

# BOWLS BIAS ~The Paradise Point NEWSLETTER



Paradise Point Bowls Club~ The Friendliest Club in Paradise ~ September 2011

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**PENNANT SEASON IS WELL UNDER WAY, WE WISH ALL OUR TEAMS GOOD BOWLING  
AND GREAT SUCCESS. "SPRING" IS IN THE AIR SO TAKE GREAT CARE.**

## **MEN' PRESIDENT** *Mick McGrath*

Here we are into September, the time is really flying and before you know Christmas will be upon us.



Upcoming events is the election of office bearers for the Board and Men's Committee. So please watch the notice board for the dates.

For those who don't know Mr. Brian McMahon has been appointed to the board as Treasurer. We wish Brian all the best.

I would like to thank Mr. Geoff Ball for the giving of his time for coaching bowlers who need the arm.

With pennant season underway I would like to wish all Bowlers every success.

Until next month, bowl well and keep safe.

**Mick McGrath, President**

## *Past Presidents*

*L ~ Edith Byrne*

*R ~ Jan Gray*



## *91st Birthday*

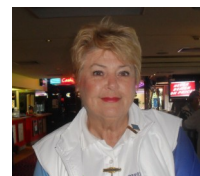
*Mavis Edwards*

*& Son Ray*



## **LADIES PRESIDENT** *Sandra Jefferies*

This year is really moving along quite quickly and before I know it my year will have ended. Last month we celebrated Past Presidents Day with a "special bowls day" for all our Past Presidents. We had 12 of our Past Presidents join us & it really was a celebration of their hard work over past years. They have helped pave the way for us all to enjoy the benefits we reap today. Thank you ladies.



Our competitions are winding down and the over 65's Fours were completed. Congratulations go to Norma Macarthur and her team of Rosemary Nausbaum, Ngaire Hamilton & Rose Hunt taking out the title from Veronica Davidson and her team of Trish Glasser, Bev Dobbins & Rhonda O'Neill. Congratulations to all our ladies.

There are not many sports available or promoted for women that are not limited by age, however bowls is available for all and today we celebrated one of our members birthdays which proves that theory. Mavis Edwards celebrated her 91st birthday & there were not many weeks that went by that Mavis was not the recipient of the trophy.....we all wanted to be in her team!!

Pennant is well under way and we have 3 divisions playing. It is unfortunate that our District is limited to only 4 divisions because of lack of support by all clubs. It is a great honour to play for your club and to win that Pennant flag. Our Divisions 2-3-4 are giving it their best shot. Division 2 is currently tied for 1st place on the ladder with 3 & 4 not far behind. Well done ladies for your devotion and dedication to this years Pennant season. I would like to thank my Senior Vice Maria Griffith for stepping in and helping to organize Friday bowls. Being involved in Pennant takes many of us away from Friday bowls but come October, you will see us all back on the greens. Till then good bowling to you all.

**Sandra Jefferies, President**

## *Food for thought:*

*"HAPPINESS lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort".*

*Franklin D. Roosevelt*

*"Wherever there is a human being there is an opportunity for kindness".*

*Seneca*

## MEN'S GAMES DIRECTOR

**Dennis Tabb**

Congratulations to Kelly Strong and Trish Pask on winning the mixed pairs club championships on Friday night 20th August. Peter Thompson and Julie Dean played great bowls early in the game and led their opponents well, however Kelly with a couple of great drives and good draw bowling overcame the deficit and drew away over the last three ends of the game to win by five shots. Nominations for Veterans club championships and Major/Minor championships were placed on the notice board on 13th August. Unfortunately, we had limited response to these and they were cancelled for 2011.



**Dennis Tabb, Games Director**

### Selectors Report

We are currently coming up to round 4 of the Pennant season. This year PPBC nominated for four divisions based on the bowlers interested in representing their club for 2011. All teams have performed well and competitively placed on the ladders.

**Dennis Tabb, Chairman of Selectors**

## LADIES' GAMES DIRECTOR

**Esther Lee**

Congratulations go to the winners of our Over 65's Four Competition, Norma Macarthur, Rosemary Nausbaum, Ngaire Hamilton, and Rose Hunt. Also, congratulations to our Runners up, Veronica Davidson, Trish Glasser, Bev Dobbins and Rhonda O'Neill.

Also congratulations to our Open Consistency winner Rose Hunt & runner up, Lorraine Foley.

Our Novice Singles Competition started on the 31st August, so good luck to all the competitors and I hope you enjoy the experience.

Next on the agenda is the Open Fours Championship which closes on the 21st September with first round commencing on the 28th September.

A date for the President's Fours has now been set for the 12th October, so mark it in your diary, it is the last Wednesday before our A.G.M.

