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# Club Chronicle

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hi Members

Great to see that our quarterly newsletter is up and running again, a big thankyou to Melissa for taking charge of production.

All the renovations are finally finished at the Clubhouse. It's a venue we can be proud of and I invite all our members to make use of this facility, remember "One Great Club, Two Great Venues".

Recently Jaye Foon and myself travelled to Sydney with the Mercury group to the Australian Gaming Expo, wow what an eye opener, all the new gaming products and machines as well as kitchen items, raffle systems, accounting systems and general club products were on display. Hopefully over the next few months we can install some of them at our club.

I would like to congratulate the Bass Coast Breakers women's A F L team on another great season, not a lot of success on the field, but moving up to division 1 after last year's premiership win they were very competitive. Their season wind up was held at the Clubhouse last month and congratulations to all the award winners.

With the AGM held recently, would like to take this opportunity to thank our Board of Directors for their input any energy in volunteering their time towards the Club in the previous year. I'd like to welcome new Directors Matt Donohue and Michael Scott to the Club Board, and to retiring Directors Rob Geyer and Glen Rielly, thank you for your time and commitment to our Club.

Alan Bolding  
President



## BISTRO THEME NIGHTS

Monday - \$13 Member Meals - 5:30pm - 8pm

Tuesday - 50% Off Members Night

Wednesday - \$15 Celebrity Parma or \$20 with a pint

Thursday - \$11 Seniors / Steak & Wine Night

## WINE OF THE MONTH

Seppelt prosecco & shiraz

Check out our great range of Australian wines, including some locally sourced options.

BOOK NOW FOR CHRISTMAS DAY



and get \$10 OFF



THE WONTHAGGI CLUB 

# Christmas Function Packages

Make your event memorable

See our friendly staff for details

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# MANAGERS REPORT

What a crazy year 2019 has been, with our busiest year ever with more than \$1.3 million in food sales and more than \$1.4 million in drink sales, on top of a complete refurbishment of The Clubhouse in the last 12 months.

We're now delivering more than 1500 meals a week, and are ranging more than 120 drink products across both sites to our 6000+ members, guests and visitors.

We've recently secured a 22 year lease on the Clubhouse site, so can start planning a future of growth for all of our members, and Wonthaggi Golf Clubs members to enjoy for many years to come.

More than 12 months ago we installed 60 solar panels on the roof at McBride Ave, and since that time have saved 35 tonnes of carbon emissions by harvesting energy from the sun. This has had the same environmental impact as the equivalent of planting 117 trees. We are also looking at more ways to be environmentally friendly.

We do our best to keep on top of consumer preference, and changing dietary needs. We have vegetarian options, gluten free options, and cater for various allergies, so please let us know if there are ingredients you need to avoid.

Did you realise we offer Vegan Beer, Gluten Free Beer, Low Alcohol Beer, No Alcohol Beer, and High Alcohol Beer. And a great range of wines sources from across Australia, as well as some both local favourites.

Our Club is constantly evolving, as we celebrate our 108<sup>th</sup> year since formation. In order to keep on top of everything, we make sure our members are well represented by their elected office bearers. The Board of Directors meet each month to discuss important items of Club business, in addition to regular sub-committee meetings, and the Strategic Planning Weekend.

At this years' Strategic Planning Weekend, the Board along with Department Heads, made a commitment to the Clubs ten pillars of prosperity. These ten pillars help to guide good decisions, and set the Club's strategic direction.

## **Member Focussed, Sustainable, Market Leading, Growth Ready, Cooperative, Inclusive, Diverse, Professional, Transparent, and Responsible.**

Thanks to all our staff that continue to make the Club great. We have an awesome bunch of people across both sites that do their utmost to contribute in making every member visit, an enjoyable experience.

In October we say farewell to Head Chef, Ben Rookes. Ben started with the club as an apprentice 9 years ago, and after qualifying, enjoyed three years of great success at a young age. He returned in 2016, and has seen our catering operation grow to the massive scale it is today. We're sorry to see Ben go, yet wish him all the best in his exciting new role.

Bens shoes will be filled via an internal promotion, with Grant Fleming moving from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 1<sup>st</sup> in charge. Grant started his career in a Chef's hat restaurant, and has always taken pride in producing quality meals that will satisfy. We look forward to Grants team making a great culinary impression for you, when you next visit the Club.

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## **Cyber Attack**

There have been recent reports about criminals “ghosting” as The Wonthaggi Club.

The criminals have been sending emails (often three or four days in a row) from various addresses not known by us, but with “The Wonthaggi Club” in the profile name settings, so that they appear to the receiver, to be a trusted member of our Club, which they are definitely not.

These reports have included the criminals sending viral attachments, that may attempt to breach the receiver’s cyber security.

We can only assume that they are trying to phish (trick people into giving information or money) while disguising themselves as Wonthaggi Club staff.

