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### From Bowls Australia:

#### Latest bowls-specific advice:

- [All organised sporting events and all social sporting activities must cease, including all forms of social bowls, from midnight tonight.](#) (March 25, 2020)
- [Australian Government enforces closure of licensed clubs](#) (March 23, 2020)
- [Bowls Australia announces changes to upcoming major events](#) (March 19, 2020)
  - [2020 Australian Open entry fees to be refunded in full](#)
  - [Airline offerings in relation to changed/cancelled flights](#)
  - [2020 World Bowls Championships to be postponed indefinitely](#) (March 17, 2020)

#### National and International events affected:

- 2020 World Bowls Championships – **POSTPONED INDEFINITELY**
- 2020 Australian Open – **CANCELLED** (All entry fee payments for this year's event will be refunded in full.)
- 2020 Australian Indoor Championships – **CANCELLED**

### From Bowls ACT:

As suspected, it appears that the COVID-19 issue is going to be with us for a considerable length of time. As a result, the following is provided for the benefit of member clubs and players:

1. The halt on all Bowls ACT events will be extended to the **end of August** (subject to any further changes) It is highly unlikely that any of these events will be able to be played for 2020. Our first priority, if and when play is able to be resumed, will be to complete the Men's and Women's Pennant and ACT Singles, but of course there is no guarantee that we will be able to do so.

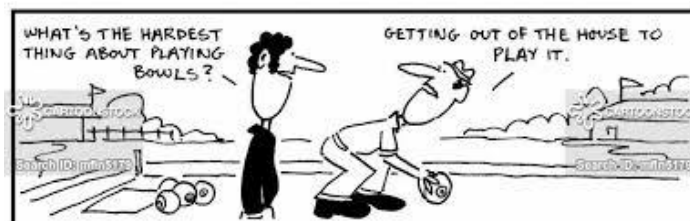
2. Access to the Chiefly Community Centre has now been closed to members of the public. **I will continue to work, from home**, whilst this is functional. The best way to contact the office is through email, as the phone reception is proving to be patchy.

3. The **AGM scheduled for 28 April has been postponed**. Although required by the Association's Act to hold an AGM within 5 months of the end of the financial year, we have been advised that this period is likely to be extended by 2 months. In any case, ASIC has announced a "no action" policy if Companies are not able to hold their AGMs within the required time frames. They expect state Associations' regulators will adopt the same policy. It is anticipated that when we do hold the AGM, it will be in the form of an electronic meeting. We will advise of the new date in due course.

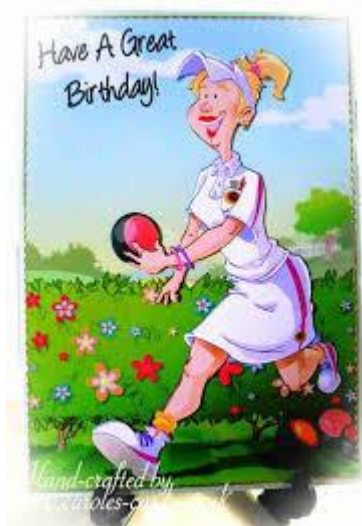
4. I will be in touch regarding **refunds** to those people who have entered and paid for events that will now not be going ahead.

5. The **health and wellbeing** of members is crucially important. Please use this 'down time' to keep in touch with your team mates, many of whom may be feeling the loss of their bowls interactions quite severely.

Kate Lyttle  
Executive Officer



The present situation is affecting everyone and it is serious. Although there isn't much to report this month on the bowling front, I thought it would be a good idea to let everyone know that they aren't alone. As it is against government directions to celebrate Birthdays in numbers, here is a Happy Birthday shout to all members who will be notching up another milestone in April. So the next time you are washing your hands and singing 'Happy Birthday' think of Helen, Mary, Ted, Lorraine, Bob, Yvonne, Alan, Mavis, Warwick, Narelle, Barbara, John, Mattie, and Laurie.



Don't forget that Daylight Saving ends on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April morning at 2.00 am. This mean you need to turn your clocks BACK by 1 hour.



daylight saving time ends

We are in this together. Take care everyone and hope we get back on the greens soon.



