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Host of the Australian Open in 2009 and 2010 : Host of the Victorian Open 2011 - 2017

Important dates

NOVEMBER

- 5 - 11 inclusive Victorian Open
- 13 Men's Pairs Round 1
- 16 60 & Over Violet Town
- 16 Ladies 60 & Over Shepp Park
- 16 Night pennant Round 4
- 18 Ladies Club Champ Rd 3
- 21 Ladies B Grade Round 4
- 23 60 & Over Stanhope
- 24 Night pennant Round 5
- 24 Ladies 60 & Over East Shepp
- 25 Ladies Club Champ Rd 4
- 27 Men's 21up Round 1
- 27 Men's 100up Round 3
- 27 Tournament 2 Bowl Mixed Triples
- 30 60 & Over Dookie/Rushworth
- 30 Night pennant Round 6

DECEMBER

- 4 Men's A&B Champ Round 4
- 4 Ladies A&B Champ FINALS
- 7 60&Over Tatura
- 7 Night pennant Round 7
- 8 Ladies 60&Over Hill Top
- 11 Men's Pairs Round 2
- 14 60&Over Mooroopna
- 14 Night pennant Round 8
- 15 Ladies 60&Over Mooroopna

Top Gun Prizes

Just a reminder that Top Gun Prizes, the prize for the biggest winning rink in Midweek and Saturday Pennant, are to be collected in a timely manner. The prize is a drink from the Bar for each member of the biggest winning rink. All winning bowlers need to collect their OWN prize ONLY.

Thank You

VICTORIAN OPEN

The Vic Open has been run, and won, for another year. It was, once again, a very successful event, arguably our best yet. The Open will return to us in 2017, and negotiations are under way for the years after that.

A full and comprehensive wrap up of the Open will be printed in the December newsletter, after the organising committee have had their review.

The Board would like to express their appreciation and thanks to our wonderful band of volunteer workers for another huge effort. The Club, Greens and surrounds were presented in magnificent condition, and there were many favourable comments.

Thank you afternoon tea

On Monday 28th November at 3pm there will be a 'Thank You' afternoon Tea at the Club to thank our tireless Band of workers for their efforts during the Open. All volunteers are invited to attend.

Vic Open raffle results

The lucky winners in our Vic. Open raffle were:

Bowls Lorraine Dowson Wonthaggi
 Bowls Bag Neil Lipscombe Shepp.
 \$100 Voucher Rosemary Mitchelmore Shepparton
 \$100 Voucher Marie Houghton Bendigo
 \$100 Voucher Louise Sidebottom Avenel

Thank you to the raffle organisers, ticket sellers and especially ticket buyers.

Bar Prices

Due to rising costs it is necessary to increase the price of all beers by 50cents and all Bundaberg products by 50cents. Effective immediately.

Night Pennant

We have had 4 weeks of Wednesday night pennant with a new format of 3 bowl triples. 60 players have been selected in 14 teams with the change to the new format being very well accepted.

Thanks must go to Robyn MacFadyen for her assistance in getting the season up and running and, also, Max Stiegenberger and Bill Brown for their ongoing efforts.

It was also great to see Mark Ryan come out on night 2 to address the players and offer some coaching for those who wish to take up the offer.

Rob Thorne

I would also like to add my congratulations to Rob, Robyn and helpers for the enthusiastic way in which they have promoted and organised the important night pennant.

Friday night happy hour

After the Vic Open it is time to get back to the regular Club events such as our popular happy hour.

Come along and join in the fun. Drinks at 'happy hour' prices, nibbles, prizes and spinning wheel.

Be there or be square.

Saturday Meals

The same applies to our increasingly popular Saturday night, after pennant, BBQ meals with an ice cream for \$10. All welcome, including your families. Straight after pennant finishes each Saturday.

Chicken and Salad night

The ever popular, Chicken and Salad night, will be held on Friday 25th November. Come along and enjoy the great food and fun and good company.

Further Chicken and Salad nights are planned for:

20 January 2017 &

24 February 2017.

Please mark these dates in your diary.

Club communications

The Club has been informed that the NBN is now available in this area. The Board has decided the whole club needs a review of our telephone and internet services. Our internet service has become very unreliable over recent months and has suffered many outages over that time. We will seek the opinion of several experts in the field and then we will discuss our requirements with National Telecommunication companies to ensure we get the best result for the Club.

We will keep members informed of developments.



Birthdays

Happy birthday to the following members who have, or, are about to celebrate their birthday during November.

Patsy Abrahams, Jeff Anselmi, Dennis Beck, Robert Bourke, Craig Brauman, Frances Coghlan, Kris Ferguson, Gavan Flanagan, Bill Gullick, Rob Hands, Ray Hill, John Londrigan, Robyn Mac Fadyen, Robert Matthews, Vince Mazzella, Vic Nelson, Glenn Power, Bob Smith, Robert Thorne and Vicki Whebell

Christmas Dinner

Our Christmas Dinner will this year be held on Saturday December 17th. Come along for a wonderful festive dinner, and entertainment.

Names on the list in the foyer please, and, for catering purposes your early indication of attendance would be appreciated.

Bar Service

Our Bar manager, Glenn Edwards, is always on the lookout for more bar attendants. A RSA certificate is required. If we can get a good number of volunteers we will be able to arrange a short, evening course to obtain the relevant certificate, at no cost to you.

Joke of the day

Mr Simple was told at the Jobcentre that there was a vacancy for a bus driver. 'But I can't drive' he said. 'Never mind', replied the clerk, 'they will train you.' So off went Mr Simple to the bus depot; he was accepted for training and in a few weeks had passed his driving test. As he was taking his bus out on his first shift he said to the Inspector, 'where's the conductor?' 'Oh, we don't have conductors any longer,' said the Inspector. 'You have to collect the fares yourself.'

So off went Mr Simple, driving confidently but carefully. But half an hour later the Inspector was appalled to receive a phone call from the manager of the local Woolworths store. 'Get over here!' screamed the manager. 'One of your buses has driven smack through the front of my shop!'

The Inspector hurtled along to the scene of the accident, and sure enough, there was Mr Simple's bus embedded in the front of Woolworth's! No-one had been hurt, but there was broken glass and debris all over the pavement and the bus was almost completely wrecked. 'What on earth happened?' yelled the Inspector to the wretched Mr Simple. 'I don't know, guv,' he answered. 'When the bus crashed I was upstairs collecting fares!'

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Late news

Denis Smyth, Glen Thatcher and Dave Hardie have won the Men's State Triples Score 19/6
Glen played as a substitute for Peter Brodie, who was unavailable on the day.
Congratulations to all 4 bowlers.