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PROGRAM

FRIDAY 18TH AUGUST 2023 ENTRIES OPEN TO FIRST 28 TEAMS

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

We left last month on the edge of our seats with the finals of the State Pennant Play-offs in the balance. Congratulations to **Raymond Terrace on their Pennant Double!!** The Jets brought home both the 1 Grade AND 2 Grade Flags - AMAZING!! I am sure the club will be buzzing for some time and are extremely proud of their achievement. Well done and congratulations to Soldiers Point who were formidable foes to the Jets in the final of 1 Grade. How about Wingham Bowling Club also STATE FINALISTS in the 4 Grade!! They played extremely well and went down by a single shot to St Johns Park. Somehow they flew under my radar last month in the play-off summary - not sure how that happened, but apologies none the less for the oversight. Congratulations again.

It's hard to keep up with all the State Events at the moment, they are being played thick and fast. The Junior State Championships were first off the rank from July 10-14. Warilla was the venue and both Zone 2 and Zone 6 had contestants in all disciplines. In the Singles Koby Kattau (Z6) and Kyle Anderson (Z2) did not get past sectional, but I am sure it was a great experience for both. Koby had another shot in the Pairs with Xander Webber and won their section but went down in the semi-finals to eventual winners from Cabramatta. Zone 2's Jordan Lean and Zoe Nicholls came second in their section. Unfortunately, Zone 2's side of Zoe Nicholls, Liam Pietraszek, Jordan Lean and Huxley Rowe lucked out in the Fours. Zone 6 Fours side of Jeremy Bourke, Xander Webber, James Allerton & Koby Kattau won their section but again went down in the semi's to eventual state champions. Well done to everyone. The Junior's are gearing up for the Junior Interzone 7-a-side played at Dubbo.

State Championships have been plugging away since the 20^{m} July and still have the Mixed Pairs to play. It blows my mind how well our readership has done. The following record is only those who progressed past sectional matches.

MEN'S SINGLES Semi-Finalist: Jono Davis (Nelson Bay); OPEN RESERVE PAIRS Semi-finalists: Stephen Sanders, John Kinsella (Fingal Bay);

MEN'S TRIPLES Semi-Finalists: Jamie Minter, Ian Lean & Shannon Gittoes (Raymond Terrace). *Side Note:* Z2 and Z6 were in the same section of the Triples. Maitland City side of DJ Dilworth, Nathan Dawson and Brody Pitham also won 2 of the 3 games, countback on score difference got the Jets over the line.

SENIOR MEN'S PAIRS Semi-Finalist and FINALIST: Harvey Phillips & Daryl Webster from Old Bar Beach as well as Clay Parker and Rowan Brassey from East Maitland come through sectional play in the Senior Men's Pairs. They then faced each other in the semi-final with East Maitland prevailing 21/18. Clay and Rowan proceeded to the finals where they met a couple of State Senior Side Rep Players from Towradgi Park and went down in a tough game 25/18. Well done to Harvey and Daryl from Old Bar as Semifinalists, and congratulations to Clay and Rowan (East Maitland) as finalist and RUNNER-UP in the State.

MEN'S FOURS FINALISTS: Fresh off their 1 Grade State Pennant win, the Jets continued to fire with their Fours side of Tim Twining, Jamie Minter, Lennon Scott & Lee Schraner (Raymond Terrace) winning through to the final of the Men's Fours. They defeated Taren Point in a close match 18/16 but ultimately went down to St Johns Park in the final.

SENIOR FOURS CHAMPIONS: Harvey Phillips, Michael Kilkeary, Lindsay Langtry & Daryl Webster (Old Bar) took out the Senior Fours Championship. Their semi-final and final matches were won by a nerve wracking one shot a piece. Well deserved and congratulations.

WOMEN'S SINGLES FINALIST: Natasha Van Eldik (Raymond Terrace);

SENIOR SINGLES CHAMPION: Joan Thomas (Forster). After taking out her section, Joan forged ahead to defeat Joy Scott from Merimbula 25/15 in the semi-final and then went on to defeat Ballina's Wendy Clarke 25/21 in the final.

WOMEN'S TRIPLES FINALISTS: CHAMPIONS Kate Matthews, Genevieve Delves & Natasha Van Eldik (Raymond Terrace), RUNNERS-UP: Colleen Starr, Joan Thomas & Sarah Boddington (Forster). Kate, Gen and Tash won their section undefeated – quite comfortably in fact, one match by a 42 shot margin. They then defeated Belrose in the semi's for their finals berth. Meanwhile the Forster girls won 2 of their 3 sectional games and came through with the stronger score difference to take the section. They accounted for NBC Sports in their semi-final 31/28.

WOMEN'S SENIOR TRIPLES CHAMPIONS: Jan Sutherland, Vacie McIntyre & Betty Herbertson (Soldiers Point). Another title to Newcastle District with the Senior Triples smashing it in the sectionals undefeated with a massive score difference of 91. Their semi-final against Warilla was comfortable as well, but they worked for it in the final against Commercial Albury with one shot clinching victory 19/18.

WOMEN'S SENIOR PAIRS CHAMPIONS: Kathryn Limond & Raweang Namutwong (Charlestown). Congratulations to Kathryn and Nang!! After a clean sweep in their sectional matches, they continued their good form with a win over Lithgow Workies 22/10 and an even more decisive win over Port City 31/6 in the final.

WOMEN'S FOURS Semi-Finalist: Sharon McReynolds, Charlotte Hayman, Genevieve Delves & Natasha Van Eldik (Raymond Terrace); WOMEN'S FOURS FINALISTS: Robin Condello, Colleen Starr, Joan Thomas & Sarah Boddington (Forster) made it through to the final of the Women's Fours on the opposite side of the draw to Raymond Terrace. They stumbled against Cabramatta in the final.

SENIOR FOURS CHAMPIONS: Pamela Stephens, Alison Moxey, Maria Barrett & Vacie McIntyre (Soldiers Point). Undefeated in sectional games, 30/8 shot victory over Toongabbie in the semifinal, followed by 24/16 win over Taren Point in the final.

Wow!! Just to wrap that up. From 20 disciplines we fielded at least one or more post sectional contenders in 13 of them. State Runnerup in 5 events, and produced **SIX STATE CHAMPIONS!!** That's massive!! Congratulations to all on a fabulous result. Good luck in the Mixed Pairs to the following contestants Debra Barber (Adamstown) & Matthew Johnstone (Soldiers Point); Lynne Thompson (Raymond Terrace) & Christopher Garn (Raymond Terrace); Claire Kelly (Forster) & Shannon Charles White (Forster); Zoe Nicholls (Raymond Terrace) & Brendan Stokes (Raymond Terrace); June Evans (Beresfield) & Grant Boyce (Beresfield); Cheryl Cook (Telarah) & Daniel Michael Hoffman (Telarah); Mark Greene (Soldiers Point) & Melissa Witts (Soldiers Point).

The Senior Side to contest the NSW v VIC Test at Warilla on 7-8 August was announced on 14th July. Congratulations to Michael Beesley and Bill Ahoy (Soldiers Point) as well as Kim Jaques (Charlestown) who were selected in the Senior Men's Side. In the Women's side we congratulate Carolyn Glen (Kurri Kurri), Claire Kelly (Forster), Lee Benson (Harrington), Joan Thomas (Forster) and Betty Herbertson (Soldiers Point). Good luck to you and the whole NSW Squad in the upcoming matches.

It's AGM time and as is usual a number of Publicity Officers have put down their proverbial pens. We thank and farewell Eric Roach (Valentine), Debbie Fulton (Raymond Terrace Women), Di Stockwell (Belmont Women), Lynn Robertson (Lowlands Women) and Helen Pucher (Marks Point). It's been a pleasure working with you all. We appreciate your contribution, some, who have written in for year and years. Take care. We welcome Pete Lynn (Valentine), Jules Adams (Belmont) and Lynn Flanagan (Lowlands) in their stead. I believe Nicole Bell has been appointed PO for Marks Point and Raymond Terrace are on the lookout.

All District/Zone Associations have either had or will soon have their FINAL AGM EVER before amalgamation into Sectors. Thank you to all volunteers, current and past members who have kept their respective Districts perpetuating through the years. There is also a lot of work ahead for current administration to steer the way through to a successful unification as well – a task I do not envy. Good on you to those involved in the process.

Before I leave, a big thank you to the support we are receiving from clubs to continue bringing the magazine to you. We have been able to bump up to 48 pages this issue which has in turn allowed us to catch up on a couple of stories held over from last month. Take care and all the best.

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From the Administrator's Desk

By Warren Shipley, NDBA Sports Administrator

WOMEN LEAD THE WAY AT STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS TO END 2022/23 SEASON

Results have been varied at the 2022/23 State Championships which were half completed at time of print, but the women were leading the way with two State Titles and a runner up. Kate Matthews, Genevieve Delves and Natasha Van Eldik from Raymond Terrace were successful in the Woman's State Triples winning their section with 3 wins plus 65 before defeating Belrose in the Semi 26-13 and running away with the final over Forster 23 to 6. Not to be outdone was the Soldiers Point team of Jan Sutherland, Vacie McIntyre and Betty Herbertson who won their section in the Women's Senior Triples with 3 wins and a massive plus margin of 91!! They then won their Semi 26 to 16 over Warilla before a nail biting 19-18 victory over Commercial Albury.

In the State Men's Triples the Jets, Jamie Minter, Ian Lean and Shannon Gittoes got through on top of their section with 2 wins plus 11 before being defeated in the Semi 27 to 10 by eventual winners Merrylands. The Senior Men's team of Mark Sheppard, Bill Ahoy and Michael Beesley from Soldiers Point had a tough battle in their section finishing in 4th with 1 win minus 9. Charlestown's Lynn Genders, Patricia White and Halino Wuro finished 2nd in their section with 1 win plus 9. Gaye Brown, Julianne Paterson & Maureen Simpson (Belmont Golf & Bowls) who drew the same section as the Senior Champions finished their section with 2 wins minus 23 in 2nd place with their only loss was to the Champions.

In the Singles it was Natasha Van Eldik that went so close to claiming the Blue-Ribbon Women's event when she won through her section with 3 wins plus 61 before defeating Kay Moran on her home green at Figtree 25 to 24 and then being narrowly defeated by

NELSON BAY

By Kane Coulls, Bowls Co-ordinator



Above: Nelson Bay Men's Minor Singles Finalists David Hall (right) defeated Ernie Ramsay (left)



Men's Minor Singles: The Final of our Men's Minor Singles has been played. David Hall defeated Ernie Ramsay 25 - 9. Congratulations to both players.

Friday Men's Jackpot Pairs - \$1,000.00 Teams and single entries accepted – names in by 11am Friday's

The Nelson Bay Bowling Club Grade 1 Open Pennant Team qualified for the Bowls NSW State Pennant Finals at Forster held 30 June to 2nd July. The side performed well finishing top of their section beating Beresfield and Kurri Kurri. However, they came across a red-hot Raymond Terrace side (eventual winners) in the Cabramatta's Jessie Cottell 25-21. Jono Davis (Nelson Bay) won his section with 2 wins plus 7 before being defeated by Peter Taylor from Alstonville 25-18, Terry Barnett (Valentine) in the Senior Singles finished 3rd in his section with 1 win minus 7 and Soldiers Point's Peter Smith in the Reserve Singles finished with 2 wins and a zero margin finishing 2nd in his section. At the time of print that was all the events that had been completed.

Depending on when you are reading this the Zone Fours events may be just about to commence or are already underway as they were to start on August 12. These will be followed by the Zone Triples events commencing August 27. Wedged in between will be the Zone over 40's qualifying event to be hosted by Club Charlestown on August 19 and the Junior Seven Aside on the same weekend at Dubbo which you can read about in the Junior report.

Closing at the end of this month is the ever-popular Mattara Carnival and entries can be lodged through your clubs. A new event this year will be the Twilight Triples to be hosted by Club Charlestown with details can be found at your club or on the Zone 2 website.

I was fortunate enough to attend a preliminary meeting of Zone 2 the Lake Macquarie District and the Newcastle District to have an open discussion about how we see the unification happening. I must say that these talks were very productive and I think regardless of what the State require us to do we will have a hard working group to get the job done and continue to run the game in Newcastle and surrounds.

quarter finals who out bowled us from the start and ended our run at the State Grade 1 Pennant. Our Club and supporters who travelled to watch us were proud of our achievements and the team performed well during the course of the season and are looking to build on this for 2024.

2023 Blue Water Winter Carnival: Our Winter Carnival was held from the 17^{th} to 21^{st} July with bowlers coming from far and wide including 33 players from the Royal Oak Bowling Club in New Zealand. A Big thank you to Gale Ward and her members for coming back this year. A Big thank you to our Sponsor for the Tournament – Taylor Bowls. Also a big thank you to all our volunteers over the course of the week, especially Bob Lisle.

MONDAY MIXED FOURS RESULTS: 1st – W. Guise, M. Guise, S. Lowndes, P. Cembala (Nelson Bay, Halekulani, Stockton, Karuah) 3 wins +24; 2nd – P. Janes, J. Pennell, P. Moxham, A. McCann (Nelson Bay) 3 wins +21; 3rd - S. Clark, T. Sutcliffe, R. Sutcliffe, K. Coulls (Nelson Bay & Stockton) 3 wins + 12; Best Card in Round 3 – D. Andrews, V. Lynch, L. Hudson, P. Chapman (Nelson Bay, Mingara, Munmorah) + 13;

TUESDAY LADIES PAIRS RESULTS: $1^{st} - D$. Bellingham & R. Flanagan (Soldiers Point) 3 wins + 44; $2^{nd} - B$. Carroll & J. Brown (Nelson Bay) 3 wins + 37; $3^{rd} - K$. Bonner & D. Ellison (The Entrance) 3 wins + 31; **Best Card Round 3** – J. Lees & H. Turk (The Hills Club) +10.



Above: Nelson Bay Bluewater Carnival TUESDAY Ladies Pairs Winners



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Entries Close on Friday September 1

Email entries to: zone2@ndba.com.au

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"WAL YOUNG O.B.E" OPEN PAIRS RESTRICTED PAIRS	MONDAY 16 th (Sectional Play - Club to be advised) TUESDAY 17 th (Post Sectional Play) FRIDAY 20 th FINAL at BERESFIELD BC
FRANK NEAT K.O. TRIPLES	WEDNESDAY 18 th (Sectional Play - Club to be advised) THURSDAY 19 th (Post Sectional Play) FRIDAY 20th FINAL at BERESFIELD BC
TWILIGHT TRIPLES to be played Evenings at CHARLESTOWN plus other venues if required.	THURSDAY Evening 12 th (Sectional Play) FRIDAY Evening 13 th (Post Sectional Play) THURSDAY Evening 19th (Finals at Club Charlestown)
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TUESDAY MEN'S PAIRS RESULTS: 1st - R. McCulloch & K. Lillee (Middle Park & Royal Oak NZ) 3 wins + 20; 2nd – P. Bowler & R. McGrail (The Entrance) 3 wins + 37; 3rd – P. Taylor & Triggy (Royal Oak NZ) 3 wins + 15; Best Card Round 3 - C. Lees & M. Brown (The Hills Club) + 12.

