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Maitland City

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Program

**SATURDAY 8th & SUNDAY 9th
JULY 2023**

Entries open to first 28 teams

Day 1: 3 Games 12 Ends Day 2: 3 Games 12 Ends

(Please provide an email address
with entry and an invoice will be emailed to you,
No refunds for withdrawals after
30th June 2023)

8:30am ARRIVAL - 9:00am Start

\$80 Entry Fee

(Per Team - INCLUDES Lunch)

WINNER \$ 1,200 Per Team

2nd \$ 800 Per Team

3rd \$ 600 Per Team

4th \$ 400 Per Team

5th \$ 300 Per Team

6th \$ 200 Per Team

7th \$ 100 Per Team

Games 1-5 \$ 60 Per Team

Game 6 \$ 100 Per Team

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to the May Issue. We hope everyone enjoyed their long weekend Easter break. We attended a couple of events and have the results in this issue for both the Terry Harmer Memorial Pairs at Club Maitland City and the Mixed Fours Carnival at Lambton. Congratulations to the placegetters.

Open Gender Pennant Season is getting to the pointy end and should be finalised this month weather permitting. Good bowling to all and look forward to hearing who was victorious in the next issue.

Last month I mentioned that Club Maitland City will be host for the Interzone Sides Championship from 27th -29th May. I need to add that they will be also host the SENIOR Inter-Zone prior to that from May 23rd – 25th. Good bowling to Zone's 2, 6 and 11 Rep sides in both of these events.

We heard about an Open Junior Tournament that will be hosted at Raymond Terrace Bowling Club on Sunday 3rd December. It is instigated by Warren Boyd under the "Lets Play Bowls" banner for Juniors. The main objective is to increase awareness and interest in lawn bowls to the younger players. Clubs can use this event as a means to attract junior players and offer them coaching and assistance to hone their skills for the ultimate goal of competing in the event which boasts over \$2,000 in prize money. The format is 2 bowl triples, open to 16 years and under and winners would pocket a cool \$300 each – not bad spending money with the school holidays approaching.

If you want to get this going, it's as easy as ABC. **A = ASK:** Go to the schools in your area with a "WE WANT YOU" flier – "grab your friends and come and train with us every <<insert day to suit>> afternoon to prepare for the Open Junior Tournament coming up in December for a chance to share in \$2,000 prize money". Ask to be part of the weekly newsletter for a few weeks, or request a post on the school facebook page to attract interest or even ask if you can address a morning assembly to get the word out? **B is for BOND:** Get the word out to bowling members of your club and promote it as an opportunity to bond with their children/grandchildren. Bring them down on a <<insert day to suit>> afternoon for the training sessions, have dinner and make it a special thing to do together each week. **C = COMMIT:** Be persistent. Don't give up. What can you do to make it enticing to be at the club each week? Perhaps a sausage sizzle? Some background music? A package deal that for \$X you get the use of bowls, coaching session, a drink and maybe some tickets in the raffle that will be on later??

Warren Boyd has worked tirelessly to bring the game of bowls to Juniors over the past few years. He has created this opportunity for your club to use to your advantage. He does this because he is passionate about the future of the game. Take advantage and get involved. For more information contact Warren Boyd by email letsplaybowls@gmail.com or phone 0403 194 683.

The Australian Open Draw is out and wow it is massive!! 15 divisions that span over all disciplines and ages Singles, Pairs, Fours, Juniors, Over 60's, Multi Disability and Vision Impaired and also a mixed event to round it out. There will be 1,894 FIRST ROUND matches alone – multiply that with all sectional matches, then add in post sectional and finals - it's enormity is mind blowing. The fourteen host clubs will certainly have their work cut out for them. It's great to see there are quite a number of players from our readership making the pilgrimage for the duration. It will be played from June 10 – 23.

Remember to get your entries in for the BPL cup qualifiers, you can enter a team on the Bowls Australia website <https://www.bowls.com.au/events-page/national-events/bpl-cup/bpl-cup-venues/>

Entries are limited to 16 teams for each venue (when 8 rinks are available) and entries will close on the **preceding Wednesday at 11:59pm** (for all events). As I mentioned last month East Maitland is the first venue in our readership where you can have a crack. See below for venues and dates

East Maitland BC - Saturday 27 May / 9:30am : **Forster BC** - Sunday 28 May / 9:20am ; **Rathmines Memorial BC** - Sunday 2 July / 9:30am ; **Kurri Kurri BC** - Saturday 8 July / 9:30am ; **Soldiers Point BC** - Saturday 22 July / 9:30am ; **Port Macquarie City BC** - Sunday 6 August / 9:30am

We were approached by a lovely 90 year old couple in Laurieton who are looking to sell their home in an over 55's Village. As much

as we don't want to see anyone go, if you have been thinking about a change, this might be of interest to you?? You will find information on the property on this page, but they also told us that "The Laurieton area has so much to offer especially for Bowls enthusiasts. The popular North Haven Bowling Club is only 10 minutes away for competition bowls with a covered green, also the Resort has its own bowling green for social bowls. The popular Laurieton RSL Club also has a Bowls facility attached to their Kew Golf Club which has an excellent reputation with golfers & bowlers, also 10 minutes away"

That's about it for me for this issue. It's getting a little cooler with winter approaching. Make sure you get all of your jabs – flu, covid etc... Take care.

ATTENTION: RETIREES, BOWLING & GOLFING ENTHUSIASTS

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BOB ASIMUS MEMORIAL PAIRS

Monday 19 June 2023

9am start | 3 games x 11 ends of
Open Pairs (2 x 2 x 2 x 2)

**ENTRY ONLY
\$50 PER TEAM**
(Lunch Included)*

Prize Money

1st - \$600 | 2nd - \$500 | 3rd - \$400
4th - \$300 | 5th - \$200

**Best performed
team each Round - \$80**

**Please contact Bowls Staff prior to this date
to Pre-order your lunch option*

(A team can only receive one prize on the day)

Entry open to all gender combinations

ENTRIES CLOSE Wed. 14 June 2023 (or when full)

MID WINTER 10-UP TRIPLES

**Monday 10
July 2023**

**ENTRY ONLY
\$75 PER TEAM**
(Lunch Included)*

**Please contact
Bowls Staff
prior to this date to
Pre-order your
lunch option*

9am start - 3 bowl triples
3 games x 11 ends - no dead ends

Prize Money

\$2700 in prize money | 1st - 8th with Best Performed last game

*Total side grading must be 10 or more as per 2023 Open Gender Pennant season grading
Team can be comprised of any gender combination
(Players without an Open Gender grading to receive a grading of '5')*

**ENTRIES CLOSE Wednesday 5 July 2023
(or when full - limit of 38 teams)**



BALL & CHAIN MIXED PAIRS

Prize Money

1st - \$600 | 2nd - \$400 | 3rd - \$300
4th - \$200 | 5th - \$100

**ENTRY ONLY
\$50 PER TEAM**
(Lunch Included)*

**Please contact Bowls Staff prior to this date to Pre-order your lunch option*

Best performed team each game - \$60
(Not in Major Prize Money)

Monday 7 August 2023

9am start | 3 games x 11 ends

A team can only receive one prize on the day
Winners decided on Points and Shots Up

**ENTRIES CLOSE Wednesday 2 August 2023
(or when full)**

END OF WINTER MIXED PAIRS

**Monday 28
August 2023**

**ENTRY ONLY
\$50 PER TEAM**
(Lunch Included)*

**Please contact Bowls Staff prior to this date to Pre-order your lunch option*

9am start | 3 games x 11 ends

Prize Money

1st - \$600 | 2nd - \$400 | 3rd - \$300 | 4th - \$200 | 5th - \$100

Best performed team each game - \$60

(A team can only receive one prize on the day)

ENTRIES CLOSE Wed. 23 August 2023 (or when full)

All entries to Bowls Co-ordinator

Phone 4033 1116 or 4933 4634 or email bowls@embc.com.au



Newcastle District Bowling Association



From the Administrator's Desk

By Warren Shipley, NDDBA Sports Administrator

DAVIS CONTINUES SINGLES RUN:

Nelson Bay Marlins newest recruit Jono Davis has continued his exceptional singles run by claiming the Zone 2 Major Singles. Davis is the current Australian Champion of Club Champions which he won last October, and his form has continued with a 25 to 12 win over Paul Cousins (East Maitland) in the blue-ribbon Zone event. In the Semi Finals Davis got the better of Club mate Kane Coulls 25 to 13 and Cousins defeated Jets player Shane Evans 25-15. It was with scores at 11 each that Davis made his move scoring a 4 which Cousins never recovered and Davis stormed away to victory. At Soldiers Point it was the local Peter Smith emerging victorious in the Reserve Singles winning the Final 25 to 10 over Ben Rowsell (Raymond Terrace) in a dominate display of draw shot bowling.

VETERANS SETTLE FOR SILVER: The Zone 2 Over 70's Representative team won their way to the final on the Veteran Interzone played at Club Merrylands in Sydney before striking a red hot Zone 10 side that proved too strong in the Final. In sectional play Zone 2 had a 50 to 40 9-1 win over Zone 13, then a 10 nil 61 to 34 win over Zone 9 and another 10 nil 57 to 33 over Zone 15 before falling 59 to 35 in the Final. The rink of John Jennings, Werner Dettelbacher, Mick Lewis and Mick Beesley went through the event undefeated in their 4 matches.

BARNETT CLAIMS FIRST ZONE HONOUR: Valentine's Terry Barnett has secured his 1st Zone 2 Title defeating, NSW Hall of Fame and Charlestown player Sam Laguzza, by a single shot 25 to 24 in the Zone Senior Singles Final. The win gives the Valentine club their 4th victory in this event since it commenced back in 2005 but it was Barnett's 1st appearance in the Final. It was Laguzza that began best and led 11-5, 20-10 and 23-12 but it was at this stage of the final that Barnett found form scoring 8 shots in 3 ends to trail 23-19, Laguzza then scored a single, but Barnett was not done yet and scored 2 singles and a 2 and the Championship. Barnett will join all the other Zone Champions at the State Championships in Illawarra commencing July 20.

MAY 20 AND 21 IS PLAYOFF TIME: All 7 Grades of the Open Pennant competition will play their post sectional playoffs over the weekend of May 20 and 21, elsewhere in the magazine you will find the round robin format for each grade with the highlight being the Grade 1 Flag final on Sunday May 21 commencing at 1pm

JUNIORS COMPLETE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS: The Zone 2 Junior Championships were contested recently at Raymond Terrace with the following players successful and will now compete in the State Finals at Warilla from July 10. Zoe Nicholls, Liam Pietraszek, Jordon Lean and Huxley Rowe won the Fours 18-16 over Mackenzie Wicks, Kyle Anderson, Ami Bromhead and Charlotte Hayman. Lean and Nicholls then teamed to win the Pairs 17-15 over Wicks and Hayman while Kyle Anderson was the Champion Singles player winning the final 21-19 over Nicholls.

CLUB CHALLENGE FINALS: Soldiers Point did what many thought was impossible and defeated Raymond Terrace in the final of Division 1. The Jets won the Pairs while the Soldiers claimed the Fours and it came down to a tie break in the Triples where it was Soldiers Point finishing on top. In Division 2 it was also a cliff hanger with Charlestown claiming the prize over Beresfield with the Tigers losing the Pairs in straight sets but they won the Fours the same way before grabbing the Triples in a tiebreak.

INTER ZONE AT MAITLAND: The Zone 2 Senior and Open Representative sides will contest the State Inter Zone Championships at Maitland. The seniors will commence on May 23 where Zone 2 will play Zone 11 (Manning) in game 1 followed by Zone 13 (central and southern Sydney) in the afternoon. On Wednesday morning they take on Zone 8 (south western NSW) and hopefully finishing top 2 in the section they will play a Quarter Final that afternoon with the Semis and Finals to be played at Maitland on Thursday May 25. The Open side, who are the current Inter Zone Champions, will commence their defence of the crown on Saturday May 27 with games against Zone 4 (Mid Western NSW) and Zone 12 (South West Sydney). On Sunday they will challenge the host Zone 6 (Hunter) and if finishing top 2 will play Quarter Final Sunday afternoon with Semis and Final to be played Monday May 29.



Above: Zone 2 Senior Singles Finalists
Charlestown's Sam "The Man" Laguzza and Valentine's Terry Barnett.

EAST MAITLAND By The Griffin

PENNANTS: Grades 2-7 are commencing Rd.9 Saturday 28th April and all grades at Easts have a chance to make the playoffs with the exception of our grade 2 team. They would need to win 10-0 in both rounds and have other results go their way. Our 7/1s have already won their section with 2 games remaining undefeated. Our grade 1 have won 2 and lost 2 and need a few more wins to qualify in an extremely hard section. Our teams donned a new pennant strip commencing round 8 which is totally different to any other pennant uniform previously. The primary colour being yellow. New pennant stickers to match have been ordered and delivery is expected in the next 10 days.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: Easts last championship was recently completed for 2022/2023 season. For the first time the Match Committee introduced "The Over 70 Singles" which was a great success. We received 24 entries for the inaugural event and the winner was Keith Fullick defeating Paul Ross 21-17. Keith was down 13-17 and scored 8 unanswered shots to become the very first winner of this championship.

Good luck to Jake Lawton representing Easts in the Champion of Champion Singles at Cabramatta in June after winning back to back Club Championship Singles titles. Clay Parker will be teaming up with Mick Abel for the Champion of Champion Pairs with Paul Cousins unavailable on an overseas holiday.

ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS: Easts have had some great results recently in Zone 2 Championships.

