



TOUCHER TOPICS

BORONIA BOWLS CLUB NEWSLETTER APRIL 2010

The Club salutes our Champions



Annette Scutt & Stephen Castle
Club Singles Champions 2009/10

Our competitions have finished. The last bell has rung. Our back green has survived its year of torment. The new Tifdwarf green is slipping into dormancy. The SHED is in use.

The trophy winners will receive their prizes.

Heartfelt thankyou's are due for our generous sponsors and many people, committees and to the clubs who made their facilities available during pennant season.

Guy Wallace, Ian Kerr, Peter Learmonth and his team of waterers can see the result of their hard work in the healthy new green they have created.

Ian and Leigh McLean and their fellow tournament committees' members have expertly managed the club's tournaments, smorgasbords, sausage sizzles and social bowls.

Bruce Perry through his liaison skills arranged our pennant program with the help of Glen Waverley, Eastwood Golf and Ringwood clubs

Our selection committees have met, discussed, argued and put competitive sides on the greens for our pennant season.

SPONSORS CORNER

Boronia Bowls Club looks forward to Season 2010/2011 and the future beyond

Now that another season has come to an end, I urge you not to forget the sponsors during the break. They are all still in business and most of them will be sponsoring the Club next season. Please use your fixture books and pay them a visit whenever there is a need for their products or services AND ALWAYS MAKE YOURSELF KNOWN.

Just a reminder too, to get all your receipts into the sponsors box before the AGM. You could be the lucky winner on the day.

Thank you to all members who supported the sponsors throughout the year. They need to know you are there for them and are aware of them. Equally they will look after you provided they know who you are. If any member wants to suggest new sponsors for next season please let me know in advance.

Terry Phillips.

Tels Teaser.

This month we have a number of questions designed to amaze and amuse you. Be aware there are some trick questions among them!

1. Do they have a 4th of July in England?
2. How many birthdays does the average man have?
3. Some months have 31 days. How many have 28 days?
4. How many outs are there in an innings of American baseball?
5. Is it legal in California for a man to marry his widows' sister?
6. Divide 30 by $\frac{1}{2}$ and add 10. What is the answer?
7. If there are three apples and you take away two, how many do you have?
8. A doctor gives you 3 pills telling you to take one every half hour. How many minutes would the pills last?
9. A farmer has 17 sheep and all but 9 die. How many are left?
10. How many animals of each sex did Moses take on the ark?
11. How many two cent stamps are there in a dozen?

VLBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR TOUCHER TOPICS – APRIL/MAY 2010

As this is my last report as president before handing over the baton, I thank Vice-President Joan, Secretary Lin, Treasurer Kath and committee members together the Tournament Committee, Selectors and Dot King and her catering crew, for their time and effort put in to ensure that the season's events were successfully completed. I am sure that our members also appreciate the work you do to make membership of our club a rewarding experience for everyone.

It has been a difficult year with only one green being available for the latter half of the season, but we managed to complete our program of events except for the Club Kilsyth Classic which I hope may be re-instated when we have our new tift-dwarf green available next season.

I believe that the end-of season wind-up trip around the bay was enjoyed by all. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend and I thank Lin for her effort in organising this outing.

Kath has decided to stay on as Treasurer but we still need a Secretary. The VLBA advise that without a secretary we will not be able to continue in the Tuesday Pennant competition. So, think about it girls!

Joan will be taking over as president at the AGM and I wish her and the incoming committees every success next season, which will be the last season under the VLBA banner before re-organisation under Bowls Victoria. As we move forward under the new organisation I trust that any changes introduced will be accepted by our members and be seen as being good for the advancement of our sport.

For those going away, enjoy your break, come back refreshed and be ready to enjoy playing on our new tift-dwarf green next season.

