

Playford Bowling Club Inc. PO Box 34 Elizabeth SA 5112

Feb-March Newsletter

President's Report

As we approach the business end of the season our eight pennant teams have enjoyed contrasting fortunes on the greens/blues. We're hopeful that at least two of our Saturday sides will be involved in finals, while a couple of our other teams are facing a fight to avoid relegation. Shoulders to the wheels folks – let's finish the season as strongly as possible.

We recently hosted ladies from the **Playford Women's Shed**, who set up trading tables with all sorts of cakes and goodies, including some especially for Valentine's Day. Raelene and her team do a fantastic job providing all sorts of assistance to women who find themselves in difficult domestic circumstances. We donated the proceeds from our raffle so hopefully the day provided meaningful financial support for their tremendous work.

Steve Attridge.

Vale...

Brian Spooner, a Life Member of our club, passed away recently at the age of 90, just a few months after the passing of his wife of 70 years Mary. Brian had been a member of Elizabeth Bowling Club before moving to Munno Para to help establish a new club there. He was a founding member of Munno Para Bowling & Community Club, served there as a selector and later had a term as president. Sincere condolences to his family.

More recently **Jeff Scholefield** passed away after a long period of ill health. Jeff bowled at Elizabeth for many years and was club champion four times in the period from 2005/6 to 2011/12. Over 20 members attended the funeral service which highlighted Jeff's love of family and gardening. Deepest sympathies to **Ingrid** and the family.

Our kitchen team

Many thanks to **Moe Gregory**, who has resigned as kitchen manager, for her wonderful stewardship of the kitchen. Moe has played a big role in overseeing catering for numerous tournaments and has agreed to help again when we host the Women's Prestige Medley Finals in April.

We are indeed fortunate to have had **Sherryll Kendall and Maddy Johnston** join the club last year (even if they brought Doug and Tony with them). They immediately joined the kitchen crew and have now agreed to share the responsibility of kitchen manager. Many thanks ladies.

Several months ago **Ron Slager** agreed to take overall responsibility for the running of the kitchen, to be the interface between the kitchen crew and the board. Ron has kindly fitted a security cage inside the kitchen's cold room to try to reduce further unexplained losses of consumables.

Schnitty night

The next schnitty night will be Friday March 15th. These evenings have proved popular but some changes have been made to reduce the pressure on those doing all the work and also to give members a better chance to be included.

There will be a maximum of 70 places and <u>food orders will only be taken between 5 - 6:15pm</u>. Associate and full members who wish to attend should add their name on the sheet that will be put up on the noticeboard by the office.

<u>Note – initially each member can only bring a maximum of 2 non-members.</u> If by March 8th there remain unclaimed places then these can be filled with additional non-members or social members.

Specsavers offer.

Late last year we were delighted to welcome **Specsavers** at Elizabeth shopping centre as a new sponsor of our club. They have a couple of offers for Playford members:

- \$150 off multifocal lenses in a single pair of glasses, or
- \$50 off \$249 frames for members who are looking to purchase 2 pairs of single vision glasses.

To qualify for either offer, just tell them that you're a PBC member when you visit. Remember that Specsavers also supply hearing aids!!

Miscellaneous

Our **Bingo team** needs a couple of extra hands to help run the Thursday evening sessions at CDFC. This is the club's primary income source so please see Ingrid Scholefield or Andy Crawford if you can help. Even if you can only help every second or third week, or would be willing to have your name on an Emergency List to cover absences of our regular team members, that would be appreciated. Thanks to **Terry Coles** and **Dave Marsh** for helping out last Thursday.

Congratulations to **Clarrie Mayfield**, who was recently recognized by the City Of Salisbury for outstanding service to the community. For the past 18 months Clarrie has been running the weekly Seniors' Friendship Meet & Greet group at the Jack Young Centre. Well done Clarrie!

Just a reminder re the **commemorative plaques for our memorial garden**. We need help compiling annual lists (2017 – 2023) of deceased members.

A big thank you to **Living Colour** for their ongoing donations of plants for our memorial garden and to Brenton Ruciack for the many hours he spends keeping this looking so spectacular.

Thanks to **Smithfield & Elizabeth Funeral Services** for donating more puzzle books, which are free to members. If there are none on the table by the entrance, ask someone in the office.

This year's AGM will be held on Sunday May 19th from 2pm. Relevant paperwork will be sent to members well in advance of the meeting.