- Paul Cousins.....Zone Singles Finalist 2023
- Kathy Wilton.....District Singles Champion 2023
- Simone Smith.....District Singles Finalist 2023
- Lorraine Hay.....District Senior Singles 2023
- Clay Parker & Rowan Brassey...Zone Senior Pairs Champions
- Clay Parker.....Zone Senior Singles Semi-finalist 2023
- Barry Mungoven, Warren Towney, Clay Parker, Corey Parker.....Open 4s Semi-finalist 2023

TOURNAMENTS: East Maitland BC Tournaments Schedule 2023
Over 70 Open Pairs: Monday 15th May 2023 (New Tournament);
Bob Asimus Memorial Pairs: Monday 19th June 2023;
Mid-Winter 10-Up Triples: Monday 10th July 2023;
Bank Holiday Ball & Chain Mixed Pairs: Monday 7th August 2023;
End of Winter Mixed Pairs: Monday 28th August 2023;
Bowling Arm Open 3 Bowl Pairs: Monday 18th September 2023

Enquiries for the above events. Email bowls@embc.com.au or Ring 4033 1116. Good luck and good bowling from "The Griffin"

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June Long Weekend



OPEN TWO BOWL TRIPLES

Saturday 10th June 2023

\$1605.00

Total Prize Money

1st \$600 - 2nd \$450 - 3rd \$375 - 4th \$120 - 5th \$60

★ Entry: \$60 per team

★ 2 Games 12 ends

★ First Game: 12:30pm (First Game 1 End Roll Up)

★ No Dead Ends - Jack Respotted on the T

★ Pennant Uniform or Creams to be worn

Contact: Mark Casey Phone : 0401 941 830

Hamilton Bowling Club: Phone 4961 4574



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June Long Weekend

THREE BOWL 7 UP PAIRS

Total Sides grading must be 7 or more (based on 2023 Pennant Grading)

Monday 12th June 2023

Total Prize Money

\$1290.00

★ Entry: \$50 per team

★ 1st \$500 - 2nd \$400

★ 3rd \$200 - 4th \$100 - 5th \$90

★ 3 Games 12 ends

★ First Game: 9:30am (First Game 1 End Roll Up)

★ No Dead Ends - Jack Respotted on the T

★ Pennant Uniform or Creams to be worn

★ BBQ Lunch will be provided following the Second Game

★ For more information contact Mark Casey on Ph: 4961 4574



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Hamilton North Bowling Club

Would like to invite all of you to our

Ladies Open Fours

WEDNESDAY 28/6/2023

\$600 IN PRIZES

\$100 per team (\$25 per player)

9:30am Welcome at Club and Charity Spider

10am First Game

2 Games of 10 ends

Lunch and Raffle after Second Game

Winner: \$320

Runner Up: \$160

Consolation Prize Drawn

"Out of the Hat": \$120



Entries Close: 18th June 2023

Contact: Mark Casey
Hamilton North B.C.

Must be Confirmed by: 25th June 2023

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LAMBTON MIXED FOURS EASTER TOURNAMENT



Above L-R: Winners of Lambton's Mixed Fours Easter Tournament John Price, Jill Young, Dave Phillips and Jean Price.



Above L-R: Runners-up in Lambton's Mixed Fours Easter Tournament Gordon Thompson, Debbie Thompson, Kathy York and Ian York.

Lambton's Mixed Fours Easter Tournament saw two full greens of 28 teams. With fine weather and all five games played in great spirit, the games committee were very happy and proud of the tournaments' success.

Winners were Jean Price, Dave Phillips, Jill Young & John Price from Stockton who came into the competition after a late withdrawal. The last round was basically a decider coming up against competition leaders Garry Baker, Gail Baker, Jodie Turner and Charlie Collins who also had 3 wins and a draw on the board. Price's side won by 7 shots, and unfortunately for Collins, the loss dropped them into sixth place and out of the prize money altogether. The remaining four placegetters each had 4 wins. Ian York, Cathy



Above L-R: Third Place in Lambton's Mixed Fours Easter Tournament Shaun Roberts, Carl Wiseman, Lesley Wiseman and Col Cope.

York, Deb Thompson and Gordon Thompson had a couple of high scores - starting with +10 in the first round, they dropped 4 in the second round but picked up 18 in Round 3 and after a narrow 1 shot victory in Round 4 they came home strong with +20 to secure second place with a final margin of +45. There was only 1 shot each between 3rd, 4th and 5th place with Shaun Roberts, Col Cope, Carl Wiseman and Lesley Wiseman taking third with +18; Neil Bruce, Paul Delforce, Kaylene Magnay and Andy Hughes in fourth with +17 and Merridie Rees, Scott Beaumont, Robyn Beaumont and Sam Rees finishing in fifth with +16.

Thank you to sponsors Belle Property for their support, the hardworking games committee and helpers behind the scenes and to all players for their participation.

NELSON BAY

By Kane Coulls, Bowls Co-ordinator

Men's Club Championship Results: 2023 Men's Handicap Pairs has been completed with Mark Rice and Darren Stewart defeating Simon Wooster and Dennis McCann in the final 22-17.

Jackpot Pairs: Every Friday Men's Jackpot Pairs, 1.00pm start, Contact the Club on 4981 1272 to enter your pair or single entry.

2023 Geoff Prisk Memorial 2 Bowl Triples Graded 6 & 7 – Friday 6th to Sunday 8th October 2023. See flyer for entry details.

2023 Bluewater Winter Mixed Carnival: Entries still open for the Mixed Fours on the Monday and Friday. See Flyer for details.

BPL Cup Qualifying Round at the Nelson Bay Bowling Club on Saturday 10th June at 10.30am. Limited to 14 Teams. See the Bowls Australia BPL Website for entry Details.

NELSON BAY

By Bernie Carroll



Above: Zone 2 Major Singles winner Jono Davis and Semi-finalist Kane Coulls

Congratulations to our Nelson Bay Bowling Club Zone 2 winners who have now secured their places in the upcoming State Championships. Our proud Club had a very successful season winning the Zone Major Singles, Senior Fours and Reserve Fours titles.

In the Zone Major Singles event was Jono Davis who competed against fellow Club member Kane Coulls in the semi-final. Both players displayed some superb bowls throughout the game however Jono eventually drew away with a 25 to 13 win advancing to the final. Congratulations go to Kane on making the semi final. Jono then went on to defeat Paul Cousins from Mayfield West in an exciting lengthy game that saw several drives resulting in dead



Raymond Terrace
BOWLING CLUB

MEN'S PAIRS

12th June 2023

ENTRY FEE

\$25 per player (\$50 per team)
includes Lunch

PROGRAM

MONDAY - 4 Games of 10 ends

Round 1: 9am

Round 2: Approx. 11am

Lunch (Approx. 1:00pm)

Round 3: 1:30pm

Round 4: Approx. 3:30pm

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1st \$600 - 2nd \$400 - 3rd \$300 - 4th \$200

The best performed team of each round wins: \$50

PLUS

Best Performed Team Rounds 1 + 2 wins: \$100

Best Performed Team Rounds 3 + 4 wins: \$100

(Winners of major prizes not included)

Entries Close Friday 2nd June or when full.
Confirmation will be by Monday 5th June 2023
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ends that didn't really reflect the end score result of 25 to 12

In the Senior Fours comprising of David Holmes, Ray Asquith, Russell Nobes and John Gibson saw that awesome foursome secure a place in the final with a 23 to 10 win in the semi final over Beresfield. The final against Belmont resulted in a comfortable well played 19 to 8 win.

The Reserve Fours had a hard fought semi final with our boys defeating Soldiers Point 26 to 25 to advance into the final. The combination of John Carroll, Kevin Kilbride, Brian Comley and Peter Mentos resulted in another nail biting close game in the final against Marks Point eventually winning 18 to 16.

Congratulations to all our Marlins who played well to secure their titles and we wish each of the players every success in the State Playoffs.



Above -R: Zone 2 Senior Fours winners Ray Asquith, David Holmes, Russell Nobes and John Gibson



Above L-R: Zone 2 Reserve Fours winners John Carroll, Kevin Kilbride, Brian Comley and Peter Mentos

VIEWPOINT

By Milton Rigby on behalf of NDBA Umpires' Committee
(milton.rigby@bigpond.com)

LAW BOOK UPDATED. Bowls Australia recently released the updated Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark 4th Edition April 2023. Copies are available from the Association Office, Lambton Bowling Club at a cost of \$14. **Please note that the new laws do not come into effect in NSW until 1st July 2023.**

There are a number of new or revised Laws which you should all be aware of as follows:

Law 37.1.3 If a bowl in its original course (that is from delivery until it comes to rest) is deliberately displaced or stopped by a member of the team that delivered the bowl, **the defaulting team will forfeit the game to their opponent.**

Law 37.1.5.3 If a player lifts a bowl at rest on their rink to allow their team's bowl in its original course to pass, **the defaulting team will forfeit the game to their opponent.**

In my opinion Law 37.1.3 is over the top HOWEVER the moral of this is: **DO NOT STOP A BOWL TO PREVENT IT GOING INTO THE DITCH UNLESS IT IS YOUR OPPONENT'S BOWL AND IT COULD DISPLACE A JACK OR BOWLS IN THE DITCH.**

Domestic Regulation 2.4.5 Substitutes introduced after the game has commenced must play in the same position as the player being substituted, except if it is skip. If a substitute is required for a skip, then the other members of the team must rearrange their positions as necessary. In subsequent games in the same competitions the position of players may be rearranged (unless otherwise specified in the Conditions of play) however a substitute must not play in the position of skip.

Law 26.3 There must be no further play in a knockout competition if at any point it becomes impossible for a player, team or side to win the game, given the number of ends left.

Yes- Lawn bowls is a simple game but we manage to make it complicated by the imposition of some of the Laws.

NEWCASTLE DISTRICT WOMEN'S BOWLING ASSOCIATION INC.



By Jacqui Aldred, NDWBA Hon Secretary

The final Championships for the District Program 2023 are the Major & Senior Singles which commence Monday 8th May. District wishes all players great bowls and the enjoyment of competing at District level. The successful winners will then contest the Regional play-offs on Sunday 28th May at Scone Bowling Club, Gundy Road Scone. All rent-a-crowd members are invited to take an easy Sunday drive up the Hunter Expressway to support our District players in their campaign to play at the State Championship Finals in July. Club colours, streamers, pom-poms all appropriate.

Effective from 01.07.23, Beresfield Women's Bowling Club will become a member of Newcastle District. On behalf of District Management, we extend a very warm welcome to their Management, Committees and members.

As the State finals are being played 20th July – 1st August, the District AGM date has been changed from the last Friday in July to now be held 10:00a.m. Friday 4th August, at Raymond Terrace Bowling Club in the Auditorium. All financial Delegates & Nominees are invited to attend.

BAR BEACH WOMEN

By Daphne Shelswell, P.O.



Above: Bar Beach Women's Invitation Day comeback!!

Hello Bowlers! The month of April was a busy time for us at the Bar.

Our Minor Singles are almost done with only the final to be played after Anzac Day.

Our long-awaited Invitation Day went off like a dream even though the wet weather tried to dampen our spirits on the day. A great time was had by all with very happy prize winners and equally happy participants on the day.

We all enjoyed the wonderful smorgasbord buffet prepared and served by our Chef Anthony and his team with seconds available for those who wished.

The Major Singles are next on the agenda starting off in the month of May. LET THE GAMES BEGIN AND SEE YOU ON THE GREEN.

KOTARA WOMEN

By Maree Harman

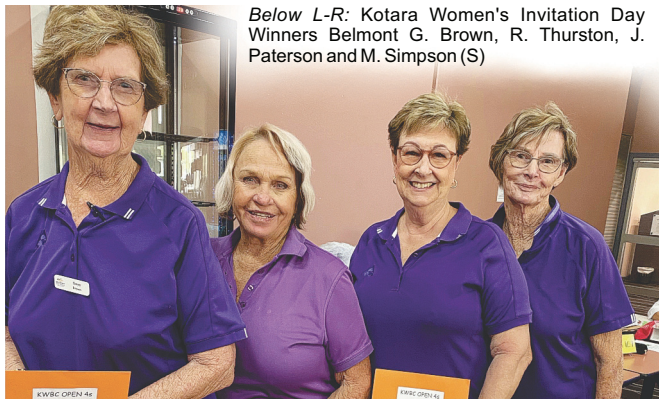
The Final of the Minor Singles had Judy Walsh and Liz Keeling battling it out for the title. The score was pretty even all the way up to the last few ends, with Judy being the ultimate Kotara Minor Singles Champion. And Liz gets to play next year.

Our April Invitation Day had 22 teams compete for the prize money on offer. It was great to see so much colour on our two greens for the two games. The Spider winners were Karen Eagleson from Everglades and Maureen Simpson from Belmont. The first prize winners from Belmont are G. Brown, R. Thurston, J. Paterson and M. Simpson (S), Runners-Up Soldiers Point P. Stephens, M. Barrett, V. M McIntyre (S) and A. Moxey; Third Placegetters Tea Gardens S. Rattray, S. Johnson, R. Beaumont and D. Winter (S); Consolation Valentine G. Cheshire, W. Lesniak,

R. Campey, J. Minter; "Better Luck Next Time" Adamstown D. Hayes, F. Williams (S), B. Redman and C. Rhodes.



Above L-R: Kotara Women's Minor Singles Finalists Judy Walsh and Liz Keeling



Below L-R: Kotara Women's Invitation Day Winners Belmont G. Brown, R. Thurston, J. Paterson and M. Simpson (S)

Below L-R: Kotara Women's Invitation Day Runners-up Soldiers Point P. Stephens, M. Barrett, V. McIntyre (S).
Absent: A. Moxey.

Below L-R: Kotara Women's Invitation Day Third Placegetters Tea Gardens Sheila Rattray, Sheril Johnson, Robyn Beaumont and Dale Winter (S).



Above: Valentine - Consolation Prize winners at Kotara's Invitation Day G. Cheshire, W. Lesniak, R. Campey and J. Minter.

Above: "Better Luck Next Time" recipients at Kotara's Invitation Day Adamstown team L-R D. Hayes, F. Williams (S), B. Redman and C. Rhodes.

JESMOND WOMEN

By Robyn Collin



Above: Jesmond Women's 2023 Club Triples Winners M. Rushford, W. Adamson and M. Weddell.

Congratulations to Denise Bergquist, Lynne Allison, Margaret Nicol and Yvonne Cavanagh who won our Club Championships Fours against the formidable force of Runners Up Margaret Rushford, Trish O'Hearn, Wendy Adamson and Menka Weddell. Special congratulations to Denise whose first foray into the realms of Championship games was so successful. Despite a very concerted effort Jan Perrington, Yvonne Cavanagh and Pat Buchanan are our Club Triples Runners Up to Winners Margaret Rushford, Wendy Adamson and Menka Weddell. Well done ladies.

Unfortunately, the weather forecast postponed our visit from the New Lambton Ladies Probus Club. They are now looking forward to joining us for a Barefoot Bowls Day later in the year.

Our next Invitation Day is the Priceline Pink Oncology Day Fours on Friday 14 July. No uniform wear something Pink. You may have one man in your team who must play Lead. Two games are played one on the grass, one on the synthetic. Morning tea is at 9 am and lunch is provided. Enquiries please phone Joan Hancock on 4952 4532. We hope you can join us.