THURSDAY MIXED PAIRS RESULTS: 1st - D. Bellingham & M. Rodway (Soldiers Point & Nelson Bay) 3 wins +19; 2nd – S. Taylor & S. Fisher (Royal Oak NZ) 3 wins + 13; 3rd – S. Clark & K. Coulls (Nelson Bay) 3 wins +8; Best Card in Round 3: J. Lees & C. Lees (The Hills Club) + 12.

FRIDAY MIXED FOURS RESULTS: 1st - L. Hudson, JC, V. Lynch, P. Taylor (Nelson Bay & Royal Oak NZ) 3 wins +22; 2nd - T. Sutcliffe, J. Young, D. Tinsley, R. Sutcliffe (Stockton) 3 wins + 18; 3rd - Peter, Gale, Trigg, Sue Hart (Royal Oak NZ) 3 wins + 17; Best Card Round 3: I. Bloor, J. Lye, T. Morris, L. Morris (Middle Park) +10.



Above: Nelson Bay Bluewater Carnival TUESDAY Men's Pairs Winners

Above: Nelson Bay Bluewater Carnival **THURSDAY Mixed Pairs Winners**



Above: Nelson Bay Bluewater Carnival FRIDAY Mixed Fours Winners Absent: Lin Hudson

BAR BEACH

By Barbie Chowlo

Celebrating 100 years at Bar Beach Bowlo

July was busy at the reef and we are preparing for the busy months ahead! With the 100-year celebrations coming, we are looking at a period of recognition, remembrance and respect.

We have started the 2023-24 club championships season. Congratulations to Club Fours Champions 2023-24 Stuart Clarke, David Ross, Ben Suters and Neil Raynor. A thrilling game was played leading to Neil taking the Fours Champion crown for the second year in a row. Well done to runners up, Ian Phillips, Shane

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Above: BBMBC Club Fours Champions, Neil Raynor, Stuart Clarke, David Ross, Benny Suters



Above: BBMBC Club Fours Runners Up, Keith Hayes, Shane Quill, Ian Phillips and Ted Simpson.

Quill, Keith Hayes and Ted Simpson.

The Club Pairs kicked off on 30th July and we're all looking forward to the final series coming in August.

Our bowling members are spoilt at Bar Beach Bowlo and were able to join in the Christmas in July fun on 30th July. While watching the first round of pairs in the morning and having fun in the gala, Kilgour Kitchen treated them to a 3 course meal for lunch.

Centenary Tournament... We were pleased to see our Centenary Tournament fill up pretty quickly, however we have a few spots due to cancellations. If you're interested in entering a 13+ Triples team and participate in the 5 game event, please email breakersbarbeach@gmail.com. PLEASE DO NOT TRANSFER PAYMENT UNTIL YOUR ENTRY HAS BEEN CONFIIRMED.

This year we turn 100 Years old! Bar Beach Bowling and Sporting Club is celebrating its centenary with some exciting events! Besides hosting the centenary weekend tournament on 9^m and 10th September to celebrate this momentous occasion, we will also have a formal dinner Gala on Saturday 23rd September. We'll keep you posted!

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 ... Jag the Joker Draw on Friday Nights. With every bar purchase on Friday afternoons, all patrons will receive a free entry into the Jag the Joker draw after the raffle. Happy bowling, everyone!

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N S W W O O M E R A S BOWLING ARM CALENDAR



By Allan Starrett

AUGUST:

Monday 7th August North Haven BC 10.00am – 3.00pm Golden Arm Shield (TBC);

Monday 14th August,/Tuesday 15th August – Teralba 3 Bowl Pairs

Monday 21st August Beresfield BC 2023 NSW Open Bowling Arm Pairs

SEPTEMBER:

2023 9th National Bowling Arm Sides Championships Sunday 3^{rd} September – 8^{th} September Devonport Country Club,

Spreyton, Tasmania Monday 11th/Tuesday 12th September - Teralba 2 Bowl Arm

Triples

Monday 18th - East Maitland - 3 Bowl Arm Pairs

OCTOBER:

Monday 23rd October Kurri BC NSW Ladies Encouragement Tournament (TBC)

NOVEMBER:

Saturday 26^{th} & Sunday 27^{th} November Sawtell Open Pairs Tournament (TBC)



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

PROCEDURE FOR ACCREDITATION AND RE-ACCREDITATION OF UMPIRES

Bowls NSW has advised that applications for Accreditation and re-accreditation of Umpires must now be submitted on line.

To access the forms go to Bowls NSW website at bowlsnsw.com.au/get-involved/officiating under Officials Accreditation or Reaccreditation section and find the form relative to your needs. Fill in the application form and make payment through the payment gateway on the form. On receipt of the application, Bowls NSW will advise the local Presenter/Assessor who will arrange to carry out the appropriate course.

NOTE: IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU COULD ALSO FORWARD A COPY OF THE APPLICATION TO THE NDBA via email to -zone2@ndba.com.au

BAR BEACH WOMEN

By Daphne Shelswell, P.O.

Hello Bowlers! The month of July has come upon us with a rush. Among the many functions our Ladies have attended, our AGM/Presentation Day was by far the best. Our Guest speaker, Fay Warren - Life Member - gave a most interesting address with a nod to the past on the changes to Women's Bowls over the last 25 years. Some of our younger girls were gobsmacked at the dress rules that were enforced back then, but realised that we still have a way to go on learning the etiquette and rules of the game before we are equipped to play in Club or District Championships.

There is always something we have not come across before, but

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our Life Members Jean Delaney and Fay Warren have always guided us in the right direction, sharing their knowledge and experience of this game of bowls we all love to play.

Our Ladies we be out there in force to welcome one and all to our upcoming Invitation Day on August 4th 2023. SEE YOU ON THE GREEN



Above: Bar Beach Women Life Members Jean Delany and Fay Warren.



Above: Bar Beach Women's Life Member Fay Warren presenting Major Singles Runner Up Daphne Shelswell and Winner Kathy Feighan

Right: Bar Beach Women's Life Member Jean Delany presenting Bowler of the Year Vicki Blakemore



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By Jen Kenyon, District Publicity Officer

On the 14th July our AGM was held and will be the last one as Lake Macquarie District, Lake Macquarie was formed back in 2000 and our First President Pam Field was invited to our Last AGM alongside the last President Gaye Brown. We will still be continuing as normal for the next 12 months and then be moving forward and will join with Newcastle and become Sector 5 Bowls Newcastle once the boundaries change. To all those Members who have been part of the LMDWBA Executive and Committees thank you for your valuable contribution over the years.

The Last Executive and Committees 2023/24 were formed, **President:** Gaye Brown, **Vice President's:** Glenda Morgan, Bronwyn Blatchford, **Secretary:** Julie Garry, **Treasurer:** Maureen Simpson, **Match Chair:** Gayle Gannon, **Match:** Lyn Robertson, Kathy York, Robyn Fairfull, Jan Wiltshire, **Selection Chair:** Annette Cook, **Selection:** Leslie Bickford, Denise Walton, Jenny Waight, Jenny Baldwin, **Social Chair:** Jan Baldwin, **Publicity:** Jennifer Kenyon.



Above: 2023/24 LMDWBA Committee front row L-R Jan Baldwin Social Chair, VP Glenda Morgan, President Gaye Brown, Secretary Julie Garry, Treasurer Maureen Simpson. *Back Row L-R* Denise Walton Selection, Publicity Jen Kenyon, Selection Chair Annette Cook, Match Kathy York, Lyn Robertson, Match Chair Gayle Gannon, Match Jan Wiltshire, and Jenny Baldwin Selection *Absent*: VP Bronwyn Blatchford, Leslie Bickford and Jenny Waight Selection

At the State Championships Lake Macquarie was well represented with Charlestown's Lynn Genders, Patti White and Halina Wuro in the Triples and in the Senior Triples Belmont's Gaye Brown, Julie Paterson, Maureen Simpson who both came second in their sectionals well played Ladies. The Pairs were still to be played with Kathy Limmond and Raweang Namutwong representing Charlestown.

On a sad note Marks Point sadly lost their dear friend and Member Kath McLaughlan and also to Jenny Waight from Selection and Wangi who sadly lost her husband our sincerest condolences and may they rest in peace. To our Members who have been unwell we wish you a full recovery and are back on the green soon.

Until next month good bowling

MAYFIELD WEST



By Jackie Jukes



Above: Mayfield West Player of the Year – Terry Wake

Above: Mayfield West President's Award-Lauren Jukes

A fantastic night was had by all at our annual presentation night held on the 24th June. Winners of all our club championship were presented with their trophies and celebrated in true club spirit. The special awards were also announced with our **Player of the Year** – Terry Wake and **President's Award** – Lauren Jukes.

Terry secured the Player of Year with a very consistent year, featuring in several finals, He was runner up in the Major Singles and Winner of both the Pairs and Fours. Congratulations Terry, a



Above: LMDWBA 2023/24 President Gaye Brown, First President Pam Field and past President Jan Wiltshire

well-deserved winner.

Lauren was presented the President's Award due to her growing improvement and break out win in the Men's Minor Singles. This is a 1st for a female bowler and represents the great strides forward this club has made to be fully inclusive of all genders. She also took out several championships with the Women and is definitely our bowling future. All of this while competing with a baby on board too!! Congrats Loz!!

The Women also presented their Shining Star Award, this was bestowed jointly to Lauren and Jackie Jukes for their achievements throughout the year and commitment to helping our club.

The club as a whole are looking to a fantastic year of bowls and will start their Championships with the open gender 4's and Ladies Minor Singles. Good Luck everyone and happy bowling.



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BELMONT GOLF AND BOWLS WOMEN By Jules Adams, P.O.

Our first Club fixture for the 2023/24 year was Consistency – a great game by both ladies with Dana Parezanovic defeating Lyn Kemp 150/145.

Things have been busy around Belmont Golf and Bowls with the roof of our Greens being cleaned and our new Bar nearly finished. We think it will be up and running for our next Invitation Day on 30 August.

Our next event will be our Presentation Day on 6 August, and we thank One Agency, Real Estate for generously Sponsoring the



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Women Club on the Day. The Memorial Shield game will be played on Saturday, 5 August to honour all members who have passed away, with the Shield being presented the next day.

We would also like to wish our ladies, Maureen Simpson, Julie Paterson and Gaye Brown good luck and good bowling this coming weekend in contesting the State Triples in Wollongong.

Pennants is also coming up and our Selectors are just finalising our teams with a Pennants Trial for all teams selected on Tuesday, 1 August. We wish all Clubs good luck for the 2023/24 Pennants year.

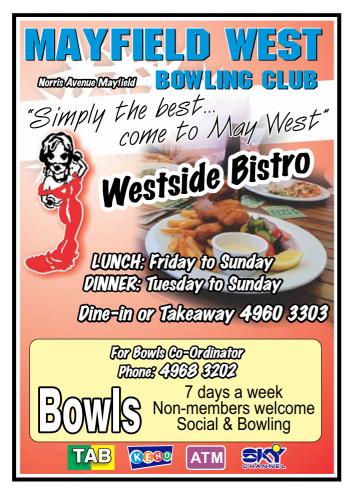
And on 27/6/23 Belmont WBC had their AGM – Congratulations to all who have volunteered their time for the next 12 months. I am the newly elected Publicity Officer, so I am still finding my feet. I thank Di Stockwell for her long-standing role and all her previous 'On the Green' reports and hope I can do as well.



Above: Belmont Golf and Bowls Consistency finalists Lyn Lemp and Dana Parezanovic.

Right: Belmont Golf and Bowls Women's Committee





RATHMINES MEMORIAL

By Bob Boxall, Bowls Secretary

Rathmines Host BPL Cup Preliminary Round

Rathmines Memorial Bowling Club hosted a preliminary round of the Bowls Premier League (BPL) Cup on Sunday 2nd July. The BPL Cup is a national competition run by Bowls Australia and is modelled on the televised national Bowls Premier League.

The BPL Cup provides an opportunity for **club-based teams** to progress through various rounds to National Finals, to be played in parallel with the November leg of the BPL at Club Pine Rivers, Queensland.

It is a two bowl triples, open gender competition with a format similar to BPL. Each game consists of two five end sets with each team able to nominate one end per set as a "powerplay" in which the points are doubled if the team wins the end.

Twelve Rathmines teams nominated so three round robin sections were played with the winning team in each section going through to the next round in late August/early September.

The Section 1 winners were Cheryl Grant, Herb Ossen and Ross Wylde Brown, Section 2 winners were Gisela Maude, Steven Ranger and Adrian Meredith and the Section 3 winners were Alan Lysaght, Barbara Hicks and Daniel Lysaght.

Good luck to these three teams in the next round.

NEWCASTLE DISTRICT WOMEN'S BOWLING ASSOCIATION INC.

By Jacqui Aldred, NDWBA Hon Secretary

At the time of writing this article, District President Marion Wilson, Secretary Jacqui Aldred & Match Chair Vicki Rankin are heading off to attend some of the 2022-23 State Championships held from 20th July – 1st August 2023 in Wollongong. Match Chair Vicki will submit her report in the September issue.

Upcoming events in the NDWBA Program: Versatility Day 28th August 2023, Newcastle District Women's teams at Soldiers Point Bowling Club. While still vying for a win, this event provides variety, fun and friendships for players and District Management thanks all teams for their entry.

Both the NDWBA Open & Senior Triples and Fours close 18th August. Triples play 12th to 15th September, with finals being played at Nelson Bay Bowling Club. Fours play Thursday 21st, Friday 22nd, Monday 25th Tues 26th September, with finals venue to be advised.

NDWBA Waves to Wine Challenge Sunday 17th September 2023. We welcome Beresfield WBC to Newcastle District and thank them for being the Host Venue of this annual event with Hunter River District. It is a friendly but hotly contested trophy, with three teams of District Selected players from Grades 1 & 2, and four teams of Grades 3 & 4. Everyone is invited to become our 'rent-a-crowd' for the day to support and cheer on our Newcastle players for yet another great win this year.

Reminder – please send in your Club Update 2023-24 after your AGM.

September issue will feature Versatility results and details of the District AGM Committees and Delegates.

Our District website is in search of a new editor as Oona Sullivan, who's exceptional design skills produced such an easy to navigate site, has moved to Lake Macquarie District. We thank Oona for her time as District website editor and hope there is a tech-savvy member willing and eager to fill this vacancy. Please contact Secretary for more information.

KAHIBAH WOMEN

By Margaret Yarrow, C.O.

Fairly quiet month this time. Lovely to see the faithful few still braving the cold for our social Tuesday's. We warmly welcome a new member Margaret. May she enjoy our company and her bowls. Sadly we have had to cancel our special day the Bessie Gilbert Invitation Day due to circumstances beyond our control. Remember Pennants start. 5th September. Even if you are not playing a cheer squad would be welcome. Club games will start after Pennants.

We hope our new greens will be in progress when this goes to print. Pink Day will be held 14th November. Kahibah Village Fair is on the 17th September (a Sunday). We hope to be represented there. Happy days Good Bowling. Stay well and warm.



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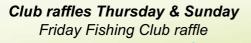


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Hi Dreamers, the 2023-24 Conditions of Play includes the following amendments. References to the Laws of the Sport of Bowls have also been amended to reflect the adoption of the Crystal Mark 4th Edition.

Duties of a Controlling Body

1.2 - Addition to clarify that accredited umpires should be appointed, if available.

Champion of Champions

4. Clarification of duration of matches and number of bowls used.
7 Clarification that replacement players are not permitted, inclusion of requirements for substitutes in pairs.

