



# “Top Shot” – February 2021

## Message from the President

It is great to see bowls almost back to normal. But we must still be vigilant and heed the Health Experts warnings on how to prevent a virus outbreak and what to do if in any doubt about your own health. We must think of the consequences to the club and our fellow members. However, we showed on Sunday how to run a highly successful tournament even with some restrictions. There were many people involved, but I would like to mention Ivan, Gerry, Mary and June for their fantastic work. I'm sure the word-of-mouth good publicity we get from the day will only benefit the club in many years to come. The greens and surrounds were a picture, and this doesn't happen overnight. It's a result of months of hard work by our greens and surrounds workers. It was great to see Smoky, still as dry as ever, and we wish him and Rae well.

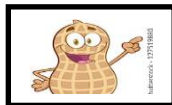
Congratulations to Carmel on a well-deserved BBD singles win.

Not long to go now to finals. Still some work for some teams to improve their positions, so let us all get behind the selectors decisions and finish off the season well.

Happy bowling

Cheers Al.

## In a Nutshell.....



### Pennant Ladders

#### Midweek: 1/2/2021

Division 2 White Hills – 10 from 12 – 1<sup>st</sup>

Division 4 White Hills – 4 from 12 – 6<sup>th</sup>

Division 5 White Hills – 8 from 12 – 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### Weekend 30/01/21

Division 2 White Hills – 3 from 10 – 8<sup>th</sup>

Division 5 White Hills – 5 from 10 – 4<sup>th</sup>

Division 7 White Hills – 3 from 10 – 6<sup>th</sup>

Division 8 White Hills – 4 from 8 – 3<sup>rd</sup>

Division 9 White Hills – 5 from 10 – 4<sup>th</sup>

### Monday evenings at the club.....

Our club welcomes the Bendigo Ballroom Dance Group who have entered an agreement for weekly hire of our hall for practice purposes. Any club member who wishes to “trip the light fantastic” and interested in this form of dance, please contact the dance group Secretary, Lyn Harry 0427 382 216.

## Special Events .....

White Hills hosted the Gold Letter Invitation Fours sponsored again by the Country Care Group (Bendigo) on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January. 28 teams participated on a perfect day for bowls. After the deluge of rain, the venue was presented in immaculate conditions. Greens were superb with many complimentary remarks together with the catering on the day, this time, with fewer restrictions. The tournament was once again managed extremely well by our club TD Ivan McCarrey supported by the many volunteers. Thank you to all members who participated, especially the volunteers. Winners of the event were the Brennan Brothers, Kevin, Jim and while the lead was Gerry Hogan's brother, Kevin. Runners-up team was the Page family from Echuca/Moama whilst consolation prizes were awarded to the three other 3-game winners, Tongala, Kilmore and a combo team featuring John McCurry, McCumber brothers, Wes and Ray, and a visitor from Stawell, Richard Moore.



Kevin Hogan, Kevin Brennan, Jim Brennan, Barry Brennan

### Friday Nights

**Feb 5<sup>th</sup>** - Quiche & Frittata plus a guest speaker who is a potential Sponsor - Bookings may be made by placing your name on the notice board list 5.30pm Thursdays

**Feb 12<sup>th</sup>** – Meal plus support our Div 2 V Bendigo in an evening game. \$10 / person

**Feb 26<sup>th</sup>** Same arrangement - have a meal then support Div 2 V Strathfieldsaye playing a Friday night game.

### Club Tattslotto

List starting 13<sup>th</sup> Feb is on the Notice Board. Your \$10 must be placed in a named envelope and handed to Lainie Aiello before 11<sup>th</sup> Feb.

**BBD Champion of Champions.....**

Congratulations go to Carmel Jansen for her sterling individual performance at the recent BBD finals of the women's Champion of Champions played at Bendigo East. Carmel defeated club champions Heather Braid 25/12 and Jenny Farrell 25/13. to reach the final. Finals day which started early due to the weather predictions, saw Carmel defeat Bendigo Champion Lee Harris 25/15 in the Semi Final. In the final against East's Melissa Roberts (who had an added advantage playing on her home green in front of her club supporters) both ladies provided a most entertaining game played in extremely hot conditions. Carmel gave her all, not allowing any distractions to impact her game, winning 25/23. Your experience and steely resolve came to the fore, Carmel. Well done and all the best for the Regionals.



**Dates for the diary.....**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**  
Barham entries close with Gerry Hogan

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Bunnings BBQ Fund Raiser**

Helpers are required for this club fund-raiser. Minimum of four persons per shift are required for orders/ cashier, cooking and serving. Please let Hood-e know of your availability between 8.30am and 4.30pm as soon as possible.

**Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> March – Veterans Day** at Eaglehawk Bowls Club commencing at 10.30am.

Bowlers over 70 are invited to participate. Regulation dress applies. Please put your name on the list if you plan on attending. (Board of Management Notice Board)

If you are a "Super Veteran" and have never received a badge, please provide your Secretary, Hood-e with a brief resume`.

**A little bit of humour.....**



**Have your say.....**



All club members are invited to the 5-year Planning Workshop 2021-2026 will be held on **Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> February commencing at 6.00pm.** The workshop which will be facilitated by Bowls Australia's Regional Bowls Manager, John Emerson.

This workshop has been delayed by the restrictions imposed during the "year to forget". Your ideas for the next five years in relation to the club's direction will be most welcome.