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#### FROM THE CHAIRPERSON'S DESK

We have received several encouraging positive reports from visiting players about how good our Club is looking. Marvellous what a new kitchen, some painting and a general tidy up does. Many thanks to all involved for your time and effort.





This photo shows the ladies on the Wednesday Sandwich Roster and cleaning duty toasting the completion of the final touches.

The Board has recently endorsed an after-school bowling program for all students from 9 years of age. Thank you to Jaimie Jarman for the idea and impetus to get started. It will be on Tuesday afternoons and will be overseen by the Men's Committee. For full details you can see the Notice Board at back of the clubroom and on our Facebook page.

Night Owls and BBQ will follow after the children finish so it is an ideal opportunity for parents and kids to see the Club in action. Please advertise the program in your sphere of influence.

A second automatic door, for the eastern entrance, is currently being assessed by the CTTG, hopefully to be installed soon.

Unfortunately, the first attempt at replanting the grass on C green wasn't successful. However, a second planting by our hardworking volunteers is looking very promising. A huge thank you to all the workers on round two. The playable side of C green is excellent. Well done Mick T.

Good luck and good bowling to all Club Championship finalists playing on Finals Day.

\*\*Roslyn Blakeney\*\*

#### FROM THE LADIES' PRESIDENT

#### FROM THE LADIES' LOCKER ROOM

After enjoying our Christmas celebrations – with some local 'fairies' (pictured below) providing some hilarious entertainment, (thanks guys, or were they?) we have started the New Year with some mixed results and our current positions on the Pennant Ladder at the time of writing are as follows: Round 12 to be rescheduled (Heat Policy).

Premier Div. 7th Div. 2 Nth 8th

Div. 3 Nth 1st .....15pts ahead....keep it going girls!!

Div. 4 Nth 3rd

Club Finals Day is approaching, well done to all participants and good bowling to you all.

Our thanks to Pat Deacon and some helpers for their work in getting the kitchen back together, it is now looking great and a pleasure to work in.

Well done to Andrea and her team who recently rose early to serve us a delicious breakfast (with a taste of champagne). The day was enjoyed by all who attended with some good bowling (and some not so good by yours truly) on greens well prepared by our 'greenkeeper extraordinaire'. A great job was done by our Tournament Director, Brenda, to keep us on track, thanks to all who helped make the day a success.

A date for your diaries is the Ladies' A.G.M. which has been set for Tuesday 7th April 2020 at 10 a.m.

Cheers for now Jill Chandler



#### FROM YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE



## Club Christmas Dinner 14 December 2019

We had a wonderful Christmas Dinner at the Club last year. Thank you to our Patrons Richard Harvey and Frances Bedford for stopping by with Greetings and goodies.

Much appreciation and thanks to the Social Committee for stepping in to do the catering. The meal was delicious, thank you Linda Scarlett and your team of cooking elves for all you did. A great job.

The highlight of the night was Norma Timmis and her "Fairies" trying hard to do their dance routines without falling over, in an effort to be judged the best Fairy. Hilarious and very entertaining.

Thank you to DJ Roy the Babyboomer DJ was also very good and enticed the dancers onto the dance floor.



The dinner went really well. We received lovely feedback. Also, thanks to everyone who helped prior to the dinner, selling dinner and raffle tickets, printing the tickets, preparing, setting up, manning the bar. We couldn't have done it without you. Thank you everyone – Linda Scarlett





#### **FRIDAY SOCIAL BOWLS**

Friday social bowls is in full swing again after a short break over Christmas/New Year. Our attendances have been very good but only 13 men braved the heat on Friday, 31 January. We have welcomed four new people and it is great to see Laurie Johnstone back on

the green again and that he is still bowling well. Allen and Arthur are creating some close games with their matching the players and sorting things out when we have odd numbers. It is not an easy task and we do appreciate their efforts {most times anyway}.

The Christmas lunch for the Friday bowlers had roughly 70 attend the day which started with champagne and orange juice. Bowls were played until midday followed by a light luncheon and the exchanging of Kris Kringle gifts. There were a couple of novelty events on the green and it was a good day overall. Nadene







#### **MEN'S SCENE**

As the pennant season draws to a close two teams seem assured of playing finals and a few are still battling to avoid relegation. Division 3 North on Wednesdays and Division 5 East on Saturday are both in 3<sup>rd</sup> position in their divisions and comfortably ensconced in the top 4.



their divisions and comfortably ensconced in the top 4. As for those teams that are struggling it is hoped that a concerted effort will enable the Club to finish the season with no relegations.

The Club Champion finals for several competitions were conducted on 9 February. Congratulations to Brian Pocock who was successful in the Men's Handicap event and to Ivan Lawton and Jamie Jarman who were the winners of the Men's Doubles. The standard of play was high in both events and commiserations go to Peter Kollosche in the handicap and Phil Mahoney and Brian Pocock in the doubles. The Men's singles and various other finals are to be held in the next few weeks.

The Hope Valley Bowling Club has invited students to its after-school lawn bowling coaching and competition commencing February 11, 2020. 19 primary schools in the North Eastern area have been contacted and It is proposed that the competition finish mid-March which will allow those students involved in winter sport to not be inconvenienced. Many thanks to Jamie Jarman for the effort he has put in to establish this format. It is expected that numbers will grow as more students become aware of the fun that can come from lawn bowling.

#### MEN'S SCENE cont./...

The annual Skins Night was held on Wednesday, 5 February. This is a popular event on the Club's calendar and as usual a great time was had by all participants. Major winners of the night were Ivan Lawton, Chris Nemeth and Nola Manual.

