

# "GREAT BOWL!!"

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## March 2011

(Dates subject to change)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Mixed Social Mufti 10.00am	2 Social Club Singles	3 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	4 Handicap Pairs pm	5 Social Club Major Pairs Dist. 4s pm
6 Dist. 4s Semi & Finals am/pm	7 GREENS CLOSED	8 Mixed Social Mufti 10.00am	9 Social	10 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	11 Handicap Pairs pm	12 Social Pennants
13	14 GREENS CLOSED	15 Mixed Social Mufti 10.00am	16 Social	17 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	18	19 Social Pennants
20 Club Major Pairs	21 GREENS CLOSED	22 Mixed Social Mufti 10.00am	23 Social Vet Day Picton & G/rail	24 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	25	26 Social Pennants
27	28 GREENS CLOSED	29 Mixed Social Mufti 10.00am	30 Social	31 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm		

### From the Editor

What a great and exciting time that we, the members, live in. The Club is proceeding well and everything looks well on the horizon. The Club is financial enough to pay all their bills and a bit in the reserve. I wonder how many members realize the hard work that the committee and a lot of members put into the Club to make it the success that it is today. The thankless many jobs the committee carries out unselfishly day in and day out. The extra work that volunteers do without being asked. These unsung heroes do so much for the Club that their dedication is truly amazing. Do they expect monetary rewards or to be placed on a pedestal and cheered – no. They do it because they want to. They do it so that the Club can be a success. The Club is successful because the Club is full of dedicated members. To all those dedicated members give yourself a slap on the back because you deserve it.

There are three kinds of members

- The ones who watch things happen
- The ones that make things happen
- The ones who ask, 'What happened?'

### Men's Bowls News

#### Razor Back Challenge

The annual challenge between Camden and Picton took place on Friday evening, 4th February. Given a warm welcome and sausage sizzle before the game the mood was set for a good night of bowls. The Camden 2's took on the Picton 1's and the Camden 4's took on the Picton 5's with the combined total of the master boards deciding the winner. A full green of bowlers on a warm summer's night was a sight to see. It was a great atmosphere with a good number of spectators enjoying the game. The top grade had the master board ticking over for both sides right through the game with the score level on the final end. With Camden holding two shots and looking to have the game sown up the Picton skip played a howler

and drew the shot. Picton by one. The other game saw Camden in control for most of the game and ran out winners by 15 odd shots handing the trophy back to Camden for the third year running.

Well done and thanks to all the boys giving up their Friday night to represent the club. It is turning in to a good tradition between the two clubs and all agreed it was a great night. Go Camden!

#### Minor Pairs Result

For the second time this year in as many events the final of the minor pairs had to go to an extra end for a result. There was another good crowd on hand to watch Troy Male and Dave Margin win the title over Kiwi and Ross Pulling. All players were playing great bowls with the result showing that there was nothing between the two teams. It's a shame, as with the fours, that both teams can't claim the title by actually drawing the game but unfortunately that's the way it is. The good thing is there is always next year. Congratulations Troy and Dave.

Foot note: Troy, due to work commitments, is unfortunately leaving the club and moving to Albury so it was great to see him get his name on the board in his last event at the club.



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## Australia Day March



It can only be said that there truly are some great supporters of our Club. On a typically very hot Australia Day a handful of Members from the Men's Club turned out to show our colours and promote our club before the the Camden and beyond community in the annual Australia Day march.

Another large crowd lined the streets to watch the passing parade and it was great to hear the cheers from the crowd for our small contingent. "Good on you bowlers", "well done guys", "keep up the good work fellas" were just a few of the well wishes from the crowd as we passed, but the best part was the MC announcing the group as the "Camden Bowling Club, supporting local sport and the community for over 70 years. What an outstanding effort" this was followed by another rousing cheer from the crowd.

Giving it some good thought it really is an outstanding effort and all Members should be more than proud of our clubs history and present efforts that are being put into the clubs survival.

A big pat on the back to Ray Jones, Iain Ross, Jack McGarrity, Ted Salmon and John Barrs holding the Australian Flag and the Bowling Club flag high on the day.

Hopefully next year we can get as close to our full membership as possible marching including the Ladies. Having close to 200 marching would be sensational. How about it members?

## Quarterly Meeting

Our amnesic President Bill expressed disappointment about the poor attendance - only 22 members attended. Some of the topics that came from the meeting were;

1. Although there are strict guide lines and policies concerning playing under extreme weather conditions (heat, cold, rain, lightning etc) the onus is on the individual players.
2. Because of the tremendous success of members wanting to play pennants this year, the Club will run a Bob Pinkerton Trophy. For further information contact Teddy Salmon.
3. Due to financial restrictions there will be no high teas after pennants this year.
4. Number 2 green is on program to be refurbished some time in November.
5. Members raised \$500 towards the Queensland relief flood.
6. For those interested, pennant practice will be held on Wednesdays about 5.30pm. See Superman Karl Szynal for more information.
7. A proposed date for this year's presentation is penciled in for 26 November.
8. There is a change to our By Laws. Paragraph 19 has been re-written with the COP for all events other than club championships removed. These will be posted for each event as they are put on the board.



