



YOKINE DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB (Inc)

NEW MEMBER INFORMATION SHEET

1. The following information is provided to assist you to find your way around the Club as easily as possible.

Office Bearers

2. Officer Bearers are listed in the front of the Club Fixtures Book, a copy of which is available from the the Bar.

Fees

3. The annual subscription in respect of each class of membership is due and payable in advance on 1st July each year. The subscriptions payable for the current year are attached. Members who join after this date will have details of the subscription payable and the date by which it is to be paid in their membership acceptance letter.

Membership

4. Club membership comprises the following categories:
 - (a) Ordinary
An Ordinary member is a person of or above the age of eighteen (18) years who is eligible to hold office, and enjoy full Club privileges.
 - (b) Recreational
A Recreational Member is entitled to enjoy all privileges of the Club but is not eligible to:
 - (1) stand for any office in the Club or vote in any ballot or at a general meeting;
 - (2) propose or second any application for membership to the Club.
 - (3) play in any championship events run by the club.
 - (4) play in more than two (2) pennant games
 - (c) Junior
A Junior Member may be offered a three month period before being required to pay the membership fee and shall be not less than 12 years of age and must be under 18 years of age, who may enjoy the privileges of the Club but shall not be eligible to:
 - (1) stand for any office in the Club; vote in any ballot or at a general meeting of the Club;
 - (2) propose or second any application for membership of the Club;
 - (3) invite guests into the Club unless approved by at least three members of the Executive Committee. or
 - (4) purchase or consume alcohol or gamble on Club premises.

(d) Social Member

A Social member is a person of or above the age of eighteen (18) years who must be nominated and seconded by an Ordinary Member of the Club and shall be entitled to enjoy the privileges of the Club but shall not be eligible to:

- (1) stand for any office in the Club or vote in any ballot or at a general meeting; and
- (2) propose or second any application for membership of the Club;
- (3) use the Club's greens, except on special occasions and with the Executive Committee's approval.

(e) Life Member

A member who, in the opinion of the Executive Committee has given a minimum of ten years outstanding service to the Club, may be recommended by the Committee to any General Meeting as a Life Member. Not more than one Life member may be nominated in any one year. Voting shall be by ballot of members present at such General Meeting, one adverse vote in three to exclude. Life members shall be entitled to all benefits and privileges of the Club.

(f) Country Member

A Country Member shall be a full paying member of another Bowling Club situated outside the metropolitan area and located in those Country Zones controlled by the RWABA but shall not be eligible to:

- (1) stand for any office in the Club or vote in any ballot or at a general meeting of the Club;
- (2) propose or second any application for membership of the Club;
- (3) play in any Pennant Matches for the Club, represent the Club or play in any Club Championship;

(g) Reciprocal Member

A current Full Member of another Bowling Club affiliated with the RWABA or with a similar Bowling Association in any other Australian State or Country. The member shall be entitled to the privileges of the Club but shall not be eligible to:

- (1) stand for any office in the Club or vote in any ballot or at a general meeting of the Club;
- (2) propose or second any application for membership of the Club;
- (3) play in any Pennant Matches for the Club, represent the Club or play in any Club Championship

(h) Temporary Member

A person who on any day is visiting the Club as a member or official of or a person assisting a team that is to contest a pre-arranged event or other competition that day or at the invitation of a Club member to engage in the activities of the Club on that day. Temporary Members shall be entitled to the privileges of the Club but shall not be eligible to:

- (1) stand for any office in the Club or vote in any ballot or at a general meeting of the Club;
- (2) propose or second any application for membership of the Club;
- (3) play in any Pennant Matches for the Club, represent the Club or play in any Club Championship.

(i) Honorary Member

Honorary Membership may be granted without fees to Club Patrons, the Mayor or Lady Mayor of the City of Stirling, persons of distinguished position or attainment or persons deputising for them, and such dignitaries and sponsors of the Club as the Executive Committee shall determine from time to time.

Club Coaches

5. The following club members are accredited coaches

NEVILLE YOUNG	SUSAN REID
ALLAN DAVIS	MONTY MALLIN
RON LESTER	ELIO TOLOTTI
VIC LANGSFORD	

Coaching Times

6. For individual coaching you will need to contact one of the accredited coaches to confirm their availability and the time.
7. Periodically, group coaching sessions are arranged. Their details are published on the Club's Notice Board.