General Conditions of Play

2.14 – clarification that a clearance is not effective until required payment is received.

2.22 – clarification that a player's declared or primary club is the designated as their primary club on their registration record.

2.28 – recognising that the Laws of the Sport in operation is the Crystal Mark 4th edition

5 - inclusion of reference to Uniform Policy.

6 – Provision that 2023/2024 Association Championships may not be commenced before 1 July 2023 with the exception of Cub Triples and Fours and that District Calendar submissions must include regional play-off dates.

13 – Provision that Controlling Bodies may accept late entries to be placed on a 'wait' or stand-by list to fill a vacant position in the draw caused by a bye or forfeit & those late entries may be included before the first round of the competition.

 ${\bf 14.1}$ – inclusion in eligibility provisions that a player is eligible to enter Association Championships with their declared or primary club.

14.2 – Clarification that a player changing club cannot participate in the same Pennant competition with 2 clubs (noting that Men's/Women's and Open State Pennants are separate competitions).

14.5 - inclusion of region

22 – Amendment to provide that appointed Umpires or Controlling Body should not, unless unavoidable, be a player in that playing session of an Association Championship.

23 – Amendment that Bowls Australia may (not shall) require bowls to carry a current or future stamp.

33 – Amendment to terminology of players moving between mat and head end of the green. Requirement for skips to be at the head end of the green at the start of an end.

34.4(v) New clause clarifying that playing positions may be changed between matches in the same competition, unless otherwise specified in the COP for that event.

34.6 Clarification on the use of substitutes and replacements in pennants matches.

36 – Inclusion of National and State Representation in Category 1 events. Provision for Zones/Regions/Districts to include one weekend of representative events as priority events.

37 – Clarification that player's are eligible to enter one only Association Championship Club Singles and one only Association Championship Club Pairs in a season and not to clarify that where a club conducts Men's, Women's and open (all three) events the Open is not an Association Championship.

37.4 - Clubs may commence Triples and Fours before 1 July.

38.1 - Inclusion of new clause for forfeit of match in progress

38.2 – Clarification of determination of countback for sectional standings in singles (least ends conceded as final determinant).

Australian Indoor Singles - NSW Qualifying

4.2 - Clarification of player's eligibility to enter.

Inter-Zone Sides Championships

No changes

State Junior Championships

Changes to have direct entry to State Junior Championships, provision for under 15 and Under 18 Boys and Girls Singles & Pairs Events.

Men's Pennant

4.2 Clarification of entry fees that may be charged.

6 - Change to sides to consist of two teams of fours.

7.2 – Amend to be consistent between Men's/Women's Pennant & Change to allow interchange between sides where a club has more than one side in a division.

9.5-provision to allow for points & shots allocation for forfeit of a match in progress.

11.1 – amend to provide that "Players are ineligible to play in a lower Division unless with the approval of the State Match Committee. Such permission shall only be granted in exceptional circumstances."

13 – provision that where play is not completed a match result may be deemed complete if 36 or more ends have been completed.

15 – change to note that medallions (not badges) are presented to winners & runners up.

Open State Pennants

4-Clarification of entry fees that may be charged.

5 – Add that Platinum Pennants is the highest grade of pennants & covered under separate COP.

6.1 – amend to provide that Clubs (remove two) may combine to form a pennant side and that there must be players from more than one club in each match played by a composite side.

7.1(ii) amend to provide "ii. The sides are considered equal within that grade and players can play in any of the sides during all stages of play (if not graded higher)."

7.2 – correct to "Stand-Alone" sides and that single entry may play in that grade in another Zone with permission of State Match Committee.

7.3 – Amendment that all Zone winners grades 2-7 shall be elevated, last may be regressed.

8.3 – Zone winners qualify for State Finals in Grades 2-7. Grade 1 qualification will be determined by State Match Committee

9.4.1 - provision to allow for points & shots allocation for forfeit of a



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2 Jacaranda Avenue, PO Box 89 Raymond Terrace 2324 11.2 - amend to provide that players must be cleared and registered 8 weeks prior to competition to be considered NSW based players.

11.3 – re-worded for clarification of grading of non-NSW base players.

11.8 – amend to reflect intent of a player's eligibility for a rescheduled match)

11.9 - Separate ungraded at end of season to new clause, clarifying that the player retains the previous season grading "for the purpose of their next season's eligibility".

12 -Zones are now required to use BowlsLink for Open State Pennants 2023/2024.

14 - include provision that a match not completed may be deemed to be completed if a minimum of 54 ends have been completed.

15.1 – Include that Side Managers do rink draw "unless previously done by Controlling Body"

16.2 - medallions awarded to winners & runners up instead of badges.

Over 40s Pairs

No changes

Platinum Pennants

New COP.

Rookies

Change to 32 qualifiers for State Finals - guarantee of one qualifier from each Zone area.

State Carnival

3 - Amended to reflect eligibility of any female bowler whose registration/affiliation is recognised by World Bowls.

7.5 – provision for points if a bye is required in a section. State Championships

4.2 - Senior Eligibility amended to be the first date of the Bowls Australia Nationals such that players in Senior Championships to reflect that these are pathway events for selection in the NSW Senior State Side.

5.3 - Amendment of durations of Senior Women's and Reserve Championships, corresponding changes to reduced number of ends to be played when 3 matches of sectional are to be played in a day.

State Mixed Pairs No Change



By Ross Gardner, Chairman Zone 2 Junior Committee

Hi everyone. Our State Junior Championships Campaign began on Monday 10 July at Warilla BC. The Championships kicked off with the Junior Pairs where it saw Jordan Lean and Zoe Nicholls compete. It was a tough game to start their event coming up against one of the State's best, Ryan Klem and his partner Billy Waite from Cabramatta BC. It was tough going and Klem and Waite proved too strong on the day. It is however not always

how you start but how you finish and Nicholls and Lean won their next 2 sectional games falling short of the finals. Congratulations should be given to both players for not giving up and finishing on a strong note. Well done, you have done Zone 2 proud.

The next discipline was the Singles where we saw youngster, Kyle Anderson, take to the green for his first visit to State Championships. It was always going to be a tough assignment, but Kyle went out there and gave it his all. He competed exceptionally well and was only narrowly beaten by 4 in his first game, and 2 in his second game. In Kyle's last game he came up against the might of Ryan Klem. Kyle gave it his all but Klem proved too strong taking the game and the section progressing to the finals. Kyle however showed he was made of strong stuff, and will no doubt benefit from this experience and continue on improving to advance to State in 2024, all better for it. The third discipline was Fours. It saw Zoe Nicholls, Liam Pietraszek, Jordan Lean and Huxley

Rowe compete. They were in a section of three, so only had two sectional games to play. They gave it their all, however fell short of making the finals. All players should be congratulated on their efforts. Well done.

I now have the pleasure of announcing the Zone 2 NSW State Junior 7-A-Side squad that has been selected to compete at West Dubbo on August 19 and 20. The event is played in 3 disciplines, Singles, Pair and Fours. The following squad was selected: Singles: Jordan Lean, Pairs: Zoe Nicholls, Kyle Anderson, Fours: Mackenzie Wicks, Ami Bromhead, Charlotte Hayman and Cohen Ridd. Also we have two of our Juniors, Mia Bromhead and Huxley Rowe, picked up by Zone 15 (Central Coast) to assist Zone 15. Congratulations to all selected and best of luck with your endeavours to bring home a medal or two. We will also have the pleasure of having our Zone 2 President, Mark Conway, in attendance giving his support to our Zone 2 Juniors. Thanks Mark, it means a lot.

KURRI KURRI



Above: Aaron Appleby - Kurri Kurri's Club Champion and Bowler of the Year.

By The Loose Canon

Hello fellow bowlers. Wow, another month has flown, and again plenty happening with state events and club events.

Firstly, our state championship teams are down in the shire representing Zone 6. Currently they are playing as I'm writing this article, but would just like to say good luck to our players which are... Senior Triples Peter Fisher, Max Angwin and John Rees. Our Pairs team of Aaron and Tailor Appleby as well as ours Fours team of Peter Dekrey, Mark Holland, Max Angwin and Wayne Rowbottom with Open side of Shane Soper, Trent Bennison, Ty Turnbull and Andrew Rees.

Our 2022-23 season official was completed when our presentation night was held on 15th July. Unfortunately I had prior commitments and could not attend so I would just like to thank the following on what I hear was a fantastic evening. Firstly,

outstanding attendance from members, Barbs, Sharon Sumner, Ian Mann for help prior to evening with special mention to Tahlae Ball, our office lady who went beyond to help me as it was my first time preparing this event. Also, our CEO for MC, our Bistro, which I hear the food was amazing and bar staff. Cheers guys, and to all winners congratulations.

Kurri bowlers have now created a unified match committee, which consists of ladies and men. With this, our ladies committee and executives have decided to stand down all roles needed in the past. I would like to take this opportunity to thank lady President Joy Mclean, Secretary Sharon Sumner, our former delegates and special mention to Vanessa Bailey, which I hear has been treasurer for the ladies for a very long time. Cheers to all who have also been a big part of our ladies committees. And thank you Vanessa.

Great too to see a report from The

Advertiser on some special achievements. If you would like read this article, go to The Advertiser website to check it out.

Good luck to our 3 ladies- Leisa Morgan, Oosh Muncaster and Carolyn Glen who head to Tweed Heads for the Aussie Indoors Finals. Again, to have three ladies flying the Kurri colours in this event and any special events is huge. With their respective state sides and their achievements in champ of champs for all to see they keep our colours in view for all to see. With this, any members who are thinking of bettering or taking their game to another level, zone district events and then beyond is the way to go.

Big congrats to Cooper Appleby and Dekoda Metheringham on their selection in the Zone 6 7-a-side team that is competing in Dubbo. We wish them all the best!

Ladies club championships have commenced with ladies kicking off with the major singles which are already up to semi-finals. The four players remaining are Tanya Ware, Carolyn Glen, Sharon Sumner and Oosh Muncaster. Some talent there. good luck. The Mens club champs will kick off in august, with major singles starting on 26th. The boys have started later due to state championships, and over 40s and zone pairs all starting in August.

Last but not least, Kurri will be wearing their new uniforms very soon for the 2023/24 season and beyond and we feel they look awesome! Big thank you to Tim Suffell and K2 for their commitment in designing and manufacturing our new uniforms. Any club looking for and bowls clothing or gear, Tim does a great job and highly recommend. Thanks Tim

Ok enjoy fellow bowlers with district and zone events ready to kick off, and see you all on the greens and maybe a beer or two after.

Cheers all



Above: Carolyn Glen - Kurri Kurri's Women's Club Champion and Bowler of the Year receiving her award from President Joy McDean.

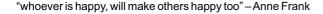
CARDIFF

By The Falcon

Our Grade Five (5) travelled to Club Dubbo for BNSW Open Pennant Finals & played Pittwater Memorial, Northmead & Merimbula. Merimbula were beaten in the final by Quirindi, & it was bitterly cold at the playoffs. Congratulations to the players on their performance & behaviour during the season, & they were proudly representing Cardiff BC. A special thank you to all the Cardiff BC members who travelled to Dubbo to support our Grade

5. It was very appreciated by all the players. Nominations sheets for NDBA Championships, Three Threes, Rookies & Mattara Bowls Carnival are on notice board. Our Major Fours Champions were defeated in the Champion of Champions round 2. Major Pairs Final (weather permitting) is programmed for Sunday 6TH August. Major Singles nominations have closed & are due to commence Sunday 6TH August.

Cardiff who won the 2022/23 Zone Reserve Triples, have forfeited the BNSW State Championships, as two (2) players were unavailable. Wishing Damian Robb all the best at the Australian Indoor Championships at Tweed Heads in August. Damian qualified from the rounds at East Cessnock. Congratulations to John (Macca) Mackenzie on his selection in the NSW Woomera's Bowling Arm team, who are playing in the "National Bowling Arm Championships" at Devonport in September. The six (6) states of Australia are to compete. I don't believe Macca at Devonport will be in similar attire like he was at Dubbo in June, when it was bitterly cold.





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Above: Emma Barnes – Kurri Kurri Women's Most Improved Bowler of the Year with President Joy McDean.

Above: Will Osmond - Kurri Kurri's Most Improved Bowler of The Year.



Above: Cardiff's Macca at Dubbo in BNSW Open Pennant Finals It was bitterly cold, around 0 to 7 degrees, & he's off to Devonport in September to contest the National Bowling Arm Championships.



BOOLAROO WOMEN By Jan Baldwin, C.O.



Above: Boolaroo Women's Consistency Finalists Margaret Ross R/up, Pam Field Life Member and Jean Lane Consistency Winner

Another busy month has slipped by with lots of happenings. Firstly, it is a huge Congratulations to Jean Lane winning the Pam Field Consistency with runner up Margaret Ross, both Ladies playing a super final for all who came to watch, however only one winner as we know it. Jean is a very new member to our Club and her keenness to improve has certainly shone through. A big thankyou to Pam Field for her ongoing support with this event.

A visit from Matt Moran, one of Australia's top chefs was another highlight of our Month, coming to judge our Chef's entry in the "Perfect Plate NSW", so it's Goodluck to the Team at Park's Bistro, fingers crossed.

Congratulations to Carol Jaszczyck on the birth of her

LEMONTREE PASSAGE WOMEN

By Anne Cheetham, C.O.

Our annual bowls fund raising day was held recently for Marine Rescue Port Stephens and Tilligerry Rural Fire Service. It was a great day with 2 greens full of bowlers and non bowlers enjoying the weather, food, tombola and raffles enabling us to donate \$1,000 each to these 2 important local services. Club Lemon Tree and the Mixed Travelling Bowlers also contributed with financial donations.



Above: Lemon Tree Passage Women's President Annette Davis and Wyong Vice President with the interclub challenge Trophy.

The interclub challenge trophy between Lemon Tree Passage Women and Wyong Women's Bowling Club was able to continue this year after a break due to Covid restrictions. Congratulations to Lemon Tree Passage who won back the trophy.

Our Major Singles will begin soon, followed by the pairs - good luck to those who have entered.



Above: Representatives from Marine Rescue and Tilligerry Rural Fire Service with Kevin Colman (Club Lemon Tree President), Annette Davis (LTPWBC President), Ian Langdon (Mixed Travelling Bowlers)

Grandaughter 'Zoe', always a special time in our lives as Grandparents.

We welcome all the Ladies who have volunteered their time once again for Committee positions for the coming year and look forward to new and exciting times ahead. (Please refer to our Boolaroo Ladies BC Facebook page for photos and names of the new Committee).

Bowl well as the weather warms ladies and hope to see more of you on our greens in August.

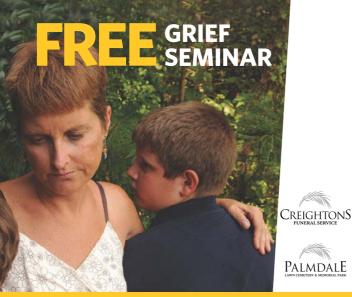
Until next Month, stay well and bowl happy. Cheers Jan.

WANG By Bigtro



Above: Wangi Pairs Champions Terry Freer and Brae Dare

Wangi held the Pairs Championship Final, on Sunday 2nd July. Terry Freer and Brae Dare teamed up to play Bob Hall and Carl Milne. It was close final for a little while when Terry and Brae got ahead and pulled away, Bob Hall played good lead bowls but Brae was too strong for Carl. Congratulations to Terry and Brae.



