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BOWL FOR OTHERS – HELPING CHANGE THE WORLD A DOLLAR AT A TIME.

What can you buy for \$2.00 these days? You can get a third of a newspaper, half a cup of coffee, one and a half litres of fuel or you can travel 10kms using a senior's discount on the train. Two dollars does not buy a lot, but for the ladies at Bowl for Others, two dollars is the difference between continuing the philanthropic work that they have done for over 56 years or slowly watching yet another institution pale into redundancy.

Bowl for Others has been collecting a single dollar voluntary contribution from bowlers and Bowls clubs since November 1961, and unfortunately, in this economy and in this market, a single dollar does not go as far as it once did. So, reluctantly, the independent Bowl for Others Committee have doubled their asking price to the princely sum of \$2.00 to enable them to continue their great work.

As an example of the quality of the ladies who give their time freely, the decision to raise the donation from \$1.00 to \$2.00 caused much angst and discussion, however the benefit far out ways the cost with Edna, Gladys and the dedicated crew being able to stretch that money to get the maximum benefit. When you are collecting such small amounts, every dollar counts – literally.

So, from today, the new recommended or standard voluntary donation to Bowl for Others will increase to \$2.00. We continue to applaud the Bowl for Others team in the good work that they do and congratulate them for giving their own time, effort and money for the sole reason to benefit others and to support worthy causes.

In 2018, Bowl for Others made the following contributions totalling \$17000:

- Sydney Eye Hospital - \$2000
- Melanoma Institute Australia - \$2000
- National Heart Foundation - \$2000
- Diabetes Centre (Royal Prince Alfred) - \$2000
- Kidney Health Australia - \$2000
- Air Ambulance Service of NSW - \$3000
- Asthma Australia - \$2000
- Dementia Australia - \$2000

Who is Bowl For Others?

- Edna Arnold – President & Treasurer
- Gladys Barnes - Secretary
- Jessie Balk, Beryl Harmer, Margaret Portell – Committee
- And various Country Vice Presidents (list in Bowls Matters Sept 2018)

