

MAIN RIDGE BOWLS & PETANQUE

Spring Quarter 2022

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Vale Cesare Bonacini

It is with much sadness that our dear friend, life member and champion bowler, Cesare Bonacini has passed away. It was only a few weeks ago that we gathered together to celebrate his 100th birthday. A memorial service will be held on **Sunday 25th September at** 12.30 noon at the Club House.







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Vice President's Message – John Schmoll

A few words from me as our President Bill is currently in hospital feeling very sore indeed, but all the same complaining about the fate of his beloved Lions!

Preparations for the Grand Final lunch are now well underway, led by tireless Raelene and her helpers who hadn't planned on Bill's indisposition! Nevertheless, a fun day ahead.....best wishes to all Swans and Geelong supporters!

The Management Committee has been busy. Great to have Sue Brown and Dorothy Zammit on board as two very enthusiastic and competent Directors of our core Bowls and Petanque sports ... much planned for these activities, together with our Social Group. The Bowling Green is in terrific shape thanks to those few volunteers who know who they are but don't like their names mentioned, and together with the Petanque piste, all is ready for spring action!

The strategic plan circulated to all members earlier in the year is also now under review with the new Management Committee in place. We continue to still seek to fill the Property and Secretarial roles which are currently being shared around; please don't be shy to put your hand up and contribute to the running of the Club and development of plans for the future. It is definitely not onerous, I can assure you, and great to lend a hand taking our Club further forward.

The Shire works around the Club are now practically complete, some work still to be done regarding parking access and especially making sure that a certain tree and bollards aren't collided with!

Opening of the Bowls Season





The 22/23 bowls season was officially opened on the 18th September. Jane Zammit, being the elder of the club & life member, took the honour of rolling the first bowl on the green. Jane has contributed much over the last 30 years, not only as a competitive player, but also taking charge of the catering needs of the bowlers. While it rained, the team took up carpet bowls, where refreshments were available thanks to Brenda Horan.

The Members of MRB&PC acknowledge the Bunurong Peoples as the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet and pay our respect to Elders both past, present and future.

Bowls update - Dorothy Zammit



On August 19th we celebrated Cesare's 100th birthday at our club. It was such a great night, mingling with many past members; it was impossible not to feel the warm, generous soul of our club. Set in the most beautiful hinterland of the peninsula, we are steeped in history. As a result of the happy memories, triggered by the night, two past members have returned.

Don Grace, has joined as a social member and is looking forward to enjoying social games of bowls with the wonderful members at Main Ridge. **Anthony (Tony) Bradford** has joined as a full member and is looking forward to joining us on the Pennant circuit. Tony is also a coach. So pleased **Ian Sharkie** has returned to the club. Ian has always contributed so much and his help is very much appreciated. **Mario Dovile,** has joined us in the capacity of Assistant Bowls Director. Mario is so generous with his knowledge and his time. Mario is also a coach and an umpire. **Neville Swinnerton**, a current Petanque member, has joined as a bowls social member.

A Big welcome to you all.

CHANGE OF FORMAT ON OUR SOCIAL THURSDAYS

Starting Time:11.30 amCoachingLunch:BYOAfter LunchSocial Game

3rd Thursday of the month

Last Bowler Standing Competition inviting entries from other clubs.

Barefoot Bowls Competition Commencing 20th October, 2022

This competition will run for 6 weeks, every Thursday evening.

Really needing your assistance here to ensure we have the number of entries to justify running the competition.

Petanque Update - Sue Brown



We welcome Sharron Judd and Max Thexton to the Petanque Operating Committee (POC) and look forward to working with them.

We hope members will assist in forward planning by completing the short survey on line (we emailed you the link) or take a hard copy from the club house and complete at your leisure and return to us.





Congratulations to Catherine Crichton who successfully represented Victoria at the interstate 60+ Competition held at Mount Martha in August.

Thanks to Lee, Rick & Jean Claude for compiling a new scoring system for both in house competition and interclub competitions.