## Greetings from the 'Chilly Armidillion'

In a recent letter Frank Lipscombe sent his best regards to all the Camden folk. Should you wish to contact Frank for a bit of a chat or update him with local information he would love to hear from you. Maybe if you are passing through Armidale you might call in. His contact details are;

138 Kentucky Street Armidale 2350.

Email: [nancylipscombe@bigpond.com](mailto:nancylipscombe@bigpond.com)

## 2011 Pennant Selection Committee

After a recent informative communiqué with the selection committee the following issues were discussed;

Q When players are demoted or promoted are skips involved?

A 'The promotion or demotion of players is never done without consulting the skip, every week the score cards are checked and any side that seems to be having constant problems the skip is contacted and in some cases other members of that side, before any changes are made'.

Q What steps can players take if they are not happy with their demotion?

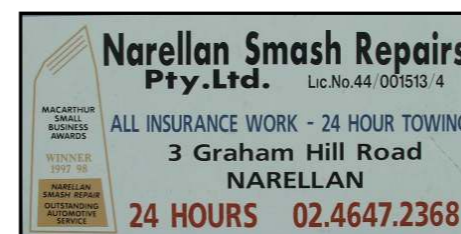
A 'If players are demoted at any time and want to know why they can ask the selectors for a reason... . Players who have been disappointed with their selection are welcome to approach a selector to air their grievances... . The player may also request to attend the meeting'

Q When promoting players what indicators are used?

A 'We ask the opinion of skips in the side they been [sic] selected in and to give feedback on how they performed in that side'.

The main point to remember is that if a member has a problem, contact the selection committee and resolve the problem and not cast critical or derogatory remarks on selectors - especially after a few libations.

Of all the positions in the Club, without a doubt being on the pennant selection committee would have to be the worst - just after the games organiser.

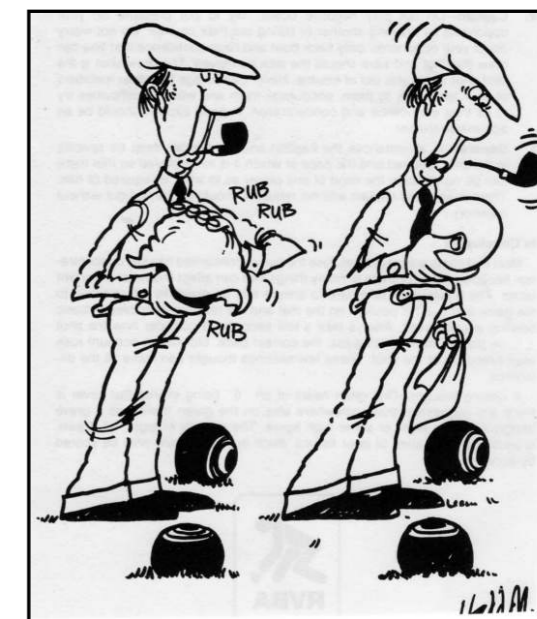


## Jokes

### DRUNKS

A man and his wife were awoken at 3:00 am by a loud pounding on the door. The man gets up and goes to the door where a drunken stranger, standing in the pouring rain, is asking for a push. "Not a chance," says the husband, "it is 3:00 in the morning. He slams the door and returns to bed. "Who was that?" asked his wife. "Just some drunk guy asking for a push," he answers. "Did you help him?" she asks. "No, I did not, it is 3:00 in the morning and it is pouring rain out there!" "Well, you have a short memory," says his wife. "Can't you Remember about three months ago when we broke down,

and those two guys helped us? I think you should help him, and you should be ashamed of yourself!" The man does as he is told, gets dressed, and goes out into the pounding rain. He calls out into the dark, "Hello, are you still there?" "Yes," comes back the answer. "Do you still need a push?" calls out the husband. "Yes, please!" comes the reply from the dark. "Where are you?" asks the husband. "Over here on the swing," replied the drunk.



## Newsflash

Superman Karl Szynal has just won the Senior Singles Title at Picton. Well done Karl.

## Quote

*Money is like muck, not good except it be spread.*  
Francis Bacon

## Trevor's Brother has room for Rent

Two bedrooms available for shared accommodation. Full rent is \$290 per week. Prospective applicants to be contacted at 0411 091 986 ask for Trevor Orchard for details. Ability to cook would be an advantage.

