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BOWLS NEWS

2013 Singles Finals

(Submitted by President Bill)



A great day was had for the finals of our singles finals.

Breakfast at nine followed by 3 games of quality bowls

Congratulations to John Bugden who once again is our club champions winning the major singles against

Bruce Turton.

The minor singles was taken out by one of our newer members Brendan Gallagher. What a game it was against Ben Cummins



who picks up back to back runners up medals. Bad luck Benny. Ben kicked away early but was unable to hold off a determined Brendan who picked up ten shots in the last five ends.



Wayne Missen, also a new bowler, had a convincing win in the C singles against Michael

Conlon. Wayne is definitely following in his Dads footsteps who also started off by winning the C singles.

Congratulations to all the Players who entered these championship without you there is no competition.

Notice of the 2013 AGM

All Members should be aware that the AGM is being held on Sunday the 11th August. Please make an attempt to support our great club and attend to support our new incoming Committee. It is also your chance to voice your opinion on matters relating to the way the club is going.

Bowler of the Year



The points are adding up and we don't want to spoil the surprise for the presentation night but there are a number of players still in the hunt especially in the Rookies so keep entering every event you can and you just may be the top

scorer.

Many thanks to Wollondilly Electrical Contracting and Sales for sponsoring this event.



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Ladies News

(Submitted by Yvonne Alderson)

THE "GIRLS" WIN THE DISTRICT SENIOR FOURS 2013 !!!

The team of Jo Flook, Jane Conlon, Robyn Homburg and Gina Ross played the final of the Nepean District

Seniors Fours 2013 and a more excited group of ladies you would find hard to match !!!

Congratulations and well done.....it is not easy to win a District anything !!!

Go Camden !!!!



But there's MORE !!

The Region 4 Final of the Senior Fours 2013 was played at Penrith on July 25th and our girls (Robyn Homburg, lead, Gina Ross, second, Jane Conlon, third, Jo Flook, skip) who won the District Senior Fours 2013 played Lithgow at Penrith and won 26/21 !!! The game was a tough battle and at times a real nail biter with our girls being down 9-0 at one stage but they made a comeback to lead by 1 with one end to play so it was anyone's game..... and they managed to score a 4 to secure the win.

Congratulations girls you really are doing Camden proud but more importantly, you have much to be proud of achieving this level. Next stop the State Final at Tuncurry.....bring it on !!!

Minor Singles

The final of the Minor Singles was played on July 3, 2013 between Kath Humberstone and Fay Clayton, marked by Jenni Mende on a lovely balmy day - a huge change from the

recent wet spell. Congratulations ladies on reaching the final. It was a hard fought battle providing onlookers an enjoyable, often exciting match but, as with all games there can be only one winner and on this occasion Kath prevailed.



New Members

We have had a great start to the year with a number of new bowlers joining up with the club. Please make welcome Richard Beales, Bob Clarke, Keiron Dykes, Peter Tolnay and Michael Wales.

Also members will notice a few of our new junior members playing on Saturdays including Harry Thurlow, Joel Ringuet and Sam Dukes entering the Club Triples. Well done guys.



After School Bowls

(submitted by Alex Matheson)

Camden Bowling Club in cooperation with the Australian Sports Commission & Bowls Australia will be conducting after school lawn bowls activities with children from Camden Public School.

Between 20 to 25 children will be taught the benefits of playing lawn bowls by a number of approved coaches on a Tuesday afternoon from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm. Each coach has completed an online course & also a one day course of instruction conducted by the Australian Sports Commission.

The following Camden Bowling Club members have given of their time to complete the courses & conduct the activities. Jane Conlon, Jo Flook, Dennis Stapleton, Steve Irwin, Kevin Shaw, June Matheson & Alex Matheson.

The aim is not only the introduction of bowls to a new group but to encourage those that show potential & interest to become members of our Club.

Interesting Media Release in SA

Lawn bowlers are fighting an Equal Opportunity Tribunal ruling the competition in South Australia must abandon single-sex teams.

The Tribunal ruled last year that Bowls SA must abolish separate male and female competitions by 2014 or risk being in breach of the Equal Opportunity Act.

Equal Opportunity Commissioner Anne Gale said mixed gender competition was the way forward.

"Only operating single-sex competitions could be discrimination so operating mixed competitions and open competitions is a way around that," she said.

Many of the state's 17,000 bowlers are not opposed to mixed social games, but playing with jack (and jill) is not everyone's cup of tea.

"If you've got the women in the ring you tend to take it a bit more easy and of course your language is curbed down too," one male bowler said.

"Theirs is a different game, believe it or not, it's a much more aggressive game," a woman bowler said.

More than 5,000 lawn bowlers have signed a petition calling for Bowls SA to be allowed to keep running single-gender and mixed competitions.

Lawn Bowls SA general manager Mark Easton hopes to achieve an outcome that shows no bias.

"The primary product would be an open-gender format, so people have a choice to participate in the open format and as the second product having a men's and ladies competition," he said.

"Small clubs need the mixed competition so they can field teams," a bowler told the ABC.

MPs from both sides of the South Australian Parliament are keen to draft legislation which would amend the Equal Opportunity Act: "To reflect all the values in society, not just one main view about gender equity, we need to reflect all cultural and religious views in the sport as well," one MP Leesa Vlahos said.

Should this be allowed? What do you think?

Send the editor a yes or no on the gender issue and the results will be in next month.

Wimpy Dads



Two kids are arguing over whose father is the biggest scaredy-cat.. The first kid says,

"My dad is so scared that when lightning strikes, he hides underneath the bed."

The second kid replies, "Yeah?

Well, that's nothing. My dad is so scared that when my mom has to work the nightshift, he sleeps with the woman next door."

Prayer for Grandpa



Dear God, please send clothes for all those poor ladies on Grandpa's computer.

Amen

