

**VERMONT SOUTH CLUB**

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# Newsletter



**June 2010**

# **VERMONT SOUTH CLUB**

## ***MISSION STATEMENT***

### **VISION**

The Vermont South Club seeks to occupy a position as the most recognisable and respected sporting club in the district.

### **MISSION**

The Vermont South Club serves the community through the provision of healthy and competitive sporting activities and provides, for its members, excellent sporting facilities within a warm and friendly atmosphere.

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- Embracing equality of opportunity
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- Planning for the future: being open to the challenge of new ideas
- Working constructively with our sporting partners
- Acknowledging people who succeed & contribute to the Club
- Building links to our community

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## **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Membership fees for 2010/11 are now due and you should have already received your Renewal Notice. Although our fees have not risen for many years, I am sure you will not be surprised to learn that our running costs have steadily increased over that time. Because of this we have reluctantly applied a modest fee increase this year. We have surveyed similar Clubs in the area and our fees compare most favourably and, to add some perspective, our membership fees still cost less than a loaf of bread per week.

For your convenience we have introduced electronic payments via phone and internet banking. Details are shown on the Renewal Notice. This will make payment of our fees easier, particularly for the growing number of members who no longer have need for a cheque account.

I remind the creative ones among us to submit an entry in our Design a New Club Logo competition. We've already had some very good entries. Entries close on 30<sup>th</sup> June. See website for details.

This is the first Club Newsletter to be distributed electronically. Anyone who cannot get access to our website should advise Jill Raymond of their preference for a hard copy to be mailed.

I am pleased to announce that we are again sponsoring some of our junior members to attend a Future Leaders camp run by Tennis Vic. The three day live-in course teaches leadership and sports management skills.

After much research, receipt of conflicting advice followed by confusion and extreme frustration, I thought we had finally nailed all of the issues surrounding our Liquor Licence. However, even at the time of writing this report we are receiving further contradictory messages. Event conveners and others

have been fully briefed on the new regulations *as currently understood*. The key points are:

- All guests in the Clubhouses must sign the Visitors Book, no matter whether the bar is open or closed. Visiting players are exempted provided they are listed on team sheets.
- Liquor may only be sold within our “Redline” area within specific trading hours. Our “Redline’ area is basically the confines of both Clubhouses.
- At certain times designated by the Committee, liquor may be consumed by members and visiting players on our lawn areas and the surrounds of our bowling greens and tennis courts. This is likely to be during tennis finals, at concluding stages of pennant bowls matches and at nominated social functions. Signed-in visitors e.g. non-players must drink within the Clubhouse.
- Responsible Serving of Alcohol guidelines will be followed at all times.

We have completed the preliminary planning, gained council approvals and appointed contractors to renovate the toilet areas in the upper Clubhouse. The construction work will start on 29th June to coincide with school holidays so that we can minimise disruption to tennis programs. To save on construction costs, our plan is for members to remove existing fixtures and fittings in preparation for the builders. There is a notice regarding a working bee elsewhere in this newsletter. Please roll up your sleeves and pitch in.

I often get asked what the Club is doing about particular facilities. So, to give members an overview and a feel for the scope of our plans for infrastructure development, here is a list of projects being evaluated. Those marked with \* are already approved for implementation:

Project Description	Estimated Cost	Approx Timing
Renovate toilet areas in Upper Clubhouse *	\$ 24,000	2010
Replace lamps in tennis floodlights *	2,500	2010
Remove parts of fence between East & West Greens *		2010
Install built-in BBQ near West Green *	1,500	2010
Replace retaining wall & seating on east side of East Green *	3,000	2012
Replace surface of East Green	188,000	2012
Concrete paving of surrounds of East Green	21,000	2012
Upgrade all gates & locks, install card key system	10,000	
Replace kitchen in Upper Clubhouse	20,000	
Replace heaters in Upper Clubhouse	3,000	
Install acoustic sound-proofing in Lower Clubhouse	15,000	
Repaint Upper Clubhouse	10,000	
Reduce height of chain-link fence in front of Upper Clubhouse	3,000	
Cover deck area attached to Lower Clubhouse	15,000	
Flat screen TV for Upper Clubhouse	2,000	
Replace old BBQ near Upper Clubhouse	1,200	
Cooling System for Upper Clubhouse		
Modify light towers on East Green to avoid light spillage to tennis courts		

Congratulations to those members who accepted positions at the recent Bowls Section AGM. If this is your first time on a VSC Committee, I hope you enjoy and gain satisfaction from the experience. The Club would simply not operate without the combined contributions of our volunteer workers.

Remember this is your Club, be proud to belong and help to keep it great.