Margaret Learmonth
President VLBA Section

Birthdays

May

Edith Whitehall, Bill Nicholas, Vin Roche, Bill Martin, Danny McCarthy, Annette Scutt, Ken Maloney, Mal Barrow, Bruce LeGrew, Barbara Kligerman

June

Leon Gemmell, Vin Hughes, Shirley Barrow, Royce Wardle, Gillian Dyson, Marguerite Connell, Lesley Russell, Helen Aston, Hans Eriksen, Hilary Broadwell, Gary Overs, David Treleaven, Betty Coulson

July

Troy Haartsen, Stephen Castle, Kevin Gamel, John Edwards, Manfred Mohren, Shirley Moxon, Sid Styles, Gerald Kligerman, Don Korver, Sheridan Lee, Alan Horwood, Tom Lucas, Fred Wolske, Garry Degenhardt,

President's Report RVBA Section

Hi everyone

Well it is finally the end of the season. Members are starting to drift away on holidays up north and those who are staying behind are either lining up to commence bowling at other clubs during the winter or taking time out to look at that list on the refrigerator to see what work needs to be done at home during the winter months.

This year is the end of an era, as next year we could expect to be having a winter competition at our club for the first time.

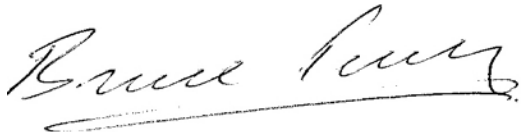
Please take the time to reflect on the massive effort put in by many members to reach our goals this year.

I would like to personally thank all members for their contribution to the many projects which have been undertaken this year, and I hope that we can look forward to a more stable year in which we will be able to concentrate on what we are all here for, excellent bowling and good fellowship between all members.

Our Presentation Night is here and I would like to congratulate all members who have managed to win club championships throughout the year. I would also like to thank Pat Walton and her team for again supplying and preparing the food for this particular function.

Remember we have our AGMs coming up in May; please take the time to attend.

Enjoy the break and I will see you at the Opening of the Greens in August.



Bruce Perry
RVBA Section President

50 years together

In May **Bruce and Myra LeGrew** will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

PIZZA CLUB

Each Thursday night from 6 o'clock during the winter, you can have your ears warmed, your pockets emptied (a little), enjoy a laugh, a drink a slice or more of pizza.

I Can't Believe We Made It

According to today's regulators and bureaucrats those of us who were kids in the 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's and even the early 80's probably should not have survived.

Our baby cribs were covered with bright lead coloured paint. We had no childproof lids or locks on medicine bottles or cabinets. We rode our bikes without helmets not to mention the risks we took when hitch hiking. As children we would ride in cars without seat belts or air bags. Riding in the back of a utility (or a furniture van) on a warm day was a special treat. We drank water from a hose and not a bottle. We ate lots of fat and sugar, cakes, biscuits, bread and butter, and also drank lots of soft drink with sugar in them but we were not overweight because we were always outside playing.

We shared one soft drink with four friends, from one bottle, and no one actually died from this. We would spend hours building our billy-carts out of scraps of timber, etc. and then ride them down the hill; only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into bushes a few times we learned how to solve this problem. We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the street lights came on. No one was able to reach us all day. No mobile phones. Unthinkable. We did not have Playstations, Nintendo 64, X-Boxes, no video games at all, no 99 channels on cable, surround sound, personal computers or internet chat rooms. We had friends! We went outside and found them.

We fell out of trees, got cut and broke bones and teeth, and there were no lawsuits from these accidents. They were accidents. Remember accidents? We had fights, punched one another and got black and blue, and learned to get over it. We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and, although we were told it would happen, we did not put out any eyes. We rode bikes or walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door, or rang the bell and just walked in and talked to them.

Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected. The idea of parents bailing us out if we got into trouble in school or broke the law was unheard of. They actually sided with the school or the law. Imagine that!

This generation has produced some of the best risk takers, problem solvers and inventors, ever. We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility – and we learned how to deal with it. And you are one of them. Congratulations! We had the luck to grow up as kids before lawyers and governments regulated our lives for our own good.

Thank You Alf & Irene **Moama Annual Trip**

Some 38 members and spouses and friends have just returned from a relaxing week at Moama, Most caught up with John and Rhonda Solomon who have firmly sunk their roots into the red soil of Moama.

Alf and Irene Jackson have organized these and similar annual club trips for more than 25 years. They reluctantly passed the baton on after this year's trip. Everyone who enjoyed this trip and past trips thank these brilliant organizers for some glowing memories.

A deposit has been left with the motel – we hope to return the same week next year.

These dates coincide with the annual Echuca tournaments which provide players with very competitive bowls.

Come along and enjoy bowls, Moama and the companionship of fellow members.

