



120TH ANNUAL REPORT

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OFFICE BEARERS FOR THE YEAR 2021/2022
(as at the date of this report)

<u>PATRON</u>	I W Renton
<u>PRESIDENT</u>	J L Hole
<u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u>	S Denham
<u>SECRETARY</u>	P Ward-Harvey
<u>HON. TREASURER</u>	R O'Brien
<u>COMMITTEE</u>	B Anderson, B Bodinnar, R Bower, C Duhigg, S Lewis
<u>MEN'S REPRESENTATIVE - ZONE 9</u>	H Evans
<u>OPEN SELECTORS</u>	R Bodinnar (Chair), S B Denham, J Kehoe, J D Rock
<u>MWBC PRESIDENT</u>	C Duhigg
<u>MWBC SECRETARY</u>	G Gleichman
<u>MWBC MEMBERSHIP</u>	L Adam

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OFFICE BEARERS FOR THE YEAR 2021/2022 (cont'd)
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<u>MWBC MATCH</u>	B A Cleveland, L Davis (Chair), S Thomson
<u>MWBC SELECTION</u>	L Armstrong, A Barron, T Czinege, J Kehoe (Chair), C Wilson
<u>MWBC SOCIAL</u>	C Duhigg (Chair)
<u>MWBC DISTRICT DELEGATE</u>	R Dale
<u>ACCREDITED COACHES</u>	C Crouche, J Dale, L Davis, H G Evans, G Fotis, J Hayden, J K Hole, A Maccallum, J Mitchell, R Novakovic (Chair), K Sivaloganathan, B Spear
<u>NATIONAL UMPIRE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS</u>	L Adam, D Brown, S Buchanan, H G Evans, P Handley (Chair), J K Hole, J L Hole, E Legg, D S Lewis, A Maccallum, J Sivaloganathan, P Watson
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<u>AUDITOR</u>	Thomas Hopper & Partners

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To be presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Club to be held by email nominally on Sunday, 11 September 2022, commencing at 10.30 am.

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I have great pleasure in presenting this 120th Annual Report to you, my first as President.

This year has been a challenging one for the club, not only because of the ongoing issues with the Covid virus, but also the weather which has played a significant role in keeping us off the greens.

Despite this, there have been several significant changes for the club. Firstly, last year was the first time in the Club's history that the Annual General Meeting was held electronically. This unique event also saw the election of the first female President in the 120 year history of the club and finally, after 46 years of existence, when women were grudgingly allowed to join MBC and play a significant contribution to the economic wellbeing of the club, we have seen the dissolution of the Mosman Womens Bowling Club as a separate entity. An historic year.

The Board welcomed four new members, this year. Myself, who returned as President, having spent three years on the Board from 2017 to 2019. Bruce Bodinnar, who took up the Membership portfolio, Caroline Duhigg who was President of MWBC and Social Director and Robin Bower, who took up Grounds and Property.

Board members have had to make difficult decisions regarding vaccination policies and whether the club is complying with current and ever changing Covid rules, while continuing to take the club forward in its management. They have done a magnificent job and I thank them for their hard work and support.

Technology has been at the forefront of Board business. We have installed solar panels, purchased a new office computer, installed the Square payment system at the bar, launched a new website, trialled an online games registration system and are currently investigating a new club management system and access to the locker room so that members can get to their bowls at all times.

Our Club is in good shape financially but the year has been a challenging one with a drop in income, coming from disrupted play and therefore green fees and also the parlous state of the economy.

Keeping in touch with the members became our number one priority during the year and Stephen Lewis, Head of House, orchestrated the delivery of scones, jam and cream to every member, delivered by our ever faithful volunteers. As well, we introduced the availability of afternoon tea at the club whenever the weather cancelled play. This has been well supported by our members who enjoy the social contact and the Board is continuing to look at activities to be held in conjunction with this and has purchased a set of indoor bowls.

During the year the club has managed to maintain its membership, have high numbers of players on the green whenever possible and attract a significant number of new members. In fact, it may be that Covid has kept more people at home who are looking for local activities and has thus, worked to our advantage.

Bowls NSW made the decision last year to move to a Financial Year calendar for all competition. This made scheduling of our calendar, by Scott Denham and Loyce Davis, extremely challenging and combined with wet weather and Covid concerns saw many competitions cancelled or delayed. We have been able to run all our competitions, with some flexibility, and the Board approved funding for professional coach Corinne Crouche, to provide training for our mens and womens pennant teams and our mixed under 5s team for the forthcoming competition.

Our club would not be what it is if it were not for our fantastic volunteers and I must express my personal thanks and thanks on behalf of the Board for their continuing efforts. I know that this year has made their work more difficult than ever before.

The Bowls Office has had to contend with organising games when the weather is such that they don't know if we will get on the green, with people calling in sick once the games have been drawn up and with having to make many calls to cancel games at the last minute. We are investigating a system to make cancellation easier. Thanks to Harry Evans and his team for their hard work.

The Selection Committees have also had a more difficult year because of the NSW calendar changes and have had to spend more time regrading players and finding more players and reserves because of the virus and change of dates for Pennants. Players who were always available for Pennant play early in the year have other plans on the new scheduled time of August. Grateful thanks to Bruce Bodinnar, Jill Kehoe and their committees for their commitment.

