

Hope Valley



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THE BUZZ

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FROM THE CHAIRPERSON'S DESK



Opening Day was a huge success. The weather was fine enabling the Opening Ceremony to occur outside on the greens and a short game of bowls to be played. The Club rooms looked especially nice, thanks to the willing band of volunteers who cleaned and polished, tidied and decorated with beautiful flowers. The High Tea was exceptionally decadent as usual. Members of the Board were able to speak with the Mayor and Councillors re some issues we have and to receive favourable responses.

As I have previously reported we entered our Club in Clubs SA Awards for Excellence 2016 in the Bowling Club of the Year category and were named as a finalist. The Board also sent in a resume of Margaret Morden's achievements for the President's Citation Volunteer of the Year Award. The announcement of the winners will be made on October 8th at the annual Awards night presentations to be held in the Magarey Room, Adelaide Oval which Margaret and I will attend (with speeches in hand, just in case).

In case you are wondering if there is a Club booklet this year, it is being revised and printed now and will be available shortly.

I have met with Nick, Steve and Jason from Tea Tree Gully Council and can report that the air con project is finally underway subject to a report on the capacity of the electrical board and more in depth quotes from the suppliers, we suggested, to cover additional items eg removal of old units and restoring the roof. Hopefully we will have it installed before the really hot weather comes.

I have also spoken with the Council Traffic Officer re the traffic problems which are experienced when exiting the club at school finish time. These concerns have been taken seriously and are currently being looked into. Meanwhile I strongly urge that all club members and visitors exercise patience and caution when entering Grand Junction Rd at the problem times.

Thank you.

Roslyn Blakeney

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FROM THE LADIES



Well we are just about to begin our Pennant Season.
We are aiming for a great one.

We recently made a decision to apply to Bowls SA change the two rink side we had entered into a three rink side. We did this because we did have a couple of additional players and because we wanted to avoid having rotation if possible. I am pleased that this has been successful and although we now have two teams in the same section playing each other, at least all who want a game each week should get one and there are only two byes unlike previously.

So now we have 4 three rink sides Div.1 ; Div.2 North; Div.3 North Red and Div. 3 North White. These means though that we can only win 3 Pennants not four as anticipated!!!

Nadene has contacted men and there a some who will be willing to fill in if we really need them. However it would be great if we could do this on our own merits so I urge everyone to commit as much as possible to be available each week so that we can field full teams.

Thank you to the women who have offered to fill in occasionally for the Mixed Gender on Saturdays if needed. The men may also be asking for volunteers to fill in on Wednesdays because they have an additional team then also. It is really pleasing to hear all the positive comments about our Tuesday practice sessions.

Thank you to all the wonderful helpers who cleaned out the kitchen before Opening Day and to all those who prepared the food for that day also. As usual Hope Valley turned on the most magnificent feast.

President's Day is fast approaching and Linda and her team have been working hard to get it all organised. Please twist the arms of friends and acquaintances from other Clubs to put entries in to make this a successful day. It is getting harder and harder to attract teams to these days.

PLAY WELL . ENJOY. WIN!

Andrea

DID YOU KNOW ?

Tact is the art of making guests feel at home when that's exactly where you wish they were

You can live to be a hundred , if you give up all the things that make you want to live to be a hundred.

Having one child makes you a parent ; having two, you are a referee.

RULES REGISTER



This week I have been asked about three different rules which I was sure everyone already knew, so how about you? Answers below..... Don't Cheat!!

First, a bowler said he'd been told he had to have all of his foot on or above the mat at delivery. Right or Wrong?

Secondly, a bowler said he'd been challenged about moving the mat as it was noticed on the wrong line after the jack and a bowl had been played. Should he move the mat? Yes or No?

Thirdly, a jack had been placed on the T when it was delivered between the 2 metre line and the ditch.

Was this correct or not?

Answers

1st Wrong. Rule 7.1 " Before delivery a player must stand with all or part of one foot on the mat. At.....delivery.....the player must have all or part of one foot on or above the mat."

2nd . Yes! Rule 6.2.3 " If the mat is off the centre line, it must be moved to that line." And of course....Rule 9.7 " After the first player has delivered the first bowl, no-one has the right to challenge the original position of the jack"

3rd. No. Rule 9.2it must be placed on the centre line of the rink with the nearest point of the jack being 2 metres from the ditch."

