

## August 2011

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Triples
7 Annual General Meeting	8 Greens Closed	9 Mixed Social 10.00am	10 Ladies Day	11 Mixed Social 1.00pm	12	13 Triples
14	15 Greens Closed	16 Mixed Social 10.00am	17 Ladies Day	18 Mixed Social 1.00pm	19	20 Triples
21	22 Greens Closed	23 Mixed Social 10.00am	24 Ladies Day	25 Mixed Social 1.00pm	26	27 Triples
28	29 Greens Closed	30 Mixed Social 10.00am	31			

**Date To Remember** – The presentation night will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> November. Put it in your diary.

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Newsletter of the Camden Bowling Club

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BOWLS NEWS

### Men's 2011 Singles Finals

#### Major Singles

Steve Laker V John Bugden



The major championship of the year to decide the club champion brought two previous winners of the event together in the final.

Both John and Steve played the game in good spirits and put their best bowls forward. Unfortunately, for Steve, they were no were near good enough. And I should know, I am still bleeding. Anyway, John showed his high level of ability on the green to take out the game 31 – 13. I am sure we wish him well when he represents our club at the Champion of Champion Singles to be held in August at Picton. Hopefully we will see plenty of supporters there cheering him on.

#### Minor Singles

Richard Ray V Mick McIlveen

It was great to see Rich making the final. This guy has plenty of ability but due to his business commitments and young family his time is usually limited to a social game with his dad on Thursdays. But showing that you don't make excuses he took the game right up to Mick with both players showing great skill throughout the game. In the end the experience of Mick came through and prevailed with a 31 – 20 score line. Mick has been

knocking on the door for some time for an individual win and the monkey is finally off his back. Well done Mick. Another key ring would have just been one to many.



#### 'C' Singles

Keith Pocock V Noel Mulley

For the second year running Noel Mulley made the final and put his best foot forward to challenge the relatively new bowler, Keith Pocock. Both bowlers have been playing exceptionally well lately, especially Keith, showing great form in the Grade 7 pennants.

The game was as close as a final should be early but for Noel it was the bridesmaids job again. Keith is going from strength to strength with each game and I am sure we will see him in the higher grades sooner rather than later. Final score 31 - 12.



**Notice To All Members**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**7<sup>th</sup> August 10:00 am**



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### Kevin Lawler Triples

Once again, this event proved to be our most popular tournament of the year with two full greens taking part.

The event has become more popular each year with novice and experienced bowlers, men and woman, playing together and enjoying the day.

That being said the completion is strong with all teams trying their best for the trophy at the end of the day.

As it turned out the winners gave a good idea of what a day is all about. First prize was won by our most experienced bowler and seasoned veteran, Keith Valentine, guiding his team of Steve Lyons who played in the 7's this year and Wayne Stanton, our newest member with only a handful of games under his belt. Second saw Bill Schofield, a visitor from the RSL, Gary Hudson and another new bowler in Henry Lewocki take the prize. Third place went to Steve Laker who was well support by our new Lady President Mary Burton and Cath Droscher from Picton. There was a good spread of bowlers taking out the other four prizes.

Many thanks goes to our Patron, Kevin Lawler for his continued support of this day and his encouragement of all our Members to enjoy the game in a slightly more competitive atmosphere.

## Ladies News

### Nepean District President's Day

Three of our Ladies headed to Springwood BC to support the outgoing Ladies District President, Val Cant, after her term in office.

Madam President Joyce Doherty, Club representative Gloria Murray and District Treasurer Fran Laker, by all accounts, had a great day.

President Days are not a regular thing on the bowls calendar these days so well done to the Ladies giving up their time to enjoy the day with like-minded bowlers.

### New Lady President

At the recent Ladies AGM, Mary Burton was elected to the position of Madam President.

Mary has been an active member of the Ladies Committee for some years and it is a fitting reward for her dedication to the club.