Likewise, the Match Committees have been kept busy with plaintiff requests for an extension of the due date for matches due to wet weather, Covid and holidays. Scott Denham, Jeff Hole and Loyce Davis have managed this job admirably.

All our Championship Matches, carnivals, Pennants and other competitions require Umpires and thank you to Peter Handley and his team for covering these important events.

Our Coaches, led by Robyn Novakovic, have had difficulty keeping up with demand this year. Robyn ran a very successful U3A course, the Membership Committee, led by Bruce Bodinnar, ran a membership drive and we have had an increase in walk in enquiries. Thank you to all Coaches who have stepped up to assist.

The Membership Committee ran a 'Bring a Friend' Sunday with an introduction to bowls and a sausage sizzle. This was a great success and their initiative is commendable. Keep up the good work.

Thanks to the Social Committee, led by Caroline Duhigg, for their Melbourne Cup and Australia Day functions and their support of the Bowls and Crazy Whist night organised by Bill Clemens and Kevin Moss who did an amazing job. The introduction of a monthly sausage sizzle after bowls has also been welcomed as we strive to offer our members more than just a game of bowls. Now, more than ever, we realise the importance of social connectedness.

Istvan Toth and the Duty Officers make sure we have an enjoyable end to the day and carry out unenviable tasks such as putting out garbage bins, lowering the flag, as well as running the raffle and the lucky draw, thanks to all.

Our new website is a great success and has given the club a better publicity image. Thank you to Jeff Hole who has spent many hours helping develop and now running the website.

Flexibility is the key and all volunteers have risen to the challenges.

Of course, there are many other volunteers and it is inevitable that I will not cover everybody. Please forgive me. Our Annual two day Alex Macpherson Carnival is our key annual event and was co-ordinated by Harry Evans and Caroline Duhigg, supported by many others on the day. The Under 6 Greenhorn for Women was also a great success, run by Loyce Davis and her band of volunteers. While the Jack Harkness did not go ahead this year we were able to run the Waterman Trophy which finished with a close final, Chatswood beating Manly by 5 shots. It was pleasing to see two teams who have not been in the finals for some years come together.

Our volunteer gardeners, John Candy, Greg Breeden and Judy Moyes (indoors) deserve so much credit for their work. One of the first comments of all visitors is how wonderful our garden looks. It gives such a welcoming impression and we are very grateful to you.

Thanks also go to Kevin Moss for donating new lighting for the Locker Room and kitchen areas. These have recently been installed and are a great improvement and far more economical.

While our volunteers are critical to the running of the club it would be impossible to exist without our staff. Our greens are the envy of the bowling world and are a credit to Scott Denham and his offsider, Snowy Kable. Our Office Manager, Rhian ter Laak, not only does a superb job running the administrative side of the club but is always willing to step in and help in any area requiring assistance. Lastly, we are so lucky to have Robyn Hamilton and Yasmin ter Laak in the kitchen, continuing on with our tradition of scones for afternoon tea and delicious soup and sandwiches for lunch.

We were all disappointed by the cancellation of our trip to Hobart in 2021, however, Paul Ward-Harvey suggested a trip to Cootamundra in April and organised 35 bowlers and friends to play two games of friendly bowls and attend the Cootamundra Picnic Races. The local member and Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience and Minister for Flood Recovery, Steph Cooke paid us a visit whilst there, giving us a chance to emphasise the importance of lawn bowls in the local community and beyond. Many thanks for the initiative.

As always, we are in need of new volunteers and it has been pleasing to see newer members put their hands up. There is a job for you so don't wait to be asked.

Sponsorship and publicity have not received the attention they need during the last year but we are grateful to Daughterly Care for their sponsorship, particularly of the Alex Macpherson Carnival, and hope that this association is a lasting one.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to recognise our Patron, Ian Renton, who has stepped down after deciding to move to Queensland. Ian has been a very hands on and present Patron and we all miss him and give him our best wishes. His decision gave us a reason to hold a fabulous farewell and celebratory Cocktail Party, attended by over 100 people including Zali Steggall, Federal Member for Warringah and Carolyn Corrigan, Mayor of Mosman, naming the upstairs room the Ian Renton Room and celebrating our 120 years of existence with the launch of a 20 year update to our club history. This was written by Paul Ward Harvey and again, our volunteers played a significant role.

Thank you to all for your support and happy bowling.

Jenny Hole
President

MOSMAN WOMEN'S BOWLING CLUB

It is with pleasure that I present this report to you as a snapshot of membership and activities that have characterised Mosman Women's Bowling Club during this last year.

Following the historic vote for unification of Bowls NSW and Women's Bowls NSW in 2021, Bowls NSW Ltd became the new entity established to govern all aspects of bowls. The next step for us at Mosman was to consider the position of our Women's Club when in reality our Club functions in a very collaborative and unified manner.

Following discussions at the Women's committee it was resolved to propose to the Directors of the Board that the Women's Club be dissolved at the AGM in July 2022. The proposal was accepted by the Directors. Advice was sought by Paul Ward-Harvey at state level to determine if there were any impediments to this move. None was indicated. Loyce Davis sought advice at district level to ascertain any concerns with our ladies competing in district championships. There were no adverse concerns. So it is that we are presenting to you, our members, the proposal for the dissolution of Mosman Women's Bowling Club and requesting your vote to effect this dissolution. You have received the wording of the proposal and the by-laws to be enacted and incorporated into the constitution of Mosman Bowling Club with the notice of the meeting.

