

# THE BUZZ



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## FROM THE CHAIRPERSON'S DESK




It is great that at last we can emerge from our Covid bubble and begin activities at the Club.

Firstly, we began with individual bowls practice, moving onto Social winter bowls and Friday bowls; being able to hold indoor committee meetings and now Friday teas this week.

During July we are able to have the Women's and Men's AGMs and in August the Club AGM.

The 4 square metre rule becoming 2 square metres made all the difference. We are fortunate in our state that we have remained relatively safe and healthy. We need to stay this way and not become complacent.

The Board of Management has worked together throughout this time in keeping compliant with all the rules and restrictions to enable our members to be up-to-date. I must thank Secretary Nola for her tireless efforts in printing and displaying notices, keeping the hygiene practices up to an excellent standard, and recording the necessary contact details when necessary. Well done Nola. 

We all must still be vigilant with hygiene and remember to stay 1.5 metres between each other whenever possible.

I hope you have all stayed well and are eager now to get on with a new kind of normal.

Time to think about being involved with one of our administrative committees. I know that we will need a House Manager. This position does not mean being on the BoM. Someone with handyman skills who is able to volunteer some time to the Club doing odd jobs or is able to organise someone else to do that is the person we need.

Until next edition, enjoy your winter bowls and stay safe.

Roslyn Blakeney



## FROM THE LADIES' PRESIDENT



### FROM THE LADIES LOCKER ROOM

Well it is great to be back in the 'Locker Room', so to speak, after the uncertainty of not knowing when we could continue with the organisation for the coming season.

Our A.G.M. is now to be held on Tuesday 14th July at 10 a.m., with any further nominations for Office Bearers and Selectors to close on Tuesday 7th July. Presentations to winners and runners-up in Club Championship events will also be made then, so we are hoping for a good attendance of our lady members. (This has already happened and there are articles with photos of the winners and runners-up of the Club Championship events. - Ed)

It has been great to see many ladies enjoying some bowls practice (and also some sunshine) on well prepared greens (thankyou Mick) during these days of uncertainty - a big **THANKYOU** to Nola for all her time and hard work in organising these times. 

Trial games are already being organised for 24/9 at Payneham and 1/10 at home to Tranmere, with Thursday Pennant matches set to start on 8 October and Saturday Mixed Competition on 10 October.

I, for one, am looking forward to moving ahead both on and off the greens, so until then, still keep safe and well.

Cheers for now, Jill Chandler

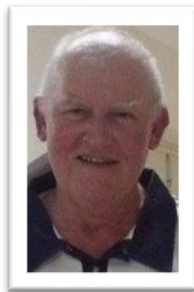
### LADIES PENNANT DATES

Start:	Wed 07/10/20	Thurs 08/10/20	Sat 10/10/20
Christmas break:	Thurs 10/12/20	Sat 12/12/20	Wed 16/12/20
Start after break:	Wed 06/01/21	Thurs 07/01/21	Sat 09/01/21
No Pennant:	Wed 03/02/21		
Last minor round:	Wed 24/02/21	Thurs 25/02/21	Sat 27/02/21

**The following 3 weeks on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday will be Semi, Prelim and Grand Finals.**

## MEN'S SCENE

A reminder that the AGM of the Men's committee will be held on Tuesday 21 July, commencing at 7:30 pm. All Saturday bowlers are invited and if you are considering that you may bowl on Saturdays this season, you are also invited. The AGM this year will include presentation of trophies to Club Championship winners.



Winter bowls has been welcomed by Club members. Participation is high and with the greens in magnificent condition, the standard of bowling to date has been a joy to see. Thanks to Ken Byrom and Chris Parry for all their hard work in making the winter comp so successful.

The Club has received the team nomination forms from MBA for the upcoming season. These have to be completed and returned by mid-August. It is important that members complete their information forms as, to date, we only have sufficient financial members to nominate 2 Saturday and Wednesday teams.

The Covid-19 pandemic has resulted in severe restrictions being placed on sporting clubs. Our Club has been able to operate as well as it has due to the magnificent coordination by **Nola Manuel**. On behalf of all members, I thank Nola for her sterling efforts.

I look forward to seeing you on the greens.

Ken Seymour



"You think you're having a bad game?  
I'm looking for a bowling ball!"

## WINTER BOWLS



As you know we started the Winter Bowls on Wednesday, 10 June with 65 of our members playing. It was a great turn out and, although restrictions were still in place, the members were patient and tolerant and were just happy to be back playing bowls.

Saturdays have had moderate turnouts, but we have missed a couple of days due to bad weather. Our second Wednesday was also great with 67 members playing.

