



TOUCHER TOPICS

BORONIA BOWLS CLUB NEWSLETTER APRIL 2009

Kath and Irene win the VLBA Club Pairs Championship

Sunday 5 April had nearly every variety of Melbourne's weather.

It was also the first round of the RVBA Club Triples Championship. It was the morning after Daylight saving was turned off – everyone had used their extra hour of sleep.

How come there was such a crowd of spectators here so early in the morning, surely nobody was that interested in the quarterfinals of the RVBA triples.

They weren't.

They were here to see Kath Perryman and Irene Hunnam play pairs against Annette Scutt and Gillian Dyson.

It appears that like the early bird getting the worm, getting a quick score on the board in a championship game is a good formula for winning such an event. Before Gillian and Annette had rubbed the sleep from their eyes, Kath and Irene were leading by 9 shots to 1.

They maintained this advantage until the finish and can now proudly boast that they are our VLBA Club Pairs Champions for season 2008/9.

Well done Kath and Irene now you have exposed your talents to the club, future wins are surely there to be gained.

Congratulations to Annette and Gillian for being worthy finalists.

Meanwhile the RVBA Triples is down to 4 teams who will play in the semis and final on Saturday 18 April.

Greens close after April 26 Smorgasbord.

Presentation night	Saturday 2 May	7 pm
Annual General Meeting	Saturday 23 May	2.00 pm
VLBA Ann Gen Meeting	Monday 25 May	10.30am
RVBA Ann Gen Meeting	Monday 25 May	7.00 pm

Carpet Bowls each Thursday at 1.00 pm sharp from early June
Pizza Club each Thursday evening from 6.00 pm

RVBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT APRIL 09

Congratulations to the No.1 Side who finished third in their section but were stiff to lose to the eventual Division winners, Ashburton, in their Section Semi-final. Well done chaps, you are shaping-up for an early return to Division 1.

It was interesting to see both ends of our age spectrum playing off in the Minor Singles. A good gallery of spectators saw youth come to the fore as Jarrod Pepper, after establishing a good lead was able to outlast the fast finishing evergreen Bill Nicholas, one of the club's bevy of active Super-Veterans.

The hundred-up, 2-bowl singles and fours have all been completed and the pairs, triples and Ron Eastlake Novice Singles are well under way. Congratulations to the winners and runners-up of the completed events, and indeed to all who entered as without your participation there could be no winners. Don't be discouraged by losses this year as there is always next year and the time-honoured bowls maxim that any player or team can be beaten on the day.

Nomination forms for Committee positions have been posted on the noticeboard and I ask all members to consider how they may be able to give back something to the club for the enjoyment they have derived from their membership of our great club. The best way to get to know other club-members and the workings of the club is to nominate for a General Committee or Tournament Committee position. We are also desperately in need for a new Secretary as Robin Shaw, who came to our rescue two years ago, is unable to carry on due to work and other commitments. I urge all members to give serious consideration to nominating for the Secretary's position, for without a Secretary, we will not be able to function satisfactorily or fulfil our obligations to the RVBA.

I was greatly encouraged to see the large group of members who took part in the President's and Vice-Presidents' Day when Hans Eriksen, Garry Degenhardt and George Lynn won the Bruce Dyson Trophy which honours the memory of our popular late President.

Peter Learmonth

NINE Boronia RVBA Super Veterans enjoy Super Vets day at Ringwood Bowls Club

Boronia sent 9 Super Veterans to the Annual gathering at Ringwood Bowls Club recently.

They were part of a group of 160 Super Veterans who took part in this day.

The oldest participant was 100 years young.

We look forward to sending our own 100 year old in the near future.

Keep on bowling fellows – your enthusiasm shames many younger members.

VLBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT - APRIL 09

Congratulations to the A1 girls on winning their section and Division Quarter-final. I am sure you are going one or even two better next year.

It was pleasing to see that \$1,958 was raised for the bush-fire appeal, thanks to all who contributed. Thank-you also to the ladies who donated goods and baked cakes, scones, sausage rolls and quiches for the Charity Day which raised \$22 for the Angliss Hospital (the quiches in particular were absolutely delicious).

The girls in the kitchen are commended for the lovely lunch they prepared for President's day and thanks to the boys for their assistance with morning teas. Special thanks to Secretary Lin for her work in organizing the day and for printing the place cards for our guests and "Golden Oldies". A feature of the day was the presentation of Veteran's Badges by Hill Views DLBA President Joyce Preston to Pat Harvey, Edith Whitehall, Margaret Woodford and myself. However the show was stolen by Super-Veteran May Matthews who after the presentation of her badge declined to tell a joke because she said that some present may not understand her accent! That hadn't stopped May before since her stories are all the more delightful as we derive much enjoyment from putting our own interpretation on what we think she is saying. May is such a good sport that she does not take offence at our jibes.

As the season is rapidly drawing to a close I remind all that nomination forms for Committee positions are posted on the noticeboard.

I wish everyone a happy and well-deserved break while we recharge our batteries and prepare ourselves for the challenges of next season.

Margaret Learmonth
President VLBA Section

Bowling Arm Coaching Session Monday 30th March 2009

15 members attended a coaching session given by Brian Ing DUC coaching Group 12 on the correct use of a bowling aid e.g. a bowling arm.

These were members using the arm and coaching staff wishing to add another dimension to their coaching skills.

The session consisted of a talk and question time on the mechanics of the Bowling Arm in the Clubhouse and a practical 'on the green' coaching lesson.

All who attended expressed their appreciation to Brian for his expertise and knowledge of the subject and the benefit they received by attending.

Boronia Bowls Club thank Brian for giving up his valuable time for our benefit.

Peter Broadwell.

Bowls Victoria Unification

The vote regarding unification of the VLBA and the RVBA has been postponed until approximately October 2009.

