



Club Bulletin

JJ Tully Drive, Doncaster, VIC 3108

December 2019

CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE AND THE FESTIVE SEASON

Ho ho ho! The Christmas hampers at our club look beautiful as usual as we get ready for its annual Christmas Dinner Dance this coming Saturday on December 7th. If you are thinking about attending, think no more. Simply put your name on the list that is at the club in the next few days and join in the fun and festivities. Festivities start at 7pm on the Saturday.

Also, don't forget that the less formal Christmas Eve drinks and nibbles is on **Tuesday 24th December** from 5:30pm onwards. Bring your own nibbles and food. Happy hour at the bar as usual.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the Doncaster Bowling Club Inc., a Special General Meeting of members shall take place at the Club on **Thursday, 12th December 2019 at 2.00pm**. If you are unable to attend and would like to vote by proxy, there are some forms on the board outside the tournament office.

The purpose of the meeting is to accept, or otherwise, a recommendation put to the Board of Management by the Board of Management Back Green Assessment Sub – Committee that:

“the Board of Management Back Green Assessment Sub – Committee recommends to the Board of Management that the Doncaster Bowling Club note the final quotation of BioScapes and replace the tiff dwarf Back Green with a synthetic green of the choice of surface material, and choice of construction and size, as recommended by the Sub – Committee”.

Agenda

1. Welcome.
2. Apologies.
3. Proxies.
4. Introduction.
5. Background.
6. Action by Board of Management.
7. Analysis of Synthetic Green option.
8. Follow up action.
9. Estimated costs.
10. Development of infill area.
11. Finance.





12. Recommendation to Club members.
13. Vote on motion.

“that the Special Meeting of members of the Doncaster Bowling Club, held on Thursday, 12th December 2019, support the replacement of the tiff dwarf Back Green with a synthetic green of the choice of surface material, and choice of construction and size, as recommended by the Board of Management Back Green Assessment Sub – Committee”.

14. Close

VISIT TO DBC BY VICTORIA BOWLING CLUB BALLARAT

Our club has had a long association with the Victoria Bowling Club at Ballarat East. They are scheduled to visit the DBC on Sunday 5th January 2020 as we continue with the tradition of the annual home and away social bowls day between the two Clubs.

Preliminary arrangements are for a 10.30-11.00 am start with teams being a mix of members from both Clubs. Current proposal is for the first game of 13 ends, then lunch to be provided by DBC, and then a second game of 15 ends. Afternoon tea and presentations to round out the day's proceedings.

An entry list for DBC members will be posted on the noticeboard. It promises to be the usual fun day for all. Contact Ash Rowe for any further information.

THE DONCASTER CLASSIC

The Doncaster Classic will be held on **Sunday February 16th 2020**. Entries are rolling in. Should you wish to enter a team or are interested in participating in the club's marquee event, please contact Richard Lovell or Robert Bateup. Composite teams are welcome.

PENNANT – MID SEASON REPORT

The tables below show our current standings after eight rounds of the Bowls Victoria Metropolitan Pennant competition. Congratulations to Side 3 in the midweek competition for being the front runners. As can be seen we have a fair bit of catching up to do. The good news is that there is still plenty of time left. So, let's focus and do our best for the remainder of the season and try to get some of the sides into the finals playoffs.

MIDWEEK PENNANT

SIDE	POSITION
1	5th
2	3rd
3	1st
4	7th
5	9th

SATURDAY PENNANT

SIDE	POSITION
1	6th
2	5th
3	10th
4	4th
5	7th
6	5th





NIGHT TOURNAMENT AT DONCASTER

Have you played bowls at night? Beat the day time heat and play bowls in beautiful conditions under lights. Our 7-week Night Tournament gets underway on Tuesday February 25th and we finish before Easter on April 7th. It is a nominated triples game of 16 ends with one end power play. There is very good prize money on offer at the end of the seven weeks and there is a weekly lucky draw as well. You can put your team entries in on the list at the club or contact Dinesh Balgovind for more information.

CHANGES TO PENNANT DATES SEASON 2020/21

For those who like to plan well ahead, our friends at Bowls Victoria have released the dates for the 2020/21 Pennant season. As you can see there are some significant changes:

Midweek Pennant 2020/21 Season Dates



Round 1 – 20th October 2020

Round 2 – 27th October 2020

Round 3 – 4th November 2020 (Played on a Wednesday in lieu of Melbourne Cup Day)

Round 4 – 10th November 2020

Round 5 – 17th November 2020

2020 Victorian Open – 20th - 27th November

Round 6 – 1st December 2020 (First Game After Victorian Open)

Round 7 – 3rd December 2020 (Midweek Pennant Double Header)

Round 8 – 8th December 2020

Round 9 – 15th December 2020

Round 10 – 22nd December 2020 (Last Game Before Christmas)

Christmas/New Year Break

Round 11 – 19th January 2021

Round 12 – 28^h January 2021 (Played on a Thursday in lieu of Australia Day)

Round 13 – 2nd February 2021

Round 14 – 9th February 2021

Round 15 – 16th February 2021

Round 16 – 23th February 2021

Round 17 – 2nd March 2021

Round 18 – 9th March 2021

Sectional Semi Final – 16th March 2021

Sectional Final – 18th March 2021

Division Quarter Final – 23rd March 2021

Division Semi Final – 25th March 2021

Division Grand Finals – 30th March 2021





Weekend Pennant 2020/21 Season Dates



- Round 1** – 17th October 2020
- Round 2** – 24th October 2020
- Round 3** – 31st October 2020
- Round 4** – 7th November 2020
- Round 5** – 14th November 2020
- Round 6** – 15th November 2020 (Weekend Pennant Double Header)

2020 Victorian Open – 20th - 27th November

- Round 7** – 28th November 2020 (First Game After Victorian Open)
- Round 8** – 5th December 2020
- Round 9** – 12th December 2020
- Round 10** – 19th December 2020 (Last Game Before Christmas)

Christmas/New Year Break

- Round 11** – 23rd January 2021
- Round 12** – 30th January 2021
- Round 13** – 31st January 2021 (Weekend Pennant Double Header)
- Round 14** – 6th February 2021
- Round 15** – 13th February 2021
- Round 16** – 20th February 2021
- Round 17** – 27th February 2021
- Round 18** – 6th March 2021

Sectional Semi Final – 13th March 2021
Sectional Final – 14th March 2021

Division Quarter Final – 20th March 2021
Division Semi Final – 21st March 2021

Division Grand Finals – 27th March 2021

USEFUL APPS

Most of us these days have smartphones and a whole stack of apps, some of which we use all the time and others hardly ever. Here is one app that may come in handy.



The **Emergency Plus** App could help save lives. The app uses GPS functionality built into smart phones to help a Triple Zero (000) caller provide critical location details required to mobilise emergency services.





CLOSURE OF OUR GREENS

The greens will be closed from **Monday 23rd December till Monday 30th December**. During that time the greens will be scarified as well as other maintenance if required.

When practicing could players please refrain from using rinks 4 to 7 to rest the southern end.

Thanks for your understanding.

Geoff Bandy
Greens Director



To read this newsletter on line here is the link to our website:

<http://www.doncasterbowlingclub.org.au>

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