



## Port Phillip Shield



ALBERT PARK were this year's hosts for the annual Port Phillip Shield which sees the top teams from Port Melbourne, Middle Park, St Kilda and Albert Park competing over 3 games of 11 ends under pennant conditions for the honours. Port Melbourne ran out winners for the 4th successive year with 3 game wins and 47 points, Middle Park runners up on 2 wins and 36 points, Albert Park came in 3rd on 19 points with St Kilda 4th on 6 points. Albert Park had a chance to finish 2nd after a very close match against Port Melbourne which was lost by 1 shot on the last bowl of the match. Thanks go to the team that made it all possible Margot and Lindsay who coordinated the catering, Macca and Tim for cleaning and setting up the green, Karen, Dawn, Gerry and Jaki for help in the kitchen and bar, Rex for acting as team manager, Kel for recording all the scores in his trusty spreadsheet and finally Wayne for managing proceedings on the day.

*Malcolm Stevenson*







## Albert Park are the 2022 Winners of our annual tournament with Royal Melbourne Golf Bowls Club

Tim Smith on behalf of Albert Park is pictured retrieving the *Heather Brodie Plate* from a somewhat reluctant Rob Nethercote of RMGBC.

Albert Park won on two of four rinks 84 to 69. A pleasant day was had by all in a convivial atmosphere despite the cool conditions. Thankyou Gerry and Joan for your superb catering.

## Twilight League is back for 2022/23

**This popular competition will run over 20 rounds during daylight savings from 26 October 2022 to 22 March 2023. Matches will comprise 12-end three-bowl pairs matches (with a two-bowl triples match if numbers require it).**

Entry fee is \$10, This will entitle a player to participate in as many of the 20 rounds as they wish. Entry fees will be pooled to provide the end of season prize money, as well as a quarterly prize for the ladder leader. The competition is open to all

(Social as well as Bowls) members of APBC. To join, just turn up by 5:45pm on the first Wednesday you are available, no prior sign-up is required.

Partnerships and opponents are drawn largely at random but with a couple of constraints; Some grading of players will take place to avoid grossly uneven contests with some reshuffling to avoid repeat pairings.

The prize pool will be distributed to players who finish with a positive points tally in proportion to

their accumulated points. The current points tally for each participant will be published regularly in Parkers and posted on the club noticeboard. The full Conditions of Play, including how points are calculated, will be posted shortly on the Club Noticeboard.

Matches will start at 6pm and should run for about 90 minutes. Please arrive by 5:45pm to enable the teams to be arranged and scorecards prepared. Latecomers may be disappointed.

# AROUND THE CLUB

## GREEN FEES

Green fees for pennant this year will be \$10/match, beginning on Saturday, 15 October. The \$3 increase will go into the new Building Fund. Green fees can be paid in cash or by purchase of tickets (see Gerry or another Board member). Any tickets already sold will be accepted as full payment.

## OPEN DAY

A reminder that our annual Open Day is on this Sunday,

16 October 11am-5pm in conjunction with the Port Phillip Seniors Festival. Come along to help meet and greet new potential members and show visiting locals around our beautiful club.

## FUNCTION VOLUNTEERS

With nine confirmed corporate functions before Christmas and a number more being negotiated, the need for on-green coaching for beginners is bigger than ever. If you can spare an hour or so at the beginning of one of the functions listed on the notice board to show new bowlers the basics, it would greatly help the club to deliver an enjoyable experience for the function guests and really help to underpin the club's financial viability. Sign up sheets are on the notice board

- see Peter Holmes for further information.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

Save the Date: Our regular end of year Christmas Party will be held after the last pennant game for 2022 on Saturday, 17 December. It will be a bring-a-plate affair. Sign up sheets will go up closer to the time.

## CHRISTMAS HAMPER

Contributions are now sought for our annual Christmas hamper, which will be raffled off at the Christmas Party. Donations can be left in the box near the Notice Board. See Margot for more details or if you have questions.

## FIXTURE BOOK

The new fixture book is now available at the club. You can pick up your copy when next at the club.

## APBC BUILDING FUND

As we've announced previously, Port Phillip City Council has committed to funding a major upgrade of the clubhouse female facilities next winter (June-September). The timing is opportune as we will be celebrating the 150th annual Opening of the Green in December 2023 as part of our Sesquicentenary celebrations

throughout the 2023-24 season. To complement this work, the club is planning to fund a similar upgrade to the male facilities. While we have some funds already available for this work, they will not be enough. So we are launching a dedicated Building Fund to accumulate the necessary amount in time to have the two projects rolled out together.

Our aim is to raise \$250k and we have already received a number of sizeable contributions. Donations of \$200 or more will be recognised by inclusion on a commemorative honour board to be mounted on one of the refurbished clubhouse walls. Additional means of recognition will include:

BUILDING FUND RECOGNITION TABLE

Level	Donation Amount	Club Member	Organisation
Primary Restoration Sponsor	\$50,000+	Building Naming Rights (single or couple)	Building Naming Rights
Major Sponsor	\$15,000+	Negotiable plus Permanent Membership Fees	Negotiable
Diamond Donor	\$10,000 - 15,000	Permanent Membership Fees	Negotiable (e.g. Banner, etc. plus Sub-Facility Naming Rights)
Platinum Donor	\$5,000 - \$9,999	Sub-Facility Naming Rights (e.g. locker room, office, etc.)	Sub-Facility Naming Rights (e.g. locker room, office, etc.)
Gold Donor	\$1,000 - \$4,999	Main Scoreboard Naming Rights	Main Scoreboard Naming Rights
Silver Donor	\$500 - \$999	Rink Scoreboard Naming Rights	Rink Scoreboard Naming Rights
Bronze Donor	\$200 - \$499	Inclusion on Donors Honour Board	
Restoration Donor	Up to \$199	Acknowledgement in Parkers	

# From the Coach



## UPDATE from Coach Chat

Thursday 6th October

### Pennant performance Evaluation

- Skippers will assess all players on their rink out of 10. (5 being average standard game at that level)
- This information is open to all players of that rink and the selectors/coach will use the information to guide selection and coaching.