Should affirmation for this proposal be received it would bring to an end a most important piece in the history of Mosman Bowling Club. For almost 50 years, the women have been, and continue to be, central to the ongoing life of the Club. The tangible sign of unity signified by the one club structure will only enhance the key features that presently characterise Mosman Bowling Club as a well-integrated, cohesive and non-biased club.

I pay tribute to all those ladies since the 1970s who worked, played, volunteered, coached, umpired and encouraged others to become members. Some are still with us and so it is on your shoulders that we will continue to build a vibrant and active club.

Discussions are underway for a new uniform that will showcase our new unified reality. Navy blue has been the well documented choice for the bottom part of our uniform and design and colour are being sought for the shirt. These options will be brought to members for decision.

The past months have not all been smooth sailing for bowls.

Emerging from lockdown in September, many of us were wary of freely socialising because of the virulence of Covid19. Participation was slow and fragmented in the early weeks. However, with the importance of resuming competition, we welcomed the Summer Fours and once again enjoyed each other's company on the greens. With thanks to Loyce Davis and her match committee, we managed to hold our pairs competition also. The decision to discontinue the consistency competition in favour of the major/minor competition was well received. While we were very happy to be bowling again, play was severely disrupted on many occasions by persistent rain.

Our Carnival was cancelled because of lockdown, the Greenhorn did not

eventuate, the Top 5 did not take place and various competitions hosted by other clubs were cancelled. Perhaps, a year to forget!! However, our resilience has not deserted us and the sun has been shining again.

In reflecting on my time as President I felt humbled, as a relatively newcomer to the Club to be appointed to the position. I have valued the opportunity to learn, to be involved, to come to know people and to offer some service to the Club.

There are significant people I must acknowledge and thank.

Cathy Wilson as our outgoing President who served us so well during her term has always been very willing to be of assistance. Thank you Cathy.

Gwen Gleichman who assumed the role of Secretary is continually on hand for whatever task we have. She is unfailingly generous, hardworking, dedicated and concerned for the welfare of our members. I have been most fortunate to have Gwen as my right hand and sometimes left also! She keeps us well informed and up to date with bowls information. The floral arrangement in the ladies bathroom has Gwen's touch as did the delightful arrangements for Ian Renton's cocktail party. Thank you Gwen.

Bowls events just don't happen. We are fortunate to have a dedicated match committee of Loyce Davis, Betty Anne Cleveland and Sally Thomson who, in spite of many challenges, have always presented our competitions in a clear and well-constructed format. Loyce will have a fuller match report to present. Thank you to these ladies.

The selection process is not an easy one but under the direction of Jill Kehoe, with her team of Ann Barron, Cathy Wilson, Tosh Czinege & Lyn Armstrong, has always shown fairness and consideration in their selections. Jill will have a fuller selection report. Thank you to these ladies.

Lyn Adam has been meticulous and diligent in her role as membership secretary. Her follow up and maintaining the documentation of the status of members is to be applauded. Thank you Lyn for your many years of faithful service.

Rosemary Dale has been our district representative and has kept us informed of developments and trends at that level. Thank you Rosemary.

I have valued my position on the Board and appreciate the shared wisdom and experience of the other Directors. Decisions and directions taken are always in the best interests of members and the Club in general. Whilst we have a Club that is so well functioning, no one is sitting back on their laurels. Rather there is a forward looking vision to ensure that Mosman Bowling Club will continue to grow and thrive.

I thank Jenny Hole, our president, for her collaboration with me as the Women's president. I believe it has been a fruitful partnership.

Now, as we potentially enter a new chapter in the history of Mosman Bowling Club, let us all celebrate the achievements of the past and look forward to a new dawn for the Club as one united community. As Abraham Lincoln said: "The best way to predict your future is to create it".

Caroline Duhigg
President

FINANCE & INVESTMENTS

In a typical year we make an in-club loss that is balanced by the dividends and interest we receive from our investments. But this has been no ordinary year. In late June 2021 we went into Covid lockdown for three-months, and then came an unprecedented period of wet weather with bowls days cancelled or poorly attended. As a result our in-club income has diminished. From the Profit and Loss Statement at the end of this report it can be seen that we made an *Operating Loss* (i.e *In-Club Loss* minus *Investment income*) of \$42,259.

Such a loss can't be sustained in the long term of course, since it erodes our investment base, but the Board is reluctant to increase costs for members at this stage. Instead we will adopt a wait-and-see policy.

This operating loss has been compounded by a drop in our investments of approximately 10%, in line with the decline in stock markets around the world.

This loss is not cause for alarm however, for share prices always rise and fall over time, with the rises slightly outweighing the falls in the long term.

We are very fortunate to have such a large nest egg to sustain us during these lean periods. Many other Bowling Clubs are not so lucky.

My work as Treasurer would not be possible without the tireless support of our Admin Officer, Rhian ter Laak. I would also like to thank Nicky Boustred, our Financial Advisor and our Investment Committee of Jeff Hole, Peter Smith and Paul Ward-Harvey for their advice during the year.

Richard O'Brien
Treasurer

HEAD UMPIRES REPORT

This year bowls have continued with only a few restrictions introduced by Covid. However excessive rain has caused considerable loss of play because of water logged greens.