A big thank you must go to our hard-working secretary, Nola Manuel, who has not only ensured the Covid-19 plans have been strictly followed, but has spent many days at the Club organising the practice days. She spent so much time at the Club that her husband put out a missing person's report on her – haha.

We are just about back to normal with Wednesday having 70 and 80 plus of our members playing and Saturdays in the 50's.

It's great to see our senior members like Neville Trewren and Don and Shirley Phillips, who are in their 90's, still playing so well. We also have young Kobe Jarman, an up and coming star, who comes with his Dad, Jamie. Many thanks must go to Micky T for providing great greens to play on, Trevor Rogers for getting the milk every game day and helping with the setting up, and Vonnie and her staff for the bar. Finally, my thanks go to Chris Parry who is a pleasure to have alongside me making it all work well.

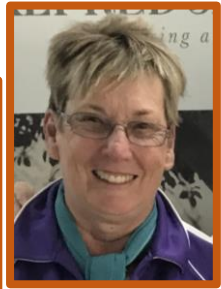
Kind regards, Ken Byrom

Only Irish coffee provides in a single glass all four essential food groups: alcohol, caffeine, sugar and fat.

- Alex Levine



## FROM NOLA



It has been reported that several members are entering the carpark a little quicker than is considered safe (walking pace). With the numbers increasing for our Social bowling days, please consider the safety and welfare of all members to avoid this happening. With respect, Nola.



Thanks to Nola for providing the results of the Ladies Competitions and the presentation of awards which could not be done earlier due to Covid-19. Congratulations to our most deserving and talented winners - Ed

### LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRS WINNERS: BEV MURDOCH & RAELENE HEITMANN

Presenting all awards are Life Members,  
Carmel Farrow (L) and Vonnie Secker (R).



**LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRS  
RUNNERS-UP: ROSLYN BLAKENEY & ANDREA WILLIAMS**



**LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES  
WINNER - RAELENE HEITMANN  
RUNNER-UP - SHIRLEY KIPLING**



**100 UP**  
**WINNER - BEV MURDOCH**  
**RUNNER-UP - RAELENE HEITMANN**



**PLATE EVENT**  
**WINNER - PATRICIA DEACON**  
**RUNNER-UP - MARILYN MCKAY**





**LADIES TRIPLES WINNERS:  
BEV MURDOCH, BETTY WILLIAMSON & RAELENE HEITMANN**



**LADIES TRIPLES:  
RUNNERS-UP: HELEN TAYLOR, MARINA DIMOND & ANDREA WILLIAMS**



I have never hated a man enough to give his diamonds back. - **Zsa Zsa Gabor**



## FRIDAY SOCIAL BOWLS

Friday social bowls is back again and has been welcomed with much enthusiasm. Allen Stacy has managed to be in the winning team both weeks, and he assures us that Arthur won't let him "Stack" the teams. I would like to thank everyone for their co-operation and help with all the distancing, sanitizing, etc before and after the game. Nadene



### Our Greens Maintained by Mick Tsaousoglou

Mick continues to work on all the greens doing a fabulous job of maintaining them to the highest standard possible. We are all grateful for his input that has allowed us to come back to practice, socials and Friday bowls. Here are a few photos of the C green being re-seeded when it didn't take the first time. Many thanks to Mick and his band of merry helpers for their persistence and dedication. - Ed



# More photos of the Helpers



## Rules and Etiquette – Peter Hurt

### Game rules:

Q. Can a skip give information to a bowler about their bowl when it stops, e.g. calling “Great length, a bit short” or giving hand signals?

A. No. Rule 13 states: “As soon as each bowl comes to rest, possession of the rink will transfer to the opposing player or team after allowing time for marking a toucher...”

*(Players not in possession of the rink who “interfere with, annoy or distract their opponents in any way” may end up being warned on the first occasion. The next time the offending team’s last bowl is declared dead!!!)*

Q. Can a lead or second do the measuring?

A. Yes. Rule 13 says: “The third **can** measure...” (i.e. they may, but there is no rule that they must).

### Game etiquette:

- It is sporting to acknowledge an exceptional shot – it is not to cheer or show delight at a poor shot which ends up to your team’s advantage. Please never do this!
- When changing ends walk down the middle of your rink, and don’t stop for a chat half way down.

I don't feel old. In fact, I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap. - **Bob Hope**

# Umpiring and Measuring – Peter Hurt

Umpiring and Measuring - Let's face it, we need more of both!

If you wish to become a measurer or umpire, the Bowls S.A. website is the place to go. On the home page find **Club Assistance**, then from the menu go down to **Officials**. There will be a list of upcoming courses.

(At the time of writing this has not been updated because of the shutdown at Bowls S.A.)

