



SUMMER PENNANT DRAWS

Bowls Vic have now released the draws for this summer's pennant season. These are shown below and will appear in the Fixture Book which is due out shortly.

SATURDAY PENNANT

We have again this year three sides entered in the Saturday competition – in Divisions 2, 4 and 6 (note our Div 7 side from last year has been reassigned to Div 6 for this season). Some changes this year:

- Elsternwick Park BC has been renamed Elwood BC.
- There will be a 'double header' weekend on 8-9 December, where we will play round 9 on the Saturday and then round 10 the following day. This is to make up for the loss of a Saturday in January when Australia Day falls on Saturday in 2019.
- Our Seconds will be sharing the green with St Kilda 4 for home matches.
- The Firsts and Thirds will play at home together on the alternate weeks.
- The Thirds will find Port Melbourne 2 in our section this year, whereas in past years they have played in the Metro West region.

MIDWEEK PENNANT

As we did last year, we have only two sides entered in the Midweek competition – in Divisions 1 and 3. We will also be running the Bankers competition at home each Tuesday again this year, so be sure to come along even if you're not selected in one of the pennant sides.

Due to the reduction in size of Division 1 (from 8 sections to 4), each section has had to expand geographically to cover all the clubs involved. For us and our friends at Middle Park, this means the Firsts will be playing mostly in the Metro West,

Northern Gateway and Yarra regions. This will take us to some new clubs and have us playing on some new surfaces, which should be an interesting challenge and a learning experience for all those involved. Unfortunately, it will also mean a bit more travel some weeks than usual. For those who carpool for the longer trips, the club will direct the accompanying players' green fees for that day to the driver. In the end, this is simply one aspect of playing in a smaller, higher standard competition - the highest available to midweek bowlers. The Midweek Selectors (Don Churchill, Kel Edgar and Martin Scriven) encourage any members unwilling to undertake the necessary travel to let them know as soon as possible.

The Club wishes all members an enjoyable and successful pennant campaign.

SATURDAY PENNANT

APBC1 - DIVISION 2 - SECTION 7

Round	Date	Club	Location
2018			
1	6 Oct	Toorak 1	Away
2	13 Oct	St Kilda 2	Home
3	20 Oct	Armadale 2	Away
4	27 Oct	Elwood 1	Home
5	3 Nov	Melbourne 2	Away
6	10 Nov	Murrumbeena Park 1	Away
7	24 Nov	Elsternwick Club 1	Home
8	1 Dec	Caulfield Park Alma 2	Away
9	8 Dec	Middle Park 1	Home
10	9 Dec*	Toorak 1	Home
11	15 Dec	St Kilda 2	Away
2019			
12	12 Jan	Armadale 2	Home
13	19 Jan	Elwood 1	Away
14	2 Feb	Melbourne 2	Home
15	9 Feb	Murrumbeena Park 1	Home
16	16 Feb	Elsternwick Club 1	Away
17	23 Feb	Caulfield Park Alma 2	Home
18	2 Mar	Middle Park 1	Away
SF	9 Mar		
F	10 Mar*		

APBC 2 - DIVISION 4 - SECTION 7

Round	Date	Club	Location
2018			
1	6 Oct	Malvern 1	Home
2	13 Oct	Caulfield Park Alma 3	Away
3	20 Oct	Murrumbeena 1	Home
4	27 Oct	Sandringham 2	Away

THE PARKERS

Round	Date	Club	Location
5	3 Nov	Armadale 4	Home
6	10 Nov	Black Rock 1	Home
7	24 Nov	Elsternwick Club 2	Away
8	1 Dec	Melbourne 3	Home
9	8 Dec	St Kilda 3	Away
10	9 Dec*	Malvern 1	Away
11	15 Dec	Caulfield Park Alma 3	Home
2019			
12	12 Jan	Murrumbeena 1	Away
13	19 Jan	Sandringham 2	Home
14	2 Feb	Armadale 4	Away
15	9 Feb	Black Rock 1	Away
16	16 Feb	Elsternwick Club 2	Home
17	23 Feb	Melbourne 3**	Away
18	2 Mar	St Kilda 3	Home
SF	9 Mar		
F	10 Mar*		

APBC 3 - DIVISION 6 - SECTION 6

2018

1	6 Oct	Toorak 2	Away
2	13 Oct	Camberwell Central 2	Home
3	20 Oct	St Kilda 5	Away
4	27 Oct	City of Melbourne 3	Home
5	3 Nov	Armadale 5	Away
6	10 Nov	Hawthorn 2	Away
7	24 Nov	Port Melbourne 2	Home
8	1 Dec	Caulfield Park Alma 4	Away
9	8 Dec	Middle Park 4	Home
10	9 Dec*	Toorak 2	Home
11	15 Dec	Camberwell Central 2	Away

2019

12	12 Jan	St Kilda 5	Home
13	19 Jan	City of Melbourne 3	Away
14	2 Feb	Armadale 5	Home
15	9 Feb	Hawthorn 2	Home
16	16 Feb	Port Melbourne 2	Away
17	23 Feb	Caulfield Park Alma 4	Home
18	2 Mar	Middle Park 4	Away
SF	9 Mar		
F	10 Mar*		

* These days are Sundays

** Melbourne 3 play home games at Elwood BC

Notes:

- APBC 2 (Div 4) will share home greens with St Kilda 4 (Div 5)
- No Saturday Pennant on 17 November as BV Victorian Open runs for 17-23 November at Shepparton
- No pre-match practice at away venues. Pre-match practice at home matches begins at 11am.

