



Playford Bowling Club Inc.

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January Newsletter

President's Report

Happy New Year – I hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing break and have returned ready for the business half of the pennant season. The greens team have begun the task of scarifying, watering and rolling our 3 greens, part of the maintenance programme specified by KCL. Many thanks to Ron Slager, Peter DeBlauw and Peter Coombs for all their efforts on our behalf.

On December 8th we held a **sponsors' event** as a way of thanking our sponsors for their continuing support. Despite the time of the year, representatives of six sponsors were able to attend, joining board members for a schnitty and a few drinks. Please support our sponsors whenever you can – between them they offer a wide range of services (see match-day advertising slides). Thanks to the board members who attended and worked in various ways to ensure a successful evening.

Our **Christmas lunch** was another enjoyable occasion. For the first time, life members and partners were invited to attend free of charge, in recognition of their significant contributions (to either founder club and Playford) over many years. We appreciated the fact that our patron, local councilor Marilyn Baker and her hubby Gary were able to attend, despite Marilyn's crazy diary at that time of the year. Thanks to Moe and her helpers for giving the club its festive feel and for organizing the raffle.

On January 2nd a number of members gave up a morning to spruce up the place before pennant matches resume. All of the seats, benches, outside tables, rubbish bins and scoreboards were brushed to remove cobwebs, washed and surface-sprayed. Thanks to: *Don Harris, Dave Higgins, Brad & June Owens, Colin McGregor, Peter Russell, Brenton Ruciack, Lyn Ruddick, Moe Gregory, Tony Partridge, Peter Coombs, John Edmonds, Ron Slager, Andy Crawford, Steve Attridge.*

Memorial Plaques – help needed

It has always been our intention to attach memorial plaques to the rear wall of our memorial garden, each listing former members who have passed away in a given calendar year. We did make a start on this once before, and asked members to help us compile the yearly lists – with little response.

We need to ensure that these lists (for calendar years 2017 - 2023 inclusive) are complete and so again I ask members to help with this important task. If you know of **any Playford member** who has passed on please check that their name appears on the list being assembled by Bill Beckmann, a copy of which will be kept behind the bar. *If you do not help us with this it is probable that some names will be overlooked.*

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 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.

Welcome to **Elizabeth Rotary** who have recently come on board as a sponsor and will henceforth use our club as their base. If you would like to join, the details are on their fence sign on C green.