**John Temple**

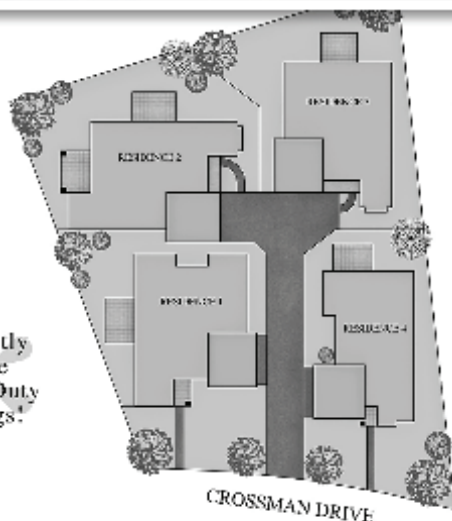
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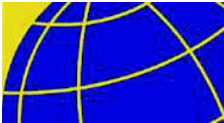


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## **DESIGN A NEW CLUB LOGO COMPETITION**

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The Club will not be obliged to use any of the designs or award a prize or if it feels the entries are not right for the Club. All entries become the property of the Club and should be submitted no later than **30 June 2010**:

By email	<a href="mailto:malmarj2@bigpond.com">malmarj2@bigpond.com</a> (doc.pdf.jpg or bmp format	OR
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## **OUTDOOR BOWLS**

In Andrew's absence, I have been asked to provide a report on the bowling clubs direction for the season.

This is the first opportunity since the A.G.M. to express thanks to the new incoming and retiring members of various committees who enable our club to function and provide excellent amenities and direction for members to enjoy bowling which includes pennant, social, internal championships, tournaments and social activities.

Sponsorship, membership, housekeeping gardening greens bar management and catering groups are all very important sections of the club and work tirelessly towards making events run smoothly and professionally. There are also many members not on committees who when called upon for working bees gardening etc are always there to support the cause and without your support achieving the desired result becomes very difficult. Thankyou all.

The west green seems to have had its anomalies corrected since the last roll back as players surveyed after playing games have had no major complaints. The survey is continuing so if you do encounter a problem please discuss it with one of the bowls committee either men's or ladies.

Try bowls has provided a number of new members and it's pleasing to see many new members participating in bowls and social activities, particularly our Cobram trip had 77 members attend.

After our successful year in pennant we are fortunate to have secured the services of David Jones again as tactical coach for season 2010/2011. David's program starts the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in June 3.30 pm. All members, ladies and men are invited to attend these sessions so please join in and take advantage of the opportunity to strengthen your game.

In conclusion the 2010/2011 season has all the makings of being as successful if not better than 2009/2010. So be proud of your club, pitch in and give a hand where you can and good bowling for the coming season.

**John Comte**

## **DARTS REPORT**

Darts numbers have been down recently. Grant and Graeme have moved out of the Vermont South area and Lenny has been digging holes all over Canberra. At various stages Matt, Ray, Roger, Mick and Lindsay have been holidaying. Mick A., Wally and Dave have been or are carrying injuries. It appears a long arduous season is taking its toll.

However, our annual trip to Yarrawonga is coming up, and amazingly it seems that everyone is available, how lucky is that. We will be holding our Country Championship as usual and the results will be in the next newsletter.

It is with great joy that we announce that at the Paul De Bon Golf Day held recently, a team of Darties won by a narrow margin. Congrats to Matt and Damian Petruccelli, Rick Fisher and Col Jenkins. Negotiations are currently being held with the Handicapper to ensure you win by a larger amount next year.

Hopefully we will soon have our results posted weekly on the club website, as I know club members are keen to follow the fortunes of their favourite darts team. The main drawback is the complete lack of computer literacy by yours truly. This is to be rectified by someone much smarter than me.

Till then enjoy your sports, **Mike Emery**

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Our Winter Season 2010 has kicked off with some very cold mornings and only one Saturday 'wash out', so far (cross fingers!). Although, I think some were not unhappy to be going back home to a warm bed!!

We have a total of 17 teams playing, with 11 teams on the Saturday, including two A Reserve Rubbers sides and 6 teams on the Sunday. All teams are doing well, with quite a few in the top 4 after round 5.

Due to the large number of teams in our Saturday competition we have secured an alternate venue, being Mt. Pleasant Uniting Tennis Club. Each week one of our Home teams play there. It seems to be working well apart from one small spectator who has rather a lot to say!! Maybe a few juicy lamb bones would keep him quiet!!! We look forward to a successful Winter Season.

***Julie Morris***  
**Junior Tennis Convener**

## **TENNIS COACHING**

I would like to increase the numbers of ladies in the Wednesday morning coaching group for next term.

