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Board business

We're bringing back the Club newsletter monthly to involve all sections, as much as possible to keep you up to date with what's happened, what's coming up and who's doing what. In a nut shell, the Board met for the first time in June, since the AGM. This year's board consists of:

Chair – Bill Walsh

Vice-Justin-Newton Brown

Secretary – Craig Fox

Treasurer – Gary Bell

Cricket Rep – Charles O'Brien

RVBA Rep – Guy Kelleher

VLBA Rep – Nicole O'Connor

Community Bowls – Penny Southgate

Petanque Rep – Dennis Floyd

Darts Rep – Darren Bond

board@stkildasportsclub.com.au has been set up for you to directly communicate with the board. All board members will receive your email.

Sports Club website

www.stkildasportsclub.com.au – the club's website is going to be updated in the coming months and so news and information will then be available online. The website will include a member's section to replace the handbook of years past. All the information that was in the handbook can be transferred into the website. Members information will be limited to phone number and email address but only for

members that elected on their application to have the information public.

The bowling and cricket sections have set up Facebook sites independently, however there is a lot of sharing of news and information. You can find these simply by typing in either – Emerald Hill Cricket Club and St Kilda Bowling Club in the search field.

Green replacement

At the meeting, the board approved to replace the green this summer with Tifdwarf. This project has been on the table for some time now and considerable work has gone into planning this project. Once replaced we will have a new modern green to last us for the next 20 years.

The Bowls Committee will be looking at options for our teams to finish the pennant season out of, from January to April 2011. Stay tuned for more bowls news or check out www.stkildabowlingclub.com.au

Toilets

A Club minor and capital works register has been set up for priority setting and better decision making. At the top of the list, is to pursue with the downstairs toilet project. Regrettably, our last grant application was knocked back, but just like our sporting codes, we will continue until the job is done. So, further planning, investigating various layout options, budget and costing's work is being done. An Expression of Interest for funding was submitted to council last week for the next round of grant applications.



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Cricketers

Cricketers will be getting the premiership flags framed to go up on the cricketers wall. The cricketer's trophies will be coming out of the shed and into a new trophy cabinet to display wins and achievements.

A practice match against St. Leonards is scheduled for Sunday 19 September 2010, so put this one into your diaries now. Currently quite a few cricketers are overseas and are staying in touch through the Facebook site - in particular the 'Baggies Around The World' page. Check it out.

Pétanque winter news

Following the lighting installation on the Pétanque piste, we are now organising BBQs every Friday evening. This is bringing an average of around 20 people to the Pétanque arena and a lot of food to share.

Anyone is welcome to participate and the Social Bowls group had a go at Pétanque with Karina bringing a few friends for a few social games a couple of week ago. This was great...

Our winter competition is running well with Day 4 happening on the 11th of July. The winter competition runs every second Sunday from the 30th of May to the 29th of August. An average of 30/35 participants are enjoying this social event designed to bring new players into the game of Pétanque. Beginners are paired with more experience players to play 4 games. You have to be in at least 5 of the 8 days to be in the final ranking. Ladies are encouraged to participate as they have a slightly better chance of winning the final prize of \$1000.

A working bee was organised on the 23rd of June to clean grass and edges and to remove rubbishes from under the edges. Thanks to all participants.

Our secretary Eliane resigned a month ago following some health issue. We thank Eliane for her hard work as a secretary and wish her and Claude her husband a prompt recovery.

Pétanque at St Kilda is in good shape and spirit, and we appreciate the support from all the staff and board members. Let's get on the pistes and enjoy our sunny winter.

Bowls winter news

Firstly, congratulations to Tara Ferrier for making it into the National Womens Indoor Singles. Tara will compete with Australia's best in August at the Tweed Heads Bowls Club. Tara is one of four Victorian women to have made it into the National finals. Good luck Tara.

Although our green closes in winter it has not stopped our winter bowlers making the Bowls World Division 1 grand final against our old rivals Richmond Union. The final is being held this Saturday 3 July at City of Melbourne bowling club, Flagstaff Gardens. Go Sainters!

We fielded two sides this winter and although the Division 3 side didn't make finals, their effort and commitment was as equal to none. Next winter we should be able to field our sides from our new green which will allow winter bowling.

The selectors have met twice to start planning and preparing for the season. There will be three practice games held in September, 2 away and one intra-club, so start blocking out your diaries.