250th year celebration

20 August 2010	Alf & Irene Jackson's	70 th Wedding
anniversary		
21 October 2010	Alf Jackson's	90 th Birthday
9 November 2010	Irene Jackson's	90 th Birthday

Congratulations to you both – the CFA has been warned of the future blazes in Davey Street.

Tel's Teaser Answers.

1. Yes, it comes after the 3rd of July.
2. Just one.
3. 12, all of them.
4. 6, three per side.
5. No because he is dead.
6. 70. (30 divided by ½ is 60)
7. Two, you took them remember.
8. 60 minutes. Start with the first pill, 30 mins later the second, 30 mins later the third.
9. 9.
10. Moses didn't have an ark, Noah did.
11. 12 stamps in a dozen.

How did you go? If you got 8 or more right, up there for thinking. Less than eight go try them on your grand kids.

VLBA Team results

Div A1 - Boronia 1 finished 3rd with 10 wins - Clayton 62 defeated Mooroolbark 58

Div A2 - Boronia 2 finished 3rd with 9 wins - Sunshine RSL 70 defeated Donvale 61

Div B1 - Boronia 3 finished 2nd with 10 wins - Essendon 74 defeated Alphington 65

Div B2 - Boronia 4 finished 9th with 3 wins – Hampton Park 73 def Keysborough 58

<u>VLBA Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>D</u>
Annette Scutt	11	3	0
Pat Walton	10	5	0
Lesley Russell	8	7	0
Margaret Carty	8	7	0
Dot King	8	8	0
Joan Connan	8	8	0
Keith Scutt	6	4	2
Myra LeGrew	6	8	0
Sid Styles	4	4	0
Lin Perry	4	6	0
Richard Allen	3	4	0
Gillian Dyson	3	4	0
Henry Grossbard	3	9	0
Fred Wolske	2	4	0
Peter South	1	0	0
Margaret Learmonth	1	1	1
Leigh McLean	1	1	0
Margaret Woodford	0	2	0

RVBA Team results

Boronia 1 finished 6th with 9 wins - Croydon finished 3rd with 11 wins but won both sectional finals for promotion to Division 1

Boronia 2 finished 9th with 4 wins - Sth Oakleigh finished 1st with 13 wins then won both sectional finals for promotion to Division 1

Boronia 3 finished 6th with 9 wins - Auburn finished 2nd with 13 wins but won both sectional finals for promotion to Division 3 along with Vermont South who had finished 1st.

Boronia 4 finished 6th with 9 wins - Burwood District finished 1st with 16 wins then won both sectional finals for promotion to Division 4 along with Bayswater who had finished 2nd with 11 wins.

Boronia 5 finished 5th with 8 wins - MCC finished 3rd with 11 wins but won both sectional finals for promotion to Division 6 along with Vermont South who had finished 1st with 15 wins.

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Ian McLean	12	6	0	Derek Pitt	3	5	0
Bob Stace	10	4	0	Bob Sands	3	7	0
Barry Ward	9	6	3	Jack Kirby	3	9	0
Geoff Woodford	9	8	0	Peter Marshall	2	0	0
Richard Allen	8	5	1	Mark Ward	2	1	0
Sid Styles	7	2	0	Jim Jeffrey	2	1	0
Graeme Greene	7	9	0	George Bisset	2	6	0
Les Lucas	7	10	1	David Treleaven	1	1	0
John Cowling	6	4	0	Geoff Turner	1	2	0
George Lynn	6	5	0	Bryan Dennehy	1	2	0
Lindsay Russell	6	6	1	Vin Hughes	1	4	0
Tom Pieters	6	7	1	Greg Johnson	1	4	0
Kevin Gamel	5	3	1	Peter Learmonth	1	4	0
Jack Higgs	5	7	0	Ron Evans	1	9	0
Gerry Gommers	5	10	0	Darcy Eccles	0	1	0
John Anderson	4	1	0	Keith Scutt	0	1	0
Hans Eriksen	4	2	0	Tom Bedohazy	0	1	0
Max McNaughton	4	4	0	Lex Hardie	0	1	0
Terry Phillips	4	5	0	Troy Haartsen	0	1	0
Ernst Burian	4	7	0	Rob Curtis	0	2	0
John King	4	8	0	Angelo Lia	0	3	0
Ken Maloney	3	4	0	Bill Parr	0	4	0

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Bryan has listed them all.**

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