## These dates are subject to change due to COVID-19 CBC Women's Bowls Program 2020

PLAY, SUBSTITUTE, OR FORFEIT

- Women's Minor Singles – TBA – due to weather conditions, the date has been deferred
- Women's Major Pairs – Underway
- Women's Triples – TBA
- Women's Minor Pairs – TBA
- Helen Dengate Consistency – TBA
- Women's Fours – 13<sup>th</sup> May
- Open Singles – 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> June
- Mixed Pairs – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> August
- Sports Day – 26<sup>th</sup> August
- Minor Triples – 17<sup>th</sup> September
- Mixed Fours – 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> September
- Prestige Pairs – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> September

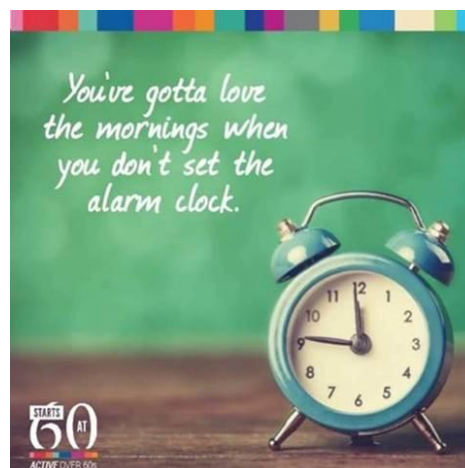
All events will commence on the dates advised above. Follow on play will be within the next week. For example, the winners of the first round of singles played on Wed, 29 Jan 20, will have to complete their next match (2nd round) by EOD Wed, 5 Feb 20, 3rd round by EOD Wed, 12 Feb 20, and so on. This applies to all events.

## These dates are subject to change due to COVID-19 CBC Men's Bowls Program 2020

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- Men's Minor Singles – 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> May
- Men's Major Singles – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> May
- Men's Major Pairs – 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> May
- Open Singles – 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> June
- Mixed Pairs – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> August
- Mixed Fours – 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> September
- Men's Triples – 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> October
- Men's Fours – 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> October
- Men's Minor Pairs – TBA
- Lightning Triples – 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> November

As each game is played, the results are not only updated on the Notice Board but on our Club website too, under 'Bowling Program'







## Bugsy's Tech Notes

Well now that we are all in lock down with virus isolation it could be a good opportunity to get your digital life in order. Such as cleaning up your hard drive along with backups & safe store of passwords, organising the family photo albums or even re-visiting the will. There are also those little jobs around the home we have all been putting off that could get some attention as well. But at the same time, it's very hard to focus on the job in hand when you don't know where your next toilet roll is going to come from. So this month's tips are just basic Windows 10 short cuts that help improve the windows experience.

Like an extra Start menu, you hit the Windows icon at the bottom left of the screen or on your keyboard, either by pressing the Windows key + X, or right click the Windows icon/Start button. This gives important features like the Command Prompt, the Control Panel and the Task Manager much easier.

Then there is Cortana, which you can use to save some typing in this current crisis, Initiate with "Hey Cortana" then say "Remind me to keep my social distance every morning at 8" which it will promptly do.

Show Desktop Button on the bottom-right corner of the desktop is a secret button. It's kind of hidden. Look all the way to the bottom and right, beyond the date and time. There you'll find a small little sliver of an invisible button. Click it to minimise all your open windows. Click it again to reverse the action.

### Shake

This one is kind of different, which a lot of people don't know about. If you have a display full of windows, clear the clutter by grabbing the top of the window you do like and "shaking" it to minimise all the other windows. If you want them back Shake again and the windows will come back.

Stop Typing, Start Dictating Speech recognition has dramatically improved with Windows 10 updates. At any time you can use the Windows Key-H hotkey combination to pop up a box that records your voice through your PC's

microphone (you need to have one connected if it's not built in) and then dictates the speech in your current text field whether it be it an email or your lock down diary. You'll still need to type manual punctuation, but save yourself some typing by dictating emails, messages, and more.

So this month's links are relevant to current crisis and the shortage of certain products. Stay Safe

<https://www.wired.com/story/how-to-make-hand-sanitizer/>

<https://www.popsugar.com.au/smart-living/DIY-Coconut-Oil-Liquid-Hand-Soap-44797891>

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