

From the Secretary - 6th Jan 2016

What's happening at Somerton.

1. JACKS/KITTYS NEEDED URGENTLY: For those club members or Night Owlers who borrowed jacks/kittys and mats over the Christmas Period could you please return them immediately otherwise the Club will have a shortage for this weekend's first pennant round of the New Year. There are at least 10 to 12 kittys missing, so do the right thing and please return.

2. ROAST CHICKEN DAY TOURNAMENT: Remember Sunday, 17 January (yes just over a week away) the second of the "Roast" tournament days will be held, replacing the postponed 19 December day. The third of the programmed days has been rescheduled for Monday, 14 March 2016 (Adelaide Cup Day). For more details contact organisers Paul Higgs and Adrian Bartlett.

3. BOWLS HEAT POLICY AT SOMERTON: The cut-off point remains at 38 degrees (the official Adelaide forecast which is posted at 7.30am). However, in recent weeks we've had members struggle in these extreme heat conditions and rather than have any incidents/issues of player(s) wellbeing the Club would prefer that persons feeling they are unable to safely compete on these days the organisers would much prefer they pull out rather than risk their health. The temperature can be 34 or 35 degrees or whatever that person(s) deems may cause concern to their wellbeing. So it is incumbent on each person whether they play or not ... if the decision is not to play please ring the organisers at the Club as early as possible on these days. If you do play, make sure you re-hydrate during the day.

4. CLUB TOURNAMENTS: If you are lagging behind in your respective events would it be possible for participants to fulfil their commitments at the earliest date so that we can continue to progress each round of tournaments.

5. GOING DIRECT AND UNAVAILABILITY LISTS: Please remember to write your name on the lists provided on the noticeboard if you are either going direct or are unavailable for pennants matches.

6. STATE EVENTS: The Nomination list for the State Men's and Women's Triples has been posted on the board. Those nominations will close on Monday, 1 February. Cost is \$13 per player (\$39 team). While this can be organised by the Club Secretary, those interested can circumvent this tiresome system and go directly to the Bowls SA website and register/enter/pay online for this and other State Events.

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Secretary