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BOWLS NEWS

Pennant News

Our Grade 5 side headed to Bowral for the finals of the Zone Pennants being a loss down after the first round at Springwood. Not deterred the Guys put up a great fight throughout the weekend playing great bowls in each of their games.

Unfortunately it wasn't to be this year but we look forward to bigger and better things next year.

Congratulations to all the boys including Wayne Stanton and Barry Taylor for filling in and of course Joyce who Managed the side over the weekend.

Their final result was one win -9. Just on the wrong side of the score board but oh so close.

2013 Major

The major singles are still under way but getting close to the final. Bruce Turton has progressed to his second final in consecutive years beating a gallant Ed Klaassen in the semi. John Bugden and Steve Tajsic are still to play. Good luck to finalists in the upcoming final.

Notice to Members

Membership is due now. Please make every attempt to pay by the 30th June to avoid your membership being deleted. This does cause some amount of work when most times it was really unnecessary.

Your help in this matter will be appreciated.

Nominations Are Now Open

All Members should be aware that our AGM is being held on the 11th August. Nominations are now open to any Member wishing to work on the Committee over the coming year. This is vital for our Clubs continuation and all Members should think seriously about assisting if they feel they have something to give.

Coach Stands Down

After many years of giving up a large amount of his own time and supporting the club Karl Szynal has handed in his coaches badge. Karl



has been an integral part of improving the standard of bowls within the club over a number of years and his support will surely be missed. As all would agree we can't survive without members like Karl giving up their time so it is hoped that the members undertaking the upcoming coaching course will give as much as they can to continue what Karl has given. Thanks Karl.

Our thoughts are also with Karl and Val as Val battles health issues. With Karl's 'coaching' Val is sure to come through with flying colours.

Sponsor Day



A great day was had by all at the annual sponsors day put on by the bowling club to thank our many sponsors for their continued

support of the club. Surely without this kind support we would find our job just that much harder. Many thanks to the members that gave



up their time to make the day the success that it was.

Insert picture – Jedda-Lee Raksts showing how it should be done.

Ladies News

(Submitted by Yvonne Alderson)

Sixes Tournament

The annual Ellen Rowland Memorial Sixes Tournament was held on 10th May 2013 in fantastic spring weather and some great bowls all played with great sportsmanship and the camaraderie was obvious both on and off the greens. Camden fielded 2 teams but did not manage to make it into the final placings despite some very close matches.

The Big Morning Tea in aid of Cancer Research was also held and what a spread the ladies put on.....no counting calories with that lot - talk about decadent !!! We raised \$240 and with the \$100 from the cardigan raffle (won by Charlie Toovey) the Club made it up to \$500.

Our raffle was also a big success and our thanks must go to all who donated and to our always supportive sponsorsthe prizes were fantastic bringing much comment including a couple who said they had heard about our raffles......good to know.

A big thank you to all who brought plates and helping in any number of ways making the day again a success and congratulations must go to our hard working social committee who did not stop all day. And as for our Umpires etc..... we thank you....you never fail us.

Ultimately there can be only one winner and this year it was Springwood......congratulations ladies......we believe this team consisted of relatively new bowlers so well done.....you had some heavy competition !!!



The final placings were

- R/up Warilla
- 3rd St. John's Park
- 4th Ingleburn
- 5th Merrylands



Ladies Triples Final

The Triples Final was played on June 19, 2013 in terrific weather and what a match it turned out to be......a battle for every end and played in great spirit ultimately ending with a score of 17-16 over 19 ends....that additional end being a real nail biter !!! Great to watch but with all such matches a bit sad there can only be one winner this being the team of Beryl Selems, Rosemary King (who subbed for Michelle Fellows), and Gloria Murray, runners up being Caley Causley, Kay Price and Kath Humberstone. Congratulation to you all on a match for which you can be justly proud.



Photo Left to Right

Winners Gloria Murray, Rosemary King & Beryl Selems and Runners Up Caley Causley, Kay Price and Kath Humberstone.

Ladies Minor Pairs

On 8th May, 2013 in terrific weather the final of



the 2013 Minor Pairs was played and for the most of the game the scoreline was very very close but, as in all games, there can only be one winner and on the day they were Kay Price and Barbara Mulley, runners up being June Matheson and Dorothy Dallas. Congratulations ladies on making it to the final – it was an enjoyable game to watch.

Where's Barry?

For those that may have been wondering where Barry Robbins has been lately you



will find him in far northern Australia working in the Adelaide River Hotel keeping the patrons happy up there. For those that have been there, they would know that this particular pub is the home of Charlie the water buffalo, who starred in the Crocodile Dundee movie.

The bar is affectionately known as the 303 Bar with two threatening 303's hanging over the bar. If you are passing through Barry would love to see you and have a chat about how life



is in Camden. He should be back home in the next few months. Just don't ask him to take

you fishing.

Coaching

Don't be like the bear and just hibernate, have an off-season plan.



- Keep in the groove
- Make important technique changes
- Try new bowls
- Stay bowls fit
- Enjoy team social benefits

Refresh - Have a break immediately after the season ends. It is a good thing to unwind after a big effort and season. Relax, forget bowls for a while and you will return with increased motivation.

Variety in practice sessions.

Try all these; Technique check-up, practice your delivery routine, shot practices, game practices, fun competitions.

Greens - Improve your slow green play. This is an ideal time to spend plenty of time on slower greens. This will help you in the early games next season and the Club Championships that are often run early in the year when the greens are slower.

Enter tournaments - that are on in August and September prior to the start of the next Pennant season. Play in different positions for a challenge or to re-visit the basics.

Play indoors – head to Warilla and try out their indoor green. There is a social every Monday. Give them a call.

Work with a coach or coaches during this time to improve your delivery. Practice enough for your delivery to become automatic and ready for the pressure of upcoming competition.

A Good Mate

A man invites his mate back home for dinner. His wife screams at him, "I've not done my hair, Not done my makeup, Not done any housework, Not done the dishes & can't be bothered with cooking! What the hell did you invite him round for?"

He replies, "Cos he's thinking of getting married."

Dinner Party Strife

My wife hosted a dinner party for both sides of our entire family and everyone was encouraged to bring all their children as well.

During dinner, my four-year-old niece just sat and stared at me. The girl could hardly eat her food for staring. I checked my shirt for spots, felt my face for food, patted my hair in place but nothing stopped her from staring at me.

I tried my best to just ignore her but finally it was too much for me.

I finally asked her, "Why are you staring at me?" Everyone at the table had noticed her behaviour and the table went quiet waiting for her response. My little niece said, "I'm just waiting to see how you drink like a fish."

Loving Thought

A wife, being the romantic sort, sent her husband a text message: "If you are sleeping, darling send me your dreams. If you are laughing, send me your smile.. If you are eating, send me a bite. If you are drinking send me a sip. If you are crying, my love send me your tears. I love you!"

The husband, typically non-romantic, texted her back.. "I am on the toilet. Please advise."