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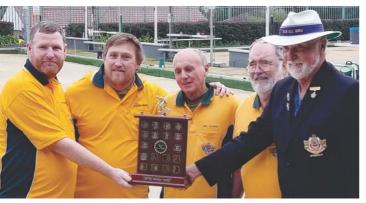
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NSW RSL BOWLS: ZONE 6

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



Above R-L: Zone 6 winners of NSW RSL Fours State Champions Rod Woodhouse (Beresfield), Ray Cooper, Jason Price and Tim Malone (Raymond Terrace) NSW RSL Bowls President Jack Abernethy presenting the trophy.

On 26 June, 42 bowlers attended a social day of triples on the covered synthetic greens of Belmont, for a very enjoyable day. The winners were Dennis Atkins, Bruce John (Belmont) and Trevor Nicholson (RSL).

Zone 6 winners of NSW RSL Fours championships: On 5 and 6 July, the local Zone 6 fours champions competed in the NSW RSL fours championship finals at Maitland City. Quarter finals were played on the Wednesday afternoon, the semis on the Thursday morning with the final after lunch. It was a great opportunity to catch up with mates from the other zones, including those from Sydney and South Coast that we don't see often.

We progressed to the final after 2 very close matches, rounded off by a nail-biting semi-final, in which the last shot (a drive to remove



Above: Winners at Z6 RSL Belmont Social Day 26 June Dennis Atkins, Bruce John (Belmont) and Trevor Nicholson (RSL).

our shot bowl and win the match) missed by 2 centimetres. The final saw the team fight back from 7 down at the half-way mark to gain a 4 shot lead at the last end, holding Zone 8 from mid North coast to 1 shot at the death.

Congratulations to Rod Woodhouse (Beresfield), Ray Cooper, Jason Price and Tim Malone (Raymond Terrace)

On 17 July, we held a social day at Beresfield, where we had over 40 bowlers playing. The winners were Trevor Nicholson, Dennis Atkins and George Clark.

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

We meet on a Monday at 9:30, approximately once a month, at various clubs around the Newcastle area, and anyone wishing to ioin us, regularly or otherwise, should contact Secretary, Rod Woodhouse 0412 145 971 for dates. You can enter preferably as a triples team, or singly. You will not be disappointed.

Upcoming events:

14 Aug Raymond Terrace 4 Sept Maitland City 25 September Beresfield



Above: Winners at Beresfield Z6 RSL Social Day on 17 July Trevor Nicholson, Dennis Atkins and George Clark.

CARDIFF WOMEN





Above: Cardiff Women's new committee members. Note: Glenda Robins absent

We held our annual Mater Day this month, thanks to the generosity of our members we raise \$900. The Mater ladies work so hard, supplying goods for sale as well as serving a delicious lunch. Meat winners of the day were Coral Rice, Julie Rossington, Helen Lott Nan Namutuong and Peter Martin. PTO



By The Guru

Windale Gateshead Club Game Results: MAJOR SINGLES - W. Meek 25 def. T. Taylor 22; P. Callaghan 25 def. C. Kucera 22; A. Dean 25 def. F. Botham 21 and Geoff Mellare 25 def. J. Synott 10.

Cardiff Ladies continued.

We held our annual general meeting on Tuesday with 19 in attendance, and three apologies. Joining us were our patron Ann Merrion Patterson and Life Members June Hancock and Pat Hoole. We sang the National anthem, and then we held a minute silence for past members. Secretary Diane Moore read the minutes from last year. Treasurer Kristine Brogan read the Treasurers report. President Maureen thanked everyone for taking on committee positions last year. All positions were vacated. Life member Pat Hoole presented the badges to the new Committee... President Maureen Mitchell, Vice President June Hancock, Secretary Diane Moore, Treasurer Kristine Brogan, Delegate Glenda Robins, Publicity Officer Bianca Hann, Match Committee Jo Henderson, Janice O'Reilly, Janelle Peattie, Sharon Brewer and Glenda Robins, Social Committee Margaret Merrion, Di Healey and Judith Hill. President Maureen Mitchell then thanked all members for taking on new positions. We then had a light lunch of sandwiches and cake.



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LATEST NEWS and INFORMATION

The Coaches Committee has been now taken control by the Bowls NSW Committee and all reaccreditations can now be done online and on the Bowls NSW website. I will continue writing stories as I have achieved plenty in my over forty years of bowling.

Psychological Game Plans and Masters Mental Skills

By John Bilby, Level 1 National Coach & Member of the NDBA Coaching Committee



In every game skills are involved. In the game of lawn bowls the major skill is in delivery technique. Included in the game of lawn bowls is the approach to the psychological part of the game which is quite often overlooked. The psychological side involves self motivation, goal setting and dealing with your own performance.

All bowlers experience performance balance the overall outcome of mental kills and should be addressed with help from your coach. All bowlers experience performance problems during some part of a game e.g. short bowl, this should be corrected as soon as possible. The problem is possible in length of the back swing which is normally fixed by adjusting your forward motion in your step, which would increase the greater bowl release speed. This a technical situation and we would assume the problem could and should by easily solved. If the problem continues then the cause may not be technical, but the result or trying too bloody hard. This problem will occur when your skipper calls for a shot of "Resting Toucher" or a "Bowl placement" to cover a bowl or a possible on shot from the opposition player. Rather than trying to play the perfect shot it would be wiser to play half a metre beyond the jack or bowl which is called a "Tactical Play. If a player still continues to fall short in play this could be due to many other reasons.

Reasons could be firstly imperfect vision, secondly ill health or dehydration (physical). It could be an off day of inability to judge distances or lack of self-confidence to play a pressure shot.

'PYSCHOLOGICAL" This is where as a player you must design a sustainable purpose to your problem. Most Coaches can set in place an ongoing solution for most psychological difficulties that players experience in competitive games. Coaches are there to support all players and help appraise their play in the game it could be good – very good or just Mediocre.

MENTAL ATTRIBUTES: Mental attributes include the keenness for the game, attitude towards winning or losing the game and your self-image and a tendency to experience anxiety during a game.

Listed Below are some mental attributes that are important in the game of bowls.

- MOTIVATION: A Need and desire to success.
- SELF WORTH: Is the image or opinion of one's worth as a competent, competitive Bowler Belief in one's self.
- SELF CONFIDENCE: In motivation to be successful it goes together with level headed expectations to reach your goals.
- SELF AWARNESS: Is awareness is one's thoughts, emotions and sensory feelings and how your behavior tends to shape your responses during situation during your game.

PSYCHOLOGICAL FACTORS – MENTAL TOUGHNESS: In lawn bowls the ingredients for success are up to 90% mental. Most past and present champions have learnt their mental toughness the hard way - that is by unassisted trail and error. However the learning progress is now available to all players by availing yourself to older coaches who have been through these situation prior to now. Good Luck - Good Bowling - See you next Month.



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WEEKLY BOWLS GALAS

2022 / 2023 HUNTER RIVER DISTRICT WOMENS PRESENTATION

Bellbird Park was the venue for Hunter River District Women's penultimate presentation of champions. There was a great turnout of players and Bellbirds' caterer Norm put on a delicious spit-roast for all to enjoy. Thank you to Bellbird for their hospitality.

There were some great achievements for the District this season. Three teams went off to contest the Women's State Pennants and one came home with a Flag. Congratulations to Kurri on their 2 Grade State Flag, and well done to Paxton and Beresfield on your Regional victory.

This was Beresfield's last year with the Hunter River District. The ladies club has affiliated with Newcastle District Women's Association in anticipation of the border changes that will ultimately affect the club as a whole one way or another with the coming amalgamation. They went out with their names on both the Hodgson Trophy and Creightons Shield which are District Pennant awards for first and second round Pennant performances. June Evans, a member of Beresfield has served on the District Match Committee for the past 7 or 8 years and also looked after the District Web page and will be missed. Although sad to see them go, the District wished them well for the future.

Kurri Kurri brought home State honours to the District when Leisa Morgan and Oosh Muncaster returned recently as STATE Champion of Champion Pairs Titleholders and Carolyn Glen Runner-up in the STATE Singles. Carolyn has been named in the State Senior Side and will skip in the NSW v VIC Test being contested on 7th and 8th August. Meanwhile Leisa and Oosh donned the Blues shirts in the State Under 40's side against Queensland in the Test Series played at Tweed Heads on 18 and 19 July. Kayla Courtin is a recent addition to Maitland City ranks and is a member in the State Women's Open side. Congratulations on your success.

Championships for 2022/2023 we're shared around the District. East Maitland dominated the Singles events fielding the winner of both the Open and Senior Singles. In fact it was an all East Maitland final in the Open Singles with sisters Kathy Wilton and Simone Smith up against each other. Apparently in their bouts Simone would win 9 out of 10 times, but on this occasion it was Kathy's time to shine clinching victory in a close game. Lorraine Hay from East Maitland claimed the Senior Singles Title over Beresfield's Pam Stephanis. Lorraine won the Regional play-offs and recently contested the State Championships where she came second in her section winning 2 of the 3 matches. Well done Lorraine.

Our aforementioned State Champion of Champion Pairs Champions Leisa Morgan and Eugenie "Oosh" Muncaster also won the District Pairs Championships against Deb Smith and Kathy Philpot (Telarah). Their state campaign was arrested at the Regional Play-off by current Australian Open Pairs Champions Natasha Van Eldik and Genevieve Delves. Needless to say it's a pretty tough region to be part, but great experience and exposure to bowls at it's best.

Maitland City's Kerry and Seers and Michelle Niznik won the Senior Pairs against Beresfield's June Evans and Margaret Boan. They won the region and have just returned from the State Championships second in their section to eventual State Champions Kathryn Limond & Raweang Namutwong from Charlestown. Well done!

In the Open Triples Leanne Chenoweth, Adele Johns and Carolyn Glen from Kurri Kurri triumphed over Betty Sinclair, Kathy Wilton and Simone Smith from East Maitland. Senior Triples Honours went to Sue O'Brien, Lyn Strickleton and Marion Crump from Maitland City who have seen their fair share of success over the years. This year they defeated Beresfield's Jenny Fraser, Lesley Dixon and Mary Stretton in the final.

The Fours Discipline saw Kurri Kurri on top again with the team of Nikki Ware, Leanne Chenoweth, Eugenie "Oosh" Muncaster and Leisa Morgan overcoming Maitland City's Shendelle Smith, Louise Bishop, Kerry Seers and Michelle Niznik in the final. In the Seniors Patricia Pascoe, Helen Russell, Narelle Bunt and Sue Adams from Beresfield prevailed against Maitland City's Lyn Strickleton, Christine Harmer, Betty Clarke and Marion Crump.

Special District events included the Marsh Fours and Coal Board Fours which were sponsored by Creightons Funerals. Georgina Picton, affectionately known as Georgie, attended the day and presented awards. Thank you Georgie and Creightons for their continued support of the District. The Marsh Fours were won by Julie Trypas, Jenny Burford, Dawn Metheringham and Christine Smith from Kurri Kurri. They defeated East Maitland's Marie Wiggins, Betty Sinclair, Kathy Wilton and Simone Smith. The Coalboard Fours went to Helen Allomes, Betty Sinclair, Annette Hooper and Lorraine Hay from East Maitland over Sue O'Brien, Anneita McDean, Adele Johns and Deanne Price from Kurri Kurri.

Overall it was a great year, President Coral Sloane thanked everyone for coming to share the day and celebrate the 2022/2023 Champions. She also thanked Dot and Colleen from Bellbird for their assistance together with a great team behind the scenes headed by District Secretary Tanya Jory. All efforts are greatly appreciated.

With one more season to play before amalgamating with the men's zone, 2023/2024 will be a particularly special year. Good luck to all.



Above: HRDWBA President Coral Sloane with Beresfield Grade 3 No. 2 - Hodgson Trophy Winners.



Above: Georgie Picton from Creightons with Beresfield Grade 4 - HRDWBA Creightons Shield Winners.



Above: 2022/2023 Hunter River District Above: Wanda Bedford with Open Singles Champion Kathy Wilton HRDWBA Senior Singles presented by last year's Champion Leisa Champion Lorraine Hay. Morgan.



Above: HRDWBA Secretary Tanya Jory with District and Regional Pairs Champions Kerry Seers and Michelle Niznik.

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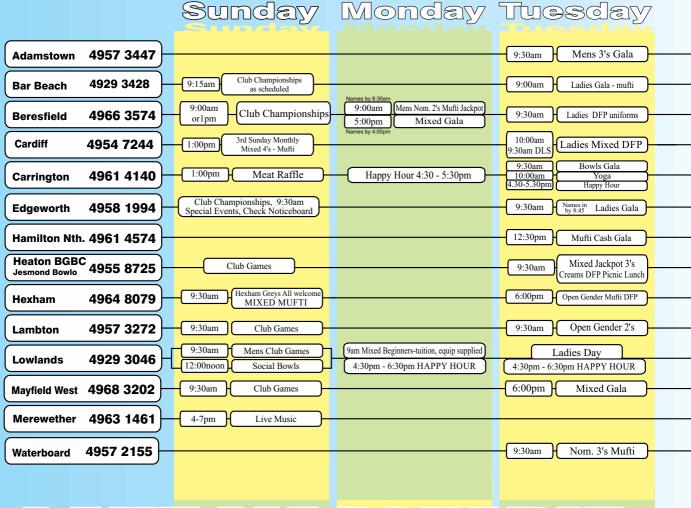
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Dora Creek 4970 5694	}	9am Ladies Gala / Uniform	- 1:30pm Coaching -	_
Kahibah 4943 2987	9:30pm Club Championships		- 10:00am - Ladies Mufti DFP 3's Gala	



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LAKE MACQUARIE CONTINUED....

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Redhead	4942 6022	Club Games		9:30am Men's Gala	
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Valentine	4946 7232	Club Championships Uniform	Roll-ups available	9:30am Ladies Gala Mufti & Championships Uniform	
Warners Bay	4948 8866	Men & Women Club Championships			
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Raymond 4987 2404 Terrace 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		
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By Noel James, Zone 11 P.O.

WINGHAM GO SO CLOSE IN STATE FINAL

In an enthralling game, Wingham's No.4 pennant side went so close to winning the State Final, being defeated by one solitary shot (56-57) by St Johns Park.

The team consisted of David O'Donnell, Leonie Gilford, Colin Watson, Greg Bartlett, Paul Swan,

Hunter Payton, John Borg, Adam Lee, Rod Trenchard, Scott Hatton, Tom Moore and Steve Matheson.

They travelled to Tamworth to begin their campaign, and in the first sectional game they suffered a 51-58 loss to Maitland City, and followed that up in their second game with a 52-52 draw against Majellan. This put them right on the cusp of being eliminated. To have a chance of progressing to the qtr-finals the next game is a must win, and also hope that Maitland City keep on their winning way. Both of those scenarios played out with Maitland City defeating Majellan, and Wingham lifting to a 65-60 win over Park Beach.

Their qtr-final opponent was Wenty Leagues, who were the winners of their section, so were expected to be a tough adversary. Wingham though proved to be tougher, and won on two of the three rinks to take out a 62-50 win. Wingham seemed to be getting better with each passing game.

In the semi-final against Halekulani they really hit their straps, with two good wins and a narrow loss over the three rinks, they had a convincing 67-42 win. Wingham were ready for the final, and seemed to be peaking at the right time.