*Good Bowling*

*Esther Lee*

### Winners "Over 65's" Competition:

L-R ~ Sandra Jeffries (President)  
Rose Hunt, Ngaire Hamilton  
Rosemary Nausbaum and  
Norma Macarthur (Skip)



### Winner of 2011

Open Consistency  
L-R ~ Sandra Jeffries (Pres.)  
Rose Hunt (Winner)  
Lorraine Foley (Runner Up)



## MEN'S WELFARE ~ Ian McGowan

Unfortunately, our sick list has grown since my last report with several new additions. I have endeavoured to visit as many hospital patients as possible & sent cards to others. A couple of times I have arrived at hospital not long after the patient had been sent home, but the effort was sincere.

Our unwell friends include, Ken Edwards, Ross Fox, Raymond Glasser, Alex Gordon, Phillip Hill, Edward Hudson, Peter Hughes, Kingston Kinder, Harry Pope, Rex Launt, Peter Drought, John Ferri, Barry Alderdice & George Yelland. Our very best wishes are with them all and we wish them a full & speedy recovery.

I hope you will ALL keep up with regular exercise at least 3 days/week now that the days are getting longer and continue to enjoy the friendship that your bowls sessions bring you. *Best foot forward, stay well & happy.* **Cheers, Ian**

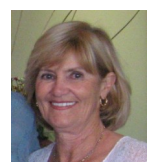


## LADIES' WELFARE

**Trish Glasser**

We send our best wishes to Pam Meyer, Julie Stevens and any other members for a speedy recovery, getting better & better every day in every way.

Please advise Trish if you know of any other ladies who are not well. Thank you, Trish Tel: 5537 9081.



## FROM THE BOARD

August is drawing to a close and so too is another Board & bowling club Office Bearers term. On behalf of our Chairman John Jones, a big thank you to all office bearers for the effort put into the club's operation during your term in office. Voluntary office bearers are the unsung heroes of any club. While all club members have the opportunity to put up their hand for these roles, few choose to.



**The financial scene** ~ As you are aware and as we have been telling members for most of the year, the 2010/1011 financial year has been tough. While the last 6 months has seen large numbers of patrons using the facilities, income unfortunately does not reflect this. Even though our returns were not as high as we hoped, we are pleased to report we are on a par with income levels experienced by clubs of a similar size & operation to ours. I'm sure members will be happy that we rode the financial storm well and are well positioned to reap the rewards of a positive future starting with June & July being strong trading months. In fact July was a record breaking "July" and almost exceeded general income & Gaming turnover that set a club record in December 2010. So...whilst it is "tough" out there, it's not all doom and gloom.

**Bar price rise** ~ By the time you read this newsletter, bar prices will have risen slightly to compensate for the recent CPI increase. The club's General Manager, with the Board's agreement negotiated a new enhanced four year contract with XXXX, that was too good to ignore. Under the new arrangement the club receives the top rebate in return for selling a minimum of 100,000 litres of XXXX beer per year and limited tap sales to XXXX product. Sales show the club is well positioned for a future long-term contract. Steve also negotiated an improved sponsorship deal that will assist the club with kegs and memorabilia etc for special bowls events. We apologise for any inconvenience to our VB and Carlton Mid-strength drinkers. But the good news is Carlton products are still available as stubbies.

**Membership renewal** ~ Members responded very positively to the postcard style membership renewal process. Our retention rate has been extremely high ~ thanks to all that renewed promptly. Our social membership number has steadily climbed to new 6,000. This is wonderful news for the club and its future.

**Birthday vouchers** ~ The birthday voucher scheme was well received by members and will continue for another year (at least). **Important:** To receive your birthday voucher, membership must be renewed **at least by the first day of the month prior to your birthday.**

**Honorariums** ~ To help reduce costs in the current financial climate, the Board, after discussions with both bowls clubs, will recommend to members at the AGM that honorariums not be paid to Board Members or the Men's and Ladies Club committee Members during the 2011/1012 financial year or until financial conditions change. It was also agreed that annual Board and Committee dinners would be self funding.

**Special General Meeting** ~ To give members an opportunity to ask questions, make suggestions or generally discuss anything, a Special General Meeting will be held on Sunday 11th September at 09:00am sharp in the clubhouse. Remember to bring your membership card to gain entry. No minutes will be taken so members can speak freely. Any question not able to be answered on the spot, will be answered ASAP after the meeting.

**AGM** ~ We look forward to seeing a good turnout for this year's AGM on Sunday 25 September at 09:00am sharp in the clubhouse. Check club noticeboards for details of Members' Notices of Motion.

Food for thought ~

*"If we did all things we are capable of doing, we would literally astound ourselves" ~ Thomas Edison.*

*"Fame is what others give you. Success is what you give yourself" ~ Anonymous.*

## THE DOLPHINS SOCIAL BOWLS CLUB



Due to "yours truly" having a sore throat he missed the visit to Brunwick  
Heads on 7th Aug, so regret no photos this month!!

