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Proud host of the Australian Open in 2009 and 2010

100 Games

Since the merger between Shepparton Bowling Club and Kialla Park Bowls Club in 2004/2005 to create Shepparton Park Bowls Club, records have been kept of the number of pennant games played by all male members.

The first bowler to reach 100 games with the new club was Graeme Betts who reached the milestone figure on December 5th, closely followed by Leigh Pomeroy on December 19th. Since then Bill Raglus notched up his 100th game on January 16th at Dookie and was presented with a suitable certificate to mark the occasion.

It is likely a further 10 or so bowlers will achieve this feat before the conclusion of the 2009/2010 season

Club Events

Entries close at midnight on Saturday 30th January. Entries will only be accepted on the official entry form with the \$5 entry fee per event. Completed forms are to be placed in the club event box under the PA system in the Tournament Office.

Entry forms are available inside the club room doors for the following events.

Men's 21 up

Men's 100 up

Men's Drawn Triples

Mixed Pairs

Australian Open Meetings: Volunteers & Technical Officials

Orientation day January 31st

11am to 1pm TO's to do another on green training session.

1pm to 2pm combined overview session

2pm onwards volunteers only session

January Board Meeting

Bar: Glenn

Happy Hour price reductions of 50c per drink have been implemented on Friday evenings between 6.00pm and 7.00pm

Catering: Flo

In to the final stretch of the season. Things are going along OK, thanks to the catering committee and helpers. Thanks very much girls.

The Aust Open is coming up fast and I will be a lot happier when we can get a roster together. We will be having a meeting in the near future in preparation for the Open.

Keep on keeping on.

Greens: Noel

We have had many problems with all Greens over the last month. Hot weather has forced us to water on a lot more occasions than we would normally. The Rose and Foundation greens will be flooded in the next 10 days. All Greens have been double groomed and fertilized in the last week. All volunteers have been given their roster for the AO. The TV rink for the AO has been marked out. The hedges at the western end of the Members Green will be trimmed in the next week.

House: Bob

Door keepers: Some are fitted, remainder will be fitted next week.

Extensions to shade cover between Rose and

Members Greens will be installed on the 1st Feb.

Cleaning day working bee will be held on Fri. 5th Feb. in preparation for the AO.

Further tests on variations in the floor levels in the Club rooms will be conducted after the AO.

Social: Ken

Our next social event is a Chicken and Salad night on Friday 29th January, names are to be placed on the sheet displayed.

On Saturday 13th February we will hold a *Welcome to the Australian Open* at Emerald Bank starting at 6.30pm. Cost per person is \$25 and will consist of entertainment by Brendan Scott and a Barbeque meal with salads, followed by fruit salad and icecream.

Members are encouraged to invite friends and neighbours, as we would like 250 people to attend. Tickets are available from Ken Allen, John Davey, Margot Dobson and KC's Bowls Shop.

Sponsorship: Alan

The Coles sponsorship seems to be going well. Some people are requiring more vouchers. I would like members who are unable to use these vouchers to return any vouchers they can't use, and people who can use more to ask me. Sponsorship signs are being made for Coles and erected to fulfil our obligation.

R.V.B.A. Laurie

Congratulations to Brad Clarke and Leo Pye on winning the Club Open Singles and B Grade Singles respectively, and to Graeme Betts and Ron Holland for making the finals and bowling so well in doing so. Leigh Pomeroy and Vince Page won the men's pairs over John Foley and John Hallam. Excellent bowls were played throughout this game.

Although losses to Divisions 2 & 3 last Saturday are a setback, the top three Divisions are still well placed to contest the finals. The next five rounds of play will require all bowlers to be at their best. The role of our coach in overseeing this will be critical.

Last Thursday saw an excellent "Skins" two bowl triples event conducted with bowlers from 10 different clubs involved. Although this format involves a lot of handshaking and walking, good bowls were played throughout the day and it was a good income earner for the club. A big thank you to all who were involved in the organisation and the running of the day.

The next men's meeting will be held on Thursday January 28th at 7.30pm.

V.L.B.A. Pam

The first Pennant games on Jan. 12th were cancelled due to 40deg plus heat wave.

All our teams are going well with Division 1 having a win over Mooroopna Golf, Division 2 Shepp Park Gold defeating Maroons with Maroons winning 2 of the rinks, Shepp Park Green in Div. 4 had their first loss against Mooroopna and the Whites lost against Mooroopna Golf.

There are only two more rounds left, with all teams having a good chance of ending up in the final four. Club Championships were held, with Di Hands taking out the honours and Glenice Mawson being the runner up. The B. Grade winner was Patricia McDonough and Mavis Boyle the runner up.

The 100 up is well on the way with some very close games in the first round.

Congratulations to Freda and Jack Lawton on their 60th wedding anniversary on the 18th January.

Next ladies meeting Monday 25th January at 10am.

Australian Open. Bob

No developments since last Board Meeting. Orientation meeting and uniform issue Sunday January 31st at 11am and 1pm.

An update of arrangements for the AO will be given to all members at the upcoming scheduled ladies and men's membership meetings.