### Technique tips

- Improve delivery
- Have a good Aiming Line method
- Work on your Weight Control

### Bowls Self Evaluation

Give yourself a score out of 10 for the following skills.

- Draw Shot
- Competitive ability
- Drive or fast shots
- Technique
- Concentration
- Confidence
- Bowl type (new that turn a bit)
- Ability on fast and slow greens
- disciplined play
- Team support
- Tactics and strategy

### Skipper Communication

- Give clear instructions for the player to understand the shot required.
- Show positive support for your team.
- Call low % shots only when safe to do so.
- Draw for 2nd or 3rd shot when trying to cut down bad head.

## What the Board discussed at its last meeting:

- Bank step: two now in use, two more to be made - thanks Tim and Kel
- Juniors/U18s and schools program: Albert Park College sessions begin this week, Melbourne Grammar School considering program for Term 1, 2023 (years 7-8)
- Bowling: Practice matches and Port Phillip Shield have been successful; coaching/training have resumed Mondays and Thursdays; both sides have won in first week of midweek pennant.
- Upcoming events (Open Day, Melbourne Cup, Christmas Party)
- Sesquicentennial preparations
- Sponsorship opportunities
- Functions: 9 confirmed, 720+ guests - need for coaching volunteers
- Building Fund: need to raise matching funds to allow both projects to proceed together; huge thanks to recent donors
- Membership: 3 new applications
- Sandbelt Championships - AP to host event on 8-Jan-23; details to be advised
- Clubhouse & Green - investigations re shelter covers ongoing
- Website: all Functions pages now updated
- Next Meeting: 8-Nov-22 - members welcome to submit issues to EO

Two minutes isn't much unless you miss the bus



# 2022-3 CALENDAR

## OCTOBER

Thursday	13	Training 4.30pm
Friday	14	Function 4-8pm
Saturday	15	<b>Weekend Pennant R1</b>
Sunday	16	Open Day Seniors Festival
Monday	17	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	18	<b>Midweek Pennant R2</b>
Wednesday	19	Mahjong 1-3.30pm Social Bowls from 4.30pm
Thursday	20	Training 4.30pm
Saturday	22	<b>Weekend Pennant R2</b>
Monday	24	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	25	<b>Midweek Pennant R3</b>
Wednesday	26	Mahjong 1-3.30pm Social Bowls from 4.30pm
Thursday	27	Training 4.30pm
Friday	28	Function 2-6pm
Saturday	29	<b>Weekend Pennant R3</b>
Monday	31	Training 4.30pm

## NOVEMBER

Tuesday	1	Melbourne Cup
Wednesday	2	<b>Midweek Pennant R4</b> Mahjong 1-3.30pm
Thursday	3	Training 4.30pm
Saturday	5	<b>Weekend Pennant R4</b>
Monday	7	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	8	<b>Midweek Pennant R5</b>
Wednesday	9	Mahjong 1-3.30pm Social from 4.30pm
Thursday	10	Training 4.30pm
Saturday	12	<b>Weekend Pennant R5</b>
Monday	14	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	15	<b>Midweek Pennant R6</b>
Wednesday	16	Mahjong 1-3.30pm Social from 4.30pm
Thursday	17	Training 4.30pm

Friday	18	Function 12-4pm
Saturday	19-25	Henselite Vic Open – no Pennant
Monday	21	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	1	<b>Midweek Pennant R4</b>
Wednesday	2	Mahjong 1-3.30pm Social Bowls from 4.30pm
Thursday	3	Training 4.30pm
Saturday	5	<b>Weekend Pennant R4</b>
Monday	7	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	8	<b>Midweek Pennant R5</b>
Wednesday	9	Mahjong 1-3.30pm Social Bowls from 4.30pm
Thursday	10	Training 4.30pm
Saturday	12	<b>Weekend Pennant R5</b>
Monday	14	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	15	<b>Midweek Pennant R6</b>
Wednesday	16	Mahjong 1-3.30pm
Thursday	17	Training 4.30pm
Saturday	19-25	Henselite Vic Open – no Pennant
Monday	21	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	22	No Pennant
Wednesday	23	Mahjong 1-3.30pm Social Bowls from 4.30pm
Thursday	24	Training 4.30pm
Friday	25	Function 3.30-7.30pm
Saturday	26	<b>Weekend Pennant R6</b>
Monday	28	Training 4.30pm
Tuesday	29	<b>Midweek Pennant R7</b>
Wednesday	30	Mahjong 1-3.30pm Social Bowls from 4.30pm

## DECEMBER

Friday	2	Function 4-8pm
Thursday	8	Function 12-4pm
Friday	9	Function 12-4pm
Saturday	17	APBC Christmas Party

Please note that the Calendar is a work in progress and will be updated in each edition of The Parkers. Events can be changed at any time.

Melbourne  
CUP

**The race that stops a nation but not APBC.** We will have our usual celebrations on Tuesday 1st November. No entry fee.

- 11.00am-12.45pm Bowls match – Skips will be selected from those signing up and they will draw their teams on the day.
- 12.45pm Lunch (bring-a-plate), Buy sweep tickets, chat
- 3pm Race time
- Sign-up sheet on the board. Tick if you would like to be in the bowls game and indicate what type of food you can bring. Family / friends welcome (they will need to sign the guest register)