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The sponsorship agreement with Australian Outdoor Living provides the Club with a cash and product package of \$6,000.00, and the Club has granted naming rights of the winter Super Eights inter-club competition (held Monday nights) to Australian Outdoor Living, resulting in this competition now being known as the AOL Super Eights.

Club members are strongly encouraged to support, whenever possible, our new sponsor, which has a local branch at 5/14 Kennedy Drive, Cambridge, telephone contact 6248 5100.

To view Australian Outdoor Living's product range, and to peruse their specials and promotions you can also visit their website at www.australianoutdoorliving.com.au

CONGRATULATIONS, VICK BANNISTER!

Congratulations, Vicki, for your magnificent efforts over two very intense days of bowling to become Bowls Tasmania South's Women's Open Singles Champion of Champions for 2013-2014.

In her first game Vicki achieved a 25-15 victory over her opponent from Geeveston to qualify for a position in the semi final, where Vicki defeated her Buckingham opponent 25-4.

In a closely contested Open Final Vicki triumphed 25-21 over her worthy opponent, Monica Lovell, representing the Howrah club.

A great personal triumph for Vicki, and one that also brings honour to our Club.

IBC VOLUNTEERS MEETING 11am FRIDAY 21 MARCH, 2014

CLUB MEMBERS WISHING TO ASSIST IN THE RUNNING OF THE INDOOR CENTRE DURING THE COMING WINTER ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY 23 MARCH, 2014

All voting members of the Club are reminded that a Special General Meeting is scheduled to be held in the dining room of the Club on Sunday 23 March, 2014, commencing at 2:30pm.

The purpose of the Special General Meeting is to consider a number of changes to the Club's Constitution, which have the potential to affect the nomination and election of office bearers for 2014-2015, specifically:

- 1. proposal to restructure the Board of Management, including an update of duties and responsibilities for each position;
- 2. A proposal to alter the manner in which selectors are elected.

Both proposals are very important matters to be resolved prior to the advertising of Board of Management positions for 2014-2015 and all members eligible to vote are urged to make their attendance at the meeting a high priority.

Documentation detailing the changes proposed have been forwarded to members via email or Australia Post.

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NOTICE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY 4 MAY, 2014

All members are advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Kingborough Bowls Club will be held in the dining room of the Club on Sunday 4 May, 2014, commencing at 2:30pm.

Nomination forms for all positions to be declared vacant at the Annual General Meeting will be available after the proposed changes to the Kingborough Bowls Club Constitution have been considered at the Special General Meeting on Sunday 23 March.

PENNANT FORMAT 2014-2015 KBC MEMBERS' SURVEY RESULTS

The Board of Management thanks the 70% of bowling members who responded to the Board's invitation to participate in a survey of opinion in regard to several proposals for change to pennant formats for the 2014-2015 pennant season, put to clubs by the Board of Bowls Tasmania South.

51% of respondents to the survey indicated a preference for the retention of current pennant formats for the 2014-2015 and, therefore, the Club's response to Bowls Tasmania South has reflected this.

In regard to Bowls Tasmania South's proposal to change of Midweek Pennant from four rinks to three rinks per team was supported by over 60% of members' responses and this preference has also been conveyed to Bowls Tasmania South.

The final outcome on these matters now rests with the responses from other clubs to Bowls Tasmania South's proposals. At the time of preparing this edition of the Club's newsletter the decision of the Board of Bowls Tasmania South is not known, although a meeting of the Board was scheduled for the late afternoon of Monday, 17 March.

END OF SEASON RAFFLE

Congratulations to Tony Rowe and Craig Griggs for obtaining the large number of donations of prizes for the raffle, for conducting the sale of tickets, and then running the draw for prizes at the end-of-season BBQ on Saturday, 1 March.

Most importantly, the raffle raised the fantastic total of \$1,117.00, which is much more than required to achieve the outcome of funding the painting of parking bays in the Club's car park - Tony and Craig's original goal for this fundraising project.

Not only will the parking bays be painted, but much needed grounds equipment will be purchased for grounds maintenance.

WOMEN BOWLERS NEWS

Our congratulations go to Vicki Bannister for winning the Ladies "Open" singles Champion of Champions on Friday 28th February at Bucks. Well done Vicki it was a great game to watch and congratulations and good luck go to Leonie Price for being selected to represent Tasmania in the Australia Sides Championship in Burnie on the 28th March. Great news Leonie.

Most of the club championship games have now been played, and well done to all of you who participated. Many thanks to Verona for getting these competitions up and running.

