

#### From the Secretary - 28th October 2015

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What's happening at Somerton:

1. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: Entries closed on 7 October. The draw for the Men's Singles, Men's Pairs, open B Grade and open Handicap Singles and well as the Mixed Pairs has been posted on the Tournaments Noticeboard. Section end times will be sorted soon. The Women's Singles and Women's Pairs will be drawn shortly. Tournament conditions are on the board, the only notable change is that the Pairs will be played over 15 ends with the Semi-finals and Finals played over 18 ends. Directors David Kay, Delma Williams and Tony Reed hope you will start the first rounds as quickly as possible.
2. TAYLOR'S CUP: Somerton has two teams entered (Silver and Bronze); the season kicked off last Sunday night with the Bronze division team securing a 3-1 victory over Edwardstown. The Silver team had a bye and its first outing will be against Morphet Vale at Morphet Vale on Sunday 15 November from 6pm. The Bronze team travels to Brighton and meets the home side, again from 6pm. It's usually an entertaining night so get along to cheer Somerton.
3. FRIDAY NIGHT PRACTICE: For those players not in the top 2 sides. Ray Whichelo is to run the training sessions on Friday nights from 5pm. He will post a list for those interested on the noticeboard, however, to make it viable he needs at least a minimum of 8 to make the practice worthwhile. So if you wish to join the practice place your name on the list.
4. STATE EVENTS: The Nomination list for the State Mixed pairs has been posted on the board. Those nominations will close on Monday, 16 November. Cost is \$13 per player (so \$26 per pair). 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.
5. MEMBERS' DRAW: Is held every Friday night at 5.30pm at the Club during Happy Hour (it starts at 4pm). You have to be there to win it, so come along enjoy a cheap drink(s) and you never know, you may go home a winner. The prize, which jackpots by \$10 each week if not won, is up around the \$140 mark this week.

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1. FRIDAY NIGHT PRACTICE: For those players not in the top 2 sides. Ray Whichelo is to run the training sessions on Friday nights from 5pm. There is a list on the noticeboard if you want to participate for this Friday, 30 October. A minimum of eight (8) persons are required before the training becomes a viable proposition. So if you want to be in it put your name on the board.
2. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: The conditions for this year's Club Championships have been posted on the noticeboard. Please read [Club Championship Conditions](#). To enter to the tournament box where you will find an envelope. Place name(s) and event you wish to enter plus \$5 per event, in an envelope, seal and place in the box.
3. TAYLOR CUP: First game is on 8 November. Those who have nominated the selectors would like to know your availability. The list is on the noticeboard for the dates you are unavailable. Once notified, teams will be selected on 3rd November for the Sunday Bronze Division game which is at home against Edwardstown.
4. MELBOURNE CUP [Melbourne Cup Luncheon](#): Join the carnival of fun at the Clubroom on Tuesday 3rd November for day of colour and excitement, fashion, sweeps, raffles and loads of prizes. Plus watch the 'race that stops the nation' live on the big screen. Cost is \$28 for a Roast Turkey lunch, apple and berry pie with ice cream as well as cake and coffee for afternoon tea. Included in the price is a glass of champagne on arrival from 10.30am. Lunch will be served from midday. Look for the Melbourne Cup poster on the noticeboard to add name and table numbers.
5. STATE EVENTS: The men's and women's pairs have closed. Nominations for the State Fours - men's and women's - has been posted on the noticeboard with entries closing Monday 2nd November. Entry per player is \$13 (\$52 for four). However, those interested can circumvent Somerton and go to the Bowls SA website and register/enter online for this and other State Events.

#### **From the Secretary - 22nd October 2015**

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What's happening at Somerton:

1. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: The conditions for this year's Club Championships have been posted on the noticeboard and are also attached to this e-mail. Please read. To enter head to the Tournaments Box where you will find an envelope. Place name(s) and event you wish to enter plus \$5 per event, seal and place in the box.
2. TAYLOR'S CUP: First game is on 8 November. Those who have nominated the selectors would like to know your availability. The list is on the noticeboard. Once notified teams will be selected on 3 November for the Sunday Bronze Division game which is at home against Edwardstown.
3. MELBOURNE CUP: Join the carnival of fun at the clubrooms on Tuesday 3 November for day of colour and excitement, fashion, sweeps, raffles and loads of prizes. Plus watch the 'race that stops the nation' live on the big screen. Cost is \$28 for a Roast Turkey lunch, apple and berry pie with ice cream as well as cake and coffee for afternoon tea. Included in the price is a glass of champagne on arrival from 10.30am. Lunch will be served from midday.
4. FRIDAY NIGHT PRACTICE: For those players not in the top 2 sides. Ray Whichelo is to run the sessions, however, he would like to see a weekly list of players (on the noticeboard) who are attending. It will start at 5pm sharp and the type of practice will be dependent who attends.
5. STATE EVENTS: The men's and women's pairs have closed. Nominations for the State Fours - men's and women's - has been posted on the noticeboard with entries closing Monday 2 November. Entry per player is \$13 (\$52 for four). However, those interested can circumvent Somerton and go to the Bowls SA website and register/enter online for this and other State Events.