The Night Owls season is also drawing to a close and competition will finish in mid-March. At this time of writing we have not been advised by Bowls SA when the regional finals will be held so final day of competition will be advised to Night Owlers when this information is available. It is expected that the top team from each night will be invited to the regional finals and the runners up placed on a stand by. Recent history has resulted in at least 4 teams from the HVBC competing in the finals. The standard of skill and competition displayed by many of the bowlers is amazing and it is hoped that the Club will reap the rewards of those bowlers playing pennants for the club in the near future.





The first week of Jamie Jarman's After School Coaching and Competition Program saw 6 students attend. (See photo on Page 7) The kids were enthusiastic and certainly seemed to enjoy the first of six scheduled sessions.

The hope is for this program to continue to build with the children attending encouraging their friends join them.

Thanks to Jamie Jarman, Ken Seymour, Dean Sanders and Ivan Lawton for the time they are devoting to the program.

Cheers, Nola ©



#### THURSDAY NIGHT OWLS

We currently have 21 teams on a Thursday Night which amounts to approximately 84 players.

This means we have 1 team that has a bye but these players are usually placed in teams that don't have four players on the night, so they still get a game of bowls.

Matches start at 6.45pm and games usually finish by about 9.00pm. These are followed by social time with the "Chocolate Wheel" and prizes ranging from beer, wines, chocolates and Drakes Gift Vouchers.

We also have prizes for the first "toucher" and card draws for Lead, Second, Third & Skip.

The final spin of the wheel is for the Jackpot which is based on game scores and goes up by \$40 each week that the jackpot doesn't go off.

We have had a bit of a bad run with weather this year, losing 3 nights due to heat!

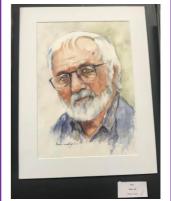
It is a good Fund Raiser for the Club and although we can't compete with Tuesday Nights, we still average approximately \$500 per week profit for the Club.

My thanks to my helpers, Bob Basedow, Ron Chandler, Len Blakeney (BBQ), Ross Porritt, Alec Nemeth and my "Batladies" - Liz Basedow and Pam Peek.

Special thanks to Bob for his organisation of the teams each week.

John Peek, Coordinator

One of our regular Thursday Night Owlers is Alf who belongs to the Papas. Alf teaches drawing/painting and one of his students, Ken, recently submitted several portraits which were displayed in the Tea Tree Gully Library art space foyer. The picture was so life-like and well-drawn I just had to take it and show you. Ed.



#### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS/FINALISTS**



Jamie
Jarman and
Ivan
Lawton –
Pairs
Doubles
Champions



Phil Mahoney, Jamie Jarman, Ivan Lawton and Brian Pocock – Pairs Doubles Finalists



Raelene Heitmann, (marker Bev Murdoch), Shirley Kipling – Ladies' Singles Finalists

Raelene Heitmann – Ladies' Singles



Andrea
Willliams, Ros
Blakeney, Bev
Murdoch and
Raelene
Heitmann –
Ladies' Pairs
Finalists



Raelene Heitmann and Bev Murdoch – Ladies' Pairs Winners

#### **WOMEN'S INDOOR BIAS BOWLS**

A reminder to any ladies interested in playing Indoor Bowls that the AGM will be held after outdoor bowls practice at 1.00 pm on Tuesday 25 February 2020 - all ladies are welcome.

If you are interested in playing please add your names to the list on the notice board in the ladies' room. We have ladies happy to help if you haven't played before. Bring a friend. Come and have a go!

We will be able to practice both Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9:30 am for a 10:00 am start. Our first practice date will be decided at the meeting, usually close to Easter. You will be notified.

We practice on both days when available, until matches start on Tuesday, 5 May 2020; then Thursdays are for practice and matches on Tuesdays. The season ends Tuesday 4 August 2020.

Player registration is \$8 for full club members, plus a \$1 mat fee on practice days. For Associate members the fee is \$35 plus \$8 registration and the mat fee.

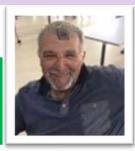
We are very sociable, so come along, make new friends and get a little exercise without worrying about the weather.

Linda Scarlett, President
Women's Indoor Bias Bowls

- > The meaning of opaque is unclear.
- I wasn't going to get a brain transplant, but then I changed my mind.
- > Have you ever tried to eat a clock? It's very time consuming.
- > A man tried to assault me with milk, cream, and butter. How dairy!

#### **Greens Report by Mick Tsaousoglou**

All greens are in excellent condition C green reseeding progressing well Green keeper Mick







#### Kitchen:

Our kitchen renovations are now complete with the new floor covering and installation of the stove finalised for the resumption of Pennant games.

A new upright freezer has been purchased for the pantry, with the small under bench fridge/freezer being reconsidered pending its requirement.

A new stainless steel urn trolley has also been purchased.

The drawers and cupboards have been labelled.

Sincere thanks must go to Patricia Deacon, Len Blakeney and Martin Smith for the many long and exhausting hours they have spent on this project.

They, of course, did not do it alone and thanks must also be extended to the many ladies who volunteered their time to help pack/unpack and clean, as well as the men who did the heavy lifting.

#### Rest Room:

The rest room has been tidied up to make it a little more comfortable for anyone needing to use it. The skirting boards will be painted in due course, and the carpets cleaned.

Thanks to Sally Harrison & Chris Murphy for donating a new comforter and bed linen. Kind Regards, Nola

