



Herd on the Green

Issue: October 2019

Welcome to the first edition of the Club's Newsletter.

You may want to keep it as it may become a collector's item!

It is planned that the newsletter will be published monthly or more frequently if anything earth shattering occurs e.g. We win promotion!!!

The purpose of the newsletter is to keep all Club Members abreast of what's happening at the Club, it may include:

- News from the greens (from our guest columnist – “The Spy”)
- General scuttlebutt (the more the merrier – affairs, trysts, wrong bias)
- Bankers Corner (exclusive coverage from our hidden sources)
- Incidentally the Club President would love an invitation to Harold's very Exclusive Christmas lunch.

Regular contributions will also come from the Men's and Ladies Bowls Presidents, the Bar and Functions Guru – Mark “Chef” Lee and Hedley (James) Bond our Mr. Fixit.

Any other contributions from literate (and semi literate) Club Members will also be welcome – please contact the Secretary.

So as they say onward and upward. We hope you enjoy this first (Collector's) edition. And yes, autographed copies are available!

Tweets from the President

Unlike another President this is not being written at 3 a.m. I am returning to Perth from Darwin where I met the Secretary of the Dayboro (Queensland) Bowling Club, had a few drinks – 1 green – 200 bowling members!!

On to the important stuff.

Together with Tony Gooch (VP) and Jana Fuller (Ladies President) we have met City of Melville officers to discuss their ongoing financial support which they promised will continue to the end of the 2019/20 bowling season. However, it is still

apparent from our discussions that **Current** City of Melville policy is to acquire our land irrespective of the outcome of the Tompkins Park Development Review.

The President is not a political person (well not since the fall of the Third Reich) but after carefully analysing the situation, it would seem that a cleanout of the stables at the City of Melville at the next election may improve the **Club's chances of survival. Please remember to vote and support those who will support us.**

The only people who can ultimately help the Club survive are you - our members. To survive the **Club's facilities must be better utilised by more bowlers and social members and by other community groups using our facilities.** The Executive have had a number of ideas from members, some practical, some not so, but please keep them coming, they are all valued.

Please remember, that our hands are effectively tied at the moment pending the outcome of the forthcoming City of Melville election and the Tompkins Park Development Review.

A special word to social members – **thanks** for your membership and support. We would like to see more of you – a lot more of you!

News of special offers to social members will shortly be released as well as our summer events program.

There is an old saying, “Use it or lose it”. That very much applies to our Club which we are hoping to position as a centre for the community over the forthcoming months. Unless we can help create change the Club site may be turned into residential real estate. What will that achieve for the local community?

Please help us to help you as we revive, grow and prosper.

TELL YOUR NEIGHBOURS AND FRIENDS – THAT THE CLUB IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS!

*John O'Brien
President*

Much more than a bowling club. The best and friendliest place to be south of the river.

Player asks his skip, how short was my last bowl ?

The skip quickly replied, how would I know, you are closer to it than I am !!

Men's President

We have recently **reached 150 members** at the Club, which includes all categories of Membership..... but we need many more.

Please give some thought to asking your wife / husband, mistress / lover, family member, neighbour, total stranger to join the Club.

If each member could introduce a new member, we would hit 300 members and the Club would certainly be on its way to getting back on its feet.

Introduce and mentor a new member today.

PS. just a reminder that a few subs are still overdue.

Bowls W.A. have confirmed the following Divisions for the coming pennant season.

Ladies Tuesday

2nd Division x 1

3rd Division x 1

combined Mt Pleasant / South Perth Team

Ladies Saturday

2nd Division x 1

Men's Thursday

2nd Division x 1

4th Division x 2

5th Division x 1

Men's Saturday

2nd Division x 1

4th Division x 1

5th Division x 1

MTPBC Web Site

.....take a look at www.mtpbc.org.au

If you have not had a look at the Club's website lately, it's worth a look. Susan Allen & new member Peter Purves have started uploading information which you will find of interest.

So if you are looking at what is on at the Club from a social and or bowls perspective, we are working towards having things back up to speed, by the time pennants commence.

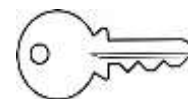
Pennant teams selected will also be uploaded on Tuesday night by Tom Maras.

If you are having difficulty accessing the site or just need help, talk to Susan, Peter or Arthur.

The Secretary

Key Register

Melville City Council require us to complete a key register. If you are holding any Club keys could you please see Mark Lee as soon as you can. Thanks.



Email Address

If you are reading this newsletter at the Club but would like it sent to you by email chances are that we don't have your email address. Please let Susan Allen know it so that we can send further emails straight to your inbox.



First FRIDAY each month

The Dinner Club

Fri, 4th October

Fri, 1st November

Fri, 6th December

Ho Ho Ho

DELICIOUS HOME COOKED MEALS and very well priced.

Bring your friends and family.

Booking is preferred and it would guarantee you a meal

.....**just in case we run out!**

It also helps with costs, catering and avoiding wastage.

Book: by email - secretary@mtpbc.org.au; by phone 93644662

or by putting your name down @ the kitchen door.

Bar and Social Scene

It has been a very busy but productive few weeks. The Bar is currently being organised and prices and products are being reviewed to ensure that the Bar is running at the best level and the Bar is profitable. The Tills have been a huge learning curve and Addison has been trained and all attempts are being **made to make them as efficient as possible.....bear with us.** In addition to the House Wines there will be a premium White and a premium Red for sale by the bottle.

Friday Night Meals have been very slow and at risk of making a financial loss. We will provide some food eg. soup and crusty bread, for the short term. In an attempt to encourage Members to support the Dinners, we are now focusing on First Friday Dinners and we are asking that each member comes down for one of these meals, bring the family and friends.