Members of each association will be given the opportunity to vote on this matter.

There are displays at the club as well as on the bowls Victoria website for people seeking more information on this subject.

Tel's Teaser Answer: 306459 – in the others the number formed by the first three digits added to that formed by the last three gives a total of 999.

Example: 864135. $864 + 135 = 999$

Pennant Teams for season 2009/2010

Both the VLBA and the RVBA sections need to know whether members intend to play pennant or night pennant next season.

The VLBA asks our club for numbers in early June. We do not want to affiliate players who do not intend to play pennant as the VLBA has refused to refund affiliations in the past for players who have become unavailable after payment was made.

Our committees and general meetings need sufficient information prior to votes regarding the number of teams to be entered in competitions.



Toucher Topics – March.

There are possibly two good reasons you might like to chat with Rohan Creedon. The first is you may have received a small handout from Mr Rudd, and the second is that your investments may have shrunk so much you're not sure where the next overseas trip is coming from.

You see, Rohan Creedon is manager of **Wealth Assist Financial Services**. Whether it be accounting, financial planning, or other financial services, **Wealth Assist** is handily placed just off Boronia Road, to offer advice on all your needs. Don't let the "Global Economic Crisis" get you down, ring Rohan on 9739 8900 and relax in the knowledge a good man is taking care of you.

Are your drapes looking the worse for wear? Has the extreme weather discoloured your curtains? Do your blinds need resuscitating? Cry no more. Paul Dipnall from **Shadeworld** is standing by ready to give advise and excellent prices if the situation calls for a replacement. For outside security on your windows, to modern coverings in a superb range of materials, why not visit the **Shadeworld** showroom in Dorset Road and see what is on offer. We have it on Pauls' say-so that all members of the Club and their families and friends, on the mention of the Club will be specially looked after.

Give your place the up-lift it deserves and pay a visit to **Shadeworld**. Both Paul and the Club will thank you for it.

We are planning a **Sponsor Night on Wednesday April 15th**. Hopefully many of our sponsors will be able to attend and would therefore like to meet as many members as possible. There is a sheet up on the board so please enter your names for a fun game with sponsors followed by supper and absorbing conversation. Entrance is by bringing a plate so let's support them as they support us.

Tels Teaser.

Which number is the odd one out?

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Some Crazy Conspiracy in Our Time

THIS IS HAPPENING RIGHT HERE IN OUR OWN COUNTRY!

We Must Stop This Immediately!

Have you noticed that stairs are getting **steeper** . Groceries are **heavier** . And, everything is **farther** away. Yesterday I walked to the corner and I was dumbfounded to discover how **long** our street had become!

And, you know, people are less considerate now, especially the young ones. They speak in **whispers** all the time! If you ask them to speak up they just keep repeating themselves, endlessly mouthing the same **silent message until** they're red in the face! What do they think I am, a lip reader?

I also think they are much younger than I was at the same age. On the other hand, people my own age are so much **older** than I am. I ran into an old friend the other day and she has aged so much that she **didn't even recognize** me.

I got to thinking about the poor dear while I was combing my hair this morning, and in doing so, I glanced at my own reflection. Well, REALLY NOW - **even mirrors** are not made the way they used to be!

Another thing, everyone drives so **fast** these days! You're risking life and limb if you happen to pull onto the freeway in front of them. All I can say is, their brakes must wear out awfully fast, the way I see them **screech and swerve** in my rear view mirror.

Clothing manufacturers are **less civilized** these days. Why else would they suddenly start labelling a size 10 or 12 dress as 18 or 20?

Do they think no one notices? The people who make **bathroom scales** are pulling the same prank. Do they think I actually 'believe' the number I see on that dial? HA! I would never let myself weigh that much! Just who do these people think they're fooling?

I'd like to call up someone in authority to report what's going on -- but the **telephone company** is in on the conspiracy too: they've printed the phone books in such **small** type that no one could ever find a number in there!

All I can do is pass along this warning:

WE ARE UNDER ATTACK!

Unless something drastic happens, pretty soon everyone will have to suffer these awful indignities.

ITALIAN BOY'S CONFESSION

Bless me Father, for I have sinned. I have been with a loose girl".

The priest asks, "Is that you, little Joey Pagano?"

"Yes, Father, it is."

"And who was the girl you were with?"

"I can't tell you, Father, I don't want to ruin her reputation"

Well, Joey, I'm sure to find out her name sooner or later, so you may As well tell me now.

Was it Tina Minetti?"

"I cannot say."

"Was it Teresa Mazzarelli?"

"I'll never tell."

"Was it Nina Capelli?"

"I'm sorry, but I cannot name her."

"Was it Cathy Piriano?"

"My lips are sealed."

"Was it Rosa Di Angelo, then?"

"Please, Father, I cannot tell you."

The priest sighs in frustration. "You're very tight lipped, Joey Pagano, and I admire that. But you've sinned and have to atone. You cannot be an altar boy now for 4 months. Now you go and behave yourself."

Joey walks back to his pew, and his friend Franco slides over and whispers, "What'd you get?"

"4 months vacation and five good leads."

Birthday List

These members were born in April:

Pauline Edwards, Darcy Eccles, Jim Shannon, Greg Johnson, Ernst Burian, Brenda Phillips, Myra Le Grew, Jacqui Maltry, Bill Duke

Thanks to all my contributors:

Terry Phillips, sponsor news and teasers

Peter & Margaret Learmonth, president's reports

Lindsay Russell, cleaning roster

Kevin Gamel, May Matthews, Bryan Dennehy, Bruce Le Grew, et al , jokes

Thanks for you feedback – I do listen but sometimes ignore it.

To Macca and other Richmond supporters, your dismay is our joy Go TIGES