

## **INTRODUCTION TO NEW BOWLS MEMBERS**

### **COACHING (New Bowlers Only)**

If the new member is a novice to bowls, they are required to process through coaching sessions until the allocated coach deems them ready to play.

Items covered in these sessions include:

- Health and Safety Tips
- Layout of The Club and Greens
- Overview Of Bowls
- Bowls – Placement of the Bowls Mat
- Delivering of the Jack
- Bowls Stance and Delivery
- Rules Of Bowls
- Bowls Etiquette
- Game Scenarios - Duties of a Lead
- Scoring
- Measuring
- Roll Up Procedures

The Coach then plays with the new member for their first game.  
Then provide follow up after 3 – 4 weeks as required.

The Coaches are also very willing to provide their coaching knowledge to non-new members who would like some assistance.

### **CLUB STRUCTURE**

#### **Board Of Management**

The Club is governed by a Board Of Management who are responsible for the Club's facilities and all financial matters. The Board members can be found on the Notice Board and the Website.

#### **Bowls Committee**

The operation of the bowls section is governed by a Bowls Committee who oversee all aspects of the playing of bowls. The Bowls Committee members can be found on the Notice Board and the Website.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **Website**

The Website holds information on just about anything you would want to know about the Club. All new members should be given a walkthrough of the Website to get an understanding of it.

## **Facebook**

Facebook is utilized mainly for the social side of the Club with regular updates on what is happening at the Club.

## **Notice Boards**

The Notice Boards hold a variety of information and should be perused regularly. This information can include things like: Calendar Of Events, non-social event Nomination Sheets, Draws & Results, and invitations from other clubs for their events. Through the Bowls Committee Secretary, members can also place bowls items for sale.

## **BOWLS DRESS CODE**

A short guide on our bowls dress code can be found on the Website.

## **BOWLS ETIQUETTE AND CODE OF CONDUCT**

A short guide on both bowls etiquette and Code Of Conduct can be found on the Website.

## **BOWLS FOOTWARE**

Guidelines on appropriate bowls foot ware can be found on the Website.

## **BOWLS EVENTS**

### **Social**

Social bowls is played on Tuesday through to Friday. A list of the types of events can be found on the Website. Nomination Sheets for each day can be found in folders on the Selector's Desk.

### **“Spares”**

On Self Select days and you aren't part of a team, you can nominate individually to be a “spare” where someone can pick you up.

### **Representative**

The Club competes in two representative competitions. Men and Ladies teams compete in separate divisions of GR8 in February and March, and District Pennants in July and August. Nominations of players for the competitions are called about two months prior to the commencement of these competitions by means of a Nomination Sheet of the Notice Board.

### **Championships**

Club Championships are held every year and cover Singles, "B" Singles, Pairs, Triples, Fours, Vets (over 70's) and Novice (less than 3 years experience) for both men and women. Men also have "B" Pairs. Mixed Pairs and Fours are also competed for. Nominations of players for the competitions are called about two months prior to the commencement of these competitions by means of a Nomination Sheet of the Notice Board.

A list of when individual Championships will be played can be found in the Calendar Of Events on the Notice Board and the Website.

### **Saturday Evening Bowls**

At certain times of the year, Saturday Evening bowls are held at the Club under lights. This is a great opportunity to introduce friends and neighbors to bowls and you don't have to be a member to play the first six times.

### **Scroungers**

Scroungers is held most Sunday afternoons, unless there is another official event on, and is another great opportunity to introduce friends and neighbors to bowls and you don't have to be a member to play the first six times. It is not an official competition of the Club but is a popular social event.

### **Special Events**

The Club will, from time to time, run special events where our members have the opportunity to play against teams from other clubs for good prize money. These events will be advertised and nomination is usually through payment of team nomination through the Bar staff. These events may be men, women or mixed events.

### **Roll Ups**

Roll ups are permitted Tuesday through Saturday from 10.00AM till Noon, and after 4.00PM when competitions have finished. This may be overridden at any time by the Greenkeeper as per the board above the bowls mat box.