

#### **Premier Division Live Stream Game**

We have just been advised that the Premier Division game between Somerton and Grange will now be played at Somerton on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December. This game will be streamed live. It would be great to see a good crowd at the club to cheer on our side. We are currently working on the finer details so keep an ear out for more information about the night as we get closer.

#### 2025/26 Selectors

These are published on our website but in case you missed them, here are the selectors for this season.

# **Saturday Pennants**

Chairperson of Selectors: Bill Kay Premier League: Steve Foster Division 1: Nev Weckert Division 3 South: Eric Standley Division 4 South: Eddy Strudwick Andy Squires Division 5 West: Division 5 South: Paul Anderson Division 6 South: **Graham Smith** 

Division 7 West: Roger Heuzenroeder

### **Wednesday Pennants**

Chairperson of Selectors: Bill Kay

Premier League: Michael White Division 2 South: Pat O'Dea Division 4 sides : Ken Burgess

# **Thursday Pennants**

Chairperson of Selectors: Yvonne Bekeris
Division 1: Paul Davies
Division 2: Martin Quinn

We thank them for taking on the job of making sure we get our sides up each and every week. As pennant players, please make sure you are familiar with Club By-Laws 6 (Pennant Selection Policy) and 8 (Pennant Player Code of Conduct) which outline selection processes and rules for interactions with selectors.

#### **New Members**

Seamus Curtin joins us from Ascot Park, welcome Seamus.

## Taking care of our Greens

So that we can support Steve in the work he does to keep our greens looking great, please take note of the following;

- Please place bowls on the green, do not drop or throw them from the bank
- Check the green's availability board at the club and on the website and only
  use rinks that are available. There is often more detail on the availability
  board about specific rinks and times so please check the board when you
  arrive
- All greens are closed every day until 10:00 a.m.
- Every Monday is maintenance day, so all greens are closed for the whole day

### **Christmas Break-up**

There are rumours afoot that the Christmas break-up on December 13<sup>th</sup> might be a bit bigger than usual. More information to come.

# **Acknowledging a Special Effort**

Just before the pennant season each year, Deb Peake, looks after cleaning the clubroom windows and scrubbing all the bowls mats. Deb has done this for at least the past few years, so we would like to take this opportunity to thank Deb, and her helpers, for sprucing things up in time for the start of the season. Deb and her team also do a stocktake and tidy-up of the Night Owls bowls ready for our Night Owlers. Thanks Deb.

## **Duty Rinks**

It has been great to see that so far this year, Duty Rink members have been doing a pretty good job packing up after pennant games. Here is just a quick summary of the main jobs to do at the end of pennant days. If you share them around between the rink, it only takes a few minutes;

- Return mats and jacks into the clubhouse on the trolleys. On Wednesday's, mats and jacks can be left neatly on the banks for Night Owls.
- Lower the Australian flag and large Somerton flag and return them to the locker room.
- Ensure that sunshades are folded away neatly.
- Clear up any rubbish left on the tables or seats outside.
- Return umpire equipment trolleys to the hallway.
- Clear up glasses/cans/bottles etc from outside. Cans/bottles in recycle bins, glasses returned to the bar.

A full list of Duty Rink Responsibilities is in the breezeway. Also, more often than not someone has already set things up at the start of the day, but if you notice that something is not quite ready when you arrive, it doesn't take too much longer to fix it than it does to complain about it !!!

#### **Bowls SA & MBA Review**

The Bowls SA Board is exploring the opportunity to bring the Premier League competition under the Bowls SA banner as a stand-alone competition. This initiative presents an exciting opportunity to strengthen the elite pathway, elevate the visibility of the competition, and ensure it aligns with Bowls SA's strategic vision — See It, Play It, Support It.

Bowls SA will now commence a consultation process with key stakeholders, including the MBA and metro clubs. This consultation will ensure that all perspectives are heard and that any future model represents a unified and sustainable direction for the game. This process ensures transparency, inclusiveness, and a shared commitment to the growth of bowls in South Australia.

We will endeavour to share more information with you about this process as it comes to hand.

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