



TOUCHER TOPICS

BORONIA BOWLS CLUB NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2017

REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

Hello to all club members.

Our membership at present totals 95 full and social members. I am told that is about what we expect at this time of the year with some still away. The hard fact is that our numbers are dwindling every year. So increasing membership must be, and is, a priority for the Committee of Management.

With this in mind, a Membership sub Committee has been formed with Stuart Cripps as Chairman and Patrick Taylor as Secretary. Other members include Dick McGregor, Heather Couples, Irene Major, Bob Williams, Sam Trickey and Bryan Dennehy. Their job, of course, is to promote Boronia Bowls Club to the wider community through Advertising, Social media, Barefoot Bowls, Jack Attack, Open Days and many other ideas. The best method has always been and still is "word of mouth" from our members to their friends and social groups. We ask all members to help this group when asked to volunteer with events, coaching, and to spread the word.

Another sub committee being formed is Functions and Catering. This group brings together Bar Management, Catering, Functions and Barefoot Bowls. These groups have been formed into one committee to improve communication, standardise costings, menus on offer, and to streamline bookings. The members co-ordinating this group include Graeme Green, Patrick Taylor, Margaret Bennett and many others. This group will be asking for help from our members, so please assist them when asked.

As you are all no doubt aware, the choices of a new uniform has been scrapped. A new committee is to be formed from our membership to choose the new uniform in consultation with everyone. Jim Arnott has accepted the role of chairing this committee. Thanks Jim. The aim is to have a new uniform by the start of the next pennant season.

These are the main issues confronting the club at present. With the help of everyone we will be able to lead our club into a very positive future. Good luck and good bowling for the upcoming season.

Garry Wall

Coaching Tip

Visualisation.

What is meant by visualisation? It means 'to see', to imagine that you have played the perfect shot or executed the ideal delivery. This 'seeing' is part of the mechanism that your unconscious mind uses to make minute corrections to your physical performance.

Let's say for instance you have delivered a bowl 30 centimetres short of your target. How will you correct it? The answer is to do nothing physical whatsoever. If you attempt to make a conscious physical alteration to your delivery or speed of action, you will find the correction will be too large. What you need to do is know exactly where your next bowl is required to finish, and visualise it happening, so when you step on the mat and remove all negative thoughts, the bowl will go precisely where you want it by making the small correction needed unconsciously.

Try it in your training, as with absolute focus, you will find that it really works.

What is this thing called JACK ATTACK?

It's a new, fast, and exciting competition designed for people interested in having a bowl but not yet ready to commit to a bowls club.

The Jack Attack challenge at Boronia Bowls Club is run over a six week night competition. With three bowlers to a team, the format is two-bowl triples with two sets of five ends.

The competition is organised by Dick McGregor and a fact sheet which explains the rules of the game is sent out to all invitees.

Each week, monetary prizes are presented to winners and runners-up.

A great new initiative, so let's get behind it if required.

DID I READ THIS RIGHT?

Seen during a conference.

FOR ANYONE WHO HAS CHILDREN AND DOESN'T KNOW IT,
THERE IS A DAY CARE ON THE FIRST FLOOR.

Bowls Presidents' Report

As I write this we enter the last week of September, a time when things start to happen around the club. Although the 26th sees the start of mid week pennant our Saturday teams have to wait until the 7th of October to open their account. They do however have one more in-house practice on Grand Final day.

To all bowlers and the respective Selection committees I wish you an enjoyable and successful season.

The ladies pairs club championships start on the 28th with the men's equivalent on Sunday 1st of October. This is of course the first day of daylight saving. To all competitors I wish you good luck and good bowling.

Daylight saving means the start of barefoot bowls which will be co-ordinated as usual by Patrick Taylor, who does a great job on these nights but can't do it alone, if any members can help it would be greatly appreciated.

Patrick and Marg Bennett have recently spent time sorting through the bowls in the outside shed into sets, and colour coding them to make it easier for our visitors to use. My sincere thanks to them both.

We will be introducing a new bowls format called Jack Attack, its purpose being to engage and allow the local community to play in a socially competitive environment and, hopefully in time become members. This will be co-ordinated by our junior bowls guru Dick McGregor, who puts in an incredible amount of time and effort into the schools programme, and is supported and assisted by his wife Lesley. On behalf of the club I thank you both.

In recent weeks we have endured heavy rainfall which has disrupted our practice matches. Despite the rain, our greenkeeper Guy Wallace continues to produce greens of high quality which still continue to attract compliments and favourable comments from visiting teams. Well done Guy, they are pleasure to play on.