Loan of Bowls

8. The Club has a number of sets of bowls which are available for loan to new members until such time as you obtain your own. These bowls are located in the Match Room. Contact the Club Secretary or any member of the Committee if you wish to use them.

Annual General Meeting and Half-yearly General Meeting

9. The Club's Annual General Meeting and Election of Office Bearers is held in July.
10. Also, a Half-yearly General Meeting is held in January, if necessary.
11. All Ordinary Members are asked to attend and exercise their right to vote.

Rules

12. A copy of the Club Constitution & Rules is available from the Club Secretary.

Lockers

13. The Club has available a number of lockers in which you may keep your bowls and other gear. Contact Ron Lester.

How to get a game of bowls

14. Competitive and social bowls are played all year round at Yokine subject to prevailing weather conditions. Broadly, there are two seasons, the Summer Season from Opening Day usually in September to the end of April and Winter Season from May to early September. Details of the competitive and social bowls program for September to May each year, and the associated rules, are contained in the Club Fixtures Book.

(a) Summer Season

- (1) The Club has a number of pennant teams which compete against other Clubs. The main pennant competition for men is held on Saturday afternoons with a separate competition held on Thursday afternoons which is known as mid-week pennants.
- (2) Ladies pennants are held on Tuesday mornings. There is also a ladies inter-Club competition on Saturday afternoons .
- (3) If you wish to play in these events, you will need to advise the Club Selectors (men and ladies respectively). Male Ordinary members will receive a slip with their acceptance letter or membership invoice asking them to indicate whether they wish to play pennants or otherwise and what position, eg lead, second, third or skipper, they prefer to play. When completed, this slip is placed in the box on the table in front of the Midweek Pennant Board. Ladies are requested to list their names on their Selector's notice board. This list is usually posted around June.
- (4) If you are a new bowler it may be difficult to be selected in a pennant side immediately but be patient, as the season progresses opportunities will arise. Also, if you have any questions about selection, the Selectors meet every Monday afternoon, during the pennant season, and they will be pleased to repond to any constructive questions you may have. **At the bar after a pennant game is not an appropriate time to discuss selection matters.**

(b) WinterSeason

- (1) A number of competitions and social bowls events are held at this Club over the winter months. For the men these range from Nominated Pairs on Saturday afternoons and Men's 2 X 4 X 2 Pairs Friday afternoons.
- (2) Mixed social bowls (drawn pairs) are played on Tuesdays.
- (3) Social bowls is played by the ladies on Wednesdays.
- (4) Details of these and any other events to be conducted are listed on the Notice Board. The usual system is that you put your name on the list either as a team or single entry and turn up at the appointed time.

(c) ChampionshipEvents

During summer Ordinary members are eligible to enter the Men's and Ladies' Club Championship events respectively for singles, pairs, triples and fours.

(d) Corporate(Community)Bowls

For six weeks during November to December and February to March the Club runs a game of bowls (fours) on Wednesday evenings for the local community. The aim is to encourage members of the local community to use the resources of the Club to have a good time and hopefully for some of them to become members.

ClubDetails

15. The Yokine Districts Bowling Club was founded in 1959 and fields a number of men and ladies pennant teams. Club membership is around 500 men and lady members
16. Details of the Club's history can be found in the pamphlet "History of the Yokine and Districts Bowling Club (inc) & the Club Website
17. There are a number of notice boards around the Club used to convey information to members. These are located as follows:
 - (a) Outside the front entrance to the Club on the left hand side (LHS) facing the Club are:
 - (1) Blackboard - Shows details of important events, use of greens, etc.

- (2) General Notice Board - Used for general Notices, RSL Matters, etc.
- (b) Foyer
 - (1) Inside the door on the LHS is a board showing details of the Executive Committee.
 - (c) Main Hall Members notice boards are located in members designated area at the southern extremity of the Club bar. Pennant teams/results and general notices for both Women and Men

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18. **LASTLY, IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT SOMETHING THAT IS IMPORTANT TO YOU, OR YOU NEED TO KNOW AND CANNOT FIND THE ANSWER, ASK A COMMITTEE or Club Member or BAR STAFF.**