

"GREAT BOWL!!"

Editor: Maltese Falcon
frank69@westnet.com.au
 4647 7735



June 2010

(Dates subject to change)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	2 Major Pairs Social	3	4	5 Social STDBA v Nepean
6 Major Singles	7 GREENS CLOSED	8 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	9 Major Pairs Quart Meeting	10 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	11	12 Social
13	14 GREENS CLOSED	15 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	16 Major Pairs Social	17 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	18	19 Social Pennants 2&4 finals
20	21 GREENS CLOSED	22 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	23 Major Pairs Social	24 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	25	26 Major Singles Social
27 STDBA v Nepean	28 GREENS CLOSED	29 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	30 Club Triples Social			

From the Editor



Isn't bowls a great game. I have wondered how many bowlers really enjoy their outing on the green. Well I can certainly report that one particular member certainly does. Is he a great bowler? Does he bath in past accolades of past victories? No. His name is Bob Bracken. Win, lose or draw, it makes little difference to Bob. Always with a smile, a beer and a happy disposition, Bob is the personification of a man who always enjoys himself. Well done Bob.

Men's Bowls News Quarterly Meeting

About 21% attended the last quarterly held on Sat. 8th of May. Just goes to prove that members have either lost interest in the Club or they are that confident in the board that they believe it runs itself. The most rampant disease that kills any bowling club is apathy.

Some of the discussion points were,

1. State Finals will be held at the Club on 31/7 and 1/8. Members will be called on to help to bring the Club to its 'prettiest'.
2. Karl Szynal was chosen for Zone Seniors Side.
3. Members are reminded that a dress code is still applicable, even for mufti. If in doubt see the committee.
4. Great news, because some of the selectors will not be applying next year, ALL those who gave SO MANY suggestions, throughout the pennants season, will be able to apply for the positions.
5. **MARKERS, MARKERS, MARKERS** where do they go and hide. If you play Club Championship Singles and you lose you **MUST** mark or find a substitute marker.
6. Club fees going up \$5 next year.



For all types of Memorials, Renovations
 and Lettering in all Cemeteries.
 For Personal Service and Individual Designs

50 Lagoon Flats Place, Cawdor NSW 2570
 Phone: (02) 4636 6633 Fax: (02) 4636 6888
 Mobile: 0408 244 920
 Email: jk@prmemorials.com

Coaches Attend New Coaching Structure Presentation

Camden coaches, Frank Lipscombe, Karl Szynal and Steve Laker attended a presentation at St Marys Bowling Club by Allan Starrett, Bowls Australia coaching panel, to learn how the new structure will affect their accreditations. The new system will do away with levels 1, 2 and 3 coaching and introduce a basic coaching level, for bare footers and club social type functions, club coach and advanced coaching. There will also be a top level one off coaching level for the Australian team known as a high performance coach.

There were a few initiatives put forward that will be introduced by coaches that will hopefully help our club as a whole.

Let a secure lifestyle enrich your retirement

When you no longer have to worry about your home's upkeep, your lifestyle becomes full of possibilities. Aveo Camden Downs is ideally located at Camden South giving you the freedom to make the most of your retirement. There are plenty of onsite facilities to enjoy, and the friendly community atmosphere will help you feel right at home from the day you move in.

- Facilities include: Community Centre, club lounge, billiard table, craft centre and library
- Spacious, private one and two-bedroom units
- 24-hour emergency call system for peace of mind

Call today to arrange a tour of the village and discover what a difference an Aveo lifestyle can make.

Two-bedroom Independent Living Units from **\$239,950***

Australia's leading provider of retirement lifestyles

Call **13 aveo** (13 28 36), 4655 1632 or visit www.aveolivewell.com.au
 31 Crookston Drive, Camden South

*Prices correct as at 5/06/09.

One piece of trivia that did come up was that 40% of bowling clubs have no coaches. It shows the commitment of our club membership to have five accredited coaches. That is apart from the 140 other coaches within the club who currently don't have accreditation. (tongue in cheek)

It is also worth mentioning that Baden Harris gave up his time and went along to improve his knowledge of what is going on. Well done Baden.

If you would like to know more or improve your game see one of the coaches.

Major Pairs Title To JB and Nor.

After playing together for the past few years John Bugden and Ivor Watkiss finally broke through to win the major pairs title. After going close in recent years it was a well deserved win by two of the form players in the club at the present time. In a game where it was hard to pick a winner with the opponents Mick Shepherd and Rick Plumridge in good form, the market was even with most predicting a close game.

But the way the game is, Ivor and John had all the running early and broke away to a virtually unbeatable lead half way through the game. The score didn't really reflect the high level of bowls being played and all the spectators were enthralled by the high standard of play.

