

June News Letter.

The Board of Directors and the staff of Club Lithgow wish to thank our members and visitors for their patience during our recent building renovation period. This was a difficult time for all concerned as we had to contend with adverse weather during a major part of the construction thus prolonging the project. Thankfully our structural renovations are almost complete with only a smoking area to be erected on the northern wall facing green one. This work is due to start immediately.

Patrons have expressed their approval of the re-location of our poker machines and this area should be even further enhanced with the erection of a glassed partition which is on order.

Our customers have indicated their need for a quality cup of coffee and to cater for these demands we are in the process of procuring a coffee brewing appliance. Another request has been for the availability of light meals particularly on Friday and Saturday evenings. To implement this need we are going to re-open the small kitchen in the bar area. This will serve snack and finger type food. The Chinese restaurant will still be open for those requiring something a little more substantial.

The first of our Sydney artist's concerts for the year is to be held on Saturday the 21st June 08. This is a variety show with artists of the '70s and '80s being featured.

Our Tuesday bingo and market night is enjoying greater popularity since the introduction of \$425 worth of Coles vouchers with some meat and grocery prizes still on offer. Friday night's monster meat raffle is continuing its success with its loyal and regular patrons, an added bonus here is the \$100 free draw held at 8 o'clock.

The men's bowls sub-body continues to achieve record numbers of players for all events. This is particularly so on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday social bowls days with the latter two in conjunction with the ladies. The men's bowlers have recently achieved success in the No.5 and No. 6 grades of the Blue Mountains Pennants and will advance to the Zone play-offs to be held in the Nepean District in mid June.

The lady bowlers, not to be outdone by the men, are enjoying steady growth. The co-operation between the two bowling sub-bodies is at an all time high and can only lead to better competitions and more enjoyable social bowls days. This was recently displayed by an extremely successful charity day when a large sum of money was raised for donation to three worthy organisations.

The snooker sub-body, although a fairly quiet sub-body, offers players the opportunity to play in a social competition every Friday evening. As well as Fridays event Club Lithgow has teams in the inter club competition which is played on a Tuesday night.

We have continued our support to the Zig-zag men's and ladies hockey club and we wish them well in this years competitions.

Club Lithgow, as do many other organisations in our district; receive repeated requests for financial assistance from many worthwhile causes. It is our intention to support as many of these as possible and we can only do this with your patronage. We are asking all our members to enjoy their new facilities and we invite you to bring a friend, neighbour etc along so that they may see what we have to offer. We are sure that all members are aware of the difficult financial environment that we operate in and for this reason new members and patrons are always being sought.