

"GREAT BOWL!!"

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(Dates subject to change)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	2	3 Easter Sat
4 Easter Sun	5 GREENS CLOSED	6 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	7 Social	8 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	9	10 Pennants
11 Major Pairs	12 GREENS CLOSED	13 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	14 Social	15 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	16	17 Pennants
18 Major Pairs	19 GREENS CLOSED	20 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	21 Social	22 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	23	24 Pennants
25 Anzac Day	26 GREENS CLOSED	27 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	28 Social	29 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	30	

From the Editor



Hello to all and welcome to another issue of *Great Bowl*. I need your help. I am researching the history of green keepers at the club. The table below has all the information that I have at present. Do you know of any other names? If you do please let the Falcon know.

Year	Green Keepers	Assistants
1948 - 1949	R Murdock?	?
1972 - 1973	Charles Hore	2 staff
1980 - 1981	Charles Hore	Bole and Russell
1994 - 1995	Damian Tarrant	Nathan Uljanic
1996 - 1997	Mathew Prowse	Mathew and Jeffery
2001	Todd Heyward	?

Men's Bowls News

Double Victory for Camden



In the recent District Pairs finals, Camden had good representation by a number of our Members. All played outstanding games. In the State Pairs Ed Klaassen and Karl Szynal (pictured above) combined well to win the final in fine style against a strong Goulburn team. In the President Pairs Steve Tajsic and Ray Puyo (pictured below) also formed a formidable team taking out the final in a much closer contest. From here, they head off to play in the Zone finals at Gulgong BC to represent our District. A fantastic effort for our Club by both teams and as a Club we wish them all the best in their upcoming games.



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District Singles

Another fine performance by one of our players was seen in the Senior District Singles. Bill Schofield played his way through to the final against Joe Cooke from Goulburn. Looking to avenge his loss to Joe after last years final, Bill again put his best game forward. But Joe Cooke, playing his usual steady game prevailed just overcoming a determined Bill. It was great to see the commitment these guys have to the game. For those of us that are a bit younger and complain about having to play to much bowls Bills program for the weekend was playing the semi final of the handicap pairs on Friday night which he lost in a close game on the last end. Backing up to play pennants on Saturday and contributing to a fine rink and side win. Sunday it was up at dawn to head to Bowral for the final of the singles. Well done Bill, I think we should all take a leaf out of your book when it comes to Club commitment.



Ladies Bowls News

The Club Fours has just been hotly competed. After a nail biting series the 2010 winners are Mary Burton, Fay Clayton, Gloria Murray and Joyce Doherty. Unfortunately there must be runners up and they are; Kristie Dennison, Ruth Missen, Robyn Homburg and Beryl Selems. A great game ladies and to all those who did not make it there is always next year. I am sure that the ladies can hardly wait for the 2010 Pennant season to begin. The wait is nearly over with the ladies Pennant season started on 11/3/10 for the fours and 17/3/10 for the twos. Good luck ladies and go CAMDEN.

Special Thanks to Todd.

Without exception all members, both men and ladies, must be impressed with the very professional job that Todd, and his staff, have done on the Number 1 Green. Few clubs in NSW would be blessed with such a talented, gifted (and good looking) green keeper that would match our Todd. The care and fanatical dedication that Todd has bestowed on his beloved green is something to behold. Also a thanks to the supportive club members also put a lot of 'sweat' into the seeding, painting edging and general help of the Number 1 Green (Yes Billy even the painting – 'dance Billy dance'). With a lot of players competing in Pennants, they must realize how lucky we are with our exceptional greens. This is what makes a club great. Well done Todd and I am sure that ALL Camden members would like to thank you, and your staff/helpers, for a job well done - hip-hip hooray.

Funny Stories

After a social Tuesday game a bowler walked into Camden Club for a drink, not knowing his zipper was down and his fly area was wide open. One of the lady bowlers walked up to him and said, 'This morning when you left your house, did you close your garage door?' The bowler told her he knew he'd closed the garage door, and kept drinking but puzzled by the question. As he finished his drink, he suddenly noticed his fly was open, and zipped it up. He then understood the lady bowler's question about his 'garage door.' He later asked the lady bowler, 'When my garage door was open, did you see my Big Hummer parked in there?' She smiled and said, 'No, I didn't. All I saw was an old mini van with two flat tyres.'



An elderly bowler had serious hearing problems for a number of years. He went to the doctor and the doctor was able to have him fitted for a set of hearing aids that allowed the bowler to hear 100%. The elderly gentleman went back in a month to the doctor and the doctor said, 'Your hearing is perfect. Your family must be really pleased that you can hear again.' The gentleman replied, 'Oh, I haven't told my family yet. I just sit around and listen to the conversations. I've changed my will three times!'

Two elderly gentlemen from Camden Downs were sitting on a bench under a tree when one turns to the other and says: 'Slim, I'm 83 years old now and I'm just full of aches and pains. I know you're about my age. How do you feel?' Slim says, 'I feel just like a newborn baby.' 'Really!? Like a newborn baby!?' 'Yep. No hair, no teeth, and I think I just wet my pants.'

Overheard on the Green

After a pennant game, 'Funny thing is that some players are quick to criticize skips until they are asked to replace them.'

Camden Men's Bowling Choir

The Camden Men's Choir is progressing well and our weekly Monday night practice is showing great signs of improving the wealth of talent that the club has. We now have an organist that is making the 'job at hand' a lot easier and together with new musical scores the future looks very bright. There is still a great opportunity for new members to join us. It is a lot of fun and we feel that once we get singing in public it would be an asset to the club.

Your Help Needed for Coming Working Bees

The true value of a well organized bowling club is the way it is presented to visitors and guests. The Club is very privileged to hold the coming state finals. To ensure that visitors see the Camden Bowling Club in its 'prettiest' state the committee will be organizing working bees to ensure that everything is just right and that visitors will leave OUR Club impressed with ALL aspects of the Club. So when the time comes please help YOUR club be supporting it and not letting the work done by the same few dedicated supporters.

Many thanks to the guys who turned up on the 22nd March to tidy up the big shed. After a good mornings work and filling a 3 metre skip full or rubbish there is plenty of room for Todd to work and we have an area for bowls storage for the upcoming state final.



Mater Dei 2010 Charity Presentation



From left, Tony, CEO Mater Dei, Meg Douglass, Steve Laker, Bill Webb, Jenny Douglass and Admin. Officer Margaret.

For the second year running the Camden Men's Bowling Club has generously dug deep to present a cheque to the Mater Dei School. The major fund raising event is now the Brian Douglass Trophy and to that end Brian's wife Meg and daughter Jenny made the presentation to the Mater Dei officials. When we arrived the kids were leaving for home and to see their lovely smiling faces was enough to know that the money is going to a wonderful cause. So keep those wrong bias bowls and toucher marks going. We will try and raise even more for next year. Well done Camden.