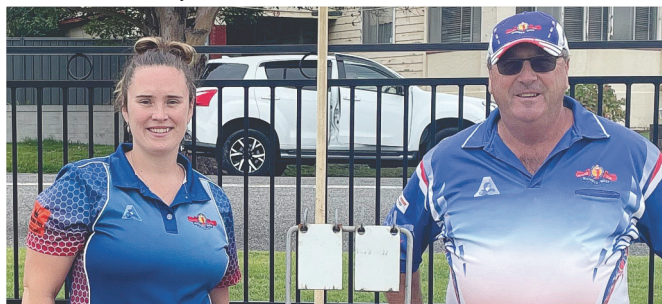
Good health and good bowling.

MAYFIELD WEST

By Jackie Jukes



Above: Jackie Jukes Runner up and Lauren Jukes Winner of Mayfield West Women's Consistency



Above: Finalists of Mayfield West's Minor Singles - Lauren Jukes winner and Tony Jukes runner up.

In exciting news, May West Div 3 Midweek pennant team won their section to move onto the knockout stage, which was recently held at Valentine. Unfortunately, Beresfield were too good winning 2-1 overall to progress through. Congratulations to all who played but a special mention to Tony Atcheson and Jake Maloney our pairs team who were very strong throughout the competition. Our Div 4 side also had a great season, just missing out on getting through to the next stage, good job guys and girls!!

May West Ladies recently concluded their Consistency Singles with close semi-finals between sisters Lauren and Kayla Jukes and on the other side Tina Brown and Jackie Jukes.

Mother and Daughter Jackie and Lauren went through to the final, which after some rainy days was eventually played on a very windy Easter Sunday. The game was even to start with Lauren then pulling away to take a lead, Jackie then caught back up to take back the lead, but it was Lauren with some big scores towards the end who took out the title with a 150 -134 victory. Congratulations Lauren!

It was another family affair in the Men's Minor Singles Final with Lauren again featuring this time up against Dad Tony. (Something for the record books there, first Father/Daughter final).

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They both progressed into the final with tight wins over Rachel Shelton and Billy Blake respectively in their semi finals.

The final was a tussle, with Tony taking an early lead and Lauren then winning a few ends to make it even. It continued along those lines with Tony again out to a 19-11 lead before Lauren equaled the scores once again at 21 all. Both players played some quality bowls throughout but it was Lauren the victor with a 25-23 win.

We are now onto Mixed Pairs and Handicap Pairs which should be completed before the next issue and the Men's Consistency also played their 1st round this week. Good Luck everyone !!

CLUB LAMBTON

By Barry Hewat

Well I am back after 3 months rehab after fracturing my pelvis before Xmas. So here are results of our mixed Easter carnival and some club championships completed.

A big thank you to the 28 teams who played Easter Sunday & Monday at our Mixed Fours Carnival. We saw good weather and greens & had a lovely lunch from our bistro. Also special thanks to our ladies for providing morning tea on arrival, umpires and Ken Dighton and Michele Farrow for running the carnival. Congratulations to our winners Jean Price, Dave Phillips, Jill Young & John Price from Stockton - photos and full results can be found elsewhere in this issue.

Club Championships:- Minor singles final Greg Fox 31 over Darren Mitchell 22, Major singles Matt Riding 25 over Ross Collinson 23, Mixed Pairs Janelle Turner & Geoff Horton 23 victors over Matt Riding & Dawn Macpherson 16.

The club fours final was played on 16th April with Graham Gibson, Grant Turnbull, Geoff Horton & Ross Collinson victorious over Barry Hewat (Brian Nowlan sub), Scott McKinnon, Kevin Abel & Tony Milton 24-14. Scores were 14 all after 17 ends then Ross's team scored a 2, 5 & 3 shots to win on the 20th end.

Good bowling and may the luck be shared.

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By Kyle Langley,
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ZONE AND DISTRICT UNIFICATION WEBSITE: Due to the overwhelming 'Yes' (89.7%) response from members in relation to Bowls NSW moving down a path of unifying Zones & Districts, Bowls NSW are pleased to launch the Zone & District Unification website. This site is dedicated to keeping members up to date on the latest developments and information relating to Zone and District Unification and they plan for this to be a single source of truth regarding process and outcomes.

The process of Zone and District Unification is extensive and covers a broad range of topics although NSW acknowledge that there are many items they still need to address and do not have answers for at this point in time. Through the Membership survey conducted earlier this year, Bowls NSW was advised the key areas of unification that need to be addressed moving forward. One of those key areas was communication and the ability for Bowls NSW to disseminate information to members. In response, Bowls NSW have built and launched the Zone & District Unification website.

Within the website you'll find background information, interactive draft boundary maps and proposed future governance structures explaining how unification can benefit members and the sport of bowls in general. You can also provide further feedback in response to the information published on site.

To access the website, visit www.zonedistrictunification.com.au or go to the Bowls NSW website and look under Member Resources.

You will note that the proposed competition boundaries are listed as part of this website. Bowls NSW strongly reiterate that these are draft only at this stage and your feedback in relation to these will be compiled for consideration. Each competition area (or 'Sector' as referred to) can be clicked on, downloaded, and easily printed for those who would like to do so.

Bowls NSW will continue to update this website with relevant information as they progress, and as always appreciate your positive and constructive feedback.

LAW OF THE SPORT OF BOWLS – CRYSTAL MARK 4TH EDITION: The World Bowls Council at the Biennial Council meeting held in August 2022 in Birmingham, UK replaced Crystal Mark 3rd Edition (CM Version 3.2) of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls with the Crystal Mark 4th Edition (CM4).

The World Bowls Laws & Umpiring webpage has been updated with the revised version CM4, including a list of all changes to the Laws of the Sport of Bowls between CM3.2 and CM4 editions.

Bowls Australia has published CM4 including Australia's Domestic Regulations, (DRs).

There have been no changes to Australia's DRs, only an expansion of DR 2.4.5 to improve clarification of the use of substitutes.

Any required changes to the Bowls NSW Ltd Conditions of Play will be implemented in the 2023-24 Conditions of Play.

As all of the Bowls NSW 2022-23 Championship Events commenced prior to 1 April 2023, they will be completed under the CM3.2 version of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls (under which they commenced).

Copies of the new Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Crystal Mark 4th Edition, including Domestic Regulations for play in Australia can be purchased from www.ibowlonline.com.au.

An explanatory article prepared by Bowls Australia's National Officiating Advisory Group (NOAG) provides further information for all officials and bowlers.

TERRY HARMER MEMORIAL PAIRS MAITLAND CITY



Above: Club Maitland City President Henry Meskauskas OAM (centre) with winners of the Terry Harmer Memorial Pairs Daniel Hill (left) and Lee Schraner (right).



Above L-R: Runners-up in Maitland City's Terry Harmer Memorial Pairs Harley MacDonald and Jordan Thompson.

It's been hit and miss with the weather and pandemics over the past few years for the Terry Harmer Memorial Pairs at Club Maitland City. We got lucky this year with the two-day event coming to a successful conclusion on Saturday afternoon of the Easter Long Weekend.

On Friday, with three games chalked up there were five very happy teams who had sailed through undefeated. The duo of Daniel Hill and Lee Schraner were in pole position with an impressive Margin of +53. The lion's share of these shots were scored from a freak 31/0 win in Game 3. In second place leading the rest of the pack was Jason Stewart (Miller Park) and Andy Turner (Singleton RSL). They enjoyed comfortable wins of +14, +9 and +15. Unfortunately, their luck changed on day 2 and although they performed admirably with some tight games, they failed to notch up another win which plunged them all the way to 24th position. This is probably the biggest disappointment of the tournament proving once again bowls is fickle!

Meanwhile, Schraner and Hill maintained their undefeated status and nearly doubled their margin in the process to take out the tournament. In fact, second place margin of +52 didn't even reach their first day's effort (falling short by one shot). Congratulations guys – you certainly knocked that out of the park!

Well done to the remaining place getters. Claiming second prize were visitors Jordan Thompson (Engadine) and Harley MacDonald (Taren Point) who were also undefeated on 6+52 - in different circumstances this result would easily have earned them top prize. In Third Place was father and son team of Andrew and Matty Swan from Wentley Leagues who lost their last game by 3 shots against Soldiers Point's Terry Antram and Warren Shipley to finish on 5+45. In fourth place and snavelling the last of the Bowls Australia Ranking Points on offer were locals Garry O'Riley and David Lane (Maitland City) – this pair faltered only in their first game, winning the remaining five rounds to finish with 5+29. Another father and son combination of Jason and Brendan Stokes from Raymond Terrace claimed 5th place with 4 wins a draw +7, in sixth place was Soldiers Point's Paul Russell and Bill Ahoy on 4+25 whilst John Wilson and Brodie Turner from East Cessnock came in seventh with 4+19.

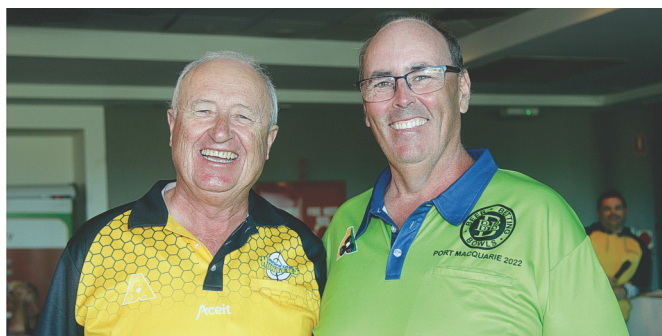
Prizes for Best Performed were awarded for each round to those outside the major prize money. **Round 1 went to:** Jamie Lawrance (RayTer) and Tony Randall (Clarene Town) +18; **Round 2:** Brian Hitchcock and Dick Hadley (Stockton) +12; **Round 3:** Warren Shipley and Terry Antram (Soldiers Point) +17; **Round 4:** Les Greedy (Maitland City) and Damon Maddock (Kurri Kurri) + 22; **Round 5:** Tim Buckley and Chris O'Neill (Gulgong) +5. **Round 6:** There were three teams on +11 but Michael Breunis and Forest Craig from Harbord won it on countback.

As you can see from the results, there were quite a number of visitors from outside the District which amped up the competition. A job well done once again to Bowls Manager DJ Dilworth who was as always ably assisted by Greg D'Arcy and Lyn Greedy. Thanks also to the team behind the scenes as well as all players for making it a great success.

Next up is the King and Queen of the Hunter in July – see the cover this issue for details.



Above: Third place in Maitland City's Terry Harmer Memorial Pairs - father and son Andrew and Matt Swan from Wentley Leagues.



Above: Fourth place in Maitland City's Terry Harmer Memorial Pairs Gary O'Riley and David Lane.

MAITLAND CITY

By Hunter Bowler

Welcome to the City folks it is great to have you back as always! It just never stops at the city I feel like I just wrote April's report and here we are again!!

Pennants are getting into the latter stages and 2 sides are holding firm with solid chances of making it through! The Fantastic 4's have a local derby coming up with Telarah with the winner of this game taking a real strangle hold on the group. Our Slippery 7.1's have taken a slender lead in their section with all to play for. Uphill battle here with remaining games being away from home but they are up for the challenge.

Terry Harmer Pairs went off without a hitch, great players, great weather, great club and a fantastic couple of days had by all!! More to read in the magazine but big congrats to Daniel Hill and Lee Schraner who had 6 wins for +97!!!

That is all for now, keep an eye out for King and Queen of the Hunter to be held on 8 and 9 July and next month will have a bit more to write about with our club championships coming to a close.

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This month I thought I would give all a reminder of what is expected if you are given the role and Duties of a Controlling Body.

These can also be found on the Bowls NSW Website along with all of the Conditions of Play for various events.

Other functions may be required of the Controlling Body for certain events or under certain circumstances but These guidelines have been divided into three sections: Pre-Match, During Match and After Match.

PRE-MATCH: Before the commencement of play on any day the name(s) of the person(s) representing the Controlling Body and the Umpire(s) of the day should be announced.

The Controlling Body must always be present during the match, plus for a reasonable time before the start of play and after play finishes.

They ensure that Association Events are played in accordance with these Conditions of Play.

They ensure that the dates of play for all events are set out, including provisions for rescheduling of matches which are delayed or postponed. These dates should be included on entry forms.

They should ensure that the players, umpires and markers are aware of any non-standard playing conditions.

They should ensure that an umpire has been appointed to officiate for the matches being played.

They should ensure that there are markers in attendance for singles matches.

They advise players of their eligibility for pre-match practice and the availability of rink space for that practice.

They ensure that the rinks on which players are drawn to play are announced not less than 20 minutes prior to the scheduled starting time.

They can determine that a player is physically incapable or unable to take any further part in a competition for a reason

accepted by the Controlling Body and can then authorise an eligible member to join that team as a Replacement player.

They can authorise one (or more) team(s) in a side to play one player short if there is no eligible player or substitute available.

They are responsible for ensuring that the player's attire is in accordance with Bowls NSW Regulations and Conditions of Play (or in line with the requirements for that event if not an Association Event).

They decide when to start play if affected by inclement weather determined by reference to the Bowls NSW Extreme Weather Policy and any applicable local weather policy.

They may, if circumstances warrant it, extend the time allowed for late arrivals.

They can award the match to the opponent if a player, team or side fails to show or otherwise forfeits its match.

DURING MATCH: They can warn the player involved if they are causing damage to the green, then they can ask them to retire from the green and take no further part in the match (the Umpire may also do this).

They can replace a marker whose performance or behaviour is less than acceptable standard.

They can take action to have spectators refrain from disturbing, advising or interfering with players.

They may allow variations in the position of players at both head and mat ends to facilitate viewing by spectators, or to assist television coverage.

They can award the match to the opponent if advised by the umpire that there has been an infringement of a law that requires a penalty.

They decide when to abandon play for the day because of darkness, inclement weather determined by reference to the Bowls NSW Extreme Weather Policy and any applicable local weather policy or any other valid reason.

AFTER MATCH: They are the ones to whom the umpire hands the set of bowls and the \$150 deposit if there has been a challenge to a set of bowls. They arrange to have the confiscated bowls tested. (See Law 52)

They are the official to whom the appellant gives their written appeal and to whom the umpire hands the deposit and their written report if there has been an appeal against the umpire's application of the Laws.

They ensure that any necessary closing announcements are made.

SOLDIERS POINT

By Mark Watt, Bowls Director



Above: Newcastle Zone "Reserve Singles" Finalists Ben Rowsell (Raymond Terrace) and Pete Smith (Soldiers Point)

Pennants, the main inter-club lawn bowls competition in NSW, is well underway in the Newcastle Zone. Soldiers Point Bowling Club has six 12 person teams playing in the "Open" Competition. These range from 1st Grade, with three Queensland "imports" playing, to 7th Grade. Just after the halfway stage Bowls Director, Mark Watt, said "All teams have prospects of reaching the "knockout stage" of the competition to proceed to a much-sought Zone Flag meaning they can proceed to the State Finals." Watch this space!