Over the season many of you have helped in some way to make our Club the successful Club it is today and one such event is the Saturday Men's afternoon teas, without your help ladies this important function would not have been as successful as it's been so I thank all of you who have given up a Saturday/s for supporting the men of our club in this way and many thanks to Mavis who has ably taken over the role of coordinating the weekly roster. Thank you to those who give their time to help in the kitchen on Wednesday Pennant days, this too is always appreciated by our members.

During the season there have been events held at the club in which some of our ladies have generously given their time to cook and help out, namely Nona Clark, Mavis Gordon and Norma Lovell, thank you ladies very much, and always there to lend a hand is David Clark many thanks David.

It has been great to see the interest some of you have shown in the new Club shirts which went up for sale on Tuesday, these shirts can be worn at any time or anywhere except of course on Pennant days when our full Club uniform is to be worn. So for those who haven't yet seen them just ask Kathleen or Peter Kirby and hopefully you will be encouraged to purchase one. Just a reminder to those members who have taken a shirt and have not yet paid for them, please see Kathleen, she would be only too happy to receive the funds.

As Easter is nearly upon us we will be organising another Easter Raffle, so please start bringing in your donations towards the raffle and give them to Kathleen for safe keeping until an Easter basket is purchased, the raffle will then be on show in the bar area of the club and after pennant finishes we will be moving it down into the Indoor Centre.

As we are nearing the end of another bowls season I would like to take this opportunity to remind members that there are still Club 60th Anniversary items for sale and these can be purchased from staff "behind the bar" or ask one of the Board Members when you see them. No item is expensive and it would be nice to see you all purchase at least one item to help support the club financially.

Many thanks and I wish you all good bowling.

Ros Bridge Vice President

CAR PARKING BAYS COMPLETED

Permanent markings of car parking bays are now complete, including the provision of two disabled car parking bays. It is requested that all members respect the purpose of these bays and do not use them unless entitled to do so.

ANNUAL PRESENTATION DINNER SATURDAY 3 MAY, 2014

The Club's Annual Presentation Dinner will be held on Saturday, 3 May, 7:00pm for 7:30pm. All members are encouraged to make this event a must-attend event, to support the various members who will be honoured for their efforts during the 2013-2014 season, as well as to make the night a social success on the Club's calendar for the year. A sheet will be placed on Club noticeboards for members to register their intention to attend this event.

Recipients of the Club's perpetual trophies for the 2012-2013 season are advised that it is now time to return these trophies to the Club so that they can be engraved and presented to 2013-2014 Club championship winners.

KBC WOMEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES

At the Annual General Meeting there was an undertaking to bring the Club's trophies for Women's Club Championship events into line with those available for presentation to male members.

The Board is working towards this outcome and five additional trophies have been identified to be purchased for presentation to our female members who have been successful in these events.

Space will be available on each of these trophies for potential sponsors to have their names engraved on them, as a permanent reminder of the source of support.

It is expected that each new trophy will cost the Club \$50.00 (approximately) to purchase. If any member would like to sponsor one of the new trophies please contact the President or Secretary.

BRENDON SMITH FAMILY FUNDRAISER SATURDAY 22 MARCH

On Saturday evening, 22 March, the Club will be hosting an audition/fundraiser event for the family of the late Brendon Smith to assist in the purchase of materials to assist in the completion of renovations at the family home in Margate.

All members are most welcome to attend the event, which will commence at 6:00pm. A BBQ will be conducted in conjunction with the fundraiser to ensure that everyone is well-fed, as well as well-refreshed.

Come along and make this a successful fundraiser!

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ART AND CRAFT FAIR 12-13 APRIL

An Art and Craft Fair will be staged in the Club on Saturday and Sunday, 12-13 April. It will be open to the public from 10am to 3pm each day.

A large number of paintings by local artists will be available to view and purchase, as well as some craft stalls selling jewellery, fabric items and photography.

Morning and afternoon tea, and light lunches, will be available for purchase each day. The bar will be open each day.

Write the dates of this event into your calendar to make sure that you are free to attend on one of the days, at least.

The Board thanks and congratulations our Petanque members who have taken responsibility for the organisation and promotion of this activity, which has the potential of displaying our assets to a broad section of our local community.

KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB INDOOR CENTRE WINTER PROGRAM

The winter program in the Indoor Centre will commence on Monday 28 April. The competition rosters are filling fast with the AOL Super 8's (Monday nights) having one space available for a club-based entry, the Tuesday afternoon 4's roster also being just one team short of a full roster, and a number of places available for teams to be entered in the Tuesday night 4's roster.

Random draws (teams of four) will be conducted on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Friday Afternoon Pairs will also be held again this winter (nominate your own team). A feature of the week will again be Saturday Afternoon Championship Triples - the social highlight of the week!