There have been challengers supplying umpires for certain events, particularly for the Womens pennants which were held on a Tuesday and Thursday. Also pennant matches held on Wednesday and Saturday, when umpires are playing in matches. Anyone wishing to be an umpire would be most welcome.

Procedures for accreditation and reaccreditation have been reviewed to satisfy the requirements of the National Officiating Accreditation Scheme (NOAS). This should improve the process and enable the easier recruitment of new umpires regardless of gender.

Updated Conditions of Play in the Mid Week Challenge were introduced to speed up play in the reduced format, and caused few problems.

This year we have lost Lyn Adam and Ailsa Maccallum who after many years of service, have decided now is the time to retire. I thank you both sincerely on behalf of MBC. Julie Hayden has returned and has offered to take up umpire duties again.

Finally thank you to all umpires as without you MBC would not be able to easily partake in internal and external competitions.

Peter Handley
Head of Umpires

SECRETARY

The AGM last year was conducted during Covid lockdown, by electronic means (email)...another first for our Club. 9 Directors were elected, although one stood down and that vacancy was subsequently filled by Robin Bower.

General and substantive information appears in the reports of our various Directors, however the Secretary is responsible for administrative matters, and the Liquor licence.

I am most grateful for Barbara Anderson's contributions as Assistant and Minutes Secretary, especially as she had significant pressures concerning her late mother's welfare, including the Covid lockdowns.

There is little to report regarding the liquor licence, excepting that Robyn, Yasmin and Deb have diligently satisfied the licencing laws, and various members are acquiring their RSA certificates and help out behind the bar when necessary.

During the year the Federal Government required that all company Directors must register for a Director Identification Number. Your current Directors and any proposing nominees must be registered to stand for election at the AGM.

Ongoing matters of insurance, club member registrations and subscriptions, communications regarding Covid and administration of those restrictions, have been attended to with the capable assistance of Rhian ter Laak (without whom we would grind to a halt.)

We were able to enjoy a week hosted by Cootamundra Bowling Club. Our long delayed Clubhouse Opening proved a success, and the unveiling of The Ian Renton Room recognised Ian's many years of service to the Club.

I was also pleased with participation in the Phoenix Greenhorn Tournament for our newer players this year.

I extend thanks to Harry Evans and all those who contributed to the production of the 2002/22 history "An Era of Change."

We now have solar electricity powering the clubhouse, incorporating our own tailor made monitoring device to check on its performance.

Finally, in recognition of the status of things in our Club, we are to consider the dissolution of the Womens' Club, after some 50 years of existence.

Paul Ward-Harvey
Secretary

HOUSE

We continued to meet the challenges of COVID-19 through the year, ensuring the highest health and protection standards were maintained in every aspect of the Club operation.

Tantamount to this were our team, Robyn Hamilton & Yasmin ter Laak with the always willing support of Rhian ter Laak - thank you, ladies, for your outstanding efforts again this year!

One of our objectives in the House operation has always been to improve areas which bring benefits to our members. While it has taken a bit longer than initially anticipated, we have now placed an order for all the existing tables in the clubhouse to be replaced with state-of-the-art, easily collapsible and movable tables which also look great! Hopefully these will be in place by the time you are reading this report. Next will be the replacement of all chairs by the end of this calendar year, so completing the refurbishment of the clubhouse.

The completion of the refurbishment of the "upstairs room", now proudly called The Ian Renton Room, adds a new dimension to our facility. All Club meetings can now be held in private in this bright, air-conditioned venue which is also available for other activities.

While we do cater to private client and corporate events we remain choosy, only accepting those which include bowls or bring significant financial benefit. We continue to be challenged by working from a domestic kitchen, this restricting our ability to provide a high quality food product. We are considering upgrading our kitchen equipment on several levels, but all require significant investment which means this will be a long-term project involving more than just equipment purchase.

The first 6 months of 2022 have been unusually wet, with more to come, we are told. With bowls rained out more than usual, we have allowed our members to keep involved with the club by continuing to serve the traditional scones, jam & cream afternoon teas on those days. This will soon be complemented with carpet bowls games - we have just purchased a set of Henselite carpet bowls, jacks, tournament carpet and scoreboard to keep everyone entertained.

Unfortunately COVID meant the postponement of the planned Bowls Tour to Hobart in November, this now happening in November 2022 with 50 bowlers and 6 partners participating. As well as playing "friendlies" at 3 Hobart Clubs, a Day Tour to the Port Arthur Historic Site will be a feature of the week. Bowls Tours have now become a popular annual event - the Hobart Tour is our 7th Tour, and planning is already underway for the 2023 Tour.

Finally, I would like to thank our many always-willing volunteers for jumping in whenever needed. We now have 17 members who hold a Responsible Sale Of Alcohol Card, and 6 others who have become most competent barbeque chefs! Thank you all.

Stephen Lewis
Head of House

WORKPLACE, HEALTH & SAFETY

The Work, Health and Safety portfolio primary involves looking after the safety and wellbeing of all members and staff of Mosman Bowling Club and the maintenance of safe work, social and playing conditions. This includes monitoring all incidents and accidents occurring on the premises with follow up to ensure there are no ongoing issues for the individuals concerned and to minimise the risk of future incidents where hazards or unsafe practices are identified. It is one of the reasons why hydration and falls prevention are important safety reminders to members. Members with mobility problems are encouraged to make use of the stanchions available around the greens.