I recommend you delete any email that (appears to) comes from The Wonthaggi Club, but looks suspicious, and do not open any attachments contained within, as they may be viral.

We have reported this to local police, federal police, our secure mail host, our IT contractor, and our Cyber Security providers.

All these entities have independently advised us that there is nothing we can do to stop these criminals “ghosting” (pretending to be) us.

We have also confirmed that none of our member, staff, supplier, or business partners private information has been breached. We take privacy and confidentiality seriously, and aim to keep you informed if there is any further progress in this matter.

We have taken our email domain offline, which means there cannot be any emails sent from the domain [wonthaggiclub.com.au](mailto:wonthaggiclub.com.au). Any emails from us will now come from either [wonclub.com.au](mailto:wonclub.com.au), or [My1Club.com.au](mailto:My1Club.com.au). For example:

*[info@wonclub.com.au](mailto:info@wonclub.com.au)*

*[bree@wonclub.com.au](mailto:bree@wonclub.com.au)*

*[steve@wonclub.com.au](mailto:steve@wonclub.com.au)*

*[President@My1Club.com.au](mailto:President@My1Club.com.au)*

*[shez@My1Club.com.au](mailto:shez@My1Club.com.au)*

If you have been receiving emails, that appear to be from us, and you would like to discuss the implications, or what can be done about it, please feel free to call me directly.

Yours Sincerely,

Steve Curtis – 0407 116616

Manager

The Wonthaggi Club

*One Great Club, Two Great Venues*



Our very own George Scott was awarded the Melvin Jones fellowship on the 20<sup>th</sup> August. The Melvin Jones fellowship is named after the founder of Lions Clubs International.

He was also recognised for the Paul Harris fellowship award, in appreciation of services throughout the community. It was awarded to George at the recent rotary change over dinner held in July at the Clubhouse.

George plays a massive part to voluntary work in our community, here just a few of local organisations, that George is an active part of:

- Life Saving Wonthaggi (Life Member)
- Wonthaggi Club (Life Member)
- Rotary Club of Wonthaggi
- Angling Club (Life Member)
- Pool Association (Life Member)
- Bass Coast Ag Show  
and the state coal mine

We appreciate all your hard work George it definitely doesn't go unnoticed!



## THE WONTHAGGI CLUB *Christmas Buffet*

**Book before November 1st  
& receive \$10 off all  
Adults and Seniors!!**

# CALENDER OF EVENTS AT THE CLUBHOUSE

## SUNDAY POKER

REGISTRATION AT 1:30PM  
FOR A 2:00PM START



# BINGO!

## MONDAY!

AT THE CLUBHOUSE  
FROM 10AM



The Wonthaggi Club  
*Celebrating 100 Years*

(03) 5672 1007  
wonthaggi.club.com.au



## Quizzame!

Every Wednesday night  
7.00pm registration for  
a 7.30 start

Open Mic Sundays  
First Sunday of the  
month!



# CALENDER OF EVENTS AT MCBRIDE



**2019 MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON**

**TWO COURSE MAIN/DESSERT \$30 pp**

COMPLIMENTARY DRINK & RAFFLE TICKET ON ARRIVAL

- MELBOURNE CUP SWEEPS
- FASHIONS ON THE FIELD
- RAFFLES & MORE

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!!!  
BOOK BEFORE OCTOBER 22ND AND RECEIVE \$50 OFF

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL  
LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE  
(03) 56721007



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**Billy Thorpe** McKenzie  
**Tribute Show**

SUNBURY FESTIVAL WITH SPECIAL GUESTS SOUL SENSATIONS



**The Wonthaggi Club, Saturday 26th, October. Book now**  
Courtesy bus. Ph. 56721007 [www.wonthaggiclub.com.au](http://www.wonthaggiclub.com.au)

**TICKETS:**

Non - Member - \$28  
Member - \$22

Show & two course meal  
Non - Member - \$50  
Member - \$35

The Wonthaggi Club

**2019 CUP EVE CALCUTTA**

**Special Guest Speaker**  
RACE CALLER: ADAM OLSZANSKI



**\$10 ENTRY**

**\$200 PER SYNDICATE OF 6 INCLUDES ENTRY & GUARANTEED HORSE\***

4 HORSES TO BE RAFFLED  
\$5 TICKET OR 5 FOR \$20  
TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM RECEPTION

16 MCBRIDE AVE WONTHAGGI  
56721007

\*ONLY 20 SYNDICATES AVAILABLE

**THE BON JOVI EXPERIENCE**  
"SLIPPERY WHEN WET"

AT THE WONTHAGGI CLUB

**30TH NOVEMBER**

EARLY BIRD TICKETS:  
MEMBER: \$12  
NON MEMBER: \$16  
(AVAILABLE UNTIL 31st NOVEMBER)  
ALL TICKETS \$22