Wingham's opponent in the final would be St Johns Park, who had defeated Maitland City in their qtr-final, and would be no pushover, as it should be in a final. This was a match worthy of a final, with shots being traded back and forth across all three rinks, and no-one really able to grab any ascendancy. The final result going right down to the wire on every rink. Wingham grabbed a 19-16 win on one rink, but 19-21 and 18-20 losses on the other two rinks meant an agonising loss by the narrowest of margins. This was a tremendous effort by one of the smaller clubs in our Zone, and we congratulate them on their State runner-up flag.

KAHIBAH

By "The Scribe" (John Smith)

The 2023 Consistency Singles semi-finals were really similar clashes. Neville White led from start to finish to record a convincing 150-105 win over John Smith after he held a narrow 47-45 margin after 11 ends while Kevin Gibbons defeated Merv Brown 152-131 after setting the early pace and maintaining his advantage to the end. The final was quite a fascinating game with Kevin leading early on before Neville rallied and took the lead 127 -123 after scores had been locked at 115 all on 25 ends. Kevin scored a decisive 10 on the 26° end to hit the front and then closed the game out to record a 150-140 win and take the Championship. Congratulations to both players on a fine exhibition of draw shot bowling.

The Major Singles early round results saw Paul Bradshaw defeat Darrell Oaten 25-17 and then Ian Gibbons 25-16 in a quarter final after Ian proved too strong for Gary Bradbery 25-4. Robert Yelds just outlasted Thomas Webster 25-24, Brady Anderson defeated

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Above: Wingham 4 Grade Pennant side - STATE Runner-up

Another commendable effort came from Old Bar in the Grade 7 pennant finals at Northmead and Dundas in Sydney. In sectional play they began well with a 67-55 win over Mudgee, but followed that in game two with a 60-64 loss to Gerringong. The winner of the near next game against Sth Cronulla would progress to the qtr-final. Old Bar came out firing and with wins on all three rinks and had a comprehensive 65-35 win to book their spot. In the qtr-final against South West Rocks, they again won on all three rinks, to race into the semi's with a 68-48 win.

In the semi they came up against Gerringong, who had defeated them in their sectional game, although only by 4 shots, so a big turnaround was not required. Unfortunately Gerringong won all rinks to record a 68-55 win.

Grade 2: Forster began with a 52-61 loss to Mona Vale, but followed that up with wins against Toongabbie (90-57) and Port City (61-49) to progress to the qtr finals. They came up against a strong Raymond Terrace team who defeated them 69-52.

Grade 3: Leagues began well with a 64-47 win over Dundas, but a 47-66 loss to Padstow had them in a must win game against Gulgong. Unfortunately a narrow 61-62 loss had them eliminated by just 1 point.

Grade 5: Forster won their first two games against Ettalong (67-62) and Aberdeen (70-45) and qualified for the qtr-final despite losing 57-73 against Parkes Railway in their third game. Birrong proved too strong in the qtr-final, defeating Forster 78-49.

Grade 6: Harrington defeated St Johns Park 77-52, and Bondi 57-54 to lead the section after day1. A 51-66 loss to Picton in their third game meant that they dropped to third place and were eliminated.

John Smith 25-19 and was subsequently defeated by Merv Brown 25-16 in a quarter final. Ennio Volpe continued his good form from the Major/Minor Pairs success to defeat Tony Perkins 25-14 and Neville White saw off Rod Cleaver 25-11 while Kevin Gibbons put paid to Matthew Webster 25-8. In the remaining quarter-finals Kevi Gibbons defeated Robert Yelds 25-16 after establishing and maintaining an early 12-3 advantage while Neville White overcame Ennio Volpe after trailling 12-8 but rallying to record a 25-19 victory. Semi-finals will see Neville take on Merv Brown and Kevin will meet Paul Bradshaw.

Entries for the 2023-2024 Club Major Pairs closed on the 30th June and games will be drawn shortly after the Major Singles has been completed.

The bottom green has now been closed and preparations are underway for its conversion to a championship standard synthetic surface by the KCL Company.





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TUNCURRY FORSTER SPORTS WOMEN By Sue Ryan, C.O.



Above: Lyn McVicar with Tuncurry Forster Sports Women's President Barbara Cross. Lyn was awarded the "Most Consistent Player" trophy for 2022/2023.

We finished our 2022-2023 Bowling Year on a high with our Presentation Day on Thursday, 29th June, 2023. We started the day with a scrumptious morning tea made by several of our members and well presented by our Social Committee, then it was time for a game of Social Bowls.

Following our game of Social Bowls, it was time for us to head inside for President Barbara Cross to welcome our invited guests and members to our 2022-2023 Presentation Day and to enjoy our Hot Lunch prepared by the Chefs at Tuncurry Sporties.

Then it was time for the presentation of Perpetual Trophies, Badges and Certificates to our Winners and Runners-Up for the 2022-2023 Bowling Year.

To conclude the Presentation of Trophies it was time for President Barbara to announce the Most Consistent Player for 2022-2023 is Lyn McVicar and present her with the Most Consistent Bowler Trophy. Lyn has had a very successful year on the green winning our Major Singles, Major Pairs Championships and Major/Minor Pairs as well as Runner-Up in the Club Triples. Lyn was also a member of the teams that won the 2022-2023 LNCDWBA Division 2 Pennants and 2022-2023 LNCDWBA Senior Fours. Congratulations Lyn on your tremendous bowling achievements during the 2022-2023 bowling year.

President Barbara concluded proceedings by thanking everyone

who contributed in making this a very special day for our Winners and Runners $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Up}}$.



WINGHAM WOMEN

Eye on Women's Bowls, by Di Lewis



Above L-R: Wingham Women's Consistency Finalists – Winner Denise Polley and Runner-up Leonie Gilford

Big Hello to all, this year is flying away with gusto We still like to play a game called Consistency where by a bowler gets 4 points for her bowl being closest to the jack, 3 for second shot, 2 for 3rd shot and one point for 4th shot. Each end must add up to 10 points and the game is first to 150 points. It's a game between two players and makes you concentrate on your weight and length. Lead bowlers usually do well in this event.

AT HOME: The FINAL of the Consistency event was played on a beautiful sunny day and the story goes like this – Denise Polley defeated Leonie Gilford – 151/139. Marker Chris Willey.

In 2020 Denise was narrowly beaten by Leonie and this year it was Denise's year to shine in this popular event. Denise was quick out of the blocks with a nice 9 pointer, a 10 pointer on 5th end; which amounted to a 38/12 lead. Leonie then bowled a nice 8 & 7 pointer to tally 27/43. From there on it was solid scoring except on 14th end where Denise let Leonie take a 9; still it was cat & mouse tactics with Denise edging out to the finish line, even though Denise let Leonie score a nice 8 and a 7 pointer on the 27 and 28 end. The score – Denise 151, Leonie 139.

Congrats to both players on their good sportsmanship. See you on the green - Di

EAST MAITLAND By Kathy Wilton



Above: Cutting the Celebration Cake for East Maitland Women's Veterans Day are Ruth Watson, Dawn Sinclair and Carmel Montgomery



Above: East Maitland Women's Club Pairs Champions sisters Marie Wiggins and Betty Sinclair. Runners Up Lorraine Hay and Annette Hooper.

On Tuesday June 27th we celebrated Veterans Day with around 30 bowlers taking part in a great morning of bowls. It was lovely to see such a fantastic attendance. Dawn Sinclair spoke on behalf of the Veterans and thanked everyone who were involved and to the players. Veterans Day Winners were Robyn Stein, Marilyn Donnan and Marie Wiggins. Runners Up were Alex Durie, Fay Beavis and Kay Good.

On Tuesday July 18th our Club Pairs Championship's Final was played and what a fantastic final it was. Lorraine and Annette jumped ahead early leading 11-3 on the 10th end. Betty and Marie fought their way back into the game with the score being 12-12 on the 17th end. Awesome bowls were displayed by both teams by the 21st end the final score being 16-12 with a victorious win by Betty Sinclair and Marie Wiggins. Congratulations ladies a well-deserved win and well done and great effort to the runners up Lorraine Hay and Annette Hooper.



By Michelle Robards, Zone Adiministrator

The Zone AGM was held recently but no elections as it is a two year term. We did have a casual vacancy which has been filled as follows: **President:** Greg Parrey (T); **Vice Presidents:** Bill Prosser (SRSL) and Warren Styles (Scone); **Secretary:** Michelle Robards (EC); **Treasurer:** Craig Lawrence (Gresford); **State Councillor:** John Payne (T).

The Zone would like to thank Ashley Fisher for all the work he has put into being our Treasurer for the past few years. His experience was greatly appreciated.

We have also elected our committees with them being Selectors: Craig Donaldson / Brad Bailey / Bill Prosser; **Match:** Greg Parrey / Ken Wells / John Payne. **Umpires:** Bruce Johnstone but Bruce would like some help from any qualified Umpires out there in bowls land.

We currently need someone to run our Junior programme if interested please contact Michelle to discuss what is involved. Our Juniors represented their clubs and zone well at the junior championships with our pairs and fours making the semi finals. 2022/23 State Champ of Champs has been completed with the following results: **Singles** N Allen (SRSL) 3rd in section; D. Macpherson (CMC) 3rd in section; A. Appleby (KK) 3rd in section; A. Strong (Aberdeen) 2nd in section; Ross / J. Herbert (EC) 2nd in section; J. Hamilton (J. Hamilton (LP) 2nd in section; N. Daniels /A. Strong (Aberdeen) 3rd in section; G. Niznik / D. Kedwell (CMC) 1st in section, defeated in the quarterfinals. N. Allen / D. Roff (SRSL) 1st in section and defeated in the semi-finals.

The Junior 7-A-Side squad has been announced for Dubbo on the 18th – 20th August 2023. **Singles** – C. Appleby (KK), **Pairs** - J. Osland (T) / J. Allerton (GW), **Fours** – J. Bourke (GW) / D. Meatheringham (KK) / X. Webber (EC) / K. Kattau (GW). Wishing these juniors good luck and enjoy the experience.

We will have a run down of the State Championships and Zone pairs in the next issue.

Invitations for the Zone presentation should now be with your clubs so please call in and collect it asap.



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BERESFIELD WOMEN

By Diane Ross, C.O.

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Above L-R: Beresfield Women's Club Handicap Pairs Final - Winners: Diane Ross and Mary Stretton; Runners-up: Judy Rae and Betty Wilmen.

The Hunter River District Presentation Day was held on Monday, 26 June at Bellbird Bowling Club. Many of our lady bowlers made the trip up the Valley to this Presentation Day as this will be our "last hurrah" with the Hunter River District - we have moved to the Newcastle District. A number of our ladies were recipients of awards in District games. During the 2022-2023 Pennant season our Grade 3 Team 2 were the winners of the Hodgson Trophy and our Grade 4 teams were the winners of the Creighton's Shield. Also, an award was also given to Grade 3 Team 2 as the Grade 3 Pennant winners. Congratulations to all our wonderful players who made Beresfield proud as we make the move to our new District!!

The final of our Club Handicap Pairs was held on Tuesday, 11 July. This final was played out between Diane Ross and Mary Stretton against Betty Wilmen and Judy Rae. In a closely-fought match with a nail-biting finish, the title of 2022-2023 Club Handicap Pairs Champions goes to Diane Ross and Mary Stretton with a 25 to 23 victory. Congratulations to all four players reaching the Final.

As the end of the 2022-2023 bowls year draws to a close, we, at Beresfield, are looking forward to a brand new year in our new District. A number of Clubs in the Newcastle District have already reached out to make us feel very welcome.

Good bowling to all! Diane









Above: Kerry Seers and Michelle Niznik (Club Above: Lorraine Hay (East Maitland City) contesting State Senior Pairs Maitland) competing in the State Maitland City) contesting State Senior Pairs

Senior Singles.

Best wishes to our ladies competing in the State Championships this month. Kerry Seers and Michelle Niznik, from Club Maitland City who are competing in the Senior Pairs and Lorraine Hay, from East Maitland Women's Bowling Club, who is competing in the Senior Singles.

STOCKTON

By Jack High, P.O.

The Final of the Club Fours was played on Sunday 16th July and although rain was falling around the district Stockton remained dry and play was not affected. Teams contesting the Final were Paul Wilson, Dick Hadley, Brian Hitchcock and Tony Baker (Skip) against Rod Cue, Leo Payne, Billy Smith and Terry Smith (Skip). The match was fairly even up until about the 12th end when disaster struck the Smith team when they dropped a couple of 6 shot ends and never recovered with the Baker team running out convincing winners by 36-15 shots. In the Semi-Finals the Baker team defeated the team of Greg Penfold, Dean Castle, Tod Anderson and Darren Mehan (Skip) by 22-17 shots and the Smith team defeated the team of Dave Tinsley, Mick Hoye, Gary Ferguson and Simon Ferguson (Skip) by 18-14 shots. At copy time the Qtr. Finals of the Club Triples had been played and the Successful Skippers were Rik Clark. Dick Hadley, Peter Quinn and Tony Baker. The Saturday afternoon Mixed Pairs single entry continues to be very popular with each winning team receiving a tasty meat tray from local butcher T&J Meats.



Above: Stockton 2023 Club Fours Winners (L-R) T. Baker (Skip), B. Hitchcock, R. Hadley and P. Wilson



Above: Stockton 2023 Club Fours Runner-Up (L-R) T. Smith (skip), B. Smith, L. Payne and R Cue

DORA CREEK WORKERS

By Ron McCarthy, Publicity Officer



Above: Dora Creek Workers Major Singles Champion Barry Winslade (holding the trophy). Others in the photo are Ross Hoban (Vice President), John Hardy (Treasurer) and Bob Beveridge (President).



Above: Minor Singles was won by Shane Bridge, the presenter Bob Beveridge

Congratulations to our Major Singles Champion Barry Winslade and Minor Singles Champion Shane Bridge.

The Club Presentations were held beside the green from the barbecue area, where a healthy feed was provided, together with refreshments. The morning session of bowls was well attended and played in holiday spirit.

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VALENTINE By Pete Lynn, Bowls Co-Ordinator





Above: Valentine's Bowler of the Year GeoffArmstrong

Above: Valentine's Most Improved and Veteran Bowler of the Year Neville Beeton

Valentine held their 2022/23 Presentation Day on Saturday 15/7/2023. **Geoff Armstrong** was named Bowler of the Year having featured in 3 x Zone Senior Semi Finals, debuted in the Zone 2 Veteran Side, Won the men's Fours, Runner-up in the Major Pairs and Won the Major Singles.

Neville Beeton took out the Veteran Bowler of the Year as well as the Most Improved Player award. Nev was also a member of the Winning Club Fours, Won the Major Pairs and Won the Veteran Singles.

Our Bowls AGM was conducted on Saturday 22/7/2023 where we have new names associated with the Bowls Committee and Selectors.

Look out for the flyers to our 3 major Tournaments for the year.

Valentine Lakers Super 12's Triples played over Monday and Tuesday 23-24/10/2023. Valentine Lakers Over 70's Triples played Monday 13/11/2023 and Valentine Lakers Classic Pairs played over Sunday and Monday 19-20/11/2023. See you out on the green.

SOLDIERS POINT

By Mark Watt, Bowls Director

Congratulations to the Soldiers Point Number One Team on reaching the final of the State Pennants. In a tense final, they lost by two shots to the Jets (Raymond Terrace) - once again their nemesis! However, the Number One Team beat some strong Teams on the way to the Final and "Runner Up" in the top NSW Pennant grade is a fine achievement.

