



## FROM YOUR BOARD

**Hello Members,**

**December 2011**

It is my pleasure once again to advise you that the Club continues to grow in all areas of operation. We have recorded a half year profit of \$87,763. I believe this result is a best ever for the Club. If not, a best for many many years.

All credit must go to Keith Langelaar and his Management team and everyone of our dedicated staff. **Congratulations to all of you.** The half year accounts are displayed on the noticeboard adjacent to the raffle fridge.

There is still room for improvement, of course, so if you have any ideas or suggestions please talk to Keith or a Director.

At the October meeting of the Board of Directors it was agreed to appoint Roy Stone as Treasurer of GMBSC. Thank you Roy for accepting the position and congratulations. The Board has also decided not to fill the vacant Directors position. It is not a requirement of the Club's Constitution to fill the position.

Congratulations also to the Women's Bowling Club for a very successful *Tradies Summer in the Shire Carnival* held on Monday 14 November. The 96 players from clubs all over Sydney had a ball and I'm told are looking forward to coming back. Tradies, the carnival sponsor, were most impressed with the day's arrangements and I hope we see more "Tradies" days next year and in the years ahead.

On the following weekend the Men's Club held the inaugural **Goanna Classic** sponsored by the Club's greenkeeper, Green Options. A number of high profile bowlers competed with visiting high grade pennants players, as well as a good number of Gyme members from grade 5 up.

The support of sponsors is a vital contribution to any sporting club's activities, like Green Options and Tradies supporting Bowls. I am now very pleased to announce the Board has agreed to a \$2000 sponsorship of Sutherland Loftus United J.R.L.F.C. for the 2012 season.

This is a "new" for **Gymeabowls** for some years.

Sutherland Loftus United established a strong relationship with GMBSC when they held a very successful Sportsmen's Lunch earlier in the year. The organisation and supervision of the event by the S L United executive was exceptional and they were invited back for any future function.

The \$2000 sponsorship package includes: Grade A (current Premiers) Front jersey **Gymeabowls** logo and fence signage at games. Also S L United have guaranteed the 2012 Sportsmen's Lunch will be held at Gymeabowls as well as their two annual end of year presentation nights.

I am very pleased that this moderate financial assistance to a local club helps us to meet our charter of supporting the promotion of sport in the Shire



Most members will know the bistro area and other parts of the club were flooded following the torrential downpour of rain on the evening of Wednesday 9 November. Although there was a minor blockage, the main cause was literally the volume of water was too great for the gutters to handle. Increased overflow pipes have now been installed. All damage costs have been covered by the Club's insurance.

The development of building improvement plans is progressing and the Board has given feedback to our design consultants. I anticipate more definite design plans with possible construction stages and estimated costs will be available before Christmas or very early in the new year.

GMBSC Constitution review. Following are some of the changes that have been suggested by members.

- Perpetual Member category – a category resulting from the amalgamation
- Define qualifications to become a Social Voting member
- Have a one (1) tier club structure ie the Board (who ever that may comprise) be responsible for all Club and bowls and sports club operations – similar to Taren Point BC
- Define the prescription for nomination as a Life Member
- Reduce Board membership to seven (7) Directors
- Increase Directors term to two (2) years with half Board election each year
- Designate one (1) Directors position as Social and Sports Director and open for nominations from Social Voting members as well as Bowling members

**Have you got any ideas or suggestion that you think should be considered?** If so, write them down and give them to a Director or Keith Langelaar.

## AND DON'T FORGET

### **From 28 November until 16 December**

Members Ham Draw – 5 quarter hams draw each night Monday to Friday. Register at the bar. Good luck. (If you win a ham you can't enter any future draws, one ham per lucky member)

### **Friday 16 December**

Super Friday night meat raffle will include **20 half hams, 15 half pork's and 5 turkeys.**  
Draw starts 7.00 pm

**PLUS the draw of the Mega Christmas Raffle** after the Meat raffle at around 7.45 pm

### **Friday 23 December**

Friday night meat raffle. Draw starts 7.00 pm



## **31 December**

Gymea Bowls New Years Eve Party

### **ROCK AND ROLL BAND 'THE BROADCASTERS'**

\$65 per person, **Tickets now on sale**

Smorgasboard including seafood

And our increasingly popular **Open Mic** arvo at 3.00 pm on the last Sunday of each month.

On behalf of all the Club Directors I wish every member and all our staff a very Happy Christmas and Festive Season and I hope the New Year is all that you want it to be.

**See you at the Club.**

Bob Gallagher  
Chairman  
On behalf of the Board of Directors