MID-WEEK PENNANT

APBC 1 - DIVISION 1 - SECTION 1

Round	Date	Club	Location
2018			
1	25 Sep	Fitzroy Victoria 1	Home
2	2 Oct	Melton 1	Away
3	9 Oct	Ivanhoe 1	Home
4	16 Oct	Rosanna 1	Away
5	23 Oct	Deer Park 2	Home
6	30 Oct	Keilor 1	Away
7	13 Nov	Essendon 1	Home
8	27 Nov	Middle Park 1	Away
9	4 Dec	Bundoora RSL 1	Home
10	11 Dec	Fitzroy Victoria 1	Away
2019			
11	18 Dec	Melton 1	Home
12	15 Jan	Ivanhoe 1	Away
13	22 Jan	Rosanna 1	Home
14	29 Jan	Deer Park 2	Away
15	5 Feb	Keilor 1	Home
16	12 Feb	Essendon 1	Away
17	19 Feb	Middle Park 1	Home
18	26 Feb	Bundoora RSL 1	Away
SF	5 Mar		
F	7 Mar		

APBC 2 - DIVISION 3 - SECTION 7

2018

1	25 Sep	Elsternwick Club 3	Home
2	2 Oct	Burwood District 2	Away
3	9 Oct	Auburn 1	Home
4	16 Oct	Malvern 1	Away
5	23 Oct	Mulgrave CC 5	Home
6	30 Oct	Vermont South 5	Away
7	13 Nov	Ashburton 2	Home
8	27 Nov	Middle Park 2	Away
9	4 Dec	MCC 5	Home
10	11 Dec	Elsternwick Club 3	Away
11	18 Dec	Burwood District 2	Home

2019

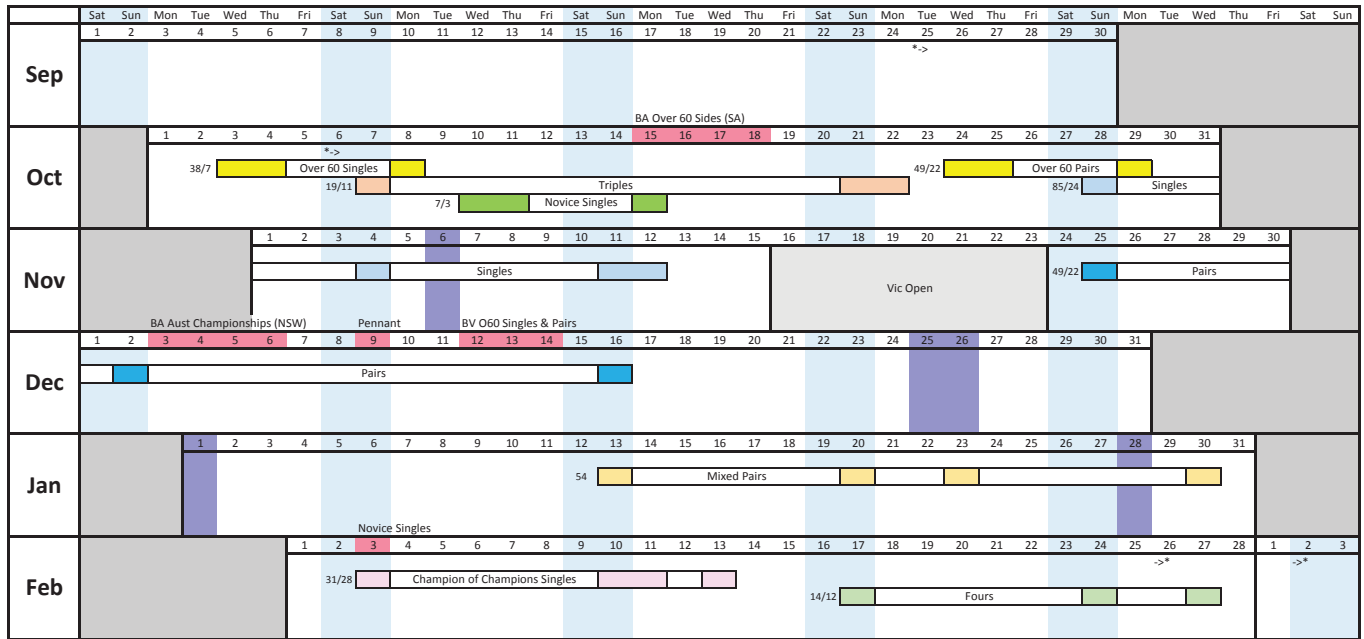
12	15 Jan	Auburn 1	Away
13	22 Jan	Malvern 1	Home
14	29 Jan	Mulgrave CC 5	Away
15	5 Feb	Vermont South 5	Home
16	12 Feb	Ashburton 2	Away
17	19 Feb	Middle Park 2	Home
18	26 Feb	MCC 5*	Away
SF	5 Mar		
F	7 Mar		

* All MCC sides play Midweek home games at Swinburne Avenue

Notes:

- No Pennant on 6 Nov 2018 – Melbourne Cup Day
- No Midweek Pennant on 20 November as BV Victorian Open runs for 17-23 November at Shepparton

SANDBELT CHAMPIONSHIPS



Sandbelt Championships – Proposed Schedule 2018-2019

Each year, the Sandbelt Region holds a series of championships over the summer season. Winners then move on to compete in the State Championships against winners from the other regions.