We have had to play around with the Club Competition times due to conflicting events and then appalling weather! Please don't forget the 'catch-up' Club Competition will be held on Friday, **30th September at 3.45 to register for a 4pm start.**

In conjunction with U3A we are commencing a 6 week "introduction to petanque" at the club. From Wednesday 12th October – 16th November between 10am – 12 noon. If you can help us assist new players, please let any member of the POC know or contact Sue Brown 0408 857 302 We need a few folk to help. Thank you



Raelene Shearer & Les lapozzuto winners of the July club competition.



We are introducing referees to help any concerns re: the rules of the game for the club Competition. I hope everyone received their update version of the PFA rules; if not please contact Raelene Shearer or Sue Brown



Once again rain stopped play on competition day - although some stalwarts soldiered on with a game. The game is always called off if the cochenet starts to float.

NB. Social Petanque and BYO lunch on Sunday 25th September has been cancelled

Community functions at the club

Bastille day lunch at the club house was great fun, with members and their guests bringing their favourite French dishes to share. A successful raffle was held which helped fill the club's coffers and a good time was had by all.



Bastille Day - Main Ridge Bowls and Petanque Club Menu					
French Onion Soup					
	Tarte Citron,				
Beef Daube	Chocolate Tarte				
Chicken Tarragon	Tarte Tatin				
Beef Bourguignon,					
Cassoulet,	And truly amazing cheese platters				
Coq au Vin					
	All items cooked/brought and shared by				
Potatoes Dauphinois, Baguettes,	members of the Petanque/Social club				
Roast Potatoes in Duck Fat & Salads					

Cesare's 100th celebration



Cesare's birthday was an astounding success and we welcomed past and present bowlers as well Cesare's family. Congratulations to Social Activities Committee for preparing delicious snacks and to the bar folk for ensuring throats were well lubricated so everyone could keep talking. Cesare's daughter supplied the wonderful cake. Cesare was certainly an inspiration to us all.

To access the tribute Michael Horan wrote for Cesare please go to:-

https://www.mainridgebpc.com.au/post/caesare-s-palace

MAIN RIDGE BOWLS & PÉTANQUE CLUB GRAND FINAL LUNCH Saturday 24th September 2022

Come to the Club for a fun filled Grand Final Day lunch and watch the game, preceded by the clubs? Pétanque & Bowls Practice commencing at 11:00am. Bring your family and friends EVERYONE WELCOME

We brack to commencing at :00am. Ing your family and friends ERYONE WELCOME ee course lunch will be served starting at 12:30pm. Followed by a live Broadcast of the BIG game

Followed by a live Broadcast of the BIG game Raffles, Wheel and Games Competitions Cost: Members -\$30.00 Non-members - \$35.00

Contact Bill or Raelene Shearer to secure your place. Bo

Don't forget to book your place for the Grand Final Fun at the Club. Start the day with a game of Bowls or Petanque, followed by a scrummy lunch, complete with games, prizes and raffles.

Bookings: Bill or Raelene Shearer or pay at the bar.

Once again thanks to the Social Committee for organizing the event.

News in brief

Sponsor's Dinner, Quattro at Manton's Creek.-

Friday 5th August. That Gemütlich feeling of good friends, good food and great hosts was evident on the night. Thank you, Mary Clarke and Margaret Wyatt, for organizing.





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Fabulous Fifties Michael and Bernadette celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last month. Congratulations to you both.

New Members

We welcome Jean Marie Vanderhaegen, seen here beer in hand with President Bill Shearer. A proficient petanque player, we look forward to his joining us on the piste.



We also welcome Craig Fuller on the piste, introduced by Duncan and look forward to seeing him at play.





Dee and Robert remain grey nomading around the country, travelling to Western Australia in time to see the wild flowers. They send their best to all at the club catch up with their travels at

https://www.mainridgebpc.com.au/post/main-ridge-roamers

Colin Northcott is busy organizing a free CPR update at the club in October. Mornington Peninsula Heartsafe will once again present an information session concerning the correct response to cardiac arrest. Our Defibrillator on the front deck is available for all to access within the community, this update will familiarize you as to its use. More information soon.