During 2021 the Covid pandemic remained a key concern which required the Club to maintain procedures compliant with NSW Health and Australian Government guidelines. The Club vigilantly monitored social distancing, mask wearing, sanitisation of hands and bowling equipment, and other precautions in accordance with changing guidelines. The onset of ongoing inclement weather probably led to fewer incidents on the green but nevertheless required players to take extra care moving on and off the damp greens.

The medical emergency and the incident report forms were updated to ensure the Club holds a good record of its members in the event this information is required. A basic first aid kit is well stocked and kept in the Bowls Office for use if needed for minor cuts and abrasions. No smoking signs are in place to ensure there is no smoking anywhere on the premises. Safety tips continue to be published in the newsletter and included in afternoon tea talks from time to time.

At the request of Mosman Council, the Club's Automated External Defibrillator (AED) machine is registered with St Johns Ambulance, thus facilitating fast locating during health emergencies. Mosman Council also requested that the Club register its defibrillator with Heart of the Nation as part of Council's aim to work towards a safer community.

The Club is fortunate that there are few incidents or accidents on the greens and the Board will continue its efforts to make sure this stays the case.

Barbara Anderson

Workplace, Health & Safety Director

GROUNDS & PROPERTY

The “upstairs room”, now known as the Ian Renton Room, was completely refurbished by December 2021 with the final addition of blinds to complete the ambience. The Grandfather clock was 'paid forward' to a good family. New latches for the mats lockers were purchased and one was installed on the Church locker and one kept for the other locker when required.

The water leak above the bar was fixed and discussion on a new freezer culminated in a new one being purchased shortly.

The stairs outside the Bowls office were replaced by Council, and the No Smoking sign replaced on the Scott Denham Green.

Numbers have been purchased for the score boards and await replacement as needed.

New Locker room lights have been installed and make a big difference. The kitchen lights have been upgraded and, if needed, more lights will be installed over the oven.

Ongoing issues -

The space under the school fence is still under discussion about what to fill it with.

The Greenkeepers' shed roof is still being quoted for, and if the Greenkeepers decide to do the job, we will need to make sure we have insurances to cover them should anything go awry.

The path around the back of the Greenkeepers shed has been cleaned - thanks to John Candy - and Council is being advised for the need to repair potholes.

Many thanks to John Candy for his ongoing attention and hard work on the gardens and beautiful hydrangeas. All other Property and Grounds in good condition.

Robin Bower
Grounds & Property

SOCIAL EVENTS

As happened in the previous two years, the social activities at the Club were somewhat curtailed because of the pandemic. Hence, events did not begin to take place until Melbourne Cup Day on 2 November.

The big day was sunny and festive with 34 of our members in attendance. We bowled, we feasted well, we wagered and some of us won, we enjoyed each other's company after so long in isolation. The celebration was a boost to the spirit of the club.

Our Christmas lunch and Presentation of Awards was another festive occasion when the social committee brought the essence and mood of the season alive with some tasteful décor. The catered lunch and joyous camaraderie made for a very enjoyable day.

Australia Day welcomed sunshine and 50 members to enjoy bowls, a tasty barbecue, a challenging trivia quiz and, most of all, the enjoyment of each other's company.

This year's Anzac Day celebration did not take place because many of our members were away in Cootamundra with the Club's organised tour but we remembered those who gave their lives in defence of our country.

There was the suggestion of a harbour cruise along the Port Jackson waterways and the possibility of a theatre party but there was insufficient interest to pursue these options. It was considered that the experience of the pandemic and the shutdown were possibly causing hesitation in people to venture too far.

Paul Ward Harvey's organisation of the Cootamundra trip was a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by those who were able to participate.

Whilst the social committee was not responsible for the organisation, the Cocktail Party held to farewell our Patron, Ian Renton and his wife, Bernice brought together over 100 people and demonstrated the lively cohesion and unity in the Club.

The annual lunch of the Women's Club held at The Oaks in June gave our ladies the opportunity to enjoy time with each other and to celebrate the significant birthdays of six of our members. We were fortunate to be able to have exclusive use of the garden pavilion. It was a happy occasion for forty of our ladies.

A small initiative of the Social Committee this year was to offer the opportunity of a simple dinner after bowls on a Wednesday each month. The first one was held in June and about 30 members remained after bowls to enjoy Robyn's tasty soup and a sausage and onion sandwich well prepared by Richard O'Brien and Les Miller. About 18 members gathered for our July dinner in spite of the weather. Once again, our thanks to Robyn for a tasty soup and to Les for his barbecue effort. We are hoping to make this a feature of our calendar.

As with all of our events, celebrations do not happen without the generous support of our committee members. I am indebted to Jill Kehoe, Mary and Les Miller, Alan Carpenter, Heather Clemens and to Bill Clemens for his music. Thank you to each of you. Special mention must be made of Gwen Gleichman for her quiet willingness to be always on call. Thank you Gwen.

We are immensely grateful to Rhian, Robyn and Yasmin and to Scott and Snowy for their meticulous attention to the greens which makes bowling so enjoyable. We are indeed fortunate at MBC to have such talented staff.

Caroline Duhigg
Social Events

MEMBERSHIP

I was appointed to the Board for the first time at the start of this club year and was asked to take on the Membership portfolio which has been quite a learning experience.