Meanwhile, social bowls has continued at Soldiers Point with up to 100 bowlers competing up to six days per week on the three greens. Featured in the photo of social bowlers, on the far right, is Neville Downes. Neville started playing bowls in 1975 and was selected in the NSW State Team in 1987. He played for NSW for several years and is still competitive playing Skip in one of the



Soldiers Point Runner-up in the STATE Grade Pennant Final

Pennant Teams. Championship bowls resumes this week with sixty bowlers competing in the Club "Fours". FOUR WAY CHALLENGE: Soldiers Point hosted the Four Way

FOUR WAY CHALLENGE: Soldiers Point hosted the Four Way Challenge from Monday the 17^{th} through until Wednesday the 19^{th} of July. With four Service sides competing NSW Railways, NSW Police, NSW Fire Brigade and NSW Master Builders. The Grand Final was played out between NSW Railways and NSW Master Builders with the Master Builders prevailing 70 - 44 shots on the master board. This been the third year in a row that the Master Builders have taken out the tournament.



Above: Soldiers Point Social Bowlers



Above: Winners of Soldiers Point's 4 Way Challenge - Master Builders

HAMILTON NORTH HORNETS By Mark Casey, Bowls Co-ordinator

The club finished of the 2022-23 season with our successful Ladies Open Fours tournament on Wednesday the 28th June 2023. Photo's on this and other recent events are elsewhere in this issue.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: The club has kicked off the 2023-24 season with the Mens Major and Minor Single championships. Defending Major Singles champion Ryan Steel has commenced his title defence with two impressive victories defeating Chris Jenkins 27/12 and Robert Keevers. Other players to advance to the third round at this stage include Ken Stauffer, Chris Elkin, Wayne Smith, Howard Smith, Michael Brown, Nick Cleary and Anthony Gilmour.

The Opening round of the Minor Singles has also started. In the coming month we plan be starting the finals of both our Major Singles as well as our Minor Singles

GALA'S: With the end of pennants our Saturday afternoon gala has returned. All our galas continue growing with nearly a full green at least for every gala, all of our galas are \$10 per player. The Tuesday Pairs Cash Gala is 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.

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KOTARA By Graham Milburn, JP

Kotara Flying Bowlers celebrates 60th Anniversary



Above: Kotara Flying Bowlers Life Members Garry Wright, Scott Hudson, Graham Milburn & Mick Henry (absent: Denis Gill).



Above: Kotara's Redkot Shield Garry Wright and David Sharpe (Flying Bowlers Secretary)

In 1963 two light planes flew a group of bowlers to Broken Hill, thus beginning this club's impressive history. Since that inaugural flight the club has visited countless destinations ranging from Rockhampton, North QLD to Launceston, Tasmania and also included a trip to Auckland, NZ. We prefer to fly once a year but also travel by bus and train when necessary.

There have been many (mis)adventures on our journeys, especially when we were re-routed to Mascot instead of Belmont due to an engine problem, the runways at Mascot were cleared for our landing except for two fire engines that aimed fire-extinguishing foam at us all the way in!

We also had some hair-raising events onboard Douglas DC3's out of Williamtown, on one of which the rear door flew open on takeoff!

On our trip to Rockhampton, there was a problem with Jetstar who apparently gave our plane away to those travelling to Hamilton Island, they kept us in the dark (playing Euchre) most of the day

Below: 60th Anniversary of Kotara's Flying Bowlers

(also played bowls in the departure area) until they finally admitted defeat and had to put us up in accommodation in Sydney!

We conduct our own yearly championships in Singles and Pairs, all of which are recorded in our member's booklet which shows historical membership of over 170 (known) members including five current Life Members; Mick Henry, Garry Wright, Scott Hudson, Denis Gill & Graham Milburn.

We enjoy ongoing interclub competitions with Redhead (RedKot Shield) since 1986 and Cardiff (Tickhole Tunnel Trophy) since 2002, both these clubs joined us for our 60^{th} celebration day on 1^{st} July.

KOTARA WOMEN By Maree Harman



Above: Kotara Women's Club Consistency Finalists L-R Runner-up Marj Storrie and Winner Maree Harman.

Our AGM held on 13 July resulted in all positions filled except for one Committee member. Pres Di called for a volunteer from the members present and Judy Handley kindly put her hand up to fill the position and received her badge.

The Final of the Club Consistency was played between Marj Storrie and Maree Harman. Marj jumped out of the blocks and was well in front before Maree kept creeping up until finally reaching 150 first.

CLUB LAMBTON By Barry Hewat

The last of our seasons club games were completed on 16th July for the Presker Brothers Shield honouring the four brothers Lionel, Herb, Ray and Barry who played for many years at all levels. Winners Elva Jarvis, Leslie Wilson and Steve Gilshenan over Jenny Silver, Greg Fox and Nola Nowlan 23-11. In the semi-finals Steve's team defeated Steve Ward (sub), Tony Wilson and Dawn Macpherson. The other semi-final Nola's team defeated Grant Conway (sub), Sandra Ray and Ian Olsen. Thank you to all bowlers throughout the season for supporting Club Lambton.

The mens minor singles begins on 23rd July, followed by major fours in late August.

July was special for our club in hosting the Zone 2 Champion of Club Fours. We also co-hosted the State No.3 Grade Pennant playoffs (along with Club Charlestown) – two big weekends and thank you to our ladies and men for assisting in making welcome to those state zone teams who played in cold and windy conditions. It must have suited Rules Club Wagga as they won all games to take the pennant – well done.

So the start of another bowls season - enjoy.



BERESFIELD

By David Govan, Bowls Co-ordinator

Hi there fellow Magpies, the highlight over the past month was our club triples championship coming to conclusion. Congratulations go to David Hutchison, Anthony Ellercamp & David Govan defeating last years' champions Mark Fisher, Glen Solomons & Brad Unsted 20-15 in a fantastic final played in great spirit. A big thankyou to Boyd Dumbrell AKA Happy Bowler for the great coverage in live streaming all our major finals & Maxy Dettelbacher on his expert commentary (Yodelayheehoo). Boyd is now also venturing out & putting his skills to the test streaming other various sports, I look forward to some new catchphrases in the livestream surfing coming up soon. Our mixed pairs championship is down to the final & will see Margaret Boan & Glen Solomons take on Lynn Profic & Anno Vanzanden in what should be a great final. Beresfield has had several new members join recently & we give you all a warm welcome to our wonderful club & I'm sure you will all enjoy as much as we do. Last of all good luck to all our players who have entered in the district events which will continue right up until the end of November, Good Bowling & Go The Magpies!!!

WARNERS BAY SPORTS WOMEN By Gwen Andriessen P.O.

Thank you to all Clubs who attended our Invitation 4's day on Friday the 16^{h} June. We were fortunate to have a beautiful sunny day and I hope you all enjoyed yourselves as we did hosting everyone.

Winners on the day were: S. Roberts, L. Young, P. Hanzic and K. Noble from Halekulani. Runner Up went to: S. Pike, C. Sager, J. Baldwin and J. Lane from Boolaroo. Consolation went to various Clubs. The Spider winners were: L. Lacey (Warners Bay), A. Jefferey (Belmont), A. Miklosi (Valentine) and S. Roberts (Halekulani). The spider money collected \$126.00, was donated to Westpac Helicopter Appeal.

We are proud to welcome our new members: Jan Dolman, Julie Bramble, Sharon Walker, Marianne Loveday, Shari Youngberry, Sandy Fitzgerald and Jennifer Wilson. All these Ladies are being coached by Dave Brenton and are playing very well.

Thank you for sharing your time and expertise Dave! Most of these Ladies are so keen, they are playing in our Gala Days on both Wednesday and Thursday. Thank you for choosing our Club.

We are so happy to welcome Joan Parks back on the green after her illness. For all Members who are intending to play our Club games, please add your name to the forms on the board. With the start of Pennants just around the corner, we are pleased to announce we have the numbers for 2 teams.

Until next month stay healthy, happy and enjoy your bowling.

VALENTINE WOMEN

By Donna Owen, C.O.



Above: Big "O" Birthday celebrations for Valentine Women's Shirley Green and Jeanette Manning.



Above: Winners of Valentine Women's Annual Mater Oncology Day Maggie Johnston, Paulette Bignell, Margaret Hobson and Jenny Baldwin.

Our Annual Mater Oncology Day Gala was held on the 26th June, and it was a great success, despite the cool and windy conditions. Our hard working Social and Catering Committee workers made sure that the day was an enjoyable one.

There were many teams from visiting clubs, but all three winning teams were from Valentine. **1st Place:** Maggie Johnston, Paulette Bignell, Margaret Hobson and Jenny Baldwin; **2nd Place:** Glenda Morgan, Bernice Wilkins, Alina Miklosi and Jenny Elks; **3rd Place:** Anna Harris, Jan Aurisch, Di McCarthy and Sue Armstrong.

Our Major Singles has reached the Finals stage, with Sue Armstrong and Trixie Stauble deservedly contesting the honour of b e c o m i n g o u r S i n g l e s C h a m p i o n f o r 2023. We recently celebrated the 70th birthday of Shirley Green, and the 80th birthday of our past Secretary Jeanette Manning. They received flowers from President Glenda and we all enjoyed delicious cupcakes with them.

MARKS POINT By John James



Above: Marks Point Men's Fours Finalists (R) J. McEwan, A. Brown, J. Dukes and D. Roche 25 def (L) G. Huggins, T. Fletcher, N. Gilbert, D. Cox and Super Sub Terry Leadbeatter 23. Team Huggins put the wind up the more experienced Team Roche at 23 all last end scoring 2 shots - always next year Huggo.



Above: Marks Point MIXED Fours Final. (R) R. Ibbett, J. Ward, D. Jenkins and T. Ibbett 20 def (L) S. Gil, L. Pryor, A. Richards and D. Hurst 19. This match could have finished up any teams game it was so close. Congratulations to the winners - always next year r/u's.

SOLDIERS POINT WOMEN By Wendy O'Brien, P.O.



Above: Club Presentation night Yvonne, Jean and Janine.



Above: Club Presentation night Moira, Alison and Vacie

Above: Soldiers Point Presentation night Women's Club Champion Pam Stephens

Our AGM saw the changing of the guard with our new President, Jan Sutherland, replacing Yvonne Corcoran who we thank very much for 3 years dedication at the helm. We welcome all the new (and some continuing) incoming officers and committees and look forward to a positive term where we all work together for the best outcomes for our bowlers and the club.

Following the ballot, elected officers and committees are as follows: **President:** Jan Sutherland, **Vice Presidents:** Julie Schumacher and Helen Wheatley. **Secretary**: Pat Krestensen. **Treasurer**: Julie Lister. **Match Committee**: Cheryl Field, Diane Williams, Lorraine Cloke, Trudy Van Der Reyden. 1 Casual position vacant, EOIs to be sent to secretary. **Selection Committee**: Sheila Hickey, Janine Papworth, Robyn Flanagan, Melissa Witts and Pam Connick. **Social Committee**: Jules Wallis. Helen Wheatley withdrew her nomination after accepting her position as VP. Six casual positions with EOIs to be sent to secretary. **General Committee**: Volunteers called from the floor are Moira Jones, Lyn Yeomans, Karen Anne Bergesen, Ann Callaghan, Susan Bernhardt, Maureen Holland, Maria Barrett, Leonie Rarity, Rhonda Henry and Barbara Turnbull. **Publicity Officer**: Wendy O'Brien. **Welfare Officer**: Lyn Yeomans. **Delegate**: Julie Schumacher. **Patron**: Sheila Hickey.

Our annual Oncology mixed bowls day was held where the lovely ladies from the Mater Auxillary set up their clever craft tables and ran several raffles; plus also provided our healthy salad lunch, with dessert donated by our generous chef Lesley from Taylor's Bistro. Money raised from the bowls, craft sales, raffles, donations, plus an auction of donated paintings came to \$3798, which was matched by SPBC Limited making a total of \$7596 to go to the Mater Oncology Unit. It was a fun day in support of a worthy cause, thanks to all organisers who made the day possible.

The SPBC presentation night saw the club championship winners and runners up presented with their winnings; all who attended dressed up, grooved the night away on the dance floor or just enjoyed the company and relaxed atmosphere. Congratulations to all the recipients, well done.



Above: Club Presentation night Julie and Trudie.

Special mention and congratulations to the legendary Betty Herbertson who has once again been selected in the NSW State Senior team. We are very proud of you and the inspiration you provide Betty, best of luck in the upcoming tournament.

Coming up are our club championship fours which begin on 3rd August, good luck to all teams.

STOCKTON WOMEN



Above L-R: Stockton Women's Club Fours Champions Sandie Lowndes, Vicki Marshall, Ellen Shearman, Sharon Gilbert.

Our lady members at Stockton have certainly packed a lot of bowling into the past few weeks. We held another very successful Social Bowling Day towards the end of June which included lunch for our ladies. Everyone enjoyed a sunny morning of bowls and a lovely lunch prepared by our catering team of Suzie Dundas and Sue Dee. Wonderful job ladies.

The final of our Club 4's Championship was delayed due to some of the ladies being involved in the Australian Open, but it was finally played on 27th June and the ultimate winners were Sandie Lowndes

(Skip), Vicki Marshall (Third), Ellen Shearman (2^{nd}) and Sharon Gilbert (lead). The runners up were Fay Foot (Skip), Suzie Dundas (3^{nd}), Sue Dee (2^{nd}) and Helen Nash (lead).

Hot on the tail of the 4's Championship was to be our Club Triples, but the commencement was delayed due to rain. Nonetheless it proved to be an excellent display of quality bowling from everyone involved once we were able to start. Our winners were Carol Shepheard (Skip), Jill Young (second), Suzanne Sansom (lead). Runners Up – Lorraine Smolen (Skip), Di Fagan (second), Shirley



Above L-R: Stockton Women's Club Triples Champions Carol Shepheard, Jill Young, Suzanne Sansom.

Simpson (lead). This was a very close game with very little separating both teams until around the 17^{th} end when the ultimate winners scored a 6 and made the gap a little too difficult to bridge. Again, superb bowling from everyone involved and a great game to watch.

The Club Pairs are currently under way and the Major Singles will follow, so lots of bowling yet to come in the latter part of the year.

Congratulations are also extended to those members who have been selected to play at the District Versatility Day on 28th August which will be held at Soldiers Point. Stockton have had two teams selected this year, and we wish them all the very best of luck and hope they are all happy with their games at the finish. We know they will give it their very best on the day. There are 20 teams playing in this event and everyone is looking forward to a wonderful day.

CHARLESTOWN WOMEN

By Laurel Faint, P.O.

A Plaque is now in place, that Commemorates the Official Opening of Club Charlestown's The Greens Facility by the Right Honourable Jodie Harrison Member for Charlestown. Also present was Kay Fraser, Mayor of Lake Macquarie on 23rd June 2023 and Members and Guests.

<u>Our Charlestown Ladies played our First Gala Day on our</u> <u>beautiful new undercover Greens on Tuesday 4th July 2023</u> with a photo to celebrate the day. We will certainly look forward to our many Gala Days, Invitation Days, Tournaments, Club games and various District, Regional and State games that may now be played, "rain, hail or shine" at Charlestown in the future.