Get well soon Bill!

Mah-jong - Ruth Norcott

The mah jong group meets weekly at 10am on Monday mornings at the club. Lately we usually have two or three tables and I think we all agree achieving a mah jong (that is winning) can be elusive and frustrating but a lot of fun trying! We laugh and joke and test our powers of strategy against the luck of the tiles we are dealt. We would welcome more mah jong players, so please spread the word.

Fund Raising for Ovarian Cancer – Frocktober October 5th 2pm.



AFTERNOON TEA AT MRB&PC FROCKTOBER RAISING FUNDS FOR OVARIAN CANCER RESEARCH

DATE: Остовек 5^{тн} Т IME: 2рм

YOU MUST WEAR A FROCK!

COST: \$20

RSVP: 28[™] SEPTEMBER FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: BERNADETTE TOUHY, 0412 287 098, 5912 2020 The club has a long history of fund raising from the Royal Flying Doctor's services in



2019 to the highly successful fundraiser for the Main Ridge CFA and drought affected farmers during the fires of 2020.

This year Bernadette Touhey is organizing a FROCKTOBER extravaganza in aid of Ovarian Cancer.

Please support this important charity. Ovarian Cancer is an insidious disease that is the most lethal gynecological cancer: one Australian dies every 8 hours from ovarian cancer.

Help Our Club to Grow - Peter Stubbings

Sponsors are an important source of income for our club; without their generous support we would not enjoy many of the benefits that flow from the income they provide. Whilst we have a number of businesses already supporting us, we can benefit from increasing their number. Don't forget our sponsor competition is drawn at the end of September so please continue to support our existing sponsors and place your proof of purchase in the completion box located in the clubhouse next to the bar for the chance to win the \$50.00 bar credit!



WHAT'S ON – OCTOBER 2022							
DAY	OCT	TIME	ACTIVITY				
Monday	3	10.00 AM	Mahjong				
Wednesday	5	02.00 PM	Ovarian Cancer fundraiser 'Frocktober Tea'				
Thursday	6	02.00 PM	Bowls Operating Committee Meeting				
Thursday	6	04.00 PM	Petanque				
Friday	7	02.00 PM	Management Committee Meeting				
Friday	7	04.00 PM	Petanque				
Friday	7	05.30 PM	Social Drinks at the clubhouse				
Sunday	9	11.00 AM	Petanque followed by BYO BBQ				
Monday	10	10.00 AM	Mahjong				
Wednesday	12	10-12noon	U3a Introduction to Petanque				
Thursday	13	11.30 AM	Social Bowls				
Thursday	13	04.00 PM	Petanque				
Friday	14	04.00PM	Petanque and 3.30 coaching session				
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Friday	14	05.30 PM	Social Drinks at the clubhouse				
Monday	17	10.00 AM	Mahjong				
Tuesday	18	10.00 AM	Home - Pennant Beleura 1				
Wednesday	19	10-12noon	U3a Introduction to Petanque				
Thursday	20	11.30 AM	Social Bowls: Last Bowler Standing Competition				
Thursday	20	04.00 PM	Petanque				
Thursday	20	06.00 PM	Barefoot Bowls Competition				
Friday	21	04.00 PM	Petanque Club Competition: register by 3.45pm				
Friday	21	05.30 PM	Social Drinks at the clubhouse				
Saturday	22	10.00 AM	Home – Pennant Rye 3				
Sunday	23	11.00 AM	Petanque followed by BYO BBQ				
Monday	24	10.00 AM	Mahjong				
Tuesday	25	10.00 AM	Home – Pennant RCC 2				
Wednesday	26	10-12noon	U3a Introduction to Petanque				
Thursday	27	11.30 AM	Social Bowls				
Thursday	27	04.00 PM	Petanque				
Friday	28	02.00PM	Petanque Operating Committee Meeting				
Friday	28	04.00 PM	Petanque				
Friday	28	05.30 PM	Social Drinks - Monthly Draw and Sausage Sizzle				
Monday	31	10.00 AM	Mahjong				

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