Volunteers shop, cook and clean to produce Home Cooked meals at very cheap prices - about \$15 for a main meal. **We ask you to support the Club by giving the Club your patronage.**

Ellie Graham has been appointed Bar Supervisor and part of her role will include "Functions". Functions at the Club bring in much needed revenue. Ellie has been diligently attending to all enquiries and it is hoped that we can encourage the wider community to use our facilities. Please spread the word.

Bare Foot Bowls will continue to be advertised and again it will act as a service to the wider community and a good means of promoting the Club and Lawn Bowls.

As a member you may consider having a family gathering, get together with a group of friends or work function to have some cheap entertainment. \$10 each for a 2 hour session. Please advertise this with colleagues, friends and family. Volunteers are always appreciated for outside bookings please let Mark know if you can help.



Melbourne Cup LUNCH

Tuesday 5 November 2019
*11am arrival... Includes Pre Race Nibbles,
Main Course with Salad & Desserts, all for only \$25*

Limited number of seats.

Bookings essential - prepayment required.

Contact Susan for bookings on 0415 911 676

Email: secretary@mtpbc.org.au

Tickets sold out last year - get in quick!

House and Works

Hedley phoned Jim Welch to find out how he is going. Jim said he had a couple of issues although he sounds positive. We wish him well and look forward to having him back very soon.

Spring is here in full force; the weeds are growing like mad and the roses are starting to bloom. Many thanks to all of the happy and willing bank of volunteers for their help with the many and varied tasks.

Smoking areas are being organised in an attempt to appease the 'non-smokers' and 'smokers' alike.

In a few weeks we will need all willing hands to put up shade cloth on "A" green and plastic sheets on 'B' green. There is a great camaraderie around the place and it is a pleasure to be a member of the Mount Pleasant Bowling Club.



Government of Western Australia
Department of Health

No smoking outside enclosed public places legislation - 2A1 I changes Effective 19th October 2019

Smoking is not allowed within 5 metres of a public entrance to an enclosed public place and within 10 metres of air conditioning intakes.

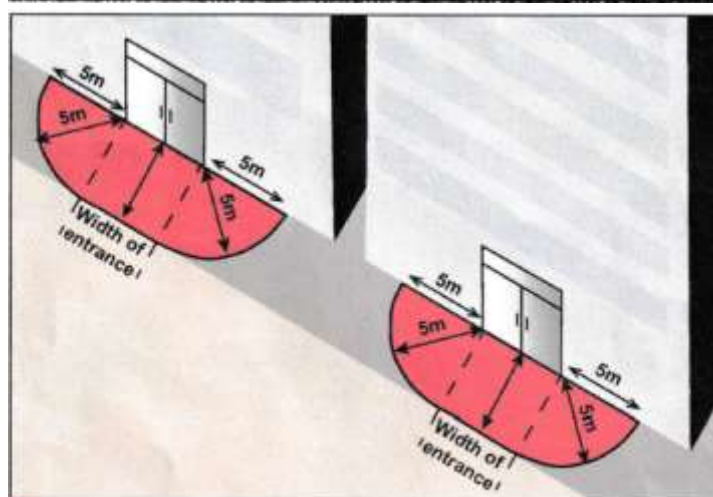
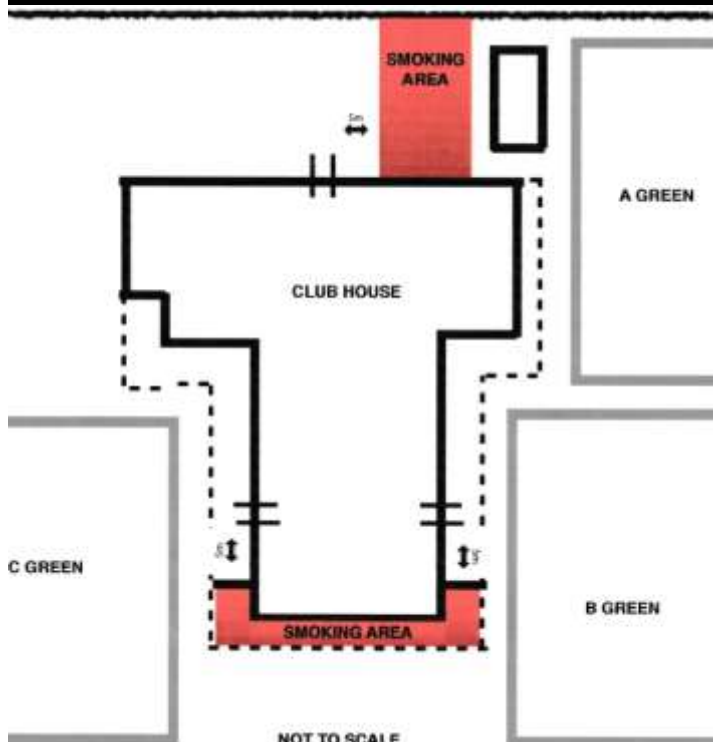
Existing restrictions on smoking inside enclosed public places mean that smokers are required to smoke outdoors. Problems arise when smokers cluster around building entrances and exits, and near air conditioning intake vents to smoke. People entering and exiting the building are exposed to environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) and there may be problems with smoke drift into indoor smoke-free areas.

These restrictions reduce exposure of the public and employees to ETS, minimise the risk of smoke drift, and contribute to the de-normalisation of smoking in the community.

This buffer zone has existed for Western Australian State Government buildings since 1 January 2005.

Source: www.health.wa.gov.au

Department of Health Smoking Area Compliance.
To Comply with regulations the Mount Pleasant Bowling Club has designated the indicated smoking areas.



Shading indicates no smoking within 5 m of a public entrance to an enclosed public place.