CLUB NEWS: Congratulations to our: 2022-2023 Charlestown Mixed Pairs CHAMPIONS: Kathy Limond and Brett Waugh; Runner-Up: Rhonda Littlewood and Jack Littlewood.

2022-2023 NSW CHAMPIONSHIPS: All the very best to our Teams contesting these Championships. Senior Singles – unfortunately Gayle Gannon is not attending. Open Triples – Lynn Genders, Pattie White and Halina Wuro; Senior Pairs – Kathy Limond, Raweang Namutwong; Senior Fours - Lynn Genders, Kathy Faint, Pattie White, Halina Wuro. Results next Month.

BOWLS NEWS: <u>Marks Point Invitation Fours</u>: 20.06.2023 WINNER: Gail Baker, Karen Mason, Kim Nillesen, Val Fullick; <u>Hamilton North Ladies Open Fours</u>: 28.06.2023 Runner Up: Anette Pontey, Maria Smith, Karen Mason, Val Fullick; <u>Jesmond Priceline</u> <u>Pink Oncology Day</u>: 14.07.2023 WINNER: Oona Sullivan, Bronwyn Unwin, Gwen Smith (Charlestown) Lea O'Shea (Merewether).

A reminder Date for the calendar: 2022-2023 CLUB CHARLESTOWN PRESENTATION DAY 10.30am Saturday 19th August, 2023.

Till Next Month Laurel

Below: Charlestown Ladies First Gala Day New Undercover Greens 04.07.2023

LAMBTON PARK WOMEN

By Michelle Farrow, VP



Above: Lambton Park Women's Betty Parrott Invitation Day Winners



Above: Lambton Park Women's Betty Parrott Invitation Day Runners-up Vicki Fletcher, Lynne Sara, Pam Markey and Han Cleary

Once again, we held our Betty Parrott memorial invitation shield. An annual event, with the presence of Betty's daughter, Vicki Fletcher. The winners of the shield were Alison Moxey, Marie Ashburn and Denise Quinlan. Congratulations girls – Alison spoke lovingly of Betty and said she was proud to have her name on the trophy. Very touching.

AGM was held on 5th July and the following is the Management committee for the coming year: **President:** Nola Nowlan, **Secretary:** Michelle Farrow, **Treasurer:** Loris Hope; **Vice Presidents:** Dawn Macpherson and Jan O'Connor; **Match:** Lorraine Sharp (Chair); **Social:** Sue Maloney (Chair); **Delegate:** Nola Nowlan; **Welfare:** Nancy Newby; **Publicity Officer:** Michelle Farrow (Casual).

All the best for an enjoyable year. Thank you for supporting our wonderful club. Next invitation day will be Summer on the Green (fours) in November. We have changed the date from Wednesday 29th November to Monday 27th November. Cost \$80 per team, which includes lunch. Good bowling from Lambton Ladies.



HAMILTON NORTH HORNETS

HAMILTON NORTH JUNE TOURNAMENTS

Hamilton North Hornets have been buzzing with activity with not 1, not 2, but THREE events in June. Two of these were played over the June Long weekend starting with the A&J Air 2 Bowl Triples which was a cruisy Saturday afternoon tournament with 2 games of 12 ends. Lee Schraner, fresh from the State Champion of Champions Play-offs where he won BOTH the Singles and Pairs, continued his good form to take out the top prize with team mates Adam Chaffey (Soldiers Point) and Joel Field (Charlestown). They won both their games with the highest margin of +31. Tony Ball, Troy Ball and Stuart Clarke came home strong winning their second match by 17 shots to claim second place on 4+22. They snatched second by just 1 shot over locals Mark Casey, Jamie Lee and Mark Evans who had two good games finishing on 4+21. In fourth place was Scott Ellis, Jarrod Bent and Daniel Hill on 4+18 and taking the last of the top prizes was James Welsh, Josh Reynolds and Jim Sillet. Well done to all!

On the Monday A&J Air also sponsored a 7Up Pairs event that was played over 3 games of 12 ends. Congratulations to winners John Parkinson & Wayne Smith who absolutely smashed it with 3 wins + 57. John and Wayne had two fantastic wins in the first and second round +25 and +28 respectively and finished with a +4 to secure the top prize. Second to fourth place were also undefeated but a much closer affair with margins ranging from 16 – 26. Well done to W. Medhurst & J. Petherbridge in second on 3+26; P. Thomas & M. Evans in third with 3+17 and B. Scott & D. Lang in fourth on 3+16. The last of the prize money went to B. Hoban & M. Cooper who finished in fifth with 2 wins, a draw + 19.

The third and final event was one for the ladies with an Open Fours played on Wednesday 28th June. 28 teams took to the greens for 2 rounds of 10 ends followed by lunch and raffle. It couldn't be much closer with the two main prizes tied on 2 wins +16. Congratulations to Hamilton North's Hann Cleary, Pam Markey, Karen Young and Jodie Dorricott who had the advantage of 13 ends to 12 ends over second place Annette Pontey, Maria Smith, Karen Mason and Val Fullick from Charlestown. A consolation prize was drawn out of the hat and that went to Cardiff's Maureen Mitchell, Kris Brogan, Helen Lott and Diane Moore.

Well done to Hamilton North Bowls Co-Ordinator Mark Casey with all events run efficiently with the assistance of Tony Gilmour on the scoreboard. Thank you to all who played, and to all who helped behind the scenes.



Above: Winners of Hamilton North Ladies Open Fours Jodie Dorricott, Karen Young, Pam Markey and Hann Cleary.



Above: L-R Consolation Winners in Hamilton North LADIES Open Fours Maureen Mitchell, Kris Brogan, Helen Lott and Diane Moore



Above: Winners of Hamilton North's A&J Air 2 Bowl Triples Joel Field, Adam Chaffey and Lee Schraner.



Above: Runners-up in Hamilton North's A&J Air 2 Bowl Triples Troy Ball, Stuart Clarke and Tony Ball.



Above: Winner of Hamilton North's A&J Air 7up Pairs Wayne Smith and John Parkinson.



Above: Second Place in Hamilton North Ladies Open Fours Annette Pontey, Maria Smith, Karen Mason and Val Fullick.

REDHEAD WOMEN

By Jennifer Kenyon, PO

Our AGM was held on the 12th July and the 2023/24 Executive and Committees were formed. **President** Rosemary Priest, **Vice President's** Kathy York and Linda Garner, **Secretary** Jen Kenyon, **Treasurer** Laurel Mitchell, **Match/Selection** Sue Haines, Anne Carter, Rose Sharkey, Sheryl Bendeich, Gail Chinnery, **Social** Noeline Gleeson, Sally Barton, Diane Jones, Elaine Marks-Rodger, **Delegate and Communications Officer** Jen Kenyon.

Our Presentations were also held at the AGM and Members were presented with their prizes for Club games for 2022/23 - congratulations to all.

Our outgoing President Lyn, Treasurer Dale and Social Bev can now relax and enjoy their bowls, many thanks for all of your hard work over the years. Dale had been Treasurer for 8 years and Bev on Social for 13 years, Lyn had been President twice over a 5 year period.

Our next Invitation Triples is on the 30th August and we are still looking for teams. The format is one game of 18 ends with 3 bowl triples and \$36 per team picnic lunch or purchase from our Restaurant Seaside Fusion contact Sue Haines 0403 331 766 a good chance to get some practice on our great grass greens so book a place and enjoy the day.

Our Members are looking forward to Pennants, especially some of our new bowlers who are going to have their first experience. I know our more seasoned bowlers will be encouraging them along the way.

Our thoughts are with our Members who have been on the sick list and we wish you well in your recovery. Happy Birthday to our August Birthdays, I hope you all have a good one. Until next month, good bowling.

MEREWETHER WOMEN

By Rosemary Allars, C.O.



Above: Merewether Women's President Sylvia Murray, Secretary Laraine Clifford and Treasurer Joanne Palmowski.

We held our AGM recently. Our President Sylvia Murray has stayed on as well as Secretary Laraine Clifford. Our new Treasurer is Joanne Palmowski.

Our MIXED 2-4-2 Last Thursday of the Month is always a great morning with our delicious homemade morning tea provided. All visitors welcome for this and our weekly Thursday galas.

Our club welcomes new members Alison Hill, Jenny Fithall and Cathy Wilkinson, who are new bowlers and Catherine Mitchell from Woolgoolga. This is very encouraging and all are keen to get involved and learn the game with support from our members.

Happy bowling.

LOWLANDS WOMEN

By Lynn Flanagan, C.O.

It was notable at Lowlands Presentation night on July 3 that Gale Mooney was continually on her feet going back-and-forth to the dais to accept her prizes. Gale won the Pairs (with Chris Dwyer); the Fours (with Helen Bailey, Cathy Graham and Sonia Freeman) and she was Runner-up in the Triples and the President's Consistency.

It is also notable that Gale still uses the old "classic" black bowls,

Below: Redhead Women's Major Singles Winner Anne Carter with President Rosemary Priest. *Below:* Runner-up in Redhead Women's Major Singles Kathy York with President Rosemary Priest

Major Singles Champion Anne Carter and Runner up Kathy York







Above: Redhead Women's Minor Singles Winner Laurel Mitchell with President Rosemary Priest

Above: Redhead Women's Minor Singles Runner-up Jane McNaughton with President Rosemary Priest.



(size 2, heavy) which she says "seem to work for her". She bought these bowls secondhand some 10 years ago from someone who had also bought them second-hand. It may be a lesson to all of us that it is not the bowls that count, but rather the person rolling them!

Right: GALE MOONEY (ALMOST) SCOOPS THE POOL



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JESMOND WOMEN

By Robyn Collin

Our Club Pairs Championship is drawing to a close with the Final between Wendy Adamson and Menka Weddell and Yvonne Cavanagh and Pat Buchanan. The Major Singles is our last Club game to complete the current year.

We were blessed with a beautiful warm winter's day for our Priceline Pink Oncology Invitation Day on Friday 14 July. The visiting teams really embraced the fun of the day with many innovative pink outfits. Winner of the day was Charlestown's Lea O'Shea and her team. Bev Mulley's team won the Runner Up title and was one of the four East Maitland teams we were delighted to welcome to our Pink Day. Claudia Perrine from Fingal Bay took out the Consistency prize. Spider Winners were Judy Jones Stockton and Sheila Rattray Tea Gardens. Best dressed Team was Elaine Griffiths' Lemon Tree Passage ladies who went to quite a bit of trouble to look so outrageously pink.

We are very fortunate at Jesmond to have such a great band of helpers and this coupled with a lovely lunch provided by our caterer ensured that the day would be enjoyable. Thank you to the Calvary Mater Auxiliary and the visiting teams who contributed lots of friendship, fun and good bowling to make the day so successful.

Our next Invitation Day is the Pettigrew's Rainbow Invitation Fours Day on Friday 13 October. Two games of 10 ends to be played, one on the grass, one on the synthetic. Lunch is provided. Morning tea at 9 am games start at 9.30 am. No uniform wear bright rainbow coloured clothing. Enquiries contact Joan Hancock of 4952 4532. We hope you can join us.

Good health and good bowling.



Above: Winners Priceline Pink Oncology Day Lea O'Shea (Charlestown)



Above: Runners Up Priceline Pink Oncology Day Bev Mulley (East Maitland)



Above: Consolation Priceline Pink Oncology Day Claudia Perrine (Fingal Bay)





Sheila Rattray (Tea

Gardens), Judy Jones

(Stockton)

Above: Best Dressed Team Priceline Pink Oncology Day (Lemon Tree Passage)

TORONTO WORKERSWOMENBy Trish Kellehear, C.O.





Above: Toronto Workers Women's New President -Margaret Peisley

Above: Toronto Workers Women's Mufti Day -Kris James & Trudy Richens.

The start of a new bowling year has seen a changing of the guard with Toronto Ladies getting a new president and secretary. At our AGM, we elected our new committee and look forward to a busy and competitive year. Congratulations ladies past and present! Our new **President** is Margaret Peisley, **Secretary and Communications Officer** is Trish Kellehear, **Match Chair** is Kris James & **Social Officer** is Margaret Derksen.

Major Singles Championship is underway. Some very competitive bowling ahead with our very talented ladies, striving for the title of Champion! We also have a team in the District 4's which starts early August. May all your bowls be touchers girls!

Our challenge day against Toronto Elements continues to be a great success with this month seeing TW defeat Elements. Our Thursday Mixed Mufti days are well attended. It's amazing how many brave souls come out to play. They were even more fun last month, with Xmas in June Fun Days.

ALDER PARK WOMEN

Alder Park ladies held their AGM and Presentation Day on Saturday 22nd July, 2023. Incoming officers for 23/24 are: President: Julie Lyon, Vice President: Judy O'Brien, Secretary: Liz Bujack, Treasurer: Loretta Bannister, Match/Selection: Anne Stuart and Anne Kershaw, Communication Officer: Loretta Bannister, Delegate: Liz Bujack. Retiring President Judy O'Brien thanked and congratulated all members for their support and President Julie Lyon welcomed all incoming officers.

The presentation for all achievements 2022/23 was then held, followed by a light luncheon. Helen Ross was awarded Bowler of the Year. Winners were: Major Singles: Helen Ross, Minor Singles: Trish Goodwin; Club Pairs: Trish Chisholm and Robyn Bagnall: Club Triples: Robyn Bagnall, Helen Ross and Anne Stuart. Handicap Pairs: Trish By Loretta Bannister



Above: Helen Ross, Bowler of the Year at Alder Park WBC

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Goodwin, Judy O'Brien; **Consistency:** Julie Lyon. Alder Park ladies are looking forward to another year of friendship and good bowling.



Above L-R: Winners of Alder Park Women's Championships and Competitions 2022/2023 Anne Stuart, Robyn Bagnall, Julie Lyon, Helen Ross and Judy O'Brien.

KING AND QUEEN OF THE HUNTER A FOREIGNER TAKES THE THRONE!!



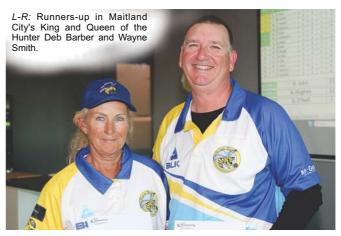
Above: Maitland City's King and Queen of the Hunter Joel Field and Susie Simmons

High winds made conditions very tricky for bowlers at Maitland City's King and Queen of the Hunter. President Henry Meskauskas OAM commented that everyone deserved a medal for persevering, particularly on the first day of play where the wind was most fierce.

Charlestown's Joel Field teamed with Susie Simmons who was visiting from Bathurst City. Despite a draw in the first round against Garry and Gail Baker, also from Charlestown, they maintained form and amassed a comfortable margin of +45 against their closest rivals Ingrid Griffith (Gresford) and Tom Everett (Maitland City). Tom and Ingrid also had their share of success sitting behind the leaders on 4 wins, a draw +20.

Susie and Joel have the defending titleholders, Rhonda and Jack Littlewood to thank for keeping their competition at bay, when they defeated Ingrid and Tom in the last round by a single shot. The win not only cemented Joel and Susie's position as overall winners, but also resulted in sixth place for Rhonda and Jack. In second place was Hamilton North's Deb Barber and Wayne Smith whose only loss over the two days was to the champs in game 4, whilst Ingrid and Tom settled into third place.

