nominations close 26 Apr.

In terms of the Bowls Rules, the bowls committee will determine and appoint selectors after the AGM.

Peter Coe

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From the Committee Room..... March 2023

A few updates from your Committee below.

Committee positions vacant:
This year's AGM will see five positions due to be declared vacant (Chair, Bowls Admin Support, Pennant Manager, Support & Provisions Manager and Midweek Bowls Manager) in addition to the existing vacancy of Deputy Chair. Nominations have been received for all but Pennant Manager and Midweek Bowls (including Committee members renominating/nominating). Your Committee continues to work hard on maintaining a viable and vibrant Bowls Section. A full Committee is pivotal to that aim. If you are interested in nominating please do so before nominations close on April 13th (two weeks prior to the AGM). Feel free to reach out if you need further information or would like to discuss anything related. Position descriptions are available on the bowls website. The Bowls Section AGM will be held on Thursday 27th April with all the necessary details to follow.

Club Head Coach position:
The Bowls Committee recently resolved (unanimously) to advertise the Club Head Coach position, calling for expressions of interest in filling that role. The Committee viewed it important to scan the bowls landscape in a bid to canvass interest and understand options that may exist in terms of potential coaches. The advertisement and position description will be finalised shortly with a sub-committee to be formed to facilitate the process. We thank Norm for his support for the initiative and his gracious offer to assist if required.

Club Person of the Year:
A huge thank you to those who submitted nominations. It was the first time bowlers were afforded the opportunity to do so and it was a great response. The Committee will now deliberate on those nominations and ultimately decide who that recipient will be. The announcement will be made at the Bowls Section AGM.

Tournaments and Championships:
A reminder to bowlers that entries for the handicap style 'Club Fours' (22nd & 23rd April) and the 'Club Triples' (15th & 16th April) are closing soon. As is the $2,000 Easter Monday Tournament. If you have a team entry to submit please do so asap. All details and entry forms are located in the alcove.

As per the above, preparations are underway for this year's Annual General Meeting. I would strongly encourage you to attend if at all possible. It is imperative that bowlers take a keen interest in our section and the administration of it.

Club proposed redevelopment:
The Bowls Committee has requested a presentation from the Board on the work done so far and what the proposed redevelopment entails for the club, its members and more directly the Bowls Section and its members. We hope that to occur in the coming weeks.

Finally, our very first 'Barefoot Bowls' program has been running each Friday evening through February and March and has been an amazing success. Numbers have been great each evening with a broad demographic range of participants. Huge thanks to all who have assisted thus far with the program.

Stay well all.
Shane McCluskey

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