Outgoing President Joyce Doherty has carried out her duties over the last three years with great drive and commitment and should be congratulated on all her efforts.

There have been a number of changes on the incoming Committee this year and it is hoped that they can carry on the hard work done by the previous Committee that has seen our bowling club grow from desperate straits a few years ago to the strong position we are now in. Good luck Ladies.

### Ladies Triples Final

The Michelle Fellows juggernaut rolls on this year with another trophy in the cabinet winning the Ladies triples final. Well supported by her mum, Beryl Selems and Gloria Murray, they were to strong for their opposition on the day.

Michelle is having a great year this year and would be the standout bowler of the year within the club. Well done Michelle.



### Umpires Undertake Re Accreditation

There is no doubt that the bowls umpire has not what you would call an overly active part in the game but non the less they are always welcome when important decisions need to be made.

There has just been a course run at Camden by Level 2 umpire Karl Szynal for new and re accrediting umpires and our umpires have confirmed their commitment to the club by continuing to keep up their accreditation.

Fortunately for Camden we have no less than nine fully accredited umpires including two Level 2 umpires. There are not too many games where there is not one of these dedicated people giving up

their time for the benefit of the Members and it is definitely not for the money.

So next time at the end of a game take the time to show some appreciation and give these guys a pat on the back and a big thank you. I believe they are a thirsty lot as well.

**Don't Forget !!**  
**2011 Men's Club Social Night and**  
**Presentation of Awards**  
**26th November**  
**See the board for details or contact**  
**Bill Webb or Steve Laker**  
**Tickets Selling Fast**

### This Month's Health Tip

Start your morning with a glass of water with fresh lemon juice squeezed into it. Paradoxically, lemon juice helps to promote healthy alkalinity in your body. Almost instantly, you will feel calmer and better able to handle stress. Lemon juice also helps you to absorb minerals, so be sure to drink it when you take any nutritional supplements.

### Ponder These.....

- My neighbour knocked on my door at 2:30am this morning; can you believe that, 2:30am?! Luckily for him I was still up playing my Bagpipes.

- Paddy says, "Mick, I'm thinking of buying a Labrador". "Stuff that," says Mick, "have you seen how many of their owners go blind?"

- My girlfriend thinks that I'm a stalker. Well, she's not exactly my girlfriend yet.

- A wife says to her husband, "You're always pushing me around and talking behind my back". He says, "What do you expect? You're in a wheelchair."

- I was explaining to my wife last night that when you die you get reincarnated but must come back as a different creature. She said, "I would like to come back as a cow". I said, "Your obviously not listening".

- The husband has been missing a week now.

Police said to prepare for the worst. So I've been to the charity shop to get all his clothes back.

### A Tip from the Green's Committee

It has been noticed that some bowlers enjoy standing, even rocking, on the edge of the green using the plinth as a support. This is obviously the weakest part of the green and needs to be looked after.

Bowlers should try and not step within 12 inches of the edge of the green when going onto or off the green or when playing on the green. Placing your foot in the ditch is also not something that will endear you to the green keeper.

Please, let's take care of our greens. If you see somebody getting to close to the edge or putting their foot in the ditch, a gentle hint regarding the above is in all our interests.

### How To Start A Fight

The wife and I were sitting at a table at her high school reunion, and she kept staring at a drunken man swigging his drink as he sat alone at a nearby table.

I asked her, "Do you know him?"

"Yes", she sighed, "He's my old boyfriend. I understand he took to drinking right after we split up those many years ago, and I hear he hasn't been sober since."

"My God!" I said, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"

And then the fight started...

The wife was standing nude, looking in the bedroom mirror.

She was not happy with what she saw and said to him, "I feel horrible; I look old, fat and ugly. I really need you to pay me a compliment."

I replied, "Your eyesight's damn near perfect."

And then the fight started.....

The wife sat down next to me as I was flipping channels. She asked, "What's on TV?"

I said, "Dust."

And then the fight started...