Shendelle Smith (Maitland City), a past Queen in this event was pretty confident in her prince charming, Nathan Dawson. Dawso's reputation precedes him and as expected, the pair were in the top three contenders going out for the final round against Tony Scott and Jackie Jukes from Mayfield West. In what could have been a fairytale story Shendelle and Dawso were down 11/3 and clawed their way to equal the score at 13 all. This is where the fairytale ended... they lost the last end and dropped to fourth in line to the throne. Tony and Jackie picked up fifth place with their giant-slaying win. Nikki Ware and Dave Healy (Kurri Kurri) had a 9 shot win in the



final match snatching the final piece of the prize pie right out of the mouths of Graham and Sue O'Neill (Greta).

Best Performed in Round 1 was awarded to Greg and Learne John from Teralba with +13. Greg and Learne were amongst the top 6 contenders going into the last match. They actually had a hand in shaping the leaderboard along the way, responsible for Nathan Dawson and Shendelle Smith's loss in Round 2 and were the team that drew against Tom Everett and Ingrid Griffiths. Both these sides placed in the top 4 (4th and 3rd respectively). Well done. Other BP's went to **Round 2**: Andrew Hughes and Kayle Magney (Charlestown) +12; **Round 3**: Graham and Sue O'Neill (Greta) +7; **Round 4**: Paul Windon (Maitland City) and Deanne Price (Kurri) + 15; **Round 5**: Kelly Giles and Shaun Richards (RayTer) +15; **Round 6**: Trixie Stauble and Marc Bert (RayTer) +15.

Congratulations to Joel Field and Susie Simmons on claiming the crown and to the placegetters. Many thanks to all participants who braved the winds. Bowls Manager DJ was away for this event and sends big praise to Greg D'Arcy and Lynn Greedy for looking after it in his absence. Thanks also to the behind the scenes team of umpires, greenstaff, bar and kitchen staff and volunteers who work together to make the tournament a success.



Above L-R: Third Place in Maitland City's King and Queen of the Hunter Ingrid Griffiths and Tom Everett.



NELSON BAY WOMEN By Bernie Carroll

Introducing the winners of the Nelson Bay Bowling Club Fours Competition....congratulations go to Toni Martin, Sandra Swan, Leanne Murray and Pat Pepper. All team members played some great bowls and maintained a good lead throughout the game with the eventual score being 22 to 11.

Well done to the runners up Bernie Carroll, Denise Archibald, Pam Pulbrook and Val Deacon who was the substitute Lead for Toni Shalders in her absence. Congratulations on reaching the finals.

A great result for Toni's team, well played ladies!!

Right L-R: Nelson Bay Women's Club Fours Runners up...Bernie Carroll, Denise Archibald, Pam Pulbrook and Toni Shalders and Winners....Pat Pepper, Leanne Murray, Sandra Swan and Toni Martin.



LAMBTON PARK WOMEN 90TH ANNIVERSARY

A great day was enjoyed by all members and guests who attended the 90th Anniversary Celebrations of Lambton Park Women. A delicious morning tea followed by the official photo on the green for the history books, and a morning game of bowls was enjoyed in the winter sun.

90 years is an impressive milestone. One one to be extremely proud of, and one that is the result of generations of bowlers carrying the mantle for the common interest and love of their beloved sport and club.

Lambton Park Women have had quite a journey throughout their 90-year history. As the times changed, so did they... from humble beginnings in September 1933 with nine foundation members, to the height of bowls membership in the 80's with 150 members and a waiting list. From a small 4 rink green (1935), to their own clubhouse (1967) with wrought iron gates (1990's). In the past twenty years, with the decline in membership, the ladies needed to adapt once more and relinquished their beloved clubhouse when costs to maintain it and the green proved too difficult a task. They have made their home with the men's club and their future secured with the support of parent club Charlestown and look forward to many more happy years of bowling.

President Nola Nowlan thanked everyone for joining them in their celebration and thanked Secretary Michelle Farrow and the Social Committee who did an excellent job in organizing the day. A surprise trivia was a brilliant end to the festivities – everyone likes a bit of trivia and we will leave you to google the answers to these questions all about life in the Foundation year 1933... Who was Prime Minister in 1933? What was the most popular movie in 1933? What was the most popular song in 1933? Who was the Monarch / Sovereign in 1933?



Above: Nance Hunter and Pat McMahon OAM cut the cake at Lambton Park Women's 90th Anniversary.



Below: Members and Visitors on the green for Lambton Park Women's $90^{\text{th}}\text{Anniversary.}$

BOB ASIMUS MEMORIAL PAIRS EAST MAITLAND



Above: Winners of East Maitland's Bob Asimus Memorial Pairs Wayne Smith and Craig Thompson.

Wayne Smith and Craig Thompson took out the Bob Asimus Memorial Pairs at East Maitland on Monday 19th June. They played three solid games with a first-round win of 16 shots over Jeff King and Bill Walsh, followed by a 23 shot victory over Allan and Gayle Walker and finished it off with a further 10 shot triumph over Bogdan Duma and Rod Watt. Competition was rife and they were not the only undefeated team. In fact, all major prize winners returned to the club-house undefeated. Well done to second place Dave Button and David Lane (Club Maitland City) 6+33; Third place Tony O'Neill and Glen Douglas (Boolaroo) 6+24; Fourth Place: Greg Lambourne and Wayne Lambourne (Telarah) 6+23; Fifth Place: Hemi Palmer (Halekulani) and Peter Thornton (Club Maitland City) 6+21. Honourable mention to skips Greg Haigh (6+17) and Peter Ball (6+7) who also were undefeated but didn't make the prize cut. Best Performed prizes went to Round 1: Allan Starrett and Keith Irwin (New Lambton) +15; Round 2: Ron Wilcher and Gavin Laing (Easts) +20; Round 3: Peter Jackson and Paul Gilmore +15. Congratulations to all.

Bob's son's Brian and Dave Asimus once again played and "made lots of friends" which used to be a favourite saying of Bob's when things didn't go his way on the green. Bob's daughter Margaret Croyle presented the prizes this year and President Bill Hopkins thanked everyone for playing, Bob and Clay for a great job as usual in the organisation and Bob's family for their support.



Above: Runners-up in East Maitland's Bob Asimus Memorial Pairs Dave Button and David Lane



Above: Third Place in East Maitland's Bob Asimus Memorial Pairs Glen Douglas and Tony O'Neill

MID WINTER 10UP OPEN TRIPLES EAST MAITLAND



Above: Kylie from Icon Cancer Centre with Winners of East Maitland's 10up Triples Steve Coutts, Ed Wozniak, Jo (also from Icon) and Gavin Duncan.

East Maitland's 10up Triples is contested in a one-day event featuring three rounds. Of the 32 teams fielded, three managed to endure to the end of the day undefeated. Margins were low, indicating some tough games that could have gone either way for all concerned. Incidentally, the top two favourites going into the last match who did have more of a buffer ended up going down. These were teams skipped by David Lane and Nathan Elder, David went down by 1 shot and hung onto 7th place, whilst Nathan Elder's side of Gayle and Allan Walker unfortunately lost by 13 which slashed their margin to 4+1 and in finished 13th on the scoreboard.

The event was sponsored by Icon Cancer Centre, a Radiation Oncology Service located at Maitland Private Hospital who have recently come on board as a sponsor. Kylie and Jo from Icon attended the presentation and explained a little bit about what they do. Icon is also sponsoring the upcoming End of Winter Mixed Pairs tournament on Monday 28th August.

As you will see in the following results, margins were few and far between - every shot counted. Congratulations to **Winners:** Gavin Duncan, Steve Coutts and Ed Wozniak 6+11; **Second:** Kevin Colman, John Brollo and Andrew Gardiner 6+10; **Third:** Lois Wedesweiler, Craig Thompson and Mark Evans 6+6; These next two sides drew against each other in the second round, the draw giving them the advantage over other 2 game winners. **Fourth:** Shannan Heuston, Troy Domkins and Greg Haigh 5+15; **Fifth:** David Bull, Glen Hogan and Mal Adams 5+2; **Sixth:** Peter Jackson, Rod Lawrence and Mick Kedwell 4+16. The final two prizes saw a countback on 4+14 and was decided by least shots against. **Seventh:** Les Greedy, Trevor Solomons and David Lane 25 shots against; **Eighth:** Tom Brown, Stuart Clark and Tony Atcheson 26 shots against.

As always, thanks to all for entering and to all those who helped behind the scenes, led by Bob Smith and Clay Parker in the Bowls Office. East's have another two tournaments in August, both Mixed Pairs – the Ball and Chain on Monday 7th August and End of Winter on Monday 28th August. Good luck to all contesting.



Above: Icon Cancer Centre representatives Kylie (far left) and Jo (far right) with Runners-up in East Maitland's 10up Triples (middle L-R) John Brollo, Andrew Gardner and Kevin Colman.



Above: Third Place in East Maitland's 10up Triples Craig Thompson, Lois Wedesweiler and Mark Evans.

EAST MAITLAND'S NIGHT OF NIGHTS



Above: Challi Shield Presentation – Stephen Yates, Verli Challi, Lewis Saliba and Director Noel Lane. Absent: Lorraine Hay and Glen Hooper.

East Maitland members enjoyed their night of nights on Friday 21st July where they wined, dined and celebrated their 2022 2023 Champions. Bowls Co-Ordinator Bob Smith was once again MC, but unfortunately President Bill Hopkins was not well and we missed the usual banter between the two. We hope President Bill is feeling better and ready for the Melbourne Cup Travelling Road Show on 9th August that he has been excited about and working hard to organise for the last few months.

In his stead Snr Vice President Warren Johnstone "Tari" was called upon to welcome official guests and Jnr Vice President Steve Yates did the honour of thanking Sponsors Maitland Mutual who support East Maitland's Championship events, as well as representatives from Alto Imaging, Sponsor Icon Cancer Centre, Fry Brothers Funerals and Tenambit Butchery.

On the championship scene Jake Lawton claimed the Blue Ribbon Major Singles Title for the second year running. Not to be outdone, Pairs Champions Clay Parker and Paul Cousins notched up their third consecutive title. A new Over 70's Singles event was also introduced with Keith Fullick claiming the inaugural honours.

2022/2023 Champions are: Major Singles: Jake Lawton, R/Up: Michael Abel; Minor Singles: Aden Parish, R/Up: Martin Jolly; Consistency: Warren "Tari" Johnstone, R/Up: Aden Parish; Inaugural Over 70 Singles: Keith Fullick, R/Up: Paul Ross; Major Pairs: Clay Parker and Paul Cousins, R/Up: Corey Parker and Rowan Brassey; Minor Pairs: John Frew and Craig Webster; R/Up: Gavin Duncan and Murray Roth; Mixed Pairs: Simone Smith and Gavin Laing, R/Up: Betty Sinclair and Clay Parker. Triples: Aden Parish, Tony Henson and Corey Parker, R/Up: Owen Mortlock, Warren Johnstone and Ben Osborne; Fours: Jake Lawton, Clay Parker, Corey Parker and Haydn Bojkowski, R/Up: Barry Mungoven, Ben Osborne, Rod Darcey and Paul Cousins. President's Set Play Singles: Jake Lawton, R/Up: Corey Parker, Patron's Set Play Singles: Dick Marriott, R/Up: Martin Jolly. Congratulations to the 2022/2023 Champions.

As with a number of clubs East Maitland recognise their most successful player with a "Bowler of the Year" award. This is based on an accumulated points system created by late member Brian Fisher, who also made and donated the trophy. This year, it was difficult to figure out who it might be with a few high achieving contenders such as Jake Lawton, who won all three of the finals he contested - Major Singles, Fours and the Presidents Set Play Singles. Jake was also Runner-up in the STATE Champion of Champion Singles FINAL!! Corey Parker contested four finals and won the Triples and Fours and was runner-up in the Pairs and Presidents Set Play Singles. There were also two other players who contested three finals, and won two. Aden Parish - won the Minor Singles and Triples and was runner-up in the Consistency Singles; and a BIG CONTRATULATIONS to Clay Parker East Maitland's Bowler of the Year - winner of the Pairs and Fours and runner-up in the Mixed Pairs.

Clay's extra credit that got him over the line came from his win in the Zone Senior Pairs with clubmate Rowen Brassey. The guys have just returned the State Championships as Runners-up in the STATE SENIOR PAIRS FINAL. Congratulations Clay and Rowan!! They had a great run and went down to Towradgi Park's Brian Suckley and Robbie Warren who are members of the Senior State Rep Side.

Other special presentations were also made. **The Challi Shield** which goes to the Best Performed Pennant Rink is announced on the night and went to Lewis "The Godfather" Saliba, Lorraine Hay, Stephen Yates and Glen Hooper. Eddie Phillips was awarded **Clubman of the Year**. Eddie has been bowling for 45 years and has been volunteering at the club for a number of years. He loves helping with the Barefoot Bowls and coaching and is a great help and encouragement to new bowlers. Thank you Eddie, and congratulations. Bob



Above: East Maitland's Bowler of the Year Clay Parker (right) with Snr Vice President Warren Johnstone "Tari" (left)

Smith and Clay Parker also put their heads together to decide on a worthy recipient of the **Coach's Encouragement Award.** This bowler knows how to conduct themselves with maturity and is great team member. Congratulations are in order to Shane Cartwright.

That's a wrap for 2022/2023 Championships. The new season has started and good luck to all.



Above: East Maitland's Club Person of the Year Eddie Phillips (centre) with Bob Smith (left) and Clay Parker (right).

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Above: East Maitland's Coach's Encouragement Award Winner Shane Cartwright (centre) with Bob Smith (left) and Clay Parker (right).



Above: East Maitland's INAUGURAL Over 70 Singles Champion Keith Fullick with Snr Vice President Warren Johnstone "Tari"



Above: East Maitland's Major Singles Champion Jake Lawton (centre) with Snr Vice President Warren Johnstone "Tari" (left) and Patron Joan Palmer (right).



Above: Snr Vice President Warren Johnstone "Tari" with East Maitland's Minor Singles Winner Aden Parish and NDBA/Zone 2 President Mark Conway.



Above: 3 TIME Major Pairs Champions Paul Cousins and Clay Parker (middle left and right) with CEO Steve Duggan (far left) and Martin Tisdell from Alto Imaging (right).

CLUB CHARLESTOWN THE NEWEST ELITE ALL-WEATHER VENUE



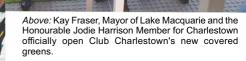
Above: The Golden Bowl rolled by Honourable Jodie Harrison Member for Charlestown

Club Charlestown have officially opened their new multi-million dollar covered greens. The structure was officially opened by Member for Charlestown Jodie Harrison and Kay Fraser, Mayor of Lake Macquarie on Friday 23rd June 2023. Special guests included representative from Bowls NSW Lesley Swales, NDBA Life Member and VP John Smith OAM, Lake Macquarie District Women's Bowling Association President Gaye Brown and Match Chair Gayle Gannon, Representatives of Club Sponsors, Board of Directors headed by Chairman Jeff Davis and Life Members.

CEO Michael Gray said that of all projects he has taken on in his career, this was the most challenging. After two years since plans were hatched, the self-funded construction is now a realization and an asset which will no doubt prove it's worth time and again making Charlestown a highly desirable venue.

The opening comes just in time to host the State 3 Grade Pennant Play-offs where they will showcase their impressive facilities.







Members and Guests at the opening of Charlestown's covered greens.





WINNERS: RAYMOND TERRACE