How did you go?

AND Two more from Bowls SA

1. Regarding electronic or communication devices. Should you need a phone for an emergency, you must tell the umpire before the game and set it on silent (vibration only). Failure to do so will result in a warning in the first instance, the second time, the player will be suspended for the day, with no replacement possible. Be aware!

2. There are also instantaneous penalties for intimidating, offensive, threatening behaviour ets. (My skip was on the receiving end last season at Two Wells) Don't put up with it, rare as it is. Call an umpire. The penalty in pennants would be 8 shots away. (No, I'm pretty sure this would not entitle anyone to an eight badge)

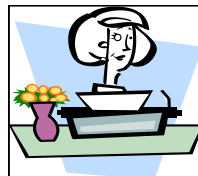
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We have a few, very few, more umpires now but need more, especially from the lowest three teams. On the first Wednesday of pennants the top three teams are away. Guess where the umpires are? We could be in the unfortunate position of having to ask the visiting team if they have an umpire. Should there not be one a measurer becomes the umpire, and if no measurer or umpire in the visiting team then an experienced skipper gets the Guernsey. So... should you like to volunteer see me (Pete Hurt). The course includes learning the finer points of marking as well as use of measurers' equipment and umpiring; and of course knowing the rules!

Incidentally all new umpires can pick up a rule book from Vonnie free, no charge, gratis, zilch.

Peter Hurt

FROM YOUR ADMIN. SECRETARY



Hi Folks – not a lot to report from me this time – most of my time has been taken up with Bowls SA registrations and preparing for Opening Day. Thanks to Secretary Paul for his assistance in doing the regos – a big job at any time. I also appreciate our Assistant Treasurer, David Waterhouse, excellent records of financial members - which is updated regularly – which makes my job when registering members with Bowls SA so much easier. Thanks a million DDD (he will know what that means)!

I thought Opening Day was a roaring success – very lucky with the weather! Nice to see so many members there – sure our official guests would have been impressed.

Concentrating on the Club Booklet now – a lit bit later than usual – but Roslyn and I got together last week and will meet with printer on Monday. On a personal note, I have also been very busy celebrating my 85th birthday and feel very blessed with the good wishes I have received via Facebook and Cards from wonderful friends. Thanks to everyone.

I wish you all good luck in the first pennant matches being played soon and look forward to some very satisfying results - preparation has been full on this year, and we are most fortunate to have such dedicated Coaches within our Club.

Your Administrative Secretary Margaret.

Club Championships

The nomination forms for the Men's Club Championships, Mixed Pairs and Open Singles are now available .

Also all Women's Championship events are available and closing date for them is 18th October

Please consider entering these it is all good practice.

It has been decided to hold the mixed events on Sunday 23rd October. Hopefully both the first and second rounds of that event can be played on

THE MEN'S SCENE



An extra side has been entered on both Saturday and Wednesday taking them to 7 and 6 respectively. We have 2 sides in the same division on 4 occasions – 4N and 4E on Wednesday plus 5N and 7N on Saturdays. Bowls SA rate the Red side higher than White.

Taylor Bowls is progressing well and we have entered in Silver and Bronze. The entry fee is offset by a voucher for a set of new Taylor Bowls from “Jack High” worth about \$600. Last Year a member purchased the voucher through the Men's Committee but it is up to the Committee to decide how to raise the funds. On Wednesdays we start earlier at 12.15 and this presents problems when we finish home games. Parents of Torrens Valley school students queue on Grand Junction Road over our exit and make pulling into the right hand lane both dangerous and necessary at the completion of games BUT our opposition players know nothing of this. We are investigating various options after having contacted the Council and Torrens Valley School. A notice will be read out at afternoon tea during term time but better solutions are being sought.

Hopefully there should be a Pennant Programme on the noticeboard by now. Inclement Weather Policy has changed to accommodate individual situations just before the game with our nominated manager being Jack Caulfield. Temperature predictions run the same and during play the Umpire of the Day makes the decisions.

More players with computer skills are being trained to enter Pennant results. Pennant results no longer need to be faxed to Bowls SA and the Advertiser.

Practice is going as well as the weather has allowed.

Len Blakeney has been looking at the By Laws to accommodate the changes in procedures.