Paul Ward-Harvey, Robyn O'Brien, Robin Bower, Bill Clemens and Gay Suters kindly agreed to join the membership committee and I thank them for their efforts and support.

Covid restrictions in the first half of the year and persistent wet weather particularly over the last few months limited the scope of what we were able to do however there have been some quite positive outcomes from the limited activities we have been able to complete and there are some pleasing trends.

Participation and source of membership analysis.

When Covid lock-downs were lifted at around end September 2021 some analysis of bowling participation for 6 week period and recent source of membership was completed.

Results showed that whilst we had around 171 members at the time around 130 were at least reasonably regular participants. We were also able to follow up members who we hadn't seen much of but pleasingly most were not able to participate for understandable reasons.

Source of membership analysis validated the previous understanding that almost all new members came from people walking in or via existing members.

Membership Acquisition

Despite limited opportunity there were a couple of initiatives that enabled the bulk of our 21 new members for the year to join and enjoy being part of the club.

U3A

Robyn Novakovic drove an initiative with U3A similar to the Community College arrangement of several years ago. Robyn developed the advertising and managed applications from a number of interested people and subsequently managed coaching over 6 weeks. Three of the participants have joined the club and we hope that there will be more to come. Thanks go to Robyn and the coaching team involved.

Bring a potential member day.

We held an event late May similar to an open day but restricted to invitees of members genuinely interested in joining the club and in addition invited a number of recent walk-ins. There were around 20 invitees attended and a large proportion have followed through and are now at the end of their coaching programs. Unfortunately the weather has meant that many coaching sessions were canceled however it doesn't seem that it has significantly dampened enthusiasm.

Another event is in the planning stage for spring to build on the success of this initiative, suggested by Stephen Lewis.

Buddy system

There has been a valuable mentoring system in place for some years. The process has been reviewed and modified slightly and renamed to aid both buddies and new members. Due to the high number of new members over the last few months we have quite a few volunteers who have taken on as support for new members and we thank them sincerely for their contribution.

Membership summary

This time last year there were 171 financial members. We have since lost around 20 members due to largely to age and health related issues. As of 8th August 2022 we have 177 financial members. Additionally we have another 4 membership applications pending board approval and 8 people in or about to commence coaching which shows a pleasing upward trend.

Conclusion

We have a great and successful club with a healthy membership with a positive trend. Whilst we have great facilities, staff and volunteers the club would not be the success that it is without a healthy and sustained membership. Please continue to consider if you know anyone who may be interested in taking up bowling and joining the club and let one of our membership team know.

Bruce Bodinnar
Membership Director

LEASE COMPLIANCE

Mosman Bowling Club's compliance with key criteria contained in the Lease with Mosman Council is audited annually.

The Lease between Mosman Bowling Club and Mosman Council took effect from 1 July 2013 and terminates on 30 June 2034. The audit results will provide evidence of the Club's compliance with the Lease over time and help prepare the Club for renewal of the Lease in 2034.

The latest compliance audit covers the period January to December 2021 which was impacted not only by the constraints of the Covid pandemic but also inclement weather. The audit was carried out in January-February 2022 and all Directors contributed to the findings, particularly in relation to their areas of portfolio responsibility.

Again, it is pleasing to report that the Club continues to comply substantially with all its obligations under its Lease with Mosman Council. Achievements in 2021 included the satisfactory results of the Food Premises Assessment Report 9/6/21; effective maintenance of the extra cleaning required to meet COVID-safe conditions; the start of refurbishment to the upstairs meeting completed in 2022; and the overall maintenance in good repair, order and condition of all areas or items for which the Club is responsible, in consultation with Council as and when necessary.

The Board will continue to use this annual audit tool to demonstrate the Club's ongoing compliance with the Lease.

Barbara Anderson
Lease Compliance

COACHING

Covid and the lockdown was unfortunately still impacting the Club in July, August and September 2021, with very little activity – either bowling or coaching - happening.

October to December saw bowls starting again, with some lessons being conducted, both for new bowls enquiries and for those members who wished to refresh their bowling though Fix My Game.

From January 2022 lessons picked up considerably with an increase in coaching enquiries. In April the Club held a Learn to Bowl course through the University of the Third Age over six weeks. Ten starters were put through the course by our coaches each Tuesday, with five taking up membership. This a great way to advertise our Club and a further U3A course is planned for the first semester of 2023.

June saw the Club gearing up for Pennants, and the appointment of Corinne Crouche to oversee both women's and men's training prior to the start of competition. These structured sessions meant that our coaching staff were not required.

Bruce Bodinnar, our Membership Director, held a very successful membership drive with members asked to "Bring A Friend". We were overwhelmed at the response and coaches were kept busy booking in lessons for these newcomers over the coming months. The number of new members now playing is a pleasure to see and all have seamlessly integrated into the club's bowling and social life.

The Buddy system is thriving, with every new member allocated one of our experienced bowlers to ease them into Club life and mentor their bowling experience. Thank you to those members who offer their time to this great initiative.

We continued to see "walk ins" during July and it seems that word of mouth from new and existing members is driving our membership forward.

Coaches and interested members were given a demonstration of the bowling arm recently by Jeff Hole. The Club has a bowling arm in the coaching area and members are welcome to arrange a session with one of our coaches if they would like to explore using an arm to improve their game.

Our monthly Coaches Corner articles written by our coaches continue to be a helpful and interesting read.

