

Somerton Bowling Club



New Player Welcome Pack

We would like to welcome you as a new member of the Somerton Bowling Club. We hope that you enjoy your time here and that you will become an active member of the Club.

This document contains some basic information about the Club that we trust will help you settle in quickly and easily.

Please refer to the website for more detailed information.

Membership

Please refer website "The Club" => "Membership" for details

Contact Details

Please refer website "The Club" => "Management" for details

History

The Somerton Bowling Club was founded in 1945 and has 22 rinks available for Pennant and social bowls.

The club Patron is the Mayor of Holdfast Bay.

We became an open gender Club in 2005 and have been accredited by GoodSports SA.

The clubrooms and greens are smoke free and we currently have in excess of 200 members. The Somerton Bowling Club is a viable and active organization, which is in a sound financial position. Primarily our activities are the promotion and playing of lawn bowls however we actively encourage membership and strongly promote and support community participation in the use of our bowling and social facilities.

Opening Hours

Greens are open for practice most days unless being utilized for organized events. There is a Greens Availability Board on the Southern side of the Club, which details which greens are open on a daily basis.

Please refer to the website "The Club" ==> "Facilities" for Clubroom and Bar operating hours.

Helpful Information

The Somerton Bowling Club holds a number of varied social functions throughout the year and we encourage you to take advantage of these events to make the most of your membership.

To help improve your bowling skills we have a number of accredited coaches whose services can be made available by arrangement. One of these coaches will be assigned to mentor you through the early stages of your bowls career.

A regular newsletter is sent to members via email, this will also appear on our website, as will other Club activities. A notice board is clearly visible in the Clubroom

What the Club will provide for the New Player

1. First year Pennant players will be provided with a basic uniform, at no cost and as long as the player continues through to the second season, is able to retain this uniform.
2. A coach to help with development.
3. Assist as much as possible in the player's development.
4. Pre-season coaching sessions, view website and notice board.
5. Feature tournaments, which will be advertised throughout the season.
6. Special social events, will be advertised on website.
7. A night owls competition played on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, during daylight saving.
8. A locker is available for hire at a one off payment of \$50.
9. Access to Bar Facilities, check notice board or website for opening and closing hours.
10. Social bowling throughout the year. Refer to our website for detailed information.
 - Night Owls (refer above)
 - Tuesday pairs.
 - Thursday pairs.
 - Saturday pairs (off season).

Pennant Bowling

Somerton has numerous sides competing in the Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday Pennants. Saturday is open gender competition, while Wednesday is Men's and Thursday is Women's competition.

A fee applies per home game pennant matches, to help subsidise afternoon tea.

If unavailable for a pennant match, please place your name on the unavailability list located in the corridor near the lockers and advise the Chairperson of Selectors.

During the pennant season your team might be allocated as "duty rink", please take note of this, and refer to your team mates/manager for details.

Note

Club Pennant selection criteria and procedures are posted on the main notice board and new members are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the contents of the documents. Pennant selection is merit based and if you have any queries in relation to selection or selection procedures, it is requested that you first discuss the matter with your Team Selector. The Team Selector will initially address the issue with you and if still dissatisfied then it is requested that you take the matter up with the Chairperson of Selectors. If dissatisfied thereafter you have the right to then refer the matter to the Members Advocate who will review and adjudicate upon the selection decision or particular grievance, assist you and/or refer the issue to the Board of Management if necessary.

Conclusion

We trust the above mentioned information will assist in your seamless induction within our Club, and please do not hesitate to enquire further if the need arises.

Please visit our club website for more detailed information.

Management
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