#### **From the Secretary - 13th October 2015**

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What's happening at Somerton:

1. BAR PRICES: The club's beverage prices have been static for quite some time now and after a review the Board of Management has decided to make marginal changes to some products following price increases from suppliers. The good news is that tap beer will be less, however, other beverages eg. the top end wines will increase as will some of soft drink lines.
2. WEBSITE: Remember if you are searching for pennant teams you need to access the [www.somertonseagulls.com.au](http://www.somertonseagulls.com.au) where you will find team selections for the pennant season. Saturday's, Wednesday's and Thursday sides will also be posted on the Selection board at the club.
3. NIGHT OWLS: Club members who wish to play Night Owls, or fill in on occasions, can contact organiser Ray Whichelo, either in person or on 0403 003 424. The first Night Owls games starts on tonight (Tuesday 13 October) followed by Wednesday 14th and Thursday the 15th. It will run over 18 weeks with a break from mid-December until the new year. We also URGENTLY members who are prepared to sell raffle tickets each of these nights, contact Ray.
4. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: Be aware that conditions for this season's Club tournaments will be posted on the noticeboard soon and also on the club website.
5. STATE EVENTS: The men's and women's pairs have closed. Nominations for the State Fours - men's and women's - has been posted on the noticeboard with entries closing Monday 2 November. Entry per player is \$13 (\$52 for four). However, those interested can circumvent Somerton and go to the Bowls SA website and register/enter online for this and other State Events.
6. BEREAVEMENTS: We, the Board, have had queries recently over Death Notices. At last year's October Board meeting our policy was changed to read: "Newspaper notices will be placed for Life Members and prominent club contributors (as determined by the committee of the day). All other deceased members will be honoured by a commemoration speech and a minute's silence at the clubroom.
7. PENNANT DAYS: A reminder to Club members that like all of you, selectors and Board members need to concentrate on the bowling on these days. So be considerate, if you have a problem then approach those persons on another day of the week.

#### **From the Secretary - 6th October 2015**

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What's happening at Somerton:

1. **VALE GEOFF FULLER:** The Somerton Bowling Club marked the recent passing of long-time member Geoff Fuller with a minute's silence on Saturday, 3 October. Geoff, 85, was a member of the club for 21 years; ill-health forcing him to give pennants away a couple of years ago but he continued his membership. A former school teacher, he was a highly-respected person at Somerton. The Club extends its condolences to his family on his sad passing.
2. **WEBSITE:** Our new website [www.somertonseagulls.com.au](http://www.somertonseagulls.com.au) is where you will find team selections for the pennant season. Saturday's, Wednesday's and Thursday sides will be posted on our site as well as on the Selection board at the club.
3. **NIGHT OWLS:** Club members who wish to play Night Owls, or fill in on occasions, can contact organiser Ray Whichelo, either in person or on 0403 003 424. The first Night Owls games starts on Tuesday 13 October followed by Wednesday 14th and Thursday the 15th. It will run over 18 weeks with a break from mid-December until the new year.
4. **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Be aware that conditions for this season's Club tournaments will be posted on the noticeboard in the next week or two as well as on the website.
5. **STATE PAIRS:** Any Somerton players wishing to enter the State Men's and Women's Pair be advised the nomination form is on the club noticeboard. The deadline for this tournament closes on Monday 12 October. Entry per player \$13 (\$26 team).
6. **UNAVAILABLE AND GOING DIRECT LISTS:** Please note that these clipboard lists are now posted on the noticeboard and can be used for pennant matches. Please use these lists because it will make life a lot easier when selecting sides and also for teammates on pennant days.
7. **PENNANT DAYS:** A reminder to Club members that like all of you, selectors and Board members need to concentrate on the bowling on these days. So be considerate, if you have a problem then approach those persons on another day of the week.

#### **From the Secretary - 2nd October 2015**

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What's happening at Somerton:

1. **STATE PAIRS:** Any Somerton players wishing to enter the State Men's and Women's Pair be advised the nomination form is on the club noticeboard. The cut off for this tournament closes on Monday 12th October. Entry per player \$13 (\$26 team).
2. **WEBSITE:** Our new website [www.somertonseagulls.com.au](http://www.somertonseagulls.com.au) is getting great reviews, not only from club members but also the further bowls community; it is loaded with Somerton Bowling club information and is easy to navigate. For Pennant players is also where you can access teams for Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday matches. The winner of the competition drawn on 24th September for a club jacket was John McDermott. (This site can also be accessed on your mobile phones).
3. **PENNANT TRIALS:** Tomorrow's (Sat 3/10) trials begins at 9.30am start because of the AFL Grand Final. Dress is Mufti.
4. **70TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION NIGHT:** Numbers are filling fast for this special occasion on 9th October which is on the eve of the season's first pennant match. It is \$20 a head for the two-course dinner. Drinks will be at Happy Hour prices. For more information check out the noticeboard or talk to Delma Williams.
5. **ROAST BEEF DAY:** For all those club members who are participating. Remember daylight saving starts this weekend (clocks more forward and hour). So make sure you are up and about and ready; it is a 9am for 9.30am start.
6. **UNAVAILABLE AND GOING DIRECT LISTS:** Please note that these clipboard lists are now posted on the noticeboard and can be used for the remainder of trials and pennant matches.