In September we will be holding a bowls morning for a group of ladies organised by one of our newest members, Lynne Cohen. This hopefully will follow through to some of them taking up the offer of bowls lessons with our coaches.

Thank you to all our coaches who offer their time, expertise and experience to our "walk-ins" and members alike. Our membership drives and the Fix My Game programme are in good hands.

Robyn Novakovic
Coaching Co-ordinator

BOWLS

Pennant Season 2022

Deferred to August 2022 by Bowls NSW

Mid-Week Triples 2021

Sides were entered in C and D Grades of this competition.

C Grade Mosman finished tied first and were defeated in a play-off with Lindfield.

D Grade Mosman finished 3rd in its section.

John Waterman Trophy 2022

Ten Zone 9 Clubs were invited for the preliminary rounds against Mosman with Chatswood defeating Manly 57 to 53 in the final.

Jack Harkness Memorial "6s & 7s" Tournament 2022

Not played due to Covid-19.

Mosman Council Mayoral Trophy

Not played due to Covid-19.

Patron's Day

Patron's Day was held on Wednesday 13 October 2021. Thanks to our Patron Ian Renton for hosting this fabulous day.

Phoenix Greenhorn 2022

The Phoenix Greenhorn Pairs saw 5 teams of membership under 5 years compete in sectional, semis and the final played on Tuesday afternoons through March and April with Wendy Lyons and Kevin Moss defeating Lyn Hercus and Ralph Walker in the final.

Friday Casual Bowls

Friday mufti bowls did not receive a great deal of support because of weather and Covid restrictions. Thanks to those who have assisted with its organisation over the past twelve months.

Tuesday Casual Bowls

Many thanks to all the volunteers who give up their time rostered in the bowls office.

Bowls Office

Congratulations to the bowls office volunteers on a job well done selecting social bowls days and for volunteering their time. If anyone is interested in assisting in the Bowls Office please contact the Bowls Secretary

Annual Carnival 2021

The club's 38th Alex Macpherson Carnival was held on Monday 9 and Friday 13 July. Our thanks go to Harry Evans for his organisational skills and to all the members who assisted in various ways making the carnival a wonderful success.

MBC HONOUR ROLL 2021

<u>Major Singles</u>	Winner - R/U -	P R Kable K Sivaloganathan
<u>Minor Singles</u>	Winner - R/U -	G Fotis T Walker
<u>Pairs</u>	Winners - R/U -	R Bodinnar, K Sivaloganathan S Lewis, G Lindsay
<u>Triples</u>	Winners - R/U -	S Lewis, R Bodinnar, K Sivaloganathan G Lindsay, P R Kable, S B Denham
<u>Fours</u>	Winners - R/U -	R Walker, G Lindsay, P R Kable, S B Denham A Carpenter, B Kerwood, H Evans, D Carlesso
<u>Consistency</u>	Winner - R/U -	G Fotis M Lange
<u>Mixed Pairs</u>	Winners - R/U -	R O'Brien, R O'Brien K Sivaloganathan, J Sivaloganathan
<u>Graded Fours</u>	Winners - R/U -	S Bajtala, G Mitchell, R O'Brien, B Kerwood B Clemens, D McBean, C Stewart, H Evans
<u>Handicap Pairs</u>	Winners - R/U -	J L Hole, J K Hole I Toth, G Fotis
<u>Mufti Singles</u>	Winner - R/U -	S Lewis R Walker
<u>Most Improved</u>		R Walker
<u>Presidents' Singles</u>	Winner - R/U -	R Bodinnar B Kerwood

MWBC HONOUR ROLL 2021

<u>Major Singles</u>	Winner - R/U -	J Moyes L Davis
<u>Minor Singles</u>	Winner - R/U -	Not played

MWBC HONOUR ROLL 2021 (cont'd)**Pairs**

Winners - J Moyes, T Tamaoki
 R/U - S Addison, A Barron

Triples

Winners - C Wilson, G Weerden, (H Haran substitute), G Gleichman
 R/U - G Suters, R Bower, E Legg

Fours

Winners - J Moyes, T Tamaoki, G Suters, C Duhigg
 R/U - J Siva, J Hole, K Balnaves, H Clemens

Consistency

Winner - Not Played
 R/U -

Summer Fours

Winners - W Lyons, R O'Brien, G Weerden, T Tamaoki
 R/U - C Moss, K Balnaves, C Duhigg, L Davis

Most Improved Player Award R Bower

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The following members, are thanked for their valued assistance.

**Assisting the
Bowls Office:**

Barbara Anderson, Sue Buchanan, Betty-Anne Cleveland, Loyce Davis, Caroline Duhigg, Harry Evans, Ron Hassall, Brin Kerwood, Edwina Legg, George Lindsay, Ailsa Maccallum, Dale McBean, Diana Noel, John Rock, Istvan Toth, Peter Smith, Gay Suters, Glenda Weerden

Duty Officers:

Robin Bower, Loyce Davis, Caroline Duhigg, Gwen Gleichman, Peter Handley, Jeff Hole, Jenny Hole, Stephen Lewis, Les Miller, Brian Owles, Istvan Toth, Harry Trueman,

Membership:

Bruce Bodinnar

Gardens:

John Candy

Social Events

Caroline Duhigg, Gwen Gleichman, Jill Kehoe, Mary Miller, Les Miller, Alan Carpenter, Heather Clemens