Paul



COOPER'S DAY

DECEMBER 4TH



HOW ABOUT GETTING IN TOUCH WITH YOUR MATES AT OTHER CLUBS AND ENCOURAGING THEM TO ENTER A TEAM OR MAKE UP A TEAM WITH THEM. IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO DO THAT THEN ENTER A TEAM OF HOPE VALLEY MATES.

IT IS ALWAYS A GREAT DAY.

GREENS REPORT



Well what a great month for bowls if you are a duck. Over the month of September 174mm (just over 6") of rain has been recorded. Because of this little bowling has taken place and being unable to work on the greens. Due to this Mick's skill at computer games has improved and the shed is slowly getting tidied up.

Whilst the rain has interrupted pennant trials, I am sure we will see the benefits of good green coverage come November. This will please Mick as we all know how he loves walking behind the mower

Good Bowling

Jack Caulfield

Greens Manager

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HEY JACK WE BOUGHT MICK A NEW ROLLER , DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD NOW BUY HIM ONE OF THESE ?



COACHING CORNER

Attendance at the training sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays has been excellent. The structured practices on Tuesdays have been innovative and realistic, putting challenges to players and encouraging them to go beyond the simple “roll-up”. Players will see the shots that they have practised occurring in matches and will be comfortable in playing them. Now that teams are being established, players should encourage each other to train as a team ; this will enable the group to play as a team, each knowing their role and doing their bit for team success —sides win pennants, not individuals.

We have an opportunity to achieve high standards this year and lift our rankings —let’s do it.

Some players have indicated that they need to practise specific skills to correct weaknesses. If you feel this way, speak to one of the coaches and your needs can be incorporated into the sessions. Similarly, if you have ideas for improvement to our training, speak up — we are all learning.

John Williams

Tips for Pennant Players

LEADS - Key word: **OBSERVANT**

1. Never attack a close opposition shot - take good green to make the head wider.
2. Be prepared, though, to attack your own first bowl if it is 'Jack level' otherwise your opponent(s) may make use of it instead.
3. If conditions are changing (change of wind, temperature, speed of green) you should be the first to notice it - and quietly pass it on to your team mates.
4. Do not let your opponents dictate the pace of play.

SECONDS - Key word: **SUPPORTIVE**

1. Double your efforts if your lead or third is struggling. Take responsibility of holding the team together until they pick up their game.
2. NEVER play two short bowls on an end - make sure your first bowl reaches the head - particularly when your team is holding shot.
3. Look upon your position as a most rewarding one - many great skips regard it as the most important position in the team.

THIRDS - Key word: **CONFIDENT**

1. A confident and smiling third is a 'team plus' and a worry to the opposition, particularly when the pressure is on.
2. NEVER play a variation on the shot your skip has called for. Your genuine attempt can educate your skip better than words will ever do.
3. You are in a unique position in the team to quietly encourage all of your team mates to play well around you - look upon that as one of your tasks during the game.

SKIPS - Key word: **POSITIVE**

1. Know the shot your team mate (or you) needs to play. Treat it as an interesting challenge or opportunity for him/her (or yourself) rather than a difficulty or a problem.
2. ALWAYS think ahead. Concentration is living one bowl into the future (whether it is your bowl or theirs).
3. Speak slowly, loudly and clearly towards the other end. It indicates that you are in control of the situation, both to your team and the opposition.

