Weekly Message Monday 18th September, 2023
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Another week and great achievements and progress for the Club.

The lease
A 9 year lease with Bayside City council was signed off on Friday!

New Board Member
The **Board is delighted to have Mark Hossen** join the Board as a Director representing Bowls. It will strengthen the relationship and communication between the Board and Bowls section and we thank Mark for joining.

Accounts

- We have our **Bendigo Bank Sandringham** accounts open and linked with our Xero accounting package.
- **Meaghan our bookkeeper** is managing this and will streamline all payments, records and including all Bowls membership details for ease of invoicing and contacts.

Works

- We have a renewed and much more **economical security system** in place and active.
- The Pokies are now being dismantled and we hope they will be completely gone in a couple more weeks.

Functions

- We are receiving many requests for **functions** over the next few months and into next year. It is incredible how much the local community is wanting to hold functions with us again.
- Mel is currently taking these pending when receive our liquor licence.
- John and I are meeting with a past functions manager from Royal Melbourne Golf who has expressed interest in functions on a part time commission based approach.

First Aid

- We now have **five First Aid stations** that have been set up around the club with complete **First Aid Kits**.
- The Kitchen, Bar, Deck - Men's Locker room, Green keeper's shed and Volunteer's shed each have a record book to record incidents, treatment and equipment used.
- The Defibrillator now sits on the window sill inside the Men's Locker room.

Thank you to Di Richards for her organisation in making this happen.

The Bar

- We are about to embark on **tidying, organising and sorting out the Bar** area in readiness for when our liquor licence returns.
- We need **some volunteers to help us move furniture, sort through notice boards,** take down old Keno signs etc.

- We will also want to paint some of the wall around near the entrance and bar area so anyone who can paint a wall would be welcome.

  Please contact **Lyn Manning** lynmanning6@gmail.com if you can assist, so she can put your name down and we can organise this ASAP. Hoping to start this on Monday 24 September.

- I will be investigating the RSA and Barista training this week and get back to you all next week.

Systems and processes
As mentioned last week, there are many different functions, events and users of our club. We are trialling and implementing some processes to ensure the smooth and effective coordination. We will be providing more information and examples of how these processes will work over the next few months. Thanks to those of you who are contributing and making suggestions to help the efficient running of the club. Any suggestions most welcome.

Our volunteers are working well. Our new communications, marketing and sponsorship groups are about to get organised and active so if you are interested or have expertise in grant applications, advertising, sponsorship etc please let me know.
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Welfare/Wellbeing
Looking after each other and looking out for each other is an important part of any community group. We are establishing a small group who will help establish a series of strategies which will provide support to all members of our club. If you would like to be part of that group, please let me know.

Website
Work continues behind the scenes on our new website. Our social media options will be discussed and finalised shortly, including our new FB page.

Bowls on a Monday
Due to Monday being our volunteer day bowling is unavailable until 2.00pm on a Monday, East West direction.

Dogs
It is great to have dogs come along and share our events!
Please note that they must be kept on a lead at all times!

If there is anything you need support with or you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or any member of the Board.

Kathy