When Bowls S.A. gets back after the virus close down there will be a list of upcoming courses and a form which you will need to download, complete and hand in to the club secretary, treasurer or chairman. The club will add to the form and send it to Bowls S.A. with the fee. (The club will pay this). If you are going to be an umpire you will need a rules book! Once you have handed in your form to our club you can pick up a rule book from the bar. (Free to each umpire). You will need to read it and know it pretty well, or at least know where to find a particular rule. All umpires will need to demonstrate proficiency at measuring.

Before the season I will run a demonstration for potential measurers, a refresher for umpires and run a shortened demonstration for thirds and any others who may be lacking in confidence with measuring.

*Thank you Peter for your very informative and appreciated articles - Ed*

Don't worry about avoiding temptation. As you grow older, it will avoid you. - **Winston Churchill**

Maybe it's true that life begins at fifty .. But everything else then starts to wear out, fall out, or spread out.. - **Phyllis Diller**

*Saturday Social bowlers – very happy to have a chance to get back into it, despite the COLD weather - Ed*



In loving memory of **Jack Smith** who passed away peacefully on 18 May 2020, aged 92. Our sincere condolences go out to Christine and his family.

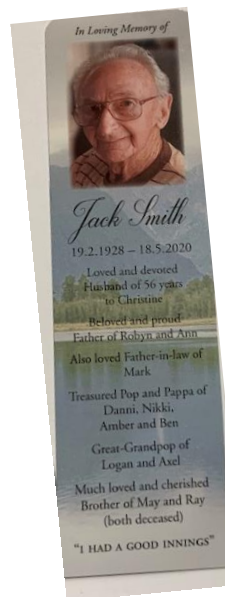
*This is a short obituary from Allan Gray who had worked with Jack in the past before he met him at Hope Valley Bowls Club:*

Jack was born on 19 February 1928 in Yorkshire, England and was a proud supporter of Huddersfield Town Football Club.

Jack migrated to Australia in the early 60's and ended up in Melbourne. He applied for a job with a company called Pipeline Supplies of Australia where he was successful in obtaining the position of Storeman. During the mid-60's, the company was looking to open a branch in Adelaide and Jack was asked if he would consider going to Adelaide to work at their premises on Grange Road at Welland. During the early 70's, because of the success of the company, they promoted Jack to Store Manager and relocated to new premises that were much larger than the previous site by about 10 times the size. Jack was always concerned about health and fitness so he and other members of staff would go for walks around the block at lunchtime come rain, hail or shine. He also marked out a badminton court in the factory that the staff could play on after work at 5.00 pm. The competition was heavily contested and this continued on in the factory for quite a number of years.

Jack retired in July 1986, and a couple of years later he found that there was going to be a bowling club built within his neighbourhood, and Jack became a member of the Club as soon as he could. He remained a member until just recently when his health was failing him.

All who knew Jack could not help but love and respect him. He will be sadly missed by all at the Bowling Club. Jack Smith RIP.



**Jack Smith; a lovely man - loved by all at the Club: he was so happy with life. I was very fortunate in being in his company, playing Social Bowls in Winter and during the Pennant Season. Chris Duff-Tytler**

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible

- [George Burns](#)

Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint. - [Mark Twain](#)

I was married by a judge. I should have asked for a jury.

- [Groucho Marx](#)

### **THE WISDOM OF NELSON MANDELA**

When Nelson Mandela was studying law at the University, a white professor, whose last name was Peters, disliked him intensely.

One day, Mr. Peters was having lunch at the dining room when Mandela came along with his tray and sat next to the professor.

The professor said, "Mr Mandela, you do not understand, a pig and a bird do not sit together to eat". Mandela looked at him as a parent would a rude child and calmly replied, \***"You do not worry professor. I'll fly away,"** and he went and sat at another table.

Mr. Peters, reddened with rage, decided to take revenge. The next day in class he posed the following question: "Mr. Mandela, if you were walking down the street and found a package, and within was a bag of wisdom and another bag with money, which one would you take?"

Without hesitating, Mandela responded, "The one with the money, of course."

Mr. Peters, smiling sarcastically said, "I, in your place, would have taken the wisdom." Nelson Mandela shrugged and responded, "Each one takes what he doesn't have."

Mr. Peters, by this time was about to throw a fit, seething with fury. So great was his anger that he wrote on Nelson Mandela's exam sheet the word "**IDIOT**" and gave it to the future struggle icon.

Mandela took the exam sheet and sat down at his desk trying very hard to remain calm while he contemplated his next move. A few minutes later, Nelson Mandela got up, walked up to the professor and told him in a dignified, polite tone, "Mr. Peters, you signed your name on the sheet, but you forgot to give me my grade."