Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

Fellow Members,

As an update for Club members who may not have been able to get to the Club as regularly as before Covid - I am regularly asked how the Club finances are fairing during these difficult times. The period April-July has been difficult with the Club making a trading loss each and every one of those months. July we were about 50% back to regular income and August has seen these figures build to around 75% of regular income from Bar/Gaming and Bowls activities.

There are still a number of members who we haven't yet seen back at the club on a regular basis as people make their choices with what they are comfortable with.

All in all we are slowly rebuilding back to a sense of normal but it is obvious that we may continue to hum along at about 20- 25% down on our income streams all the way through the rest of this year- dependent on not being forced into any form of shut down again!

Still the sun is shining, the grass has risen. I wonder where my mower is.

Regards Steve Shenton Treasurer KMBC

Here's a few key points from a discussion I had with Steve about his article:.

- We have been through a tough time with a long way to go yet
- We are receiving government support via Jobkeeper, BAS and GST concessions but there is no doubt we will make a loss this year - during the three month lock-down we still had expenses to pay, electricity, insurance etc.

- Cut-backs to expenditure are being made wherever possible
- Our highest priority must be to increase our income by making sure greens are filled at every opportunity and that our bar and restaurant do good business. Every member should

NEW BAR HOURS as from 11 August				
Monday	Clos	Closed		
Tuesday	2pm	10pm (Darts)		
Wednesday	11am	6pm		
Thursday	11.30am	6pm		
Friday	12noon	9pm		
Saturday	11am	6pm		
Sunday	11am	6pm		
May vary due to patronage and functions				
Restaurant Fridays 5.30 pm – 7.30pm				

Beer Card Promotion:				
(Reduced price for 10 in advance)				
<u>Product</u>	<u>Schooner</u>	<u>Pot</u>		
Great Nthn Original	\$45	\$33		
Carlton Black	\$45	\$33		
VB	\$45	\$33		
Carlton Mid	\$40	\$30		
Great Nthn Crisp	\$40	\$30		
XXXX Gold	\$40	\$30		
Cascade	\$34	\$25		
Ask the Bar Staff				

do their bit to achieve this.

Around the club

Latest COVID19:

Our club is operating under a COVID Safe Industry plan, so is not affected by the latest changes announced on 22 August 2020. But members are reminded to ensure they observe social distancing, ensure visit details are recorded, and no one showing any symptoms enters the premises.

There are still members in denial. People! kissing/hugging/Shaking hands is not acceptable inside the premises or on the green and patrons must not stand when drinking in the Bar. <u>Please</u> comply with the special hygiene requirements that are in place. The club is subject to inspection by Council and Police. This is serious.

Col Devlin

A large group of Col's friends and family gathered at the club on Wednesday 19
August following the funeral service to reminisce about his life and his contribution to the club. Col will be greatly missed.
Ken Small wrote the following:

Col joined the KALLANGUR BOWLS CLUB on the 23/12/2004 and was President 2011-2012, 2016-2017,2018-2019,2019-2020 and was Snr Vice President 2015-2016, Secretary 2007-2008, and Club Selector 2014. He won the "B" Singles Championship in 2012 and the Men's Fours championship in 2011.

When I first met Col I looked at this Osama Bin Laden look a like and wondered what have I got here, but after getting to know Col I found him to be a real Diamond in the rough. The phrase "don't judge a book by it's cover" aptly applies to him. Col was a kind hearted, generous man and a extremely hard worker for the club.He loved the club and especially Brekky Pairs; which would have been abandoned without his drive and commitment

He had a quirky sense of humour and often pasted funny clips on Facebook as well as showing downloaded clips on his phone to mates at the club. Wests Tigers NRL Club have lost a diehard fan as Col loved the Tigers and was always wearing some item of Tigers clothing including Tigers slippers.

He will be sorely missed not only by friends and family and our club members who knew him, but by all who came in Contact with him within the bowls fraternity.

Rest in Peace Col

Ken Small

Kallangur Men's Club Junior Vice President

Board vacancies

The Board is calling for nominations to fill two casual vacant positions just until the AGM. Please can we have two members step up. See Board Secretary Glad to apply. Summary of duties:

Information Director: Responsible for club IT equipment, software, website, facebook, inhouse advertising and honour boards etc.

Bowls Director: Plan regular meetings with Bowls Groups, manage and assist Bowls Groups with events etc, ensure planning and budgeting for bowling sector is carried out, oversee barefoot bowls etc.

PBL Box raffle – Men's Committee decided to cancel it due to Covid situation. Refunds will be arranged to those winners who elected for box seats.

General meeting

Because of the Covid crisis there wasn't a mid year general meeting. The Annual General Meeting will go ahead in November as usual.

Umpires Course from Ros Clark

Every year scheduling umpires for pennants and competitions becomes a little more difficult as our qualified umpires are not renewing their credentials. After November we will not have any men umpires and 4 ladies. So please consider doing the course it is a good way to learn the rules as well.