Over 100 entrants competed in the Newcastle Zone "Reserve Singles". Finalists Ben Rowsell (Raymond Terrace) and Pete Smith (Soldiers Point) had both won six rounds to reach the Final. This was held at Soldiers Point before appreciative spectators. The match started very competitively with single shots being gained by both players on most ends. However, Pete gained a decisive lead by winning two ends by multiple shots. He went on to win 25 shots to 10 and will compete in the State Finals at Wollongong in July.

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CARDIFF

By The Falcon



Above: Winners of Cardiff BC 11Up Triples Ray Gallagher, Ron Wilson and Max Dettelbacher (Beresfield)



Above: Runners up in Cardiff BC 11Up Triples Steve Smith, Bob Atkins and Cory Atkins (Redhead)

The 2022/23 Major Singles Final is to be played on Sunday 23rd April between Damian Robb & Greg Chapman. Zone Reserve Singles John Mackenzie defeated Paul Jones in the Quarter-Final, & John was defeated in the Semi-Final. In the Open Pennants, after 4 rounds Grade 1 are 5th. After eight (8) rounds played, Grade 3 are in 3rd position & 2 wins could see them qualify for the playoffs. The club's that are 1st & 2nd each have a bye in the last 2 games. Grade Five (5) are undefeated & lead their section by a minimum 17 points & they have scored 77 points out of a possible 80 points & while Grade Six (6) are in 5th position.

In the Club Challenge, Division One (1) finished fourth (4) in their section, & Division Three (3) were leading prior to their last game,



Above: Third in Cardiff BC 11Up Triples Paul Jones, John Russell and John Mackenzie (Cardiff)



Above: Fourth in Cardiff BC 11Up Triples John Norris, David Burgess and Connor Riley (Raymond Terrace)

unfortunately lost their last game to miss out on winning their section.

The "Cardiff BC 11Up Triples" played on Monday 3rd April was a huge success with 28 teams. The winning team were Ray Gallagher, Ron Wilson & Max Dettelbacher (Beresfield). The place getters: 2nd were Steve Smith, Corey & Bob Atkins (Redhead), 3rd were Paul Jones, JR & John Mackenzie (Cardiff) & 4th were John Norris, Connor Riley & David Burgess (composite).

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Eleanor Roosevelt.

KAHIBAH

By "The Scribe" (John Smith)

Sad news to begin with as our proposed 2022-2023 Presentation Day had to be cancelled due to the lack of response to attend.

Progress in the Open Gender Pennants has been mixed. The No 3 Grade have only won the one game while our No 6 Grade after Round 8 are in 4th place in their section and a win in both remaining games would give them a chance of qualifying for Post-Sectional play.

The Consistency Singles is well under way with 1st Round games seeing victories to Brady Anderson over Chris Mogg 151-129, Scott O'Donohue 150-118 over Bob Yelds and Kevin Gibbons mastering Riley Cleaver 151-79 and Wayne Enks overcoming Rod Cleaver 152-135. 2nd Round results were Merv Brown defeating Gerry Gamble 151-120, Neville White overcoming David Rooke 154-134 and in a real cliff-hanger John Smith just nudged out Brady Anderson 154 -153 with a last bowl result. In quarter final action Merv Brown maintained his good form to defeat newcomer Scott O'Donohue 150-109 and Kevin Gibbons proved too strong for Wayne Enks with a 150-91 victory. Merv and Kevin are scheduled to clash in what will be an interesting semi-final.

The Jack Attack Programme that ran on Friday evenings for 5 weeks came to a successful conclusion with Team Advantage led by Daniel Byrnes having a 2 sets to 0 win over the Holy Rollers. We thank the Regal Rebels, the Kahibah Butchers, the Snooker Club and the Magpies for their participation and also to our Bowling Club Members who gave up their time to assist the teams in their participation. Hopefully another programme can be run in daylight saving later this year.

Results in 1st round matches in the 2022-2023 Club Major- Minor Pairs saw Jim Richards (sub) and Brady Anderson defeat Steve O'Donohue and Brian Stokes 18-12, Barry Humphries and Gerry Gamble were victorious over Ian Gibbons (sub) and Robert Freeman 20-16, Rod Cleaver and Chris Mogg had a last end 21-18 win over Thomas and Matthew Webster and Ennio Volpe and John Smith accounted for Robert Yelds and Merv Brown 24-7.

In a very interesting development the a grant has been obtained to replace both greens at Kahibah with synthetic surfaces with work scheduled to begin in June this year.



By Ross Gardner, Chairman
Zone 2 Junior Committee

JUNIORS REPORT

ZONE 2

Recently the 2023 Junior Championships took place at Raymond Terrace BC on Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th April 2023. The worst part of the Championships being held on these two days was that yours truly was unwell and didn't get to see any of it, which is

extremely disappointing, but as the old saying goes, it is what it is. Three disciplines were played being Singles, Pairs and Fours, with Triples played later in the year as it does not qualify for State Junior Championships. The Zone Championships commenced with the Junior Fours played over 15 ends. The final was between Charlotte Hayman's Raymond Terrace foursome of Mackenzie Wicks, Kyle Anderson and Ami Bromhead and Huxley Rowe's quartet of Zoe Nicholls, Liam Pietraszek (Soldiers Point) and Jordan Lean. Rowe's foursome led 5-2 after 3 ends, then Hayman's four jumped out to a 12-5 lead after 9 ends winning 6 consecutive ends. Rowe hit back with a 4 on the 10th to trail 9-12. But Rowe wasn't finished yet and secured a 6 on the 12th end to lead 15-13 with 3 ends remaining. Rowe led 16-14 with one end remaining and Hayman scored a 2 on the final end to force an extra end shootout. On the extra end Zoe "the seal" Nicholls played a front hopper with one of her lead bowls, which remained for the duration of the end to get Rowe's side over the line for victory, 18-16. All players are congratulated for their efforts and in the spirit of which it was played.

Next event was the Junior Pairs contested over 15 ends. In the first semi-final, Jordan Lean and Zoe Nicholls accounted for Mia Bromhead and Kyle Anderson, 22-9, whilst in the other semi, Mackenzie Wicks and Charlotte Hayman outclassed Ami Bromhead and Huxley Rowe, 19-14. In the final it was Lean/Nicholls who lead from start to finish securing their second crown and booking their trip to State Championships, 18-15. Nicholls lead 11-3 after 5, 15-7 after 9, 17-11 after 12 and crossed the line 18-15. Well done to all those participants, and congratulations to Jordan and Zoe on getting the double.

Finally, it was down to the Junior Singles played to 21 shots up. In the early rounds Mackenzie Wicks proved the surprise packet getting over the experienced Charlotte Hayman. Wicks led from start to finish, albeit when Hayman drew level at 16 all. Wicks however had the winning line in sight and claimed victory 21-18. Zoe Nicholls accounted for Ami Bromhead 21-11, and Kyle Anderson over powered Huxley Rowe 21-11. In the semi finals, Kyle Anderson led all the way, against Jordan Lean to book his place in the final, 21-18, whilst Zoe Nicholls easily accounted for Mackenzie Wicks, 21-4. This set up the final between Kyle Anderson and the much fancied Zoe Nicholls. Nicholls was eyeing off the trifecta of crowns, having already won the Fours and Pairs. Nicholls jumped out to a 7-1 lead and could almost smell the winning post. Anderson steadied the ship and got back to trail 7-12. Nicholls then lead 15-8. But Anderson's socks were then well and truly pulled up when he levelled at 15 all. The game went to and fro, both players had the winning post in sight but who was going to get there first. Nicholls led 19-17 and almost had the third crown in her grasp, but it wasn't to be. Anderson came home with a wet sail to steal the crown from Nicholls' fingertips and scoring a maximum 4 shots on the final end to take the title 21-19. Both players should be congratulated on their performances and in the spirit in which the game was played. Thankyou to Chris Kent for volunteering to Umpire for the two days and to Tom Crockford from the Junior Committee to act as Controlling Body in my absence. Also to Joshua Sharpe, one of our keen U25 players. Josh gave of his time to assist the Junior Committee over the two days. Thanks Josh, you're a champion. I'd like to finish off by giving a rap to young Kyle. Kyle, not only myself, but from the whole Zone 2 Junior family, we are all so proud of you and how far you've come. From the quiet young boy you once were to the confident young man you have become, keep up the great work buddy, you are a shining example of how someone can develop with a little guidance and support. Great stuff mate.

Finally the Zone 2 U25 Triples are due to commence on Tuesday 9 May 2023 and we thank Peter Lynn and Valentine BC for

kindly volunteering to host the event.



Above L-R: Zone 2 Junior Fours Winners Jordan Lean, Zoe Nicholls, Liam Pietraszek, Huxley Rowe



Above L-R: Zone 2 Junior Fours Runners-up Charlotte Hayman, Ami Bromhead, Mackenzie Wicks, Kyle Anderson



Above L-R: Zone 2 Junior Pairs Winners Jordan Lean and Zoe Nicholls



Above L-R: Zone 2 Junior Pairs Runners-up Mackenzie Wicks and Charlotte Hayman



Above: Zone 2 Junior Singles Winner Kyle Anderson



Above: Zone 2 Junior Singles Runner-up Zoe Nicholls

VALENTINE Lakers Line

By Eric Roach

We have now reached the month of May,
Time to take the pen & say good-day.
With Pennants now drawing to an end,
Onto which club's flagpoles will a "flag" ascend.

What a tremendous year it has been thus far for our new Club Singles Champion Geoff Armstrong, who defeated Mark King 25-15 in the final. An early 13-1 lead proving the difference in a high quality match. This title for Geoff goes with the Fours Championship & runner-up in the pairs final by one shot. Geoff was also a member of the Zone Seniors Side, which finished 2nd at the recent Titles. Ross



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Levido was also a member of that successful team, playing in the same rink with Geoff.

Andrew Hanlon's recent successes continued in the Zone Under 25's pairs championship, when narrowly defeated 20-25 in partnership with Chris Kent in the final.

Congrats to Terry Barnett on his fighting victory over Sam Laguzza 25-24 in the final of the Zone Senior Singles played @ VBC. After trailing 10-22 Terry made an astonishing comeback to claim the title.

With 3 rounds to play our best hope for a pennant rests with the 6 grade, having won all matches to date. With a strong finish our sevens could also feature in the finals. At time of writing, our division 1 & division 4-1 sides are still in the running in the popular Club Challenge.

Congrats to Col Screen on reaching the 1/4 finals of the Reserve Zone Singles.

60 players had a fun night on St Patricks Day, with prizes for the best costumes & President Rob Gray entertaining all with his rendition of "When Irish Eyes are Smiling".

After a difficult year in 21/22, it is pleasing to report that the VBC had a successful financial result in 22/23.

Good luck to all as the Pennant Finals approach.

RAYMOND TERRACE WOMEN

Debbie Fulton, Publicity Officer

Congratulations to Zoe Nicholls, Charlotte Hayman and Ami Bromhead who all played in the NDBA U18 Championships, Zone 2 over 2 days and all made it through to the Finals. Zoe was in the 4's who had a win on an extra end, great results girls, we are very proud of all our junior bowlers.

Good luck and good bowling to Natasha Van Eldik, Lynne Thompson and Sharon McReynolds who will be playing in the State Singles 2022-2023 at Hamilton North on Tuesday 9th May, 2023.

Well done to Cheryl Benbow who has just recently played in the 2023 Disability State Championships held at South Tamworth

Bowling Club.

Cheryl played in the Singles and Pairs with partner Vicki Parkinson. They are now waiting to hear if they have made it to the Nationals to be held in Perth in October 2023, good luck to both ladies.

Lastly, congratulations to Kate Matthews who has been selected to play in the National Pathways Event for the NSW Squad. All teams selected will now battle it out on the Gold Coast in 11-13 July, 2023.

Thats all from the Terrace for this edition, hope everyone is enjoying their bowls.

BOOLAROO WOMEN

By Jan Baldwin, C.O.



Above: Easter Happiness at Boolaroo with Maree Vincent, Kae Goode President Elaine Plessiet, Cheryl Jenkins and Sandra Rothery.

May already, seems no time at all since I penned the April issue. I trust everyone has had a good month and enjoying a lot more bowling in the beautiful Autumn weather.

Open Gender Pennants are at the tail end with only a couple of games left. I must say it has been a great learning experience for new bowlers, well done to the Ladies who took up the challenges.

Time to think about Single Gender Pennants commencing 5th Sept. Hope you can spring into Spring with your name in by 23rd June.

Good to see more Ladies at our Tuesday Galas, with some venturing over to the Mixed Gala on Thursdays which is nice to do and if nothing else one is rewarded by 3 party pies at the finish and a chance to win a meat tray in the raffle, just put your name on the sheet at the Mens master board.

My photo this month sees some of our very happy Ladies checking out some of those lovely Easter baskets.

Until next Month stay well and enjoy our great game. Cheers.... Jan.

HAMILTON NORTH HORNETS

By Mark Casey, Bowls Co-ordinator



Above L-R: Hamilton North Mens Singles Finalists M. Evans and R. Steel

Hi Hornets, the highlight of the past month was the playing of the Clubs Mens Major Singles Final between Ryan Steel and Mark Evans. The game was tight early with Steel scoring a three on the fifth end to hit the front 5/3, then took control to record an impressive 25 to 10 victory. Steel downed Barry Cartwright in the semi-final and

Evans accounted for Michael Brown.

PENNANTS: Our Grade 2 side is leading their section, and Grade 3, Grade 4 and Grade 6 (1) sides have a chance of making the finals.

Our Division 4 (1) side made it through the finals in this year's Club Challenge.

TOURNAMENTS: We had a very successful 3 Bowl Pairs Easter Monday tournament with Matt Johnston (Soldiers Point) and Deb Barber (Hamilton North) winning with 3 wins and 26 shots from Greg Coote (Charlestown) and Paul Martin (Adamstown) with 3 wins and 16 shots with third place going to Cal Starrett (Cardiff) and Josh Reynolds (Merewether) with 3 wins and 16 shots.

We have three tournaments coming up with entries being accepted for an Open 2 Bowl Triples on Saturday (10 June 2023), 7 Up 3 Bowl Pairs on Monday (12 June 2023) as well as our Ladies Open Fours on Wednesday (28 June 2023).

GALA'S: All our galas continue growing with nearly a full green for every gala, all of our galas are \$10 per player. Tuesday Pairs Cash Gala are always competitive every week with prize money averaging about \$200 per week. The Thursday day and Thursday night galas have continued to be extremely successful. Along with being jackpot galas all winning players in these galas receive \$10 vouchers and our Friday Seafood Voucher Gala has every winning player receiving a \$15 seafood voucher.

