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Proud host of the Australian Open in 2009 and 2010

Fees for 2010-2011

The full membership fees this year have been set at \$140. This is made up of \$90 club membership, \$7 cleaning levy and \$43 Bowls Victoria and local associations affiliations.

Social membership fee is \$30.

Catering: Marg Davy

Since the last Board meeting catering was provided for the Yarra Valley Country Club visit on the weekend of April 30th / May 1st. Thirty five visitors and an equal number of our own members enjoyed a barbecue lunch and home made afternoon tea.

The catering committee is now in recess until September. Flo, together with helpers, is catering for Indoor Bowls and Bingo days.

Greens: Ray Phillips

I would like to start my report by saying a very special thank you to Noel Dobson for a marvelous job he has achieved as Greens Director for these past years. Noel has indicated that he will be around to support me through the year.

As of May 9th both greens have now been closed for the year. Greens are in good order at this time of the year, I have spot treated Members Green for Pearl Wart a couple of times and will keep an eye on this over winter.

Shades have been rolled back on the south end of the Foundation Green and taken down on the north end, we have done this because last year moss started to appear in the shadows of the north end shades.

Noel reports that we have used 4 megalitres of water this year.

Thanks to Noel Dumesny and John Wallace for their efforts in re-building and repairing the spray machine.

House: Bob Smith

Kitchen: Some trouble with icing up in the glass door refrigerator. One door wasn't closing properly. Will monitor the situation from now on.

Storm damage on roof: Council has it in hand but no action at this stage.

Storm damage to shelters: Shade cloth covers to go out for repair next week. Steel ribs that were bent are being repaired this week. These will not be re-assembled until the building extensions are complete.

Clubroom floor: In constant contact with Council re variations in floor level, but we are not being given any indication of what action they will be taking.

Outside disabled toilet: Storm water is entering from the downpipe.

Social: Ken Allen

The Social Committee is the same as last year, so they should work well together again.

Sponsorship: Alan Sutherland

New sponsorship are being approached and agreements are being printed for the coming season.

Tournament organisers are reminded that they need to contact sponsors to arrange presentation of trophies, etc. Alan can be contacted if assistance is required.

RVBA: Laurie Fagan

The visit of the Yarra Valley Country Club on April 30 / May 1 was very successful, with more than 60 bowlers participating on each of the two days. Our visitors were extremely happy with the greens, the standard of which they rarely see in Melbourne.

The GVBA AGM is on June 8th, with a number of important items passed on for further discussion from the May delegates meeting.

VIBBA: Fred Murley

The indoor section is going along very well with three new members joining last Thursday.

Both our Pennant teams are doing well with both in the four at the moment.

With our social bowls on Thursday, Round Robin on Friday and Goulburn Valley events on Saturday there is plenty of activity on the indoor scene.

The Ladies Singles held last Saturday, May 22nd, saw our own Cathy Dudley advance to the Grand Final, and we wish her every success.

There is still room for anyone who wishes to join us on Thursday's at 7pm, so if you are thinking of giving it a try, please come along.

VLBA: Pam McGurgan

Five teams have been entered for Pennant Season 2010-2011; 1 x Division 1, 2 x Division 2 and 2 x Division 3. Unfortunately we don't have a Division 4 side as we entered 5 teams of 12 a side. Division 4 is 8 a side for next pennant season.

Maroon slacks etc are being registered for the ladies next season, so I'm encouraging as many ladies as possible to purchase them through KC's Bowls Wear. You are still able to wear navy or white for next pennant season.

Pennant commences on September 28th.

Have a good winter break and will see you all again next season.

Stage 2: Bob Smith

Steel delivery: Not able to determine when steel will be on site, but we should see something in coming weeks.

Green: Preparation work is complete and the playing surface will be completed after the roof is on.

South entrance: We have asked Council to consider changes to their proposal for this entrance and we hope to have a reply soon.

Fourth green: The area for the fourth green has been pegged out and confirmed by Council. We can now start preparatory work to fence the area and prepare the foundation for the green.

New Members:

Full membership applications were received from Sandra Wallace and Peter Warburton. These were accepted, and members are asked to welcome them to the club.

Uniforms:

A sub-committee comprising Pam McGurgan and Don Dickinson and another member was suggested at the AGM. Pam is to convene this group with power to co-opt as felt necessary. The committee will determine if there is a need to change the shirts, and if it is felt necessary, then suggest an alternative.

NEC Broadband for Seniors:

We have successfully applied to be included in this program. Its aim is to provide computers to clubs catering for Over 50's so that assistance can be provided to members in learning how to use the internet.

We will receive computers, tables, chairs and broadband access for a year. We have nominated two members as volunteer tutors to help members gain confidence in using the internet using Internet Explorer, sending and receiving email messages and composing letters in a word processor.

Further details will be announced once the equipment has been received and set up.