



“Top Shot” – October 2021

Board of Management News

The Board has formerly appointed Evan Jardine as our website administrator/ manager. Evan has been updating a number of pages. This newsletter is your **formal notification** that all updates and club regulations are available from the website. Hard copies are filed in the office. (Regulation #22 Match Committee Version 5 and Regulation # 28 Venue Hire Version 2 plus Facilities Hire Charges.) Members are reminded that they may book facilities for one private function at no cost, however, the member must be in attendance throughout the event.

Player Profiles

To enable club members to learn a little more about each other, the monthly Newsletter will include “player profiles” beginning with two of your Board Members.

Luigi (Lui) Basile. Director - Governance & Grants

Lui migrated to Australia from Italy with his parents at three years of age in 1949. In 1969 he married Marie and they have four children and four grandsons. In the same year, Lui qualified as a Barrister and Solicitor. He was employed by a local firm in Swan Hill, until he set up his own sole practice in Kerang in 1974, later opening branches at Cohuna and Swan Hill. Lui retired in 2016 after some 53 years involvement in the legal profession, moving to Bendigo in April 2017.

In 1978, Lui was awarded a knighthood by the Italian Government for his services to the Italian community in Swan Hill and district in his capacity as correspondent/agent to the Italian Consulate in Melbourne.

Lui was a Councillor of the Borough of Kerang between 1974-1985, including 2 years as Mayor, a councillor of the Shire of Gannawarra between 2003-2012, including three years as Mayor. He was a member of the Board of the Murray Darling Association between 2004 and 2012, including terms as Treasurer and national Vice President. He also served as a director of Lower Murray Water authority for 6 years.

He was a member of the Kerang Bowls Club between 1973 and 2017, and served terms on the Board as treasurer, and chairperson. He was instrumental in the Club obtaining a Licence to operate Electronic Gaming Machines. He even won his fair share of club events, including A Grade Champion, and was a member of many winning pennant teams Lui was welcomed to the WHBC and now enjoys bowling, and contributing to the activities of the Club.



Allan Charlton, Club President

Allan was born into a Fish Creek, South Gippsland dairy farming family in 1953 and inherited his father's sporting genes. Sport, school then farming were his priorities.

He attended the Foster Primary and Secondary schools, and upon leaving school, worked with the ANZ bank for 10 years at Fish Creek, Foster and Melbourne. During the last five years, he married Fiona and together had three children and now have seven grandchildren. While in the Fish Creek area he played cricket, football and basketball representing all in representative teams. Probably cricket was his pick, playing Country Week in Melbourne in the Premier division. After the bank, the family moved to Foster to manage a motel for two years before moving to Rutherglen where they managed the Red-Carpet Inn motel. They built a restaurant next to the motel and ran that for three years. Together with a mate, Allan started the Rutherglen Basketball Association where he became an A grade umpire, umpiring at state championships. His Life Membership of that association is much appreciated.

As a young family didn't suit the restaurant lifestyle, Allan joined a pig producing company called Bunge Meats, spending the next 33 years with them, although the business name changed a number of times. He started at their site in Corowa, then moved to Moulmein for three years (where he became the Football President), then to Trafalgar for another three years and finally to Bendigo as the site Manager for the last fifteen years before retirement. Apart from management, being involved in company social clubs gave me great pleasure.

And so, at each destination, sport was his total interest especially as his father's administration genes really kicked in. His main ambition at every chance was to try and make a difference. To quote Allan, *“Teamwork and respect ring loudly in my conscience, if that's not your cup of tea – stay away.”*

Quote for the Month: “You can't control what others say and do, but you can control how you respond” -

Joanne Madeline Moore – Bendigo Times Oct 2021

In a nutshell....



Club phone number: The fixed line is currently being transferred from Telstra to Aussie Broadband due to their community sponsorship. We have been advised that this may take 4-6 weeks. In the meantime, the new mobile cell phone is available for office use. 0481 486 221

Covid update: As of 4/10/2021, there are no changes for this region, The vaccination changes that some of the members have seen DO NOT apply to this region - see <https://www.bowlsvic.org.au/covid-19/return-to-play/>

Defib Demonstration held on 8th October was attended by twenty members. Volunteers from the CFA Huntly Branch divided the group into two groups of ten where a short video (very humorous) and a practical demonstration was provided. A second demonstration may be arranged for members at a later date. Please place your name on the list on the external Notice Board. **For everyone's information, the Defib machine (AED) is located with the first aid box on the top of the small bookcase in the foyer.**

Brain Teaser: A 9-letter bowls-related terminology to solve, plus make as many words as possible. Each word must contain the middle letter NB: No plurals or Capital i.e.: Towns, names etc

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Many thanks to Jim B for this brain teaser.

Farewell and Welcome

Sadly, we say farewell to Mark Anderson and Troy Magnussen who are seeking to play at a higher level, BUT we do welcome the return of Ross Smith (Golden Square) and our social bowler, Geoff Austin to the Pennant ranks.



Birthday Wishes are extended to our October "babies"

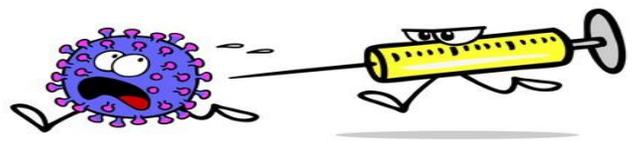
John Carter, Brian Evans, Glyn Gardner, Glenda Jones, Ivan McCarrey, Jan O'Bree, Colin Sleep, Ross Smith, Kevin Thies and Glenn Wilson.

Vale: Jean Cunningham 12/05/1935 – 26/09/2021

Jean Cunningham commenced her bowling career with the Bendigo Golf Bowls Club, bowling with much success at the highest level. In 2015, Jean joined the White Hills Bowls Club became a vital member of both social and pennant bowling groups. Even the loss of a finger in recent years did not preclude Jean from enjoying her days on the green. Members who played with Jean found her to be a very supportive team member especially with new bowlers. "She was competitive and a real trooper". Joining White Hills was an easy choice for Jean as her parents, Jack & Annie McDowall, were not only foundation members of our club but were both past presidents, twice club champions and pennant premiership players. Jean's mother was also a Life Member of our club, whilst her father was one of the three trustees appointed to ensure the covenants listed by the land donor of the original green regarding a 99-year lease, F.J. Every, were to be honoured way back in 1956. Our men's Club Championship has a silver cup presentation honouring in lettering each annual winner. This cup is the JC McDowall Cup made possible through the generosity of the McDowall family.

Vale: "Smokey" Euvrard 03/01/1939 -08/10/2021

John "Smokey" Euvrard was raised in the Red Cliffs / Mildura area. He moved to the township area of Beulah where he made his mark, not only meeting and marrying Rae, but becoming very involved in the Beulah community. One of his favourite volunteer roles was with the Beulah Cemetery Trust being a member since 1979 and being awarded a Life membership. "Smokey" and Rae, moved to Bendigo, joining the White Hills Bowls club in 2010. Straight away, Smokey became known for his wicked sense of humour, his "straight talking" and being quite the practical joker. He was never short of being able to make a story out of any situation that arose and quite adept at "taking the Mickey" out of himself and fellow teammates. He was a handy bowler winning the Men's Pairs with the late Des Cole in the 2010-2011 season. Even during his illness, Smokey could still crack a joke and see the funny side of life. Club members, especially those who new Smokey well, will miss the man. To quote a lifelong friend – "What you saw, is what you got with Smokey" Club members extend deepest sympathy to Rae and the extended family.



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