JUNIORS: We are involved with Let's Play Bowls initiative.



NSW RSL BOWLS: ZONE 6

By Rod Woodhouse, Secretary Zone 6
rslzone6@gmail.com



Above L-R: Winners at Boolaroo for RSL Bowls Zone 6 J. Chedghey, N. Kirkwood (Belmont) and T. Nicholson (RSL)



Above L-R: Winners of RSL Zone 6 Pre-Anzac Day Bowls Day at Raymond Terrace Bob Walsh and Scott Bourne

On 20 Mar, our next event was at Boolaroo, where we had another good rollup of 47 for triples. The winners were J. Chedghey, N. Kirkwood (Belmont), T. Nicholson (RSL).

Again, we had a solid group of non-RSL players, who thoroughly enjoy the relaxed and social way we go about things in the RSL. Long may it continue.

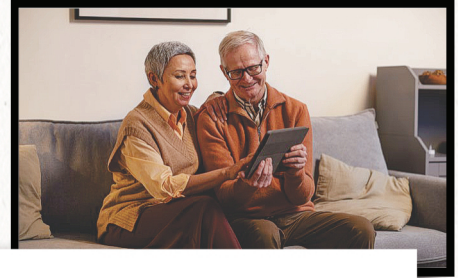
On 17 April, the venue was Raymond Terrace, for our annual Pre-ANZAC Day service and bowls day. Again, a good rollup of 42 players, with the winners Bob Walsh and Scott Bourne.

There will be a slight break, due to a number of our members attending the RSL Nationals tournament in Perth, with our next event in June.

Social bowlers are always welcome at any of our social events, which are usually triples, at a cost of \$15 including lunch, with socialization and appropriate refreshments at your own expense, as well as our ever-popular meat tray raffle.



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Upcoming events:

5 June social at Abermain

26 June social at Belmont

WARNERS BAY SPORTS WOMEN

By Gwen Andriessen P.O.

We hope everyone had an enjoyable Easter, catching up with Family and Friends.

Our Consistency Club Game is currently under way, and is the last Club game for 22/23. So Good luck Everyone.

Do not forget to put our Invitation Day on Friday 16th June in your diary, with a 9am morning tea and starting at 9.30am. There are 2 games of 10 ends. Entry fee is \$80.00 per team, which includes a lovely lunch. Please contact Tini Spooner on 0417 481 632 or Barbara Jones on 0413 796 185 to register. We look forward to welcoming and hosting a good roll up on the day.

We are seeking nominations for 5 Committee Members and 3 Selectors, which is for the following year, please try and make yourselves available. Further details can be found on the Notice Board. These positions will be announced on Presentation Day on Saturday 27th May.

Out President Phil Stone has had a stay in Hospital and it is good to see him well and back on the green.

Great news we are starting Friday night Galas soon. That's all from me for now, looking forward to seeing you all at our Invitation Day. Remember stay well and enjoy your bowling!"

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What type of people become involved in coaching? Have they been competitors, enjoyed bowls at various levels and wish to return something to the sport? Do they derive pleasure and a sense of achievement from helping others? Receive rewards by seeing their students do well?

Coaches should ask themselves: "Why do I want to be a coach?" then indulge in some self-analysis and reflect on their answers.

Whatever their reasons, good coaches need to have a thorough understanding of the game of bowls and what they will be teaching. Coaches should be quick thinkers and make decisions rapidly to help the students become self-confident.

The necessary qualities and responsibilities of a coach include the ability to

- Have knowledge of the game
- Able to communicate
- Able to educate
- and to lead

Also to ...

- Organise
- Observe
- Motivate
- and to evaluate

A coach must "teach efficiently" by demonstration and

By John Bilby,
Level 1 National Coach &
Member of the NDBA
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communication. Always use the same terminology as used in the coaching manuals. At all times be pleasant, relaxed and in control.

Proceed at the students' pace and do not try to force that pace. No two students will be similar. They may vary in many ways and if these variations are not observed and considered, the coach may find many problems which could have been avoided.

Some differences that come readily to mind are age variations, nervousness, lack of motivation, lack of co-ordination or some physical handicap.

Much of the above may be overcome after consideration of the students' own needs and the setting of an appropriate programme.

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1. Skip's responsibility to lead the team
2. Lead's responsibility to the skip
3. Lead's responsibility to the second and third
4. Angle of incidence
5. Theory of the draw and on shot

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LOGISTICS: Supply of video equipment reference works, films, lectures, demonstrators and equipment.

Good luck and good bowling for the new season.

WINDALE GATESHEAD

By The Guru

Club Fours Final: L. Pyke, L. Brown, C. Kamine and M. Ball 22 def. R. Duffield, D. Johnstone, N. Carroll and A. Miller 12.

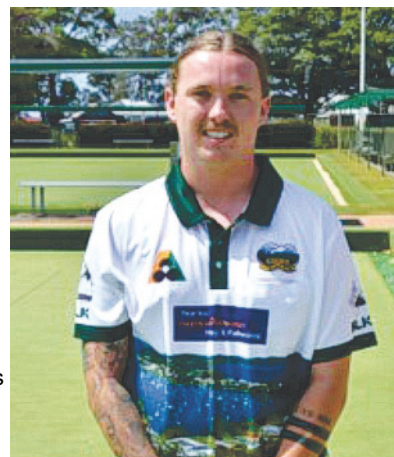
Club Triples Final to be played on 14th May: P. Weary, S. Connors and G. Fryer V's L. Novak, D. Johnstone and C. Kamine.

Social Bowls: Wednesday 9.30am - Open Triples; Friday 10 am - Retired Bowlers; Sunday 9.30 am - Burwood Social Bowls. All are welcome to these events.

WANGI

Wangi had the final of our Minor Singles on the 2nd April. The Winner Bailey Snowden 25 played Brett Robin 10. It was a good final - Bailey is a young Bowler showing great promise and was too strong in the end. Unfortunately he can't play in the Major Singles because of his football commitments.

Right: Wangi Minor Singles Champion Bailey Snowden



HEXHAM

By Glenn Hetherington, C.O.

Chairman's challenge is on at Hexham Bowling Club on the 1st October. Triples format, \$60 per team and meals are included in the entry fee.

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BAREFOOT BOWLS

WEEKLY BOWLS GALAS

LEMON TREE PASSAGE WOMEN

By Anne Cheetham, C.O.



Above L-R: Winners of Lemon Tree Passage Women's Club Pairs - Margaret Drury and Kath Rados



Above L-R: Runners up in Lemon Tree Passage Women's Club Pairs - Anne Zoutendijk and Anne Cheetham



Above L-R: Robyn Webster, Annette Davis, Vicki Rankin - Annual Interclub trophy between Lemon Tree Passage and Tea Gardens

Congratulations to our **Club Pairs winners Margaret Drury and Kath Rados** and to the **runners up Anne Zoutendijk and Anne Cheetham** (again..2 years in a row!!!!)

On 5th April we enjoyed a great social day out on the **Wangi Queen Show Boat** which is now based at Lemon Tree Passage. After all the rain prior to the day the weather was kind to us, the water around on the bay smooth and the on board food enjoyable.

Our annual interclub visit with **Tea Gardens** resulted in a win this

year for Tea Gardens by 2 shots. The rain (again) caused the game to finish after a few ends but our knowledge of Australian trivia was certainly tested. The trophy was donated a few years ago by Annette Davis and Vicki Rankin who were both present this year to award the trophy to Tea Gardens.

Good luck to our 2 teams travelling to the South Coast this year for the **NSW State Carnival**. Have a safe trip and enjoy the experience.

ERIC FAIRFULL ANZAC DAY PAIRS “BOO-YA!”



Above: Steve Fairfull (centre) with winners of the Eric Fairfull Anzac Day Pairs Damon Maddock (left) and Paul Gilmore (right).



Above: Steve Fairfull (centre) with Runners-up in the Eric Fairfull Anzac Day Pairs Tye Turnbull (left) and Michael Smith (right)

It was a great day for the Eric Fairfull Anzac Day Pairs at Kurri Kurri. This event was initiated by Eric Fairfull (Snr) 34 years ago. The Fairfull's donate a special prize to the winners which has become a tradition. This tradition has passed through the generations from Eric Fairfull (Snr) to Eric Fairfull (Jnr) and now lays with Steve Fairfull. This year Steve presented the winners with a



Above: Steve Fairfull (centre) with Clay Parker (left) and John McKenzie (right) – equal third place in the Eric Fairfull Anzac Day Pairs

special bottle of Port to commemorate the occasion.

The format is a little different to most. After 3 games the top teams contest a series of 3 end shoot outs to determine the last man standing and winner overall. This year there were five 3 game winners in the knockout series. John Mackenzie and Clay Parker finished in top spot on 3+30, followed by Damon Maddock and Paul Gilmore 3+24, Craig Thompson and Wayne Smith 3+23, Michael Smith and Tye Turnbull 3+21 and Craig Barbour and Steve Fairfull 3+10.

Fairfull and Turnbull played off for a berth in the semi-final. Turnbull prevailed and then accounted for Parker, whilst Gilmore defeated Smith in the other semi to meet Turnbull in the final.

The atmosphere was electric with Gilmore's excitement fuelling the crowd of onlookers. “BOO-YA” echoed across the green with every good shot! Damon and Paul won all three ends to claim victory. Steve recalled how his Dad shared the same passion and excitement for the game as Gilmore and said “you have no idea how much I enjoyed watching that!”

Thanks to all players, Kurri Kurri BC, Bowls Co-Ordinator Mick Kedwell and all who contributed



Pics: Right Craig Thompson and above Wayne Smith – equal third in the Eric Fairfull Anzac Day Pairs



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17th - 21st July 2023

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Where to Get a Game

NEWCASTLE

Sunday Monday Tuesday

Adamstown 4957 3447			9:30am Mens 3's Gala
Bar Beach 4929 3428 0449 924 601	9:15am Club Championships as scheduled		9:00am Ladies Gala - mufti
Beresfield 4966 3574	9:00am or 1pm Club Championships	Names by 8:30am 9:00am Mens Nom. 2's Mufti Jackpot 5:00pm Mixed Gala Names by 4:00pm	9:30am Ladies DFP uniforms
Cardiff 4954 7244	1:00pm 3rd Sunday Monthly Mixed 4's - Mufti		10:00am Ladies Mixed DFP 9:30am DLS
Carrington 4961 4140	1:00pm Meat Raffle	Happy Hour 4:30 - 5:30pm	9:30am Bowls Gala 10:00am Yoga 4.30-5.30pm Happy Hour
Edgeworth 4958 1994	Club Championships, 9:30am Special Events, Check Noticeboard		9:30am Names in by 8:45 Ladies Gala
Hamilton Nth. 4961 4574			12:30pm Mufti Cash Gala
Heaton BGBC Jesmond Bowls 4955 8725	Club Games		9:30am Mixed Jackpot 3's Creams DFP Picnic Lunch
Hexham 4964 8079	9:30am Hexham Greys All welcome MIXED MUFTI		6:00pm Open Gender Mufti DFP
Lambton 4957 3272	9:30am Club Games		9:30am Open Gender 2's
Lowlands 4929 3046	9:30am Mens Club Games 12:00noon Social Bowls	9am Mixed Beginners-tuition, equip supplied 4:30pm - 6:30pm HAPPY HOUR	Ladies Day 4:30pm - 6:30pm HAPPY HOUR
Mayfield West 4968 3202	9:30am Club Games		6:00pm Mixed Gala
Merewether 4963 1461	4-7pm Live Music		
Waterboard 4957 2155			9:30am Nom. 3's Mufti

LAKE MACQUARIE

Belmont Golf & Bowls 4945 4348		9:30am-5pm Roll-ups	9:30am Ladies Gala DFP Mufti
Boolaroo 4958 1058			9:30am Ladies Gala
Dora Creek 4970 5694		9am Ladies Gala / Uniform	1:30pm Coaching
Kahibah 4943 2987	9:30pm Club Championships		10:00am Ladies Mufti DFP 3's Gala

TORONTO WORKERS WOMEN

By Trish Kellehear, C.O.

After a quiet March, April has been pretty busy. The weather is cooling to near perfect conditions & our bowlers are really enjoying the change.

Late March saw two Toronto teams enter in the Rathmines Invitation 4's. A great day as usual but even better for one of our teams when they won the day, winning 2 games +14. CONGRATULATIONS to Annette Cook, Chris Morgan, Barbara Fox & Kris James who then went on to win our own CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP 4's against Nancy McKew, Denise Gemmell,

Trudy Richens & Margaret Peisley.

Our monthly challenge against the residents of Elements of Toronto, saw us win back our pride having been beaten last month. Elements are a great group and have added greatly to our club.

Easter bowls saw a lucky few walk away with seafood vouchers for their efforts plus lots of easter eggs and prizes. Upcoming in May, we will begin our Club's Major Singles with the draw having been done and now posted to begin the first Tuesday in May. Goodluck to all and may all your bowls be touchers!



