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Newsletter of Aberfeldie Bowls Club Inc – Established 1910

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President – Nigel Thompson
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Gabriele Forlani
Vicky Walker
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Paul Ives

Current Club Champions

Singles: Sean Lee

Minors: Robin Stoddart

Pairs: Robin Stoddart &
Michael Bialczak

Triples:
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Stuart O'Brien

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The Pennant Season is upon us

Subject to the weather, we are all go for Pennant Round 1 this coming Saturday – all of course under the terms of prevailing COVID-19 requirements.

BowlsVic has finalised fixtures (and then altered them as late as yesterday) so please ensure that you keep your eyes open for changes. At the very least, we know that Moonee Valley has withdrawn from our Section in Division 7, Kingsbury has been swapped out of our Mid-week Section, with Moonee Ponds swapped in, and Pt Cook (in our Mid-week Section) will be playing all of its Home games at Werribee Bowls Club.

Spare a thought for Albert Considine as he battles to have our Members Directory of fixtures printed.

From the President's Desk

Welcome to a new season bowlers, and I am pleased and honored to be elected by the board to lead the club for a final twelve months. It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge the exceptional work completed by Life Member and long time Board member and Treasurer, Joan Chamberlain - and a special mention to Gerald Carr who has decided to retire from the Board but will still retain catering manager duties.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Paul Ives as Bar Manager. Paul has already hit the ground running and the sad destruction of expired beer was his first order of business - with more than 6 cases of beer being destroyed as a result of our latest COVID-19 lockdown. Paul is currently reviewing the number of beers we stock to reduce further wastage whilst catering for member's taste. At this stage he is looking at continuing to stock –

- Carlton Draft
- Corona (due to its long shelf life)
- Carlton Dry (Low Carbs)
- Castlemaine Premium light
- Great Northern Beer
- Introduction of a zero alcohol percentage beer

If you have some thoughts on the beer range, please communicate these with Paul. The plan is also to reintroduce snacks behind the bar to ensure we comply with the rules for responsible serving of alcohol.

Club Single's entries close this Saturday 13 November and I encourage bowlers to enter the competition to gain experience in what is the Club's blue ribbon event. The Draw will be held post Pennant on Saturday 13 November. The current schedule has round 1 playing on Sunday 14 November but, with inclement weather forecast we have decided to be flexible on completing round 1 on or before 20 November to attract more entries and better playing conditions.

The Club will be hosting a number of Northern Gateway events for the first time due to the quality of our new green. Pairs will be hosted on Wednesday 8th December and the 15th December from 5:30pm – 9:30pm. I will be assuming the role of umpire and will be looking for volunteers for assisting with the Bar, tea and coffee setup and green setup and close. If you can spare some time please let me know (and thanks Mandy who has already put her hand up). All spectators and players must be double vaccinated to enter our club.

Don Leale was recently successful in obtaining a uniform grant for the club of \$1,000. Don and Vicky Walker will be working on ideas and samples including caps, bucket hats, social shirts and fleeces. Keep an eye on the notice board for details and options of pre-ordering at a rebated Club cost. Any other uniform ideas are welcome.

Let make this a great season and kick-off with a number of wins on Saturday

Kind Regards, Nigel

Social Bowls, Coaching, Practice etc

Thursday social bowls is on (12.30pm), individual practice is now available at any time – and coaching is available with Nigel Thompson on Wednesdays (please ring Nigel to arrange).

Club Diary

Saturday 13 November – Club Singles Championship entries close

Saturday 13 November – Pennant Round 1:

- Aberfeldie 1 V Glenroy at Glenroy
- Aberfeldie 2 V Altona Sports at Home
- Aberfeldie 3 BYE

Tuesday 16 November – Mid-week Pennant Round 1

- Aberfeldie 1 V Buckley Park (Home)
- Aberfeldie 2 V Point Cook (Away and at Werribee Bowls Club)

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