ABERFELDIE BOWLS CLUB INC

BOWLEDOVER

Newsletter of Aberfeldie Bowls Club Inc – Established 1910

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Board of Directors

President – Margaret Clark
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Current Club Champions

Singles: **John Grogan**

Minors: **Harry Bayer**

Pairs: **Manuel Flores & Brian Holden**

Triples:
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Vale Past President & Life Member Laurie McDonald

Club members have been shocked and saddened by the sudden passing of long-time member, Past President & Life Member, Laurie McDonald.

Laurie was a quality, and competitive bowler, and a driving force in the redevelopment of our Club – with the facilities which we now enjoy representing a significant personal legacy,

Despite his move to the Murray in recent years, Laurie took every opportunity to get back to Aberfeldie, playing in our annual tournaments, and even dropped in just two Saturdays back, giving a number of us the opportunity of a catch up.

The sympathies of all members are extended to Laurie's wife Helen, his mother Edith, sister & Club President Margaret, and the wider McDonald family.

The new Season is fast approaching

"Opening Day" – Saturday 31 August

Our traditional "Opening Day "is set for Saturday 31 August for a 1pm ceremonial rolling of the first jack and first bowl of the new Season – it's a Club uniform day and there will be a finger food afternoon tea.

Immediately after the opening, and before some more formal bowling, Club Coach Nigel Thompson will conduct three, one bowl games of a skill to fire up enthusiasm and competitiveness. Our newest Club sponsor Ryman Healthcare is providing a prize for each of these one bowl games of skill – the competitive juices should be running!!!

Please ensure that you make welcome Franca Phillips & Jennifer Roberts, Ryman Healthcare's representatives, because, in addition to supporting our Club, Ryman is providing great support for the game of lawn bowls more generally.

UBC at Deer Park BC 16 & 17 August

The UBC (Ultimate Bowls Championship), is the new fast paced, big prize money series featuring most of the world's top bowlers (and televised on Seven2 & Fox Sports). Event 2 of the series is being played at Deer Park Bowls Club on 15 & 16 August and it's free entry - so there is an opportunity for everyone to get along. Details are at:
https://ultimatebowlschampionship.com.au/

As part of its support for lawn bowls, Ryman Healthcare is a Corporate Partner of the Ultimate Bowls Challenge and has generously provided two special sponsor invitations to the Daytime Session at Deer Park on Friday 16 August. Gabriele Forlani & Murray Whiteway are the lucky recipients of those special sponsor invitations, and will represent our Club at the Day Session on Friday 16 August.

Practice Matches

On Saturday 14 September we have a confirmed Practice Match against St Albans – at St Albans, 1pm start, in uniform & with selected sides.

Other practice matches (awaiting confirmation) are:

- **Saturday 7 September V Doutta Galla (Sides 1 & 2, same Division & Section); and**
- **Saturday 21 September V Brunswick (Sides 1 & 2, sae Division & Section)**

Notices regarding our Practice Matches will be on the Club Noticeboard next week.

We promised you some photos of 2018/19 Trophy Winners

(Draw your own conclusions – a picture tells a thousand stories!!)

Social Bowls

While we continue in the "off Season", there is great opportunity to hone your skills – and with Division 3 upon us for the new Season, we need to hone them:

- **Thursdays – 11.45am for 12 Noon**
- **Saturdays – 11.45am for 12 Noon. Please note this start time which will apply until "Opening Day".**

Don't forget to use the first half of Social bowls time (and any other time you can find) for training drills as per those on the Club Noticeboard.

Club Calendar

12 August – Board Meeting
31 August – "Opening Day"
7 September-prospective Practice Match V Doutta Galla (awaiting confirmation)
14 September – Practice Match V St Albans at St Albans
21 September-prospective Practice Match V Brunswick (awaiting confirmation)
1 October – Round 1 Mid-week Pennant
5 October – Round 1 Saturday Pennant

How good would it be to go into our Club kitchen and see the dish rack completely devoid of cups, spoons etc, etc. Be responsible and ensure that anything you use is washed, dried and put away.

The Aberfeldie Bowls Club is proudly supported by:

- **The Australian Luggage Company – 28 Slater Pde, Keilor East**
  Club sponsor & sponsor of BowledOver
- **Schembri & Co Lawyers – 200/202 Buckley St, Essendon**
  Sponsor of Club Tournament
- **helloworld Ascot Vale – 219 Union Rd, Ascot Vale**
- **Linx Finance Australia Pty Ltd – Level 1, 529 Burwood Rd, Hawthorn**
- **Ryman Healthcare – with a new Retirement Village coming to Aberfeldie**
- **Podiatry Group Melbourne – 51 Hoffmans Rd, Niddrie**
- **Brad Teal Real Estate – 9374 8304**
- **Minuteman Press – 138 Keilor Road, Essendon**

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