Brett O'Farrell
Warren Shipley
Ross Gardner

Legend: 2's = Pairs,
 3's = Triples,
 DFP = Draw for Partner

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SE = Single Entry Accepted
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Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

	9:30am Ladies Gala Mufti	9:30am Mens 3's Gala	1:00pm Mixed 3's Gala Mufti
1:00pm Men's 3's Gala Mufti			1:00pm Mixed Gala 3's Mufti
	9:30am Mixed DFP Mufti	9:00am Men's DFP Mufti 2's Jackpot	12:30pm ALTERNATE Nom. Mens 3's Creams DFP Men's Creams
1:00pm Men's J/pot Mufti. 3's	6:00pm Men's Mufti 3's	Names by 8:30am 9:30am Mens Mufti 3's	1:00pm Men's Jackpot 3's Gala
9:30am Bingo	9:30am Bowls Gala	10am Adult Colouring	
6:00pm Raffle: Legs Lamb	10:00am Yoga	6:00pm Monster Meat Raffle	10am cash @ the cove bowls tournament 1pm voucher raffle
Happy Hour 4:30 to 5:30pm	Happy Hour 4:30 to 5:30pm	Happy Hour 4:30 to 5:30pm	
9:00am names in by 8:45 Mens Gala	6:00pm Social Mixed Bowls names in by 5:30	9:00am names in by 8:45 Mens Gala	1:00pm Mens Gala \$ prizes + J/pot
	9:30am Triples	9:30am Pairs or Triples	1:00pm Jackpot Gala
9:30am Mens 3's Mufti SE	6pm Jackpot Gala men or mixed		1:00pm Mixed 3's Mufti SE
	Ladies Club Games		1:00pm Open Nom Triples: Bowls Attire Last Sat. of month: Open Mufti DFP
	10:00am Open Gender DFP Bowls Names by 9:30 Attire		1:00pm Open Gender 3's
	9:30am Open Gender 3's		1:00pm Open Gender 3's
9:00am Mens Mufti 3's gala prizes all winners Cash Jackpot (light lunch provided)	Ladies Day	1:00pm Mens Mufti 2-4-2 gala	Social Bowls
	5:00pm Twilight roll -up	7:00pm Meat Raffle, Jackpot draw	1:00pm Open Nom. 3's Mufti
	9:30am Vets Gala	9:30am Open 3's Mufti Gala	1:00pm Mixed 3's Gala Mufti
1:00pm Men's 3's Gala Mufti	9:00am Ladies Gala	9:00am Men's 3's Gala Mufti	1:00pm Men's Nom. 3's Mufti
	9:00am 2-4-2 Mixed last Thurs. of the month	5:15pm Raffles	
		9:30am Nom. 3's Mufti	

LAKE MACQUARIE

9.30-5pm Roll-ups	9:30am Ladies Gala Smart Casual	10am-12pm Introduction Gala learners and coaching	12.30pm Men's Nom. 3's
5.30pm Summer Breeze Twilight	12:30pm Mens Nom. Pairs		1:00pm Men's 2's Mufti
	9:30am Men's 3's Mufti		1:00pm Ladies 2's Mufti
9:00am Mixed Mufti DFP	● 5:00pm Mens Gala 2's White Shirt/Mufti		9:00am Mens Gala White Shirt/Mufti
9:30am Mens Mufti 3's Gala		10am Kahibah Retired Bowlers	1:00pm Mens 3's Mufti

Below: Toronto Workers Women's Championship 4's Winners L to R Annette Cook, Chris Morgan, Barbara Fox & Kris James



Below: Toronto Workers Women's Championship 4's Runners-Up - R to L Nancy McKew, Denise Gemmell, Trudy Richens (President) & Margaret Peisley.



Sunday Monday Tuesday

LAKE MACQUARIE CONTINUED....

Rathmines Memorial 4975 1955

9:30am Ladies Day Uniform

Redhead 4942 6022

Club Games

9:30am Men's Gala

Teralba 4958 1407

Valentine 4946 7232

Club Championships Uniform

Roll-ups available

9:30am Ladies Gala Mufti & Championships Uniform

Warners Bay 4948 8866

Men & Women Club Championships

Windale/Gateshead 4965 7888

PORT STEPHENS

Fingal Bay Ladies 0411 936 055
Men 0403 668 995

9:30am Names by 8:30 Ladies Gala
1:00pm Names by 12 Mens Mufti

Lemon Tree Passage 4982 4800

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Mixed 4's - Third Monday in Jan / Mar / June / Sept.

10:00am Ladies
2:00pm Roll Up

Nelson Bay 4981 3332

12:00pm Mixed 3's Mufti 4 April / 2 May

9:30am Ladies Bowls

**Raymond Terrace 4987 2404
4983 1647**

Club Championships

10:00am Open 2's DFP Mufti

9:30am Ladies Day

Soldiers Pt. 4982 7173

9:30am Club Championships

Roll-ups on carpet green

10:00am Ladies Bowls

Stockton 4920 1999

1:00pm Club Championships

9:30am Flexi Day 1st Mon. in Month

10:00am Ladies Day
5:00pm Twilight Social

HUNTER

East Cessnock 4990 1444

East Maitland 4033 1116

10am start Open DFP Mufti
Introductory Bowls 2pm - 4pm

1pm start Mens 3 Bowl 2's DFP

10am start Open DFP

**Kurri Kurri 4936 4089
4937 1676**

names by 9 9:30am start Ladies DFP 2's Jackpot Mufti

names by 9 9:30am start Mens DFP 2's J/Pot Mufti

names by 9 9:30am start Mixed Mufti J/Pot DFP 2's

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Maitland City 4939 1200**

District Games / Club C/Ships
Check Board

9:30am Open DFP 2's Mufti

**Bowls Office 4933 6039
Lorn Park 4933 6869**

UPPER HUNTER

Scone 6545 1511

names by 9 9:30am Mixed Triples Mufti
1:30pm FREE Coaching & Training

names by 12:30 start 1:00pm Jock & Dave's Mens Triples Mufti

MANNING

Taree Leagues 5561 9058

Names by Noon
1pm Open Mufti

Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

9:00am	Men's Mufti 3's			9:00am	Mixed Mufti 3's	12:30pm	Mens Mufti
9:30am	Ladies Gala	1:00pm	Retired Bowlers	9:30am	Men's Gala	1:00pm	Mixed Gala
9:30am	Men's Nom. 3's Mufti			4:00pm	Men's Nom. Pairs Mufti	1:00pm	Men's Nom. 3's Mufti
9:30am	Men's Social Mufti	9:30am	Ladies Gala Mufti & Ch/Ships uniform	9:30am	Men's Social Bowls Mufti	1:00pm	Men's Social - uniform
1:00pm	Men's Social Mufti	● 5:00pm	Mixed Social Gala				Men & Women Club Championships
10:00am	Open Triples Mufti	10:30am	Open DFP 3's Mufti	Open 2's Gala 5:30pm to 7:30pm		1:00pm	Open DFP 2's Mufti
		5pm	Open Pairs Mufti				
9:30am Names by 9:10	Men's Mufti Gala	● 5:30pm	Open Mufti Cash 3's	10:00am	Mixed retired bowlers Mufti Social	1:00pm	Men's Mufti J/Pot Cash Gala

PORT STEPHENS

1:00pm	Names by 11:30 Men's Mufti 3's	9:30am	Names by 8:30 Ladies Gala			1:00pm	Names by 11:30am Men's Uniform
1:00pm	Men's Mufti DFP	10:00am	Ladies	1:00pm	Men's Mufti DFP	1:00pm	Men's Bowls Creams
		5:00pm	Twilight Mixed Mufti names by 4:00				
1:00pm	Mens 3's Mufti	9:30am	Ladies Bowls	1:00pm	Jackpot 2's Mufti		
9:30am	Men's Pairs Mufti DFP	9:30am	Ladies Gala	2:00pm	Men's Nom. Pairs Jackpot - Mufti		Club Championships
		6:00pm	Twilight Nom. Open 3's Mufti	10:00am	Open Gala	1:00pm	Open Bowls Gala Bowls wear with BA Logo
1:00pm	Mens Bowls Mufti	10:00am	Ladies Bowls	1:30pm	Men's Mufti		
1:00pm	Men's Gala 3's	10:00am	Ladies Day	1:00pm	Men's Gala 2's / 3's	1:00pm	Mens Bowls

HUNTER

9:00am	Lady Bowlers	9:00am	Lady Bowlers	9:00am	Retired Bowlers	1:00pm	Open Pairs
1:00pm	Retired Bowlers	4:00pm	Open Pairs				
	Practice & Coaching	9:30am start	Women's Bowls Creams	10am start	Open DFP Mufti	1pm start	Open DFP
		1pm start	Mens Nom. 2's (Mufti)				
6:00pm names by 5:30	Mixed Twilight DPF 2's Mufti	10:00am names by 9:30	Ladies Social DFP	9:30am names by 9	Mens DFP j/pot 2's	1:00pm names by 12	Men's Pairs
4:30pm names by 10am	Open Nom. Triples	9:30am	Open DFP 2's Mufti	5:30pm	Open Nom. 2's (4 bowl)	1:00pm	Open DFP 2's
● name by 4:30 5:30pm	Mixed Mufti DPF 3 Bowls 2's	name by 12 1:00pm	4 Bowl Nom. 2's SE 1 x game 18 ends			name by 12 1:00pm	1st & 4th Sat. of each month 1 game 21 ends 2-4-2-4 bowl Nom 2's SE
						name by 12 1:00pm	2nd & 3rd Sat. of each month 1 game 21 ends 4 bowl Nom 2's SE

UPPER HUNTER

9:30am	Ladies			names by 6		names by 12:30	
3:30pm	FREE coaching & training			6:30pm	Twilight Mixed Mufti	1:00pm	Mens 3's Mufti

MANNING

Names by 8:30		Names by Noon		Names by Noon	
9:00am start	Ladies Bowls	1pm start	Open Mufti	1pm start	BA Logo - Open



By Noel James, Zone 11 P.O.

ZONE SINGLES: FORSTER BOWLER WINS SINGLES

OPEN: In the first semi-final it was an all Tuncurry Beach clash where Greg Harrison was playing Steve Harris. Even though Greg trailed 7-8, he proved to be too consistent and powered away from then on to record a 25-15 victory. The second semi saw Heath Maguire (Forster) receive a w/o from Les Morrison (Taree Leagues).

The final was a clash between the two local rivals of Tuncurry Beach (Greg Harrison) and Forster (Heath Maguire). Greg began this game confidently by winning four of the first five ends to gain a 7-2 lead, and several ends later was still leading 10-6. Heath then blew the game apart winning six ends straight, and scoring 15 shots to open up a massive 21-10 margin. Greg tried to right the ship, but could only score on one more end. Heath was not going to let this get away, and won the last three ends to run out a decisive 25-12 winner.

SENIORS: The first semi saw the veteran George McCartney (Sporties) up against Terrence Rowe (Forster). Whilst George had his head in front just about all the way, there was never a lot in it, and only led by 3 shots at 17-14. George then just chipped away, scoring 8 singles to 1 to run out a 25-15 winner.

The second semi between Grant McKirdy (Sporties) and Errol Ruprecht (Club West) was much more dramatic. This was a very good game, and although Grant was in front all the way, Errol was never far behind. All of the drama was in the last 8 ends, and it began with Grant holding a 20-15 lead, but Errol grabbed a maximum 4 shots to only trail by 1. Singles were being exchanged and Grant found himself on the springboard with a 22-20 lead. Errol then grabbed a 3 to gain the lead at 23-22. Anyone could win with one good end. Errol, after playing three shockers, found himself down 3 and game, with just his last bowl to play. He played it superbly to draw the shot, and now he only needed the one to go out himself. He gained that on the next end for a 25-22 win.

The final saw Errol absolutely shoot out of the blocks to lead 11-0, and then 15-2. It was going to take a massive comeback from George to make a game of it. George did try hard, and at one stage won six ends running, but the gap was too large, and Errol ran out a deserved 25-12 winner.

RESERVE: The first semis was

ZONE 11: MANNING DISTRICT BOWLING ASSOCIATION



Above: 2022-23 Veteran Inter-zone side for Zone 11



Above: Zone 11 Open Singles winner - Heath Maguire



Above: Zone 11 Senior Singles winner - Errol Ruprecht



Above: Zone 11 Reserve Singles winner - Phil Swatell

between Robert Piper (Club West) and Col Campbell (Sporties). This was a close game for quite a while, and at one stage the scores were 13-13. Col just proved too strong over the closing stages to win 25-18.

The second semi was between Phil Swalwell (Tuncurry Beach) and Peter Hooper (Old Bar). The first ten ends saw the score locked up at 10 apiece. Phil then gradually eased away for a decisive break, from which he was never headed, and finished up winning 25-18.

The final saw Phil begin well, scoring four 3's in the first nine ends to open up a 14-5 lead. Col kept plugging away, but whenever he looked like making inroads into the score, he dropped another multiple, and Phil skipped away again. Col did reduce the margin, and actually won more ends in the game, but Phil's ability to make the big scores proved decisive, and he finished a 25-20 winner.

VETERAN (0'70) INTER-ZONE: The team selected to represent Zone 11 in the Veteran Inter-Zone Championships recently travelled to Merrylands and while they did not come away with the trophy the results were not altogether disappointing.

In our section we had to play Zones 10, 3 and 6. Our first game against Zone 10 proved to be a cliff hanger, and in the long run, very crucial. Needing 4 shots on the last end to draw the match, Kevin Robinson was holding 2, and with his last bowl trailed the jack to make the required 4 shots. Unfortunately the opposition skip turned one of his own short bowls just one roll, and this was enough to get fourth shot after an umpire's measure. A win on two rinks, but a loss by just one shot, 47-48. The second

game was against Zone 3 and we had two rink wins and a 50-46 win. Game three saw us up against Zone 6, and we came away with 3 rink wins, and a 60-40 shot margin.

Zone 10 progressed after winning all three of their games. The 1 shot loss against them in the first game turned out to be crucial. On the bright side we came away with 7 rinks wins from 9 games, which I imagine the selectors will take some solace from.

PENNANT: We have now completed 7 rounds with just 3 to go. **Grade 2:** Forster look to have this wrapped up. 10 points in front, and have already had their second-round bye. The wheels will really have to fall off for them to lose from here. **Grade 3:** Leagues 10 points in front of Forster, and with a huge margin advantage. They have yet to play each other in the second round. Forster need a miracle. **Grade 4:** Wingham on 48 lead Forster on 45. They don't play each other again. This could go down to the wire. **Grade 5:** Forster lead Tuncurry 48 to 47.5. Nothing in this, and they clash in round 10. **Grade 6:** Harrington have their noses in front of Forster B, 44-42. They have just played each other and had a draw. Every result is crucial from now on. **Grade 7.1:** Wingham lead Old Bar A 49 to 47, and they clash in the next round, which could decide the winner of this section. **Grade 7.2:** Old Bar B would be the favourites. Even though they have yet to have a bye in the second round, they have a 17 point buffer over Pacific Palms.



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MONEY**

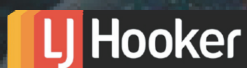
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FRIDAY 14TH - SUNDAY 16TH JULY

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Entries close Monday 10th July 2023

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UPPER HUNTER WOMEN

By Christine Constable, UHDWBA Match Chairperson



Above: Upper Hunter District Women's Senior Singles Winner - Julie Copland (Aberdeen)



Above: Upper Hunter District Women's Open Singles Winner - Helen Rose (Denman)

District Senior & Open Singles Championships were played at Denman Bowling Club on Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th April 2023.

Senior Winner - Julie Copland (Aberdeen) and Open Winner - Helen Rose (Denman). Good Luck in the Regional Play-offs on Sunday 28th May 2023 at Scone Bowling Club.

TEA GARDENS WOMEN

By Lynda Richards

Our Club Championship Triples Competition commenced on Tuesday 21st March, 8 teams entered this event, the Final was contested on Tuesday 28th March. The finalists were Jean Glover, Bette Saillard and Robyn Webster v Jeanette Emmett, Judi Polak and Dot Dallas what a great display of bowling by all, this game was a "nail biter" right to the end. Going into the last end Robyn's team had a lead of 1 (15 v 14), they scored 2 shots here and claimed victory 17 v 14.