The Umpires Course is still scheduled to be held at Kallangur on Tuesdays 22/9/20 – 20/10/20.(This will need to be confirmed from BQ later this month.) The Club will pay for you to do the course.

People who keep the club running:

A series of interviews by Debbie Henricksen

Michael Breen

Michael has been our Green Keeper for the last 20 years. He has two kids, 11 and 5 years old. It will probably surprise you that prior to this he was a lending officer with NAB.

Michael's Dad was green keeper at Stanthorpe and known as Mr Fixit. Being around his Dad's work and bowling since he was 16 years of age at Kallangur, you could say he was destined to the job after leaving the Bank.

He did a 12 months course at college and as he was playing at Kallangur and the opportunity came up, he was offered the job at KMBC replacing Ian Forsdick.

Work days start at 6.30am or earlier when required. Cutting 5 days a week in Summer and 3-4 days a week in Winter. Between times there is the regular line marking, watering, spraying of fertilizer, fungicides and pesticides to keep the greens in the top condition we have come to enjoy. Then there is the rolling to lay the grass down and maintain the 16 second pace we all like. I asked Michael about his achievements and he told me about winning the BPL final in 2018. But his proudest was getting his first State Badge. His long-time friend, John Murray was sitting with us and told me Michael has 141 caps. I thought he was joking, but yes. Michael has represented Queensland 141 times dating back to 1996. He's an all round Maroon supporter in just about any sport and he'll be bowling for a lot longer yet.

LADIES FINANCIAL DAY

Third Monday each month – All welcome

Mixed optional fours (ladies skip) 21 ends or bell

Prizes Morning tea 8.45 Bowls 9.30

Cost \$80 team incl morning tea and lunch

Men's Club



MEN'S SEAFOOD DAY

31 October

Self selected fours 2 games of 18 ends \$1000 in prizes (depending on teams)

Men's Fours Tournament:

Saturday 17th October

3 games 9 am start Prizes \$2520

Entry: \$120 per team incl lunch

Kevy's back – he needs the holiday

Whiskey Wednesday 9th September – Special day - thanks to Peter Kanowski for putting up \$250 in whiskey for a <u>club selected</u> pairs -in addition to the normal cash..

B Grade 4's Started 16 August **Novice singles** – Close 30 August Start 13 September

Ladies Club

District Pairs

3 teams entered the recent district pairs held at Bribie Island Bowls Club with one team proceeding to the semi-finals. Mavis Manderson & Ros Clark played Linda Morrish & Linda Mitchell (Pine Rivers) in the semi held at Kilcoy. It was a lovely day out with Pine Rivers winning the final later in the day.

Pennant

After much 'to and fro-ing' with the district about this year's pennant season the District decided to only offer Division 1 with 5 teams competing. The Kallangur Ladies Committee were not happy about this and decided to enter another team for 3 reasons.

Firstly 18 very keen players would miss out on playing this year,

Secondly there would be a bye in first division and entering another team would make it even.

Lastly it would be a great experience for our upcoming very talented players.

So good luck to all the players and as Wallaby legend Chris 'Budda' Handy would say 'go you good thing!'

Competitions update

It was decided to wait until after the pennant season to kick off the competitions starting with the Pairs which opened on 6/8/20 and closes on the 27/8/20. We will continue with Triples, and Consistency. The 60+ and Vet Pairs will be scheduled for Friday mornings as agreed by our members and unfortunately we will have to forgo the Vet Singles this year.

The novice singles will also be scheduled but we are waiting to hear back from those that are eligible to play to see if it will be a knockout or round robin comp.

BREKKY PAIRS

Raffles & Prizes

3rd Sunday monthly BBQ breakfast 8 am Bowls 9am

\$15 incl brekky

Events at other clubs:

(Subject, of course, to COVID restrictions) details in "Other clubs" folders at the club

Open 3 bowl triples Prawn Day 29 August. Donnybrook Sports

Open fours carnival 3/4th October 5 games 16 ends \$9100 prize money City Bowls Club Toowoomba

Ladies 2 bowl triples 5/6th October \$5850 prize money Algester Sports Club

Open 2 bowl triples \$10,000 8/9th October. Algester Sports Club

Taylor GTR 4's 24/25 October 1st Prize 4 sets Taylor GTR Plus other cash prizes Mooloolaba BC

Astra Panels \$2500 Seafood 4's Sunday 18 October Tarragindi BC Held at Salisbury BC.

Open 2 bowl triples (any combination) Friday 4 September then 1st Friday monthly. 2 games 14 ends 1st \$120 2nd 60. \$45 per team. Coorparoo

Kitty's Kitchen

Restaurant has reopened Fridays 5.30 - 7.30 pm Seating is limited and bookings are essential

Friday Night take-aways continuing: Call 32852267 5pm to 7 pm.

Pick ups 5.30 to 7 pm

Meals can also be ordered and eaten in the bar.