SOURCE: SOUTH TWEED HEADS BOWLS CLUB

OPENING DAY SCENES

PREPARING

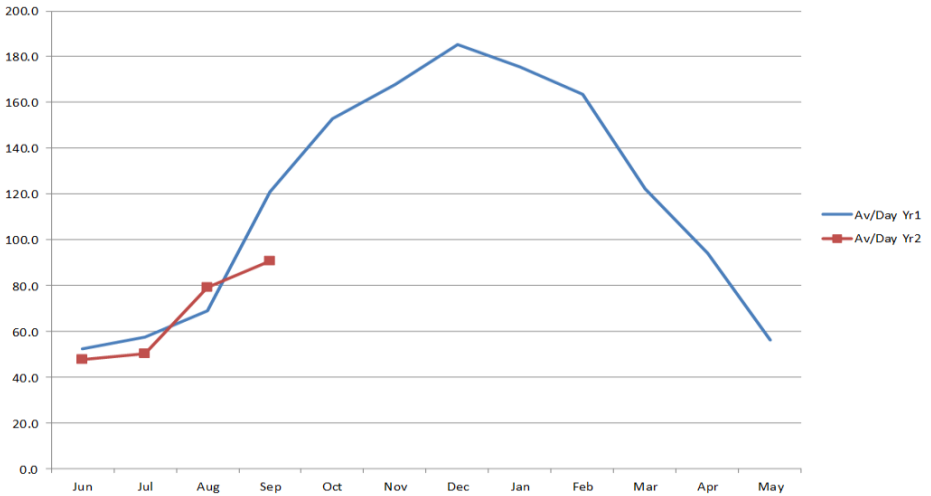


PLAYING

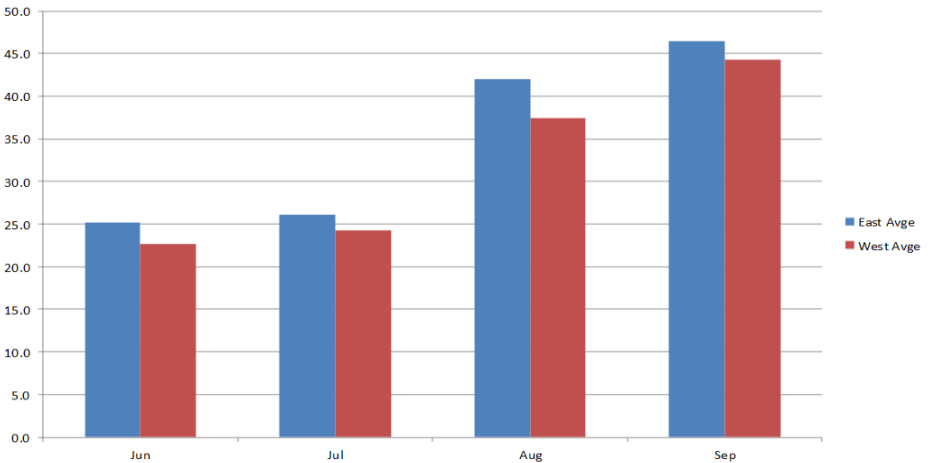
PARTY TIME



HVBC Average Daily kWh Output. Year 2 versus Year 1



Comparitive DAILY kWh performance- E v W - Year 2



Solar Panel Performance for September

As the Solar Power output Chart clearly indicates the Sept. 16 performance was less than 50% of the same period last year.

Whilst we were all sheltering from the cold, wet, and cloudy conditions, so were the Solar Panels in hibernation.

We have lost a month of Spring this year, it must start soon ??

DAVID W.

FROM YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE



Volunteers Appreciation Night went off very well. The speakers were informative and interesting and Nigel Stephenson's performance was absolutely trumps. Thanks to all who made the evening a success, including those responsible for the bountiful supper.

Friday teas continue being a success. Since April, \$13400.00 has been passed over to the BOM. We need a replacement for Mick Noonan who has assisted Bob Fuss on the chocolate wheel every Friday night for nearly twenty years. Could one or two volunteers please step forward.

Apart from the rain stopping and pennants starting the next two events on the Social Calendar are the Xmas Dinner on Saturday Dec 10th and the New Years Eve Bash on the last evening of 2016.

Peter Faull Chairperson

FROM THE EDITOR

Thought you might find this amusing.

Mavis told me this little gem from Opening Day.

She was playing in a rink with one of our Councillors who happened to be left-handed. He bowled his first bowl well and then the skipper asked him to change his hand and come the other way. So he did!

Right-handed !

“ Are you ambidextrous?”, asked Mavis.

“No”, said Lucas “ he asked me to change hands, isn't that right?”

Just shows that with new bowlers it does not pay to assume they know the “ bowls-speak”.

Telling them to “take more grass” could be a problem.



Welcome to our new members

Welcome to Ross Porritt, and Ken and Roslyn McKinnon who are Associate members and welcome back to Veronica and Eddie Dolan who are Tranmere players but practise on our grass greens.



MELBA/CROMPTON

Melba Crompton is played at Salisbury Bowling Club every Tuesday evening at 7.00pm

Commencing on the 25th October 2016.

Teams consist of three players per team, open gender and three bowls each.