Those lucky travelers (56 in total) arrived at their destination at the appointed time and had to chase up the reception committee (Frank). Weather was perfect and the play most enjoyable. Those with a sweet tooth missed out ~ as there were no sweets with lunch. Back to Paradise Point safely as the "driver of the day" was our old favourite Keith ~ resplendent in his Dolphins Shirt.

**IMPORTANT !!!** SUNDAY 28TH August is the day of the Dolphins A.G.M. The schedule is tight, so please be at the club by 08:30am, allowing time for payments to be made. The A.G.M. STARTS AT 09:00 SHARP. Coach leaves for Mt. Crosby at 10:00am.

**Reminder:** Payment of the \$275 for the October trip should be finalized on 28th August, 2011. We have ordered a larger coach so that we can still fit in a few late comers.

**Note:** Please make yourself available to host a visit from Wellington Point Bowls Club on Sunday 16th October.

Thanks, Secretary Joe

**PS: The Dolphins Christmas Party venue is booked for Tuesday 22nd November at La Piazza, 21 Bayview Street, Runaway Bay, time: 12 noon. Watch this space for more information.**



## UMPIRE .....with Bryan McMahon

### CHANGING PLAYERS, POSITIONS OR BOWLS

As Pennants has arrived again we must be clear on the options, if any, in the above circumstances.

#### CHANGING PLAYERS

Before a game starts a team can be changed, but once each player has played a bowl the team becomes constituted and shall not be altered in either personnel or playing positions, except as necessitated by the introduction of a substitute, i.e. if a player is physically incapable of continuing. Laws D.R REG 4.6.1 applies.

A substitute must be approved by the Controlling Body, e.g. Games Director and the score card signed by the Umpire of the day. Also the substitute cannot play as skip and if the player substituted is the skip the team must be re-arranged.

#### CHANGING POSITIONS

Once the game has started the playing positions cannot be altered unless it is necessitated by the appointment of a substitute, LAW 34.2.3, page 67 of the Law Book. Law 34.2.4 clearly states that if the positions are changed, other than for a substitute appointment, the team will be disqualified and they will forfeit the game to their opponents. In a subsequent round of the same competition the positions may be changed provided the change is agreed before the game starts, is approved by the Games Director and scorecard is signed by the Umpire.

#### CHANGING BOWLS

If a player changes the set of bowls during an uninterrupted game, the game shall be forfeited to the opponent unless the change is due to a damaged bowl. This requirement also applies to a game that has re-commenced on the same day after a delay, e.g. weather. However, if the re-commencement is on another day a player may change his set of bowls.

During trial ends a player can use a combination of bowls from different sets, provided the number of bowls is not in excess of the number of bowls used for the event, i.e. you cannot play trial ends with 3 or 4 bowls prior to a Fours event. Contrary to the opinion of a lot of bowlers the Laws also apply to trial ends.

#### PLAYING AGAINST THE LAWS OF BOWLS

A major change since 1st Jan 2011, i.e. LAW 17.2.2 states that in the case of social or recreational games the Controlling Body can set Conditions of Play that are contrary to the Laws of Bowls, but such changes must be included in the Conditions of Play. A social game is defined as not leading to a Club title or qualifying for District or State event.

*Brian McMahon, National Umpire Level 2*

### PARADISE POINT ~ LIFE MEMBER



This is a photo of a beloved Life Member of our club, Alexander Clive Gordon. Alex celebrated his 90th birthday recently at Paradise Point Bowls Club with 14 guests. He was born 01/07/1921 and was a former Secretary of the Men's Club and a foundation member in the early days. Alex has written a history of those early days and knew David Battersby well, who wrote the History which is now recorded in Bowls Bias (final installment this month Sep.)

### MEMBERS' COMMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS



Contributions from members are welcome, however, the editor reserves the right to edit if space is a priority. Please send to: Denise Thompson, Email: [denisethompson@y7mail.com](mailto:denisethompson@y7mail.com) before the 3rd Wednesday of the Month. A big thank you to Marita for her kind assistance and support.

### SPECSAVERS PROMOTION



Note: Jeff from SPECSAVERS (one of our Sponsors) will also be sponsoring bowls during this month September. 25% off 1 PAIR GLASSES ~ over 60'S are well looked after.

Visit us at Specsavers at Runaway Bay.

#### *A touch of humour:*

A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning. The wife said, "you should do it, because you get up first and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee".

The husband said "you are in charge of cooking around here and you should do it, because that is your job and I can just wait for my coffee". Wife replies, "no you should do it and besides it is in the Bible that the man should do the coffee.

Husband replies, "I can't believe that, show me". Wife fetched the Bible and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages, that it indeed says....."HEBREWS".