Well done to both teams, especially John and Ivor. I am sure they will represent the club well at the Champion of Club Champions later this year.

Footnote - Why 'Nor'. See if you can work it out.

Ladies Bowls Report

The ladies 50th Birthday was held on 12/5/10 and what a great night it turned out to be. NSW President Jewell Buchanan attended and gave State Merit Pins to Joyce Doherty, Gloria Murray, Fran Laker, Mary Burton and Fay Clayton.

Gloria Murray, Club Secretary, would like to sincerely thank everyone who helped out to make it a successful function. To those committee members who prepared morning tea and reset tables for our luncheon To Rhonda Webb and Kay McBridie for icing the cake, Fran Laker for doing all programmes and place cards, and everyone else who worked hard on the day. A wonderful effort by ALL bowlers made it a wonderful day. If I have not

mentioned any members name who helped out, I do apologies.

I big hug and kiss to Todd, our green keeper, who did a lot of extra work on the flags, the green preparation and the art work on the green.

Again THANK YOU everyone. A Club is only as strong as the support that members give it.

We have now started to play our Major Singles. Good luck to everyone.

Gloria Murray and Fran Laker headed to Warilla BC earlier this month to compete in the NSW qualifying rounds for the Australian Indoor Singles to be held later this year. The girls certainly put their best foot forward to represent the Ladies Club knowing that they would be playing some of the best lady bowlers in NSW and Australia. Both ladies performed outstandingly in their games with Fran progressing through to the fourth round before being eliminated. One more round win and it would have been a trip to Tweed Heads. Oh so close.

To both ladies, a great effort and one the Ladies club can be proud of.

From our scrapbook - definition of a committee "A body that keeps minutes ... and wastes hours."



Answers To Member's Name Cryptic Quiz

1. Nice with a cuppa. **Arnott**
2. He likes to have a fight and cover himself **Barnicoat**
3. He certainly has a ring about him **Bell**
4. A popular machine gun in WWII and than some **Brennan**
5. He was popular at the recent rodeo **Buckman**
6. A delicious soup **Campbell**
7. Popular fast little car in our younger years **Couper**
8. Gunsmoke was a good sheriff **Dillon**

9. Popular psychiatrists TV show **Fraser**
10. Say hello to planks **Heywood**
11. Viagra **Horne**
12. Rex **King**
13. King of the jungle **Lyons**
14. Rhymes with 'baloney' **Mahoney**
15. She puckered them and brushed her hair **Lipscombe**
16. Just a man **Male**
17. Makes good hats **Miller**
18. Big River **Murray**
19. His bigger brother is Three – W **Toovey**
20. Oh he's my darling ... **Valentine**

Interview with Robbie Mellor

How long have you been playing bowls?

I have been playing for about ten years, more seriously for the last four years since I retired

How long have you been on the committee on and off?

This is my fourth year on the Match Committee, and my third year as Assistant Bowls Organiser

How do you think the club is going?

Things seem to be going well, with quite a few new members in recent months and plenty of enthusiasm throughout the club.

What's the best thing about bowls?

Mixing with a good bunch of blokes, but also the opportunity for competitive sport

Where do you see the club in the future?

Things are looking good for the Bowling Club, as long as the Sports Club can keep up its end.

Would you like to see any changes?

Billy Marsh for El Supremo!

Do you have any other pastimes?

I still teach a Statistics course at Uni. I love to travel, both overseas and in Australia, and try and fit in some bushwalking.

Any other comments?

Let's all keep working for the good of the Club!

If any member would like to submit their opinions, see The Falcon



Jokes

Guts or balls.

There is a medical distinction. We've all heard about people having guts or balls, but do you really know the difference between them? In an effort to keep you informed, the definitions are listed below:

GUTS - Is arriving home late after a night out with the guys, being met by your wife with a broom, and having the guts to ask: 'Are you still cleaning, or are you flying somewhere?'

BALLS - Is coming home late after a night out with the guys, smelling of perfume and beer, lipstick on your collar, slapping your wife on the butt and having the balls to say: 'You're next, Chubby.'

I hope this clears up any confusion on the definitions.

Medically speaking there is no difference in the outcome. Both result in death.

Men's Club Takes The Initiative

At this months quarterly meeting the Management Committee put forward a proposal to the Members present that the Men's Club move ahead in replacing the sails that are currently over the outside area. With constant damage to the greens and the sails being less than attractive it was moved that a permanent awning be erected to replace them. Approaches have been made to the Sports Club to support this plan, which is still ongoing, but at this point the Men's Club will be funding the project.

President Bill made the comment that due to the active participation of a great membership the club is in a position to move ahead and carry out these type of improvements to our club. Well done to all.