

ETTALONG



BOWLING CLUB

NEWS FROM THE ETTALONG BOWLING CLUB BOARD

We are keen to ensure that our members are fully briefed on happenings at the Club and would like to present to you the first news update on matters affecting our members and visitors following the recent Annual General Meeting.

As advised at the AGM, the Board is looking to hold a Strategic Planning Session in coming months. Prior to this session, we will issue a survey to members to find out what it is they are seeking at the Club and also in the wider peninsula community. The results of the survey will form part of the discussions at the Strategic Planning Session so please ensure you complete the survey when it is issued as your feedback is important to us.

The Board has been considering a number of major projects, the first being a new roof for the Alfresco Restaurant which plans are currently underway.

Several members have asked about the new VIP Entrance at the front of the Club. The new entrance will provide an additional entry in to the Club during busier times but more importantly, will allow the Club to close the main lounge and auditorium late at night thus providing cost saving measures by having a smaller footprint of the Club open to members and visitors (sports bar and gaming room).

Given the current COVID restrictions, the entry has not yet opened however in due course, we will introduce a swipe mechanism for the entry.

We are looking at utilising the Courtesy Bus again but this will be dependent on social distancing restrictions. We are also looking at alternative uses for the former Coffee Shop.

We have been working with other clubs on the Peninsula in an attempt to reduce the cost of outgoings such as electricity and gas. From 2022 we will achieve significant savings in electricity and are working towards achieving similar savings for gas. There will also be other opportunities to work together to reduce various costs involved in running a club.

As outlined at the AGM, we will be reverting to the former process for Board Elections. This will entail lodging your vote for Directors at the Club rather than the costly exercise of postal voting.

Our bowls activities are going well. Mens and Womens Social Bowls are thriving and the new Charity Bowls event is also proving to be a hit. 2021 promises to be a big year for the Club as we have been selected to host the State Champion of Champions Final as well as the 2020 and 2021 State Championships.

You will be pleased to note that the Club has continued to trade well since the reopening in June 2020 and we would like to thank you for your support and look forward to the continued success of the Club.

Don't forget, keep an eye out for our Club survey being released soon. We encourage you all to complete this survey and appreciate your input on how to keep improving our Club.

Finally, should you have any suggestions for improvements at the Club, please do not hesitate to speak to one of our Directors or a senior staff member.

The Board of Directors

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