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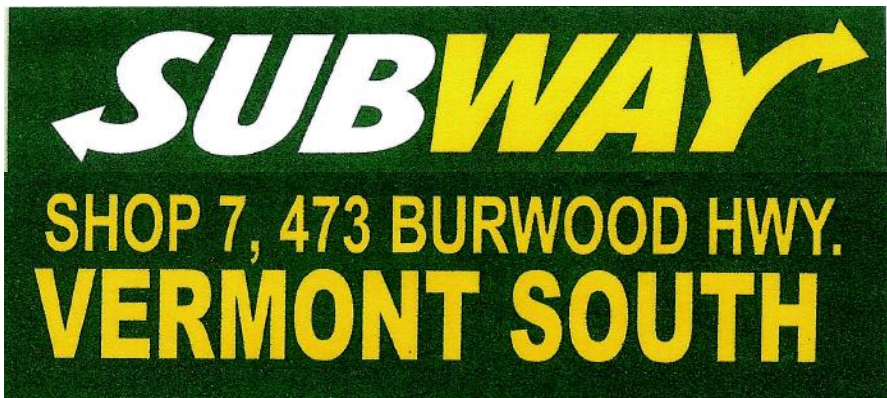
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## TENNIS SECTION REPORT

Good news – the refurbishing of the gents and ladies toilets and bathrooms is about to take place in the next school holidays, so it's all very exciting for us all and worth the long wait. The kitchen area will be next!!!!!!!!!!

The courts have now been switched over to the hoses from the tanks as we need to use our rainwater instead of mains and with all this rain the tanks will keep on getting full.

People are using their Rebel card to the Knox store and we have converted our funds to vouchers which will be given to different sections from time to time.

Night tennis people are always looking for more players – so ring the appropriate night convenors (numbers on back page). Thursday nights are free so maybe someone is out there wanting to start up an internal comp. Please get in touch with me if you do, but we need more than a few people – 12 would be fine.

Juniors have had to hire some outside courts which is a very strong sign of things to come.  
Mid-week ladies had one team only in finals last Thursday and unfortunately they lost, but did well in getting there.

Most people are getting used to wearing their shoe tags now which is good, so the nagging has paid off I hope.

Let's hope we all start to enjoy our new bathrooms and look after them well.

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## MIDWEEK LADIES REPORT

With the winter chills closing in on us our dwindling number of mid-week ladies are still enjoying our tennis. Our Thursday season has just finished with our Section 2 team having an excellent season and making it as far as the preliminary final. Unfortunately they came up against a red hot East Malvern team who were just too good on the day, but the girls should all be well satisfied with their efforts. Section 5 finished oh well on the bottom so hopefully can get it all together a little better next season. There is absolutely no truth in the rumour that we were “tanking”.

We are half way through in MEMRLTA and are having some great results. A3 and A4 are currently on top, A10 running 3<sup>rd</sup> and B4 just outside the four. Keep up the good work everyone and maybe there is a premiership for our reward.

The Gill Quillinan Memorial Tournament will once again be held at our club on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> July. Whilst quite a few of us have registered to play there should still be some vacancies so if anyone wants a fun day get your name down asap. An excellent lunch washed down with champagne is provided, all proceeds going to Juvenile Diabetes and Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation, excellent causes.

Just in case some of you didn't know Sherilyn has become a qualified civil celebrant, quite an achievement in itself. However imagine the look on the faces of some prospective clients when they arrived at her leafy Glen Iris home and found her with track suit pants and moccasins on (kangaroo skin of course), no make up and hair in rollers (I actually made that bit up). They had arrived on the wrong night but obviously were undaunted by first impressions as she did get the job!!!

Half way through the footy season, will be very close with my prediction for the Dees and hope your teams are doing well (sort of).



Hope everyone survives the winter chills and good hitting for the rest of the season.

**Carol Forster**

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Clubhouse keys may be borrowed from any Committee member  
 Court lighting keys are available from Ian Strong

## **REMINDER**

When last to leave Club grounds it is a responsibility of all members to ensure that:

**All doors and gates are locked**  
**Heaters/coolers/appliances are switched off**  
**Lights are switched off**

## **WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS**

### **BOWLS:**

Audrey Edwards, Roland Peebles, Reginald Chinnock, Anthony Ashton, Cameron & Alexander McDowell, Samuel & Harrison Oxley, James & Gwenda Baker, Geoffrey Parry, Johanna Veneman, Matthew Edgley, Kwong Chong, Ka Shing Tai, Margaret & Ross Urquhart.

### **TENNIS:**

Steven & Simon Azari, George, Theodora, Christina, Connor & Andreas Fittje.

If undelivered return to:  
Vermont South Club Inc  
P.O. Box 6002  
Vermont South 3133