On Thursday 30th March Versatility Day was played, many thanks for our Major Sponsor First National Real Estate Hawks Nest for sponsoring this annual event. Teams are randomly picked games played Fours, Triples, Pairs and Singles. The winners were Sheril Johnson, Lorraine Murphy, Ingrid Luck and Robyn Beaumont. Second place Chrissy Buddle, Jean Glover, Maynie Roberts and Dale Winter and coming in third were Sue Morris, Lynda Richards, Bev Dunn and Bette Saillard.

Well done to Sheila Rattray, Sheril Johnson, Robyn Beaumont and Dale Winter on their success at Kotara Invitation Fours day after 2 games they had 2 wins and 21 points as did 2 other teams on count back their team won 3rd prize. The Lemon Tree Passage Women's Bowling Club v TGWBC Challenge was played on Thursday 13th April, this annual event began on the 29th May 2014 instigated by our Club Secretary (at that time) Vicki Rankin, due to COVID it has been 3years since it was held. Unfortunately rain stopped play not long into contest, the scores were tallied after 4 ends of play and TGWBC announced the winners by 2 shots. A sort of "hollow victory" but we will hold the trophy till next year. TGWBC winners 5 times now LTP twice. Thanks to Vicki Rankin for bowling with us this year.

Vale: it is with great sadness I have to report the passing of Margaret Smith on Wednesday 19th April. Margaret held the position of Vice President of TGWBC for 7 years, a staunch supporter of our Club even when her bowling days were over she will be sadly missed by all who knew her.



Above L-R: Winners of Tea Gardens Women's Versatility Day with John Rumble (centre - First national Real Estate) Sheril Johnson, Lorraine Murphy, Ingrid Luck and Robyn Beaumont



Above L-R: Finalists of Tea Gardens Women's Club Triples Jeanette Emmett, Judi Polak, Dot Dallas, Robyn Webster, Bette Saillard and Jean Glover

KURRI KURRI

By The Loose Canon



Above L-R: Kurri Kurri Women's Fours winners Carolyn Glen, Karen Webber, Lorraine Aspinall and Alex Allan



Above L-R: Kurri Kurri Kool kids side playing in the Zone 6 Junior Championship Cooper Appleby, Dakoda Meatheringham, Theo Meatheringham, Dawson Meatheringham and Kaytee Muncaster.

A very busy 2 months have been and gone, and here are some updates, results and special achievements.

Firstly, pennants is coming to its conclusion for 2022/23 season with open gender having 2 rounds left in regular season. With 6 teams nominated, we have mixed results but all positive for future endeavours as we all know, with 21 ladies playing and new members arriving, it was always going to be a task finding balance throughout the grades. 1s, 5s and 7s have massive chance of making the post seasonals with 3, 4 and 6 grade unfortunately out. With that, all players attitudes who have donned the red and blue have given there all and that's all you can ask for. Next issue will have some very important results for pennants with hopefully there might be a flag winner amongst them.

Club championships for men and women are nearly completed with ladies having minor pairs and the minor singles to play. Minor singles final will be Rhonda Hadfield versing Julie Trypas. The men have minor pairs with young cooper Appleby and his uncle Gary Wilkins versing Andrew Manners and Ray Mulcahy. Then we have the mixed fours final with cooper Appleby, Chloe Appleby, Leanne Chenoweth and Mal Dodds versing Tanya Ware, Adelle Johns, Ian brown and Andrew Rees. Good luck to all. Presentation date for this year is July 15 and looking forward to my first presentation with the Cannons. We did have 1 discipline completed with the ladies fours winners being, A. Allan, L. Aspinall, K. Webber and Carolyn Glen winning against a determined side in D. Meatheringham, K. Clark, V. Pritchard and N. Ware. Another achievement to all and well played ladies.

District singles have been run and won for ladies and men. Again Kurri's representation in numbers is astounding and very much appreciated. With that, no champions but we had 5 semi-finalist with Tanya Ware, Nicky Ware and Sharon Sumner in Open and Seniors as well as our new recruits Bruce Taylor in seniors and our rookie champ Shaun O'Toole going deep as well. Congrats guys and gals.

We have BPL qualifying at Kurri on the 8th July, and to nominate a side go to BA website and click on competitions.

Our pathway event winners are heading to Sydney early June in champ of champs and would just like to say good luck. In the singles we have Aaron Appleby and Carolyn Glen and pairs teams are Oosh Muncaster and Leisa Morgan with Glenn spud Raymond and Paul Gilmore. Very strong contingent cannons and good luck. We will wish the state champ sides who are off to the Wollongong area in July all the best in the next months issue.

One of the most rewarding and uplifting experience has happened in my career over the last month as I was given the chance as coach, to help, train and guide our little KURRI KOOL KIDS to compete in zone 6 junior district championships at ECBC. Our kids group was made up with – Dawson Meatheringham AGE 9, Theo Meatheringham AGE 7, Dakota Meatheringham AGE 10, Kaytee Muncaster AGE 9 and Cooper Appleby the most experienced at age 13 playing over 3 days in singles, fours then pairs. What I saw was truly amazing as oppositions were twice as big, experienced and used to the pressure of district games, but our kids were incredible with Cooper and Kaytee making the pairs final, young Dakota gaining 10 shots against the reigning champ and state rep and the fours side conducting themselves with the attitude that can't be matched considering their age and experience. Absolute honour to see these kids achieve so much in the limited time we had to get ready for the event. Bring on our future stars.

This concludes this months issue and will catch up next month. See yas on the greens bowlers. The loose cannon.

STOCKTON

By Jack High, P.O.



Above l-r: Stockton 2023 Mixed Pairs Winners Brian Hitchcock & Sue Sansom with Runners-up Nadine Bolton & Leo Payne

The Final of the Mixed Pairs was played on Sunday 16th April the finalists being Sue Sansom & Brian Hitchcock (Skip) and





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Nadine Bolton & Leo Payne. The Hitchcock duo led all game, with the Payne team getting to within 2 shots (14-12) at about the 14th end when their run ended and the Hitchcock team skipped away to take the title with a final score of 23-12 shots. A pleasing number of spectators were present to watch the match. In the Semi-Finals Brian defeated the team of Supak Delaney & Dick Hadley (21-10) and Leo defeated the duo of Shirley Simpson & Neville Crittenden (30-15).

At copy time the "Jim Scanlon Shield" had reached the Semi-Final stage with one Qtr. Final catch up game to be played. We had four Divisions entered in the Club Challenge Competition with our only success being our Division 4 (3) Side winning their Section with 43 points. We played Lowlands in the first playoff match and in a very close game finished with 6 points each. In the shootout extra end we lost by 1 shot, never the less a good effort by our players.

Our Pennant Sides were having mixed fortunes at the completion of Round 7. Our No.2 Grade Side with 39 points remain in touch with the Section leaders Soldiers Point on 41.5 points. No.4 Grade were struggling in 5th spot on 24.5 points. No. 6 Grade continued to lead their Section with 49 points with Soldiers Point snapping at their heels on 48.5 points. Our 7 (1) Grade Side are in 2nd. Place with 46.5 points behind the leaders Fingal Bay on 57 points. No.7 (2) Grade were, baring miracles, seemingly out of contention in 5th place in their Section with 27 points with Beresfield leading on 53.5 points.

BERESFIELD

By David Govan,
Bowls Co-ordinator

Hi there fellow Magpies, the highlight from the past month has been our club triples championship up to the final stage. David Hutchison, Anthony Ellercamp & David Govan will take on defending champions Mark Fisher, Glen Solomons & Brad Unsted.

Our 2-division finished runner up to Charlestown in the club challenge. Congratulations to all players on a great final. Pennant season is well under way with several grades doing well, keep up the good work ladies and gentlemen. Last of congratulations to David Wayland & David Govan on selection in the upcoming interzone representative futures, good bowling & GO THE MAGPIES!!

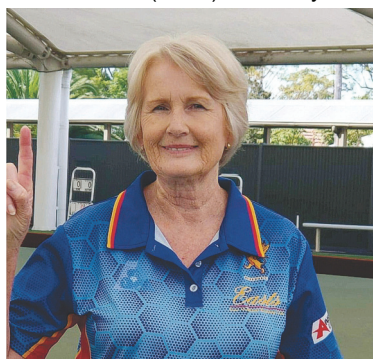


HUNTER RIVER DISTRICT WOMEN

By Maria Malcolm



Above: Hunter River District Women's Open Singles Finalists Simone Smith (R/UP) and Kathy Wilton (Winner)



Above: Hunter River District Women's Senior Singles Winner Lorraine Hay



Above: Hunter River District Women's Senior Singles Runner-up Pamela Stephanis

The Hunter River District Open and Senior Singles were held between 17th and 19th of April. After some great bowls were played, the semi-finals for the Open singles were played between two sets of sisters, and the final between two sisters. It was a hard-fought game with Kathy Wilton defeating her sister Simone Smith 25/24. The Senior Finals was also a very close game with Lorraine Hay defeating Pamela Stephanis. Congratulations to all who played this week.

SOLDIERS POINT WOMEN

By Wendy O'Brien, P.O.



Above L-R: Soldiers Point Women's Major Pairs runners up Julie Schumacher, Rosita Ryan, winners Missy Witts and Leisa Burton.



Above L-R: Soldiers Point Women's Minor Pairs runners up Jean O'Reilly, Mary Judge, winners Lyn Yeomans and Moira Jones.

It was all about pairing off this month. The Club Championship Major Pairs has been decided in an entertaining match with fine bowls played by all finalists. The battle between duo Missy Witts (skip) and Leisa Burton against team Rosita Ryan (skip) and Julie Schumacher was won by Missy and Leisa 21-12.

This was followed by the rounds of Club Championship Minor Pairs, the final contested by Lyn Yeomans (skip) and Moira Jones, who won against Mary Judge (skip) and Jean O'Reilly. The final score was 19-8 with not much separating the bowls in many ends. Congratulations to all bowlers on reaching the finals of these championships and providing top entertaining bowls.

Coming up this month is our popular Blue Water Carnival played from 15-18 May, a hectic time for all our match and committee members and the many volunteers that make this tournament a success. Also, the Club Consistency rounds will commence. Looking forward to another enjoyable month of bowls.

DORA CREEK WOMEN

Mitzi Hopwood, Acting Publicity Officer

Hello again! Jan Rhodes has resigned from the role of Publicity Officer - we miss her witty comments and sense of humour.

Our Ladies have enjoyed playing Open Gender Pennants, the format has also been interesting and of course it's been nice to meet players from our Men's club and other clubs.

Dora Creek green will be closed from 26th April for approximately 3 weeks, we are getting our 3rd new synthetic green.

It's been difficult to get our heads around the changes of bowls with the Boundaries, calendar year, but as we all know change is necessary even though some complain to us, but it must happen. Good bowling all and enjoy the game.

BELMONT GOLF AND BOWLS WOMEN

By Di Stockwell, P.O.



Above: Winner of Belmont Golf and Bowls Women's Consistency Singles Dianne Stockwell.



Above: Runner-up in Belmont Golf and Bowls Women's Consistency Singles Maureen Simpson.

The Final of the Championship Consistency Singles was played today. A great game with Winner Dianne Stockwell and runner up Maureen Simpson. It is good bowling to reach a Final well done to both Ladies.

Wishing any member on the sick list, get well soon. Happy Birthday to members celebrating in the month of May and wishing all Ladies travelling to the State Carnival good Bowling and enjoy. See you all on OTG

CARDIFF WOMEN

By Bianca Hann, P.O.

We wish to welcome Janelle Peattie as a new member to our club, and hope she has many happy bowling years with us. Janelle has recently retired.

Good luck to all taking part in our Minor Singles starting this week.

Happy birthday to our April ladies, Glenda Robins, Margaret Merrion and Catherine Taylor.

Above: Cardiff Women's new member Janelle Peattie



Our deepest sympathy to Diane Moore and her family on the loss of her husband Greg, a dedicated bowler and a good friend to all at Cardiff Bowling Club

BAR BEACH

By Barbie Chowlo

Celebrating 100 years at Bar Beach Bowlo



Above: Bar Beach 2022-23 Major Singles Champion, Shane Quill



Above: Troy Ball Runner-up in Bar Beach 2022-23 Major Singles

During April we had a rare accomplishment at the reef, a double singles champion!

Congratulations to Shane Quill who took out the title of 2022-23 Major Singles Champion following a thrilling final against Troy Ball. Shane and Troy played outstanding bowls which the large crowd of spectators were excited to watch. Well done to you both for making it to the final of the Major Singles.

Shane also won the title of Minor Singles Champion during the 2022-23 season. The bowling committee and board of Bar Beach BC would like to acknowledge this achievement and thank Shane for his forever gentlemanly and generous approach to all games played.

The new Open Gender Singles will commence at the end of April. Good luck to all entrants.

WHAT'S ON ...Social Galas. Wednesday and Saturday 1pm. Bar Beach Bowling and Sporting Club provides free nibbles after the Wednesday and Saturday galas for bowlers to enjoy during the raffle and consolation draw. You can't pick a better location than Bar Beach for a roll at this time of year. Lovely sunshine takes the edge off the colder weather and adds to the beachy atmosphere and fun vibes.

WHAT'S ON... Chairmans v Presidents Day is coming up in June. This tradition is a favourite amongst the members and always sparks a fun competition and great day out hosted by BBBC Men's Committee and Bar Beach Bowling and Sporting Club.

100 Years old! This year Bar Beach Bowling and Sporting Club turns 100! We will be hosting a weekend tournament in September to celebrate this momentous occasion. We'll keep you posted!

Happy bowling, everyone!

DORA CREEK WORKERS

By Ron McCarthy, Publicity Officer



Above L-R: Dora Creek Workers Men's Club Triples Champions Darren Jones, Peter Starling and Rod Gibson with Runners-up Dave Derrick, Tom Henry and Angelo Valance.

We are very proud of the Dora Creek team that reached the Semi-final of the Zone 2 Open District Fours. They are Jason Snowden, Dave Derrick, Noel Fishburn and Joel Martin. It's good to see that players from this group play regularly with the club's Gala

Day players each Thursday and Saturday. This contributes to skills learned by others, especially new members to the club, and enhances club spirit..

The final of the Club Mixed Triples was played on 3.4.2023, the winning team comprised Barry Winslade, Lorraine Walker, and Steve Timmins. Commiserations to the runners-up team of Paul Stewart, John Hardy, and Margaret Hardy.