The competitions will be Men's and Women's:

- Over 60 Singles
- Over 60 Pairs
- Novice Singles
- Open Singles

- Champion of Champions Singles (featuring the singles champion from each Sandbelt club)
- Open Pairs
- Open Triples
- Open Fours
- plus Mixed Pairs

The competitions are held at various clubs in the Sandbelt region over a number of rounds that depend on how many entries are received. Last year Albert Park hosted matches in rounds 1 and 2 of the Men's Singles. We may

host the same or different competitions this year. The attached chart shows the proposed schedule, but this may change over time. The Club encourages all members to enter these championships and will pay the \$16 entry fee per person per event. Entries are to be made through the club and can be arranged by contacting Wayne. Please note entries close three weeks before the first day of play of each competition.

From the archives

A little bit of history on the Ladies' Club

Said to be the first ladies' bowling club in the country, The South Melbourne Ladies Bowling Club was opened in 1899 and at first some of the gentlemen strongly opposed the formation of the Ladies Club, but at last they all agreed. Mrs Cockbill was the first Lady President. The following year Mrs Marks took her place and held the position for 29 years. Miss M Cuthbertson was secretary for 17 years and was one of the founding members who formed the Victorian Ladies Bowling Association (VLBA). In 1900-01, the Ladies' Club had 25 members: 23 Full and 2 Honourary. During that year, the subscriptions (membership fees) were raised from 5/- to 10/-, with half of each subscription being paid to the Men's Club to help support their financial difficulties at the time. By the end of that year, the Ladies' Club has amassed a total credit balance of 3 pounds, 7 pence. The ladies' and men's clubs were amalgamated in 1985-86 and in the following year, Mrs Leonora Coy became the first lady President of the club.

AROUND THE CLUB

TUESDAY GOLD COIN

10am to noon. All members welcome.

SATURDAY GOLD COIN

12.50pm – All members welcome.

CLUBHOUSE REJUVENATION

As the result of the clubhouse painting works and general tidy up, we have a 'help yourself' table in the clubroom with bowls, bags, hats, and general club no-longer wanted/need bric-a-brac. Please as the sign says . . . help yourself . . . before it all finally leaves the building.

The Albert Park Bowls Club is pleased to invite all members to the **Opening of the Green** . . . the traditional launch of the bowling season, on **Sunday 2nd September.**

12 noon Lunch

1pm Pre-Season Practice Match

Please bring a plate

Sign-up sheet on the noticeboard

VICTORIAN OPEN

Register now to play in the Victorian Open in Shepparton at vicopen.com.au

There are a few members already planning to attend as a group. and everyone who's interested is encouraged to give it a go.

Club Calendar 2018-2019

September

- 2 Practice match/Opening of the Green
- 6 First Training Session followed by food
- 8 Practice Match – at Elsternwick Park
- 15 Practice Match – TBC
- 18 Practice Match – at RMGC
- 22 Practice Match Elsternwick Club at Home
- 25 Round 1 Mid-Week
- 28 Grand Final Public Holiday – Muriel Powe Memorial Fours
- 30 Port Phillip Shield venue TBC

October

- 6 Round 1 Saturday Pennant
- 14 Seniors Week Open Day/New Member Drive
- 21 Seniors Week Open Day/New Member Drive (over two Sundays)
- 28 First round APBC Singles

November

- 4 First round APBC Pairs
- 6 Melbourne Cup
- 16 ANNUAL WINE TASTING EVENT

December

- 2 Finals APBC Singles
- 9 Finals APBC Pairs
- 15 Round 10 Last Saturday match for 2018
Christmas Break begins
- 18 Round 11 Last Mid-Week Tuesday match for 2018 – Christmas Break begins
APBC Christmas Party
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Boxing Day

January

- 1 New Year's Day
- 6 Princes Park Shield (TBC)
- 12 Round 11 Saturday Pennant resumes
- 15 Round 12 Mid-Week Pennant resumes
- 26 Australia Day
- 28 Australia Day Holiday – Angove Skins

February

- 26 Round 18 Mid-Week Last sectional game

March

- 2 Round 18 Saturday Last sectional game
- 11 Labour Day Monday – Albert Park Travel
- 17 Australian Grand Prix

April

- 7 Rob Fairweather Invitational Fours
- 19 Good Friday
- 21 Easter Sunday
- 25 Anzac Day

May

- 19 Annual General Meeting