Patron:

Ian Renton

Justices of the Peace:

Betty-Anne Cleveland, Peter Watson

Sponsors:

Daughterly Care
Mosman Travel

INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS

Barbara Anderson	
Position	Director
Qualifications	MA, BA, 40 yrs health/aged care, member Board Snrs Rights Service
Experience	6 years on Committee of Club
Bruce Bodinnar	
Position	Director
Qualifications	Accounting Certificate, 14 yrs commercial accounting
Experience	1 year on Committee of Club
Robin Bower	
Position	Director
Qualifications	18yrs banking, 27yrs health & aged care, 17yrs own business
Experience	1 year on Committee of Club
John Candy	
Position	Director
Qualifications	20 years petroleum industry, 20 years radio industry management
Experience	2 years on Committee of Club
Scott B. Denham	
Position	Vice-President
Qualifications	Greenkeeper
Experience	30 years on Committee of Club, Bowls Secretary
Caroline Duhigg	
Position	Director
Qualifications	T.C. and B.A. 40yrs in education, administration, consultancy
Experience	1 year on Committee of Club
Jenny Hole	
Position	President
Qualifications	B.A.(Comms Mgt.); Dip. Librarianship, 4 years Exec/ Director
Experience	4 years on Committee of Club, Past MWBC President
Stephen Lewis	
Position	Director
Qualifications	40 years in hospitality, 25 yrs General Manager Four Seasons Hotels
Experience	10 years on Committee of Club, Past President
Richard O'Brien	
Position	Treasurer
Qualifications	BE, PhD, Research Scientist, CEO of Scientific Instrument Co.
Experience	7 years on Committee of Club
Peter Smith	
Position	Director
Qualifications	40 years Mining & Engineering Services Procurement Asia/Pacific
Experience	4 years on Committee of Club
Gay Suters	
Position	Director
Qualifications	Graduate Dip. Education, B.A., ALIA Library/Info systems)
Experience	3 years on Committee of Club
Paul Ward-Harvey	
Position	President
Qualifications	BA. LLM. 41 years practising Solicitor
Experience	9 years on Committee of Club
Cathy Wilson	
Position	Director
Qualifications	Office Management & Bookkeeping Diploma
Experience	2 years on Committee of Club, Past MWBC President

MEETING OF DIRECTORS

September 2021 to September 2022

Director	Board Meetings Held	Board Meetings Attended
Barbara Anderson	12	11
Bruce Bodinnar	12	12
Robin Bower	9	7
Scott Denham	12	9
Caroline Duhigg	12	11
Jenny Hole (President)	12	12
Stephen Lewis	12	10
Richard O'Brien	12	9
Paul Ward–Harvey	12	12

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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Bar & Kitchen		
Afternoon teas / Sandwiches	11,819	18,558
Lunches / Dinners		
- club events	16,315	6,416
- private events	8,199	15,768
Bar Sales		
- club events	36,381	59,764
- private events	610	4,295
Bowls		
Green Fees	56,315	86,269
Clothing / Equipment	952	2,201
Tournaments	5,351	5,850
Membership Subscriptions		
Men & Women	16,256	18,736
Other Income		
Raffles	9,305	14,109
Hall Hire	1,655	4,748
Donations / Sponsorships	1,181	37,976
Government Grants	26,500	33,395
Miscellaneous	1,447	546
TOTAL INCOME	192,286	308,631
EXPENSES		
Bar & Kitchen		
Catering	10,504	15,253
Beverages	16,263	25,312
Equipment & Other Expenses	6,763	3,270
Social Events	16,437	19,689
Staff Contracts		
Greens Contract	92,551	90,896
Cleaning & Waste Disposal	17,671	25,368
Staff Costs	109,972	118,071
Garden & Miscellaneous	1,057	1,128
Casual Staff	0	0
Bowls		
Equipment	13,983	2,223
Affiliation Fees	9,901	9,249
Rink / Draw Prizes	9,651	14,087
Tournament / Competitions	6,196	6,234

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
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EXPENSES (cont'd)		
Administration		
Advertising / Promotions	1,973	300
Telephone / Postage / Printing	6,353	4,960
Repairs & Maintenance	19,444	2,933
IT / Office Expenses	6,165	1,807
Rent	0	0
Utilities	9,420	9,620
Other	210	1,537
Finance		
Audit & Accounting	14,083	17,746
Insurance	22,358	8,340
Financial Advisor	18,132	13,509
Other	1,400	1,413
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TOTAL EXPENSES	410,487	392,945
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IN CLUB OPERATING PROFIT / (LOSS)	(218,201)	(84,314)
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Investments		
Investment Related Income	175,942	148,773
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OPERATING PROFIT / (LOSS) AFTER	(42,259)	64,459
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INVESTMENT INCOME		
Abnormal Items		
Less:		
Depreciation	33,314	41,846
(Profit)/Loss on Revaluation of Assets	559,470	(252,501)
(Profit)/Loss on Sales of Assets	(152,333)	(307,275)
Lease adjustments	4,660	5,487
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PROFIT / (LOSS) Before Income Tax	(487,370)	576,902
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CASH & INVESTMENTS		
Cash at bank	344	344
Cash at bank	49,441	45,131
Term deposits	0	215,000
Portfolio Value	3,240,952	3,506,557
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	3,290,737	3,767,032
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