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Welcome to the fourth edition of the
RBC newsletter



"2016 Annual General Meeting"

The A.G.M. was held on Friday April 29th in the club rooms. The President John Wilson, Secretary Graeme Torbitt and the Treasurer Colin Jordan presented their respective reports. These and all other board members reports are available and on display and well worth a read.

"When you're on a good thing stick to it". This was reflected at the meeting with only one change at management board level. Stalwart Bob Woollard is the new bowls director. Congratulations to all and best wishes for another happy and successful year ahead.

"2016 Presentation Night"

The 2016 Presentation night was held on April 22nd and attended by over 100 people. The night was very successful with the Club engaging external caterers for the first time. This decision was greatly appreciated especially by Bob, Denise and the team when combined with the quality

of the food and service. Two very special members were rewarded for their continuing service and dedication:-

- ✓ Viv Barrett was inducted as a "Life Member".

In Viv's own words-

"I started bowling at Whittlesea Bowls Club in 1988-89, playing lead for many years in Pennant. I won the Club Champion in the 93-94 season. I enjoyed success in other Competitions, but Pennant was the ultimate for me. We travelled up to 80 - 100 km. to play Pennant in the Central Highlands Group.

We moved to Rye and I 96, eventually serving on the General Committee, President of Ladies

The FDLBA was the next two years as President. A time. Then one year as Region. The next on the Board of Club including two as period I found time to win Pairs and Fours at District Proportional twice and over sixty singles at Group Level.



joined Rye bowls Club 1995- most Committees. Including Match, Selection and then Committee for one year.

step for seven years, with very busy and interesting Vice President of the appointment was, four years Management of Rye Bowls President. During this a Club Championship, Club and Group levels,

Throughout all this I umpired at various levels for 15 years. For the Club to win a Pennant Flag and go to State Finals is the highlight of bowls.

To be honoured with a Life Membership must surely surpass all that.

Thank you Rye Bowls Club.

Viv Barrett"

- ✓ Bryan Harper was named as the "Best Club Person 2016". Apart from being Greens Director for the past four years and ultimately responsible for our well maintained greens. Bryan is an integral part of the barefoot bowls team by structuring the teams in an effort to make it an even competitive night with all being eligible for prizes. In addition Bryan is always prepared to get involved in all aspects of the Club, no matter what it maybe. Finally, Bryan has joined the "lock-up/RSA team for 2016/2017



All members have many reasons to thank both Viv and Bryan for the past contribution and ongoing dedication. Many thanks to Viv and Bryan

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"Special and Social Events"

1. Club Championships -2016.

Ladies Singles	-	Desiree Beattie
Men's Singles	-	David Fraser
Ladies Pairs	-	Desiree Beattie and Fay Christensen
Men's Pairs	-	Steve Williams and David Oliver
Mixed Pairs	-	Patti and Steve Williams
Ladies Proportional	-	Marita Lavender
Past Presidents Championship	-	Ed Tomkins
President's Handicap	-	Andrew Glover

2. Edinburgh Shield - 2016. This annual competition took 60 members to Echuca for the weekend of 8th to 13th of April. The event included several members for the first time and most seem to recall they had a good time.



For the first time the majority of participants travelled by bus (courtesy of the RYE RSL) which was really appreciated by all, especially for the return trip. The Club's 2016 success continued with section one winning it's division. A great effort in a very competitive tournament.

3. Lamattina Day - 2016.

This annual event was again held on April 3rd, 2016. This highly respected and well attended tournament attracted over 110 bowlers from all over Victoria. The weather was kind to us and a delicious lunch was provided by our dedicated volunteers. This day is very successful for our Club which results in our Club receiving recognition state-wide. Once again such an event requires many hours of organization along with many helping hands. Many thanks go to our "chief", John Wilson, who is responsible for arranging this event, his dedicated teams and of course our great sponsor the Lamattina Group.



"General News"

- Lock-up / bar roster - numbers have been increased by four. Bryan Harper, Steve Williams, David Oliver and Matt Blackwell have successfully completed the R.S.A. course and their assistance will be greatly appreciated by Barney and Maurie. These additions will help spread the load for the existing team. Many thanks and welcome aboard boys.
- Barefoot bowls - As most members are aware 2016 proved very successful and enjoyable for all participants. Average attendees was around sixty. The atmosphere, the "friendly" competition and excellent food took this weekly event to a higher level than in any previous years. In addition, the Club picked up several Social Members which we are very hopeful will lead to fill membership and Pennant bowlers. To all of the team involved in putting on this weekly event a big thank you from the Board of Management.
- Selection Committees - 2016
 - Ladies:- Pam Christgorgl (Chairperson), Dawn Skiba, Jeanette Kourellis, Viv Barrett and Barbara Beach
 - Men's:- John Simmonds (Chairperson), David Fraser, Alan Knowles, Tom Holdsworth and Herb Christgorgl.Congratulations to all and very best wishes for the 2016/2017 season.
- Premiership team photographs - If you would like a framed photograph of any team of the 2015/2016 Divisions 1,2 or 3 premiership teams please advise David Jones on

mobile 0412 838 214 or via email on macandmarl@bigpond.com. The maximum price for a framed photo will be \$10.00.

- Refurbishment Project - The Club has appointed a committee to investigate and propose options for refurbishment of the Club facilities. Input from Club members is most welcome and an "inbox" is in Ken Taylor's office or you can email all ideas to David Jones at macandmarl@bigpond.com. This is member's opportunity to have your say on what "developments" you would like to see at YOUR CLUB. Regular reports will be made to the Board with options submitted to the shire for funding / approval. Other sources of funding will also be canvassed. The committee is led by David Jones and comprises of Matt Hecker, Barbara Harper and Bob Neal.
- Annual Membership renewal fees - may be made in the traditional method of cash or cheque. For those with internet banking facilities you can credit the Club's bank account (BSB-633000, Account number-117107961). If paying via internet banking please ensure to include your name(s) on remittance.
Full Membership - \$215.00, Social Membership - \$35.00

"Joke of the Month"

Muldoon lived alone in the Irish countryside with only a pet dog for company. One day the dog died, and Muldoon went to the parish priest and asked,

"Father, my dog is dead. Could ya be saying a mass for the poor creature?"

Father Patrick replied, "I'm afraid not; we cannot have services for an animal in the church. But there are some Baptists down the lane, and there's no telling what they believe. Maybe they'll do something for the creature".

Muldoon said, "I'll go right away Father. Do ya' think \$5,000 is enough to donate to them for the service?"

Father Patrick exclaimed, "Sweet Mary, Mother of Jesus! Why didn't ya tell me the dog was Catholic?"

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