**Summer** 2022

# NEWSLETTER



Emu Point Sports and Community Centre Inc.

# From the President.

Much has happened within the Club since our last newsletter.

The <u>AGM</u> was held in October with a new executive committee being elected. A big thank you to those members who have put their hands up to be on the committee, and thanks to those who are remaining on the committee. Thank you also to those members who retired at the AGM for their enormous contribution and service to our club.

Liquor Licence. A day or so after the AGM we received notice that the Club was to undergo a liquor licence audit. After a lot of preparation, planning, checking and cleaning we were given a very complimentary response from the auditor. (Our final report is yet to be received.) A 'big pat on the back' to all those involved in the process – your efforts went a long way to ensuring the Club keeps its licence.

The Auditor was extremely helpful and helped clarify many 'chinese whispers' that existed around memberships, functions and the type of liquor licence that best suits our club. We do need to make changes to our constitution because of this advice but more on that in later newsletters.

Office Co-ordinator. After an extensive advertising and interview process, we have appointed Bronte Tilbee as our part-time office coordinator. Bronte will be working 10 hours a week to ensure the club runs smoothly. Bronte is a lady of many talents and as she has her Bar Managers qualifications, she will be managing



It would be remiss of me if I and the Club did not personally thank Robin Philpott for filling is as the office coordinator over the past 18 months. Robin took on this role on a volunteer basis and has given us a great deal of assistance during this time. Thank you so much for your contribution Robin, and your commitment in keeping this office going.

**Car Parking:** Lately some members have taken the liberty to park their cars in car bays allocated to the Office Coordinator and Club office bearers. Even though these car parking bays may be vacant when you arrive - this space is specifically reserved. Our Office coordinator Bronte, comes and goes at various times during the day (and week), please <u>do not</u> park in her bay at any time. The same respect needs to apply to car bays reserved for other office bearers as well as the disabled bay.

**Bar Opening Hours:** In consultation with Tammy and the committee it has been agreed to keep the bar open on Saturday evenings until 8:00pm. This allows members returning from 'away' competitions to have a quiet drink at the Club before heading home.

**Enjoy:** Thanks to all members for their support of the Club. I wish you and your families

a very happy and safe Christmas and a prosperous New Year and 2023 (where did 2022 go??) Gary Philpott



# From the Bar.

We are excited to announce that, in addition to our existing RSA/Manager volunteers, several additional members have obtained their RSA and Bar Manager's qualifications. This is a tremendous benefit to the Club for they can pop behind the bar to help out when there is an influx of people waiting to be served. Also, as mentioned previously Bronte will be the Manager rostered on for Saturday evenings.

### From the Courts and the Greens

**Bowls.** The season is going well with several new members joining our club. We extend a warm welcome to you. A reminder if you don't want to play Pennants but wish to be involved in the Club Championships you must be a full member. Please ensure you have the right membership category for the competitions you wish to participate in. JACK-ATTACK is starting on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 5:30pm and runs for 4 consecutive weeks. This is the opportunity for those new to bowls to learn the skills of the game. Registration forms are available on the Emu Point Sporting Club website. Wishing all members, a very merry Christmas and a happy and New Year.

**Tennis.** Our tennis season is well underway, and with it came a very successful opening of our new courts on 17<sup>th</sup> October. The event was well supported with past and present members along with many local dignitaries. This event is a very significant part of our club's history which all began back in 1947 with the formation of the Emu Point Progress Assoc. The Tennis Club once again will be running the Annual **Albany Open**, with this year including a Juniors Tournament on the Friday. Applications to join the competition available from the Club House.

We have two ladies' teams in the pennant competition again this year, and they a proving to be formidable teams. The Tennis section is looking forward to a 'roll-up' with the bowlers on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

We wish everyone a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

## From the Kitchen.

Nicolas and Sabrina continue to provide us with wonderful Friday evening meals, and we thank them for their continued contribution to our club.

As the holiday season is upon us and the visitors flock in, we are going to open up for Wednesday meals from 28<sup>th</sup> December to 27<sup>th</sup> January. Keep an eye out for a summer-time menu and invite family and friend to dine with us for that special evening out.

Once again this year Nicholas and Sabrina are preparing a Christmas Feast for our Christmas at the Point. We hope you can join us for a delicious Christmas dinner and some good cheer.



**VENUE HIRE:** Our clubroom is becoming increasingly popular for celebration and event hire. The clubrooms are available for either a closed functions (closed to members) or open functions. This is when the room and bar is shared with members.

Before accepting any hire inquiry, our policy is to clear it with the Bowls committee, the Tennis committee, and the Bar Management. If it clashes with inhouse fixtures or bar staffing requirements, we will not accept the request. Our priority is to members first. Members are welcome to inquire about personal venue hire (ie. party celebrations, weddings and wakes). For venue hire please email the office on



#### UP AND COMING EVENTS AT THE CLIUB:

It is a busy time for Christmas and New Year Celebrations.

- 1. Epilepsy Fundraiser
- 2. Christmas at the Point
- 3. Tennis join Bowls for 'Have-a-go bowling'
- 4. Tennis Christmas nibbles
- 5. Albany Tennis Tournament

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December 6:30pm. Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 5:30 (Santa at 5:45pm) Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 5:30pm Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December. (After social tennis) Friday 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023