Either drop into the Indoor Centre to enter your name/ team on any of the random draw sheets of your choosing, your team for the Tuesday night roster or Friday Afternoon Pairs - or contact the Indoor Centre on 6258 3756 to enter.

AOL SUPER EIGHT KBC PLAYER NOMINATIONS NEEDED

Kingborough will be responsible for providing three rinks (twelve players) for AOL Super 8's each Monday night and a good pool of players is required by our selectors to ensure that we can meet our commitments. If you are available Mondays nights please enter your name on the AOL Super 8's player nomination form either in the main bar, or in the Indoor Centre.

KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB PENNANT FINALS TEAMS

At the time of writing, the Club had three pennant teams still alive in various pennant finals series. Our Women's Division 1 team was involved in a Semi Final against Howrah at Rosny Park, and our Women's Division 5 team was playing their Semi Final against Glenorchy Rodman at Beltana.

Our Men's Midweek Division 1 team was preparing to play Buckingham, in the Indoor Centre, in the Preliminary Final of that pennant competition.

Good luck to all of Finals teams!

CLOSURE OF CLUB BAR, WHITE JACK BISTRO FRIDAY 4 APRIL, 2014

All Club members are reminded that, due to a private booking of Club facilities (including the kitchen), the main bar of the Club will be closed to members on Friday, 4 April, and the White Jack Bistro will not be operating.

The Bar Committee has decided that the Friday Raffle and the Weekly Member Lucky Number Draw will be conducted on Thursday, 3 April for that week.

The bar area in the Indoor Centre will be open on Friday afternoon/evening for members who wish to meet and socialise at the Club on Friday, 4 April.

Reminder notices, announcing these temporary arrangements, will be displayed in the main bar area of the Club.

KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB OPEN TOURNAMENTS IN APRIL

The Club will be conducting two open tournaments in April, the TASSAL 2 Bowl Pairs on Easter Monday (21 April), and the Old Bowls Day, on Anzac Day (Friday, 25 April)

The TASSAL 2 Bowl Pairs will commence at 9:30am for a 10:00am start, and will consist of 4 games of 13 ends each (two games in the morning, two games in the afternoon punctuated by lunch [provided]). The cost of entry is \$15.00 per player.

The Old Bowls Day, on Anzac Day, will commence at 12:30pm for a 1:00pm start and will consist of one game of 18 ends. This is a **mufti** event and will cost \$8.00 per player to enter.

The TASSAL event will have prizes of good value, and prizes will be available for the Anzac Day event, also. Entry forms are available in the main bar of the Clubrooms.

DRESS REGULATIONS FOR KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB OPEN TOURNAMENTS

Members are reminded that the dress code for the Club's open tournaments is full Club uniform, unless it is stated otherwise on the information sheet advertising the event. All members are requested to take notice of this advice and ensure that they adhere to the Club's dress code policy for its open tournaments.

RSL BOWLS

Members who are eligible to participate in RSL Bowls events are reminded of two events on the RSL Bowls calendar in April - the AGM/Diggers Day at Glenorchy RSL on Monday 7 April, and the Kapyong Cup to be played in the Indoor Centre on Thursday 24 April. Entry forms are available in the main bar (AGM/Diggers Day) or the Indoor Centre (Kapyong Cup).

AUSTRALIAN SENIOR SIDES CHAMPIONSHIPS GOLD COAST 7-10 OCTOBER, 2014

Bowls Tasmania has advised that it has added men's and women's senior sides championships (over 60's) to its representative responsibilities and is inviting players who have attained the age of 60 by 7 October, 2014 to nominate, by Friday 11 April, if they wish to be considered for selection in Tasmanian teams for the Australian Senior Sides Championships in October. See the Club Secretary for an entry form if interested.

Bowls Tasmania has further advised that it will be facilitating a senior statewide pennant competition in 2014-2015 to enhance this initiative.

BTS CLUB DELEGATES MEETING MONDAY 17 MARCH, 2014

Two matters, initiated by the Kingborough Bowls Club Board, received strong support at the Club Delegates meeting conducted at the Derwent City Bowls Club on Monday 17 March.

There was almost unanimous support for the Club's request for the removal of the "50% of games to be played before points allotted" clause in the **BTS Conditions of Play for Domestic Competitions.** This will result in all pennant games being played to completion - if local ground and weather conditions permit. This will also put an end to incessant phone calls on inclement days determining as to whether games should continue (because other games have been "washed out").

There was also good support for the Board's initiative to create more flexibility into the pennant roster by allowing clubs to play at other times, other than scheduled. This could make for some exciting developments in 2014-15!