The Final of the Men's Club Triples is coming up and the two contesting teams are D. Derrick, T. Henry, and A. Valance versus K. Bennetts, I. Reiman, and L. DiPaoli. Good luck to both teams.



Above L-R: Dora Creek Semi-Finalists of the ZONE 2 Open Dist Fours Jason Snowden, Dave Derrick, Noel Fishburn and Joel Martin

KAHIBAH WOMEN

By Margaret Yarrow, C.O.

Consistency Final was played on the 11 April and was won by Maree Waddingham with Runner up Beryl Long. Congratulations to both Ladies on a great game. That completes all our club games for this year. The Presentation Day which was to be held on the 23rd April has been cancelled by the Men's Club and will be now held by the Ladies on our A.G.M day Friday 9th June. Here's hoping for a good turn up. Veterans Day is to be held at Boolaroo Monday 22nd May and our Biggest Morning Tea 23rd May at 10am - please bring a plate of goodies. Weight watchers of course. Bad news our fees are due in May.

Pennants commence in September we will be in Grade 4 and still

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DEPARTED BOWLERS

Please advise us of *Departed Bowlers* by sending an email to otgbowl@yahoo.com.au

Greg Moore (Cardiff), Wal Eather (NDBA Past President); Jean Blayden (Life Member Merewether Women); Margaret Smith (Tea Gardens Women);

Wal Eather was a former President of the NDBA. He was also Treasurer and Past President of Charlestown Bowling Club. It is believed that the position of Librarian was created specifically to bring Wal onto the NDBA Executive and the following year he moved onto the Advisory committee before becoming Vice President and then President of the NDBA in 1984.

Wal was a regular contributor to, and then host of, Lawn Bowls programs on radio 2KO and 2NURFM and was instrumental in having bowls tournaments televised on NBN 3 and Prime TV.

Following his exit from office Wal joined the Heaton-Birmingham Gardens Bowling Club. Wal was awarded the Australian Sports Medal for Services to Lawn Bowls.

We recognise the contribution Wal made to bowls in the Newcastle District and offer condolences to his family and friends.

Right: VALE Wal Eather – Past President of NDBA



need more numbers if only as a substitute. The Silver Service day had to be cancelled due to rain and is now on the 17th October. Bessie Gilbert day will be 21st August Triples Competition Names to Glenice please 0409 451 930. Gala Days continue to be enjoyed by the faithful few please try to attend these days if only for half a game - all welcome.

Thoughts to our members on the sick list. Hoping for



Above: Kahibah Presidents Consistency President Annette Finnie with Winner Maree Waddingham and Runner Up Beryl Long.

MEREWETHER WOMEN

By Rosemary Allars, C.O.



Above: Merewether Women's Minor Singles Finalists Mardi Ryan (R/up) and Rosemary Allars (Winner)

Club Championship: Final of Women's Minor Singles was played in perfect conditions on 11th April between Rosemary Allars and Mardi Ryan. Congratulations to both Rosemary and Mardi for reaching the final but the ultimate victory went to Rosemary with a 25 to 16 win. Great game, very close at times.

We are saddened at the passing of our Life Member Jean Blayden. Jean was a well-loved member of our club and will be missed. Sincere sympathy to her family.

VALENTINE WOMEN

By Donna Owen, C.O.



Above: Valentine Women's Past Presidents Consistency Jenny Baldwin, Velma McArthur, Joyce Sullivan, Trixie Stauble and Gwen Gould.

The final of the Past Presidents' Consistency played between Trixie Stauble and Jenny Baldwin was a wonderful game, which entertained a large number of people. Trixie prevailed in the end, after the scores were even at 75 and 100. Four of our Past Presidents, Velma McArthur, Joyce Sullivan, Merle Armstrong and Gwen Gould, were there to present the prizes.

We held a birthday celebration lunch for Paulette Bignell, Barbara Bennett, Del Copeland and Flo Smith, who are turning 80, and Merle Armstrong and Velma McArthur who are turning 95. They were presented with flowers, and we all enjoyed delicious cup cakes made by Jill Gillies and Heather Lynn.

The Minor Singles are underway, and we look forward to watching some great bowling.



Above: Valentine Women's Birthday celebration lunch for Barbara Bennett, Flo Smith, Del Copeland and Paulette Bignell, Merle Armstrong and Velma McArthur



Above: Valentine Women's President Lorraine Davies presents 95 year olds Merle Armstrong and Glenda Morgan with flowers at the birthday celebrations.

MARKS POINT

By John James



Above L-R: Marks Point Pairs Winners Steve Pearson & Graham Pearson with Runners-up Rod Ibbett and Leo Louis

Finally we were able to play our club championship's inaugural Bill Goodwin 3 bowl's pairs final brothers Steve Pearson & Graham Pearson 17 def Rod Ibbett and Leo Louis 16. Wow what a great match - the score changed many times in almost 3 hrs of bowl's this match will be remembered as one of the great pairs games played in this club well done both teams.

TUNCURRY FORSTER SPORTS WOMEN

By Sue Ryan, C.O.

Our 2022-23 Major Singles Championship commenced on 16th March and concluded with the Final being played on 31st March. The Semi-Finals were played on 24th March where Vicki Piper defeated Liz Windle and Lyn McVicar defeated Sue Langridge. Each of the Semi-Finals were close encounters with all the players involved playing great draw bowls.

A first for the Ladies Club, with the Final played between



Above: Tuncurry Forster Sports Women's 2022-23 Major Singles Runner Up Vicki Piper and Winner Lyn McVicar

Vicki Piper and Lyn McVicar being live streamed and it was a terrific game to watch with many a good bowl played by both ladies. Lyn won the first two ends to lead by 3 shots with Vicki collecting 2 shots on the next end, and then it was fairly even and after 8 ends they were 6 all. By end 14 Vicki was leading Lyn 12-10, then Lyn picked up 3 shots to take the lead 13-12. Lyn then got a roll to win the next 4 ends to consolidate her lead 23-12. Vicki never one to give up, won the next 2 ends to be 15-23, however, Lyn won the next end with the 2 shots required to win the Major Singles 25-15.

Congratulations to both Finalists, to our 2022-23 Major Singles Winner Lyn McVicar and Runner Up Vicki Piper on tremendous bowls played throughout the Championship.

CHARLESTOWN WOMEN

By Laurel Faint, P.O.



Above L-R: Charlestown Women's Club Pairs CHAMPIONS Kathy Limond and Raweang Namutwong and RUNNERS UP Kathy Faint and Laurel Faint

CLUB NEWS: Our final Club games for 2022-2023 have now been completed. **2022-2023 Club Pairs Champions:** Kathy Limond and Raweang Namutwong; **Runners Up:** Kathy Faint and Laurel Faint. Congratulations to both teams. Kathy and Raweang will now Represent Charlestown at the 2022-2023 Champion Of Champion Championship Pairs State Finals to be held from 1st – 4th June 2023. Men and Women play same dates between Main Host Club Cabramatta, Cabra-Vale Diggers, Club Merrylands, Club Mt Lewis and St Johns Park.

It is now a double up for Raweang, who will also play in the 2022-2023 Champion Of Champion Championship Singles State Finals from 5th – 8th June 2023. Good Luck and all the very best wishes from everyone at Club Charlestown when you both contest these events.

2022-2023 CLUB CHALLENGE: Charlestown had 3 teams winning through to the post section Club Challenge - Well done 3 Division. Congratulations to our Mens 2 Division for their WIN 19-04-2023 Report by Daniel. We had 3 of our Ladies playing in 4.1 Division Quarter Final against Lowlands (19.04.23) **Pairs** M. Robbs and T Funnell, **Triples** B. O'Connor, R. Turnbull and J. Cowan and **Fours** Debbie Foote, Gail Baker, Karen Mason and J Willoughby. They have all won their way through to the SEMI FINALS against Beresfield 1, next Wednesday 26th April at Lambton. The Finals will be held at Club Lambton on Wednesday 3rd May at 12.20pm. Good Luck and great bowling to all in the Semis.

LAKE MACQUARIE DISTRICT NEWS: Congratulations to 15 Charlestown Members who have been selected to Represent Lake Macquarie District v/s Newcastle District "Friendship Trophy" at Belmont Golf/Bowling Club, on Friday 26th May (more news next Month). Lynn Genders, Halina Wuro, Kathy Limond, Gayle



Gannon, Debbie Foote, Tina Gibson, Gail Baker, Pattie White, Kay Shuttlewood, Raweang Namutwong, Karleen Gemmell, Rhonda Littlewood, Debbie Bullen, Laurel Faint, Kathy Faint.

BOWLS NEWS: It's great to see our Ladies out and about enjoying Bowls at other Clubs. Congratulations to all 2023 *Club Terrigal Easter Carnival Ladies Graded Triples (11 Plus)* Winners: Jodie Turner, Karen Mason and Raweang Namutwong; *2023 Bar Beach Ladies Invitation 3 Bowls Triples* – Fri 14.04.23 Runners Up: Anette Pontey, Jill Thomas, Maria Smith; 3rd: Gail Baker, Jodie Turner and Raweang Namutwong.

CLUB NEWS: On Tues 21st March, thanks to our Social Chairperson Debbie Foote and her wonderful Team for organizing and decorating for our first Harmony Day celebration. It was a great get together enjoyed by all who attended.

Till next month, Laurel.



Above: Happy snaps from Harmony Day with Charlestown Women.

KOTARA



Above: Kotara Club Champion for 2022/23 - Gerry Gairns.



Above L-R: Kotara Club Triples Champions G. Davis, R. Muir (S) and J. Sharpe.



Above L-R: Kotara's Club Pairs Champions J. Sharpe and S. Farley.



Above L-R: Kotara's Club Fours Champions K. Gilbert, J. Storrie, S. Storrie and K. Doolan.



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LOWLANDS WOMEN

By Lynn Robertson, C.O.

We are building great numbers in our ladies club and enjoying a strong playing membership at weekly galas and club events as a result of the recent WEA bowls clinic. Tuesday galas are on the big move with numbers continually upwards of 30 players. Electronic signing on has also moved us forward into a more streamlined and efficient organisational structure. This couldn't happen without the sustained commitment, hard work and enthusiasm from the working committee of our club. Special thanks to Jann Proctor and Wendy Mason for their energetic input to make this all happen.



Above: Lowlands players at the recent Raymond Terrace Open Club Championships

A first for some of our ladies who competed in the recent Open Club Championships at Raymond Terrace. Fran Hoppe, Jan Haynes and Jann Proctor as one team and a mixed team of Doug Graham, Warren Calwell, Eric Pilar and Julie Vitnell. Well done to those players who competed.

Excellent numbers were represented in the recent Lou Mortimer triples event. The day comprised of drawn teams playing 3 x 8 end games with the winners Gale Mooney, skip, Caroline Wickham and Beryl Munroe. Congratulations on the win girls and your name on the shield.

Wrapping up the playing calendar for the current season is the club mixed pairs competition. An event which hasn't been played for a number of years and with our current playing numbers, it should be eagerly contested. Good luck to all of the players taking part.

The annual Oncology Day is being held on Monday 1st of May. It is always a great day of bowls and fundraising for a very worthy cause. Thankyou to the teams of players visiting Lowlands and participating in the event. Also thanks to the volunteering Oncology helpers for the delicious lunch which is included on the day and our organising committee for their involvement.

Come to Lowlands and be part of a growing enthusiastic club where everyone is welcome. See you on the green at Lowlands.



Fran Hoppe, Jan Haynes and Jann Proctor
Doug Graham, Warren Calwell, Eric Pilar and Julie Vitnell



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WALLSEND WOMEN

By Patricia McAllister P. O.



Above: Jenny Mather, Wallsend Women's member selected to play in City v Country



Above: Wallsend Women's Pairs Winners Colleen Fishlock and Dianne Cass



Above: Wallsend Women's Presidents Consistency Winner: Dianne Cass



Above: Wallsend Women's Pairs Runners up Noelene Sutcliffe and Marie Ruming



Above: Wallsend Women's Presidents Consistency Runner up: Marie Ruming

On Saturday 25th of March a Sinkhole took down our Three beautiful grass greens and closed our club for an undetermined time. It will be some time before our greens are repaired and available for play. In the meantime we are taking advantage of Waterboard hospitality and are continuing our Wednesday Galas and Club Games.

The results of our **Club Pairs**: Colleen Fishlock (lead) and Dianne Cass (skip) defeated Noeline Sutcliffe (lead) and Marie Ruming (skip). The results of our **Club Presidents Consistency**: Dianne Cass defeated Marie Ruming.

Our very popular member, **Jenny Mather** has been selected to play in **District City V Country** on Friday 28th March at Fingal Bay. Good Luck Jenny, we will be there to Celebrate with you.

The Right Royal Invitation Day we have set down for **Friday 16th June** has not been cancelled at this stage. We hope to have further news by next edition of OTG. Any enquiries can be directed to Dianne Cass, Games Committee on Mobile 0466 030 686. **Good Bowling.**

ON THE GREEN

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MARKS POINT WOMEN

By Helen Pucher, P.O.

The past month has seen the completion of our Club Championship 4's. The final was such a close game and was very enjoyable to watch. Congratulations to all of you - it was great to see a couple of our newer bowlers as winners.

We are now up to Semi Finals in the Minor Singles and wish our competitors good luck. I will report on this next month. The year is certainly drawing to a close, with only the President's Consistency to follow. We do have our Invitation 4's to look forward to on June

19th. This should be a great day with our usual sumptuous morning tea. Let's hope we have a great roll-up - full greens and nice weather would be good.

Until next month- happy bowling and very best wishes to any of our members on the sick list. Get well soon and back on the green.

Below R-L: Marks Point Women's Club Fours Championship Winners N. Whitelaw, S. McKay, J. Allen & D. Jenkins (S) and Runners-Up. J Harrop (S) J. Kirkwood, H. Fellowes & P. Peck



WANGI WOMEN

By Robyn Fairfull, P.O.

Hello from Wangi Womens Bowling Club. Firstly I would like to thank everyone for the lovely condolence messages which were sent to me due the recent passing of my beautiful mum and sister. I appreciated the messages very much. I would like to welcome our new members to our club, I am sure Sue, Margaret, Cathy and Donna will be an asset to our club. Congratulations to our Triples Winners Carol Towe, Robyn Fairfull and Jenny Waight who defeated Narrelle Biard, Norma MacLeod and Fay Curry in the final.

Wishing all good health and good bowling.



Above L-R: Wangi Women's Triples Winners Carol Towe, Robyn Fairfull and Jenny Waight



Above L-R: Wangi Women's Triples runners up were Narrelle Biard, Norma MacLeod and Fay Curry

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