It is Hope Valley against Salisbury and it is always a lot of fun with a bit of good old fashioned friendly rivalry thrown in for good measure.

There are also some prizes to be won at the end of the night chocolate, wine and some cash.

The competition runs from October to Mid-March. And generally at Seasons end we have the Grand Final, with three shields up for grabs, (That's when the friendly rivalry sets in)

This competition is open for all Bowlers, and those Members who have played in the past will certainly tell you that it is a lot of fun.

So if you want to join in the fun and represent Hope Valley against Salisbury, get a team together and put your name on the Melba enrolment form which is on the rear wall of the Club.

The Manager for Hope Valley is Jim Terrington phone number 8265 5980.

FRIDAY SOCIAL BOWLS



We were robbed of game due to the weather last week ,tried to get a game of water polo going but unfortunately didn't have the necessary equipment. We welcomed another new comer, Therese who has had the help of Andrea already and is very grateful for this opportunity, Sorry to hear that Jackie Jubb has had further trouble with her knee so wish her a quick recovery. It was pleasing to see some social bowlers at our season opening

Nadene

THESE TIPS COME FROM 4 TIME WORLD CHAMPION IAN SCHUBACK

He says ' Unfortunately, bowls is a sport that can never really be mastered and this is its real attraction. Bowls is really a never-ending apprenticeship. '

and

There is plenty of luck in bowls, good and bad, so all players need to remember that it's not important what happens to you, but it's really important as to how you react to what happens to you.

and

"There is rarely a definitive shot to play, because you can often decide to play a low-percentage shot and still achieve a dream result. However, it is far better to choose a shot that will provide two, three or even four chances of success in preference to choosing a shot that offers only one chance of success. Examine the choices made by top players, and you will soon realise that winning is as much about good decision-making as the ability to execute those decisions - it's about playing percentages and giving yourself multiple opportunities."

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SHOEY'S TOP 10 TRAINING TIPS

1. Don't just roll up
2. Always train in a competitive state of mind
3. Train more than you play
4. Try to train a minimum of three to four sessions each week
5. Know the value of different types of training
6. Improve your skills with block training
7. Sharpen your game with random drills
8. Get some tough match play before tournaments
9. Keep a record of your training results
10. Be prepared to put in the hard yards if you want to be a champion!

He should know.. He's been there, done that.
(and most likely has the T-Shirt)

October 2016

Sun

Mon

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Sat

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Trials

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Practice

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First Pennant

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First Pennant

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Social Bowls
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Practice

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First Pennant

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Social Bowls
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Practice

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Pennant

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Mixed Championships Day

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25
Practice

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Pennant

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Pennant


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Social Bowls
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Practice

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Pennant

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November 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<u>1</u> Practice	<u>2</u> Pennant	<u>3</u> Pennant	<u>4</u> Social Bowls ±	<u>5</u> Pennant
<u>6</u>	<u>7</u> President's Gala Day 	<u>8</u> Practice	<u>9</u> Pennant	<u>10</u> Pennant	<u>11</u> Social Bowls ± Practice	<u>12</u> Pennant
<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u> Practice	<u>16</u> Pennant	<u>17</u> Pennant	<u>18</u> Social Bowls ± Practice	<u>19</u> Pennant
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NIGHT OWLS



The Night Owls Season is just around the corner

. Registration nights will be held on Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th October. There will be no green fees for these nights. Competition will commence the following week.

The famous Hope Valley BBQ will be available and bar will be open from about 5.30pm.

All members are welcome and if you are aware of any friend, acquaintance or relative who is interested please ask them to come along on one of the registration nights.

Ken Seymour

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CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

As I am writing this Ashley Halls is representing South Australia and more importantly Hope Valley in the Bowls Australia Champion of Champions at Keilor Bowling Club in Victoria.

His first two matches were close with Ashley just missing out to Brett Irvine of Darwin 19-21, and Paul Twyerould of Rosebud, Vic. 18-21. However in his third match of the day, he was victorious over Ryan Bester of Broadbeach 21-19. Ryan had won his previous two matches so that was a good win for Ashley.

He will play 2 more games on Thursday and 2 more on Friday.
We all wish him well I am sure.

He really is a Champion.

News Flash.... He won both his games today... Thursday that is>

LET'S HOPE THIS IS CORRECT!