Jeff Edwards

The Rabbi runs into the Catholic priest having a picnic in the park. Old friends, they began their usual banter.

"This ham is really delicious," the priest teases the Rabbi. I know it's against your religion, but you just haven't lived until you've tried baked ham. Tell me, when are you going to break down and have some?"

The Rabbi grins at his friend and says, "At your wedding!"

SCHOOLS BOWLING PROGRAMME.

Dick McGregor, together with Laurie Browell from Bowls Victoria have arranged a bowls programme for four disabled students from Rangeview School in Dorset Road, to be run on six consecutive Thursdays from October 12th to November 16th.

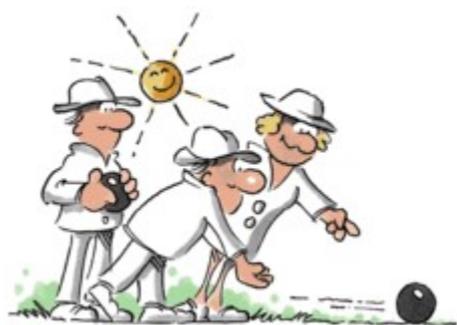
This initiative is expected to highlight Boronia Bowls Club as a leader in the training of disabled students and hopefully will attract more participants as the programme rolls out.

Training will be between 9.15 to 10.30am.

The regular schools programme will take place in November on Wednesdays from 8th to 29th. There will be 20 students from Boronia K12 College attending, and help is required from members. You must have a "Working with Children" card, which is readily available from the police station providing you don't have a record.

Primary Schools Carnival Day will be on December 6th, but at the time of writing there are no details on numbers attending, or required teachers and facilities.

As President Jeff said in his report, all power to Dick and his wife Lesley for the time and effort they put in on behalf of the Club.



AS THE YEARS ROLL BY

The following members and ex members are Librans and Scorpions. We wish them all a memorable day.

Oct 2nd...Joyce Fankhauser 3rd...Len Doddrell 6th...Frank Rennie
10th...Olivia Lucas 12th...John King 13th...Gerry Gommers
14th...Ross Clarke 16th...George Lynn 17th... Lin Perry 20th...David
Inglis 22...Lindsay Russell 26th...Doris Clarke 27th...Brenda
Degenhardt John McCarthy 29th...Jack Kirby 31st...Stuart Eastwood.

TIME FOR SPONSORS.

Graeme has been working hard and obtained a new club sponsor.

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Tels Teaser.

Answer these 4 questions immediately, you must not take your time!

1. You are participating in a race. You overtake the second person. What position are you in?
2. If you overtake the last person then you are in...?
3. Take 1000 and add 40. Now add another 1000 then add 30.
Add another 1000 then add 20. Now add another 1000. Now add 10.
What is the total?
4. Mary's father has five daughters: Nana, Nene, Nini, and Nono. What is the name of the fifth daughter?
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Club Cleaning Roster for October.

October 1st - 7th	October 8th - 14th	October 15th - 21st
Ian Ball	Bob Williams	Garry Kiker
Camille Ball	Noel Dowler	John McCarthy
Kevin Hammond	Geoff Turner	Michael Holman
Graeme Turner	Alan Horwood	Peter Stiff
Len Dodrell	George Lynn	Cheryl McCarthy
Marc Buis	Irene Major	Chris Roddis
Edith Whitehall	Margaret Bennett	

October 22nd - 28th

Vin Hughes, George Bisset, Chick Lancaster, Pam Hughes, Bruce Perry, Lin Perry

WHO AM I?

1. I was born in Williamstown and attended five different Primary schools.
2. I have two children and two grandchildren.
3. In my working career I helped build Ringwood golf course, worked at Fibremakers, and worked on garbage trucks, among many other things.
4. In 1981 after re-joining the Army Reserve, I learnt many skills including: parachuting, rappelling, unarmed combat, demolition supervisor, and survival skills.
5. Despite two knee replacements, I joined Boronia Bowls Club in 2014 and enjoy the work I do to keep the club on the map.

Answer next month.

Answer to last months' Who Am I was Brenda Phillips.

Answer to Tels Teaser.

1. If you said first, you are absolutely wrong. If you overtake the second person, you take his place, so you are second.
2. If you said second last, wrong again. How can you possibly overtake the last person?
3. The correct answer is actually 4100. Surprising how many say 5000.
4. Did you answer Nunu? NO of course it isn't. Her name is Mary. Read the question again!