

Newsletter – March 2020



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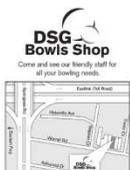
Important Notice

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- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
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- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
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Letter from the Committee – Corvid-19

Important Information to All Club Members

Dear Members, in light of current developments re the COVID-19 virus within Australia and across the world, we want to provide you with an update and the precautionary immediate measures we are putting into place at the Club to protect all Members and visitors. In addition to our existing stringent hygiene standards, we are taking the following precautionary measures such as but not limited to;

- Distancing tables with appropriate space between them
- Frequently sanitising high traffic surfaces and areas including doors, toilets, payment facilities and communal areas
- Frequently washing hands rigorously for at least 20 secs with soap or alcohol-based rubs
- Checking Australian Department of Health updates regularly and continuously following official recommendations

We are also closely following the actions and advice from the World Health Organisation along with both Federal and each State Government's guidelines for safe practices during this pandemic.

This will impact YOU and the Club in many ways,

- 1) The Club unfortunately will not be able to take any future private function bookings and as such all programmed school events, Bridge Club events have also now been cancelled or suspended until further notice.
- 2) Weekly Social Bowls will be at the discretion of each Member should they wish to participate however it will not be a Club run event it will be an individual decision as to whether to bowl or not and as such no green fees will be collected or prize monies afforded.
- 3) All night bowling is now also suspended.
- 4) All Club equipment should it be used, i.e. loan bowls, mats, jacks etc. will need to be washed after each use. A disinfectant/bleach will be provided including a bucket and will stored in the outdoor bowls shed for use by Members at the conclusion and start of each session.
- 5) Club rooms, bar facilities and entrance into to the Club will not be permitted unless admitted and or authorised by Committee personnel to do so.
- 6) If you are planning to visit us and are displaying any cold or flu like symptoms, we kindly ask that you do so at a later date out of respect for your fellow Members, families and the wider community.

Our hearts and thoughts go out to the people and businesses that have been affected by this unprecedented event.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding and we will continue to update you as and when necessary.

Annual General Meeting

Reminder that the Club's AGM is scheduled for **April 30th** at the rooms.

This, of course, is subject to developments in the **Corvid-19** matter, and the Executive will keep the members posted, as the date approaches, of any proposed changes, deferrals etc.

Further to that matter, Members are reminded that nominations for positions on the Committee close on **April 16th at 5.00 pm**.

There are several Committee positions becoming available, and participation by both experienced and new members is encouraged.

Finals Hopes

Unfortunately, both of our final's teams went down to their respective opponents in the semi-finals.

Our second team, somewhat surprisingly, went down to Ferntree Gully by 12 shots whilst our third team was defeated by top side Monbulk. Although all were disappointed, the fact that such a small Club can be so successful is a credit to the players, and to the members generally.

New Greens Update

Work on the new green and lighting is scheduled to start **on Monday 23rd March**.

Members should expect some disruption to practice facilities over the next weeks.

In that regard, although practice facilities are still permitted, members should acquaint themselves of the Club's policy on Corvid-19 precautions. All jacks and mats used in practice should be washed down before replacing in the storage locker.



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Eastern Ranges

The Eastern Region Bowls Committee is seeking to fill several positions for the forthcoming season.

They have specifically asked that people not currently on their Club Committee consider nominating.

Interested members should contact our secretary Les Lane initially.

Our Season has ended for 2019-20

What a great season it has been for the Upwey-Tecoma Bowls Club.

All three (3) sides have shown true strength and committed through the season.

Our Division 1 side came together to win most games in the second half of the season. Now they can look forward to making finals next season.

The Division 4 & 6 side were strong contenders all season with both sides making final.

I believe this is why our teams we were so successful:

Why is strength and commitment so important?

Staying **committed** to your goal is one of the most fundamental principles of success – **Making Finals or consolidating your position.**

Being **committed** also requires creating long term goals, and then devising a vision and direction to achieve those goals. Goals should be accompanied by vision and direction and this helps to gauge one's progress – **Coaching (Gavin) and excellent bowls recording.**

Building Greater Commitment with Team Members

Look for each other's strengths. Chances are you see some of your team members strengths already.

Know each other's goals. Do you know what your team members want to accomplish in the season?

Have an open communication within the team from lead to Skip