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CONGRATULATIONS, SHIRLEY MARALDO!

After an exhaustive selection process Shirley Maraldo has been selected as a skip of a ladies' four to represent Tasmania at the National Indoor Bias Bowls Championships, to be played in Mt Gambier, South Australia, during August.

CONGRATULATIONS, SHIRLEY! good luck and good bowling.

ATTENTION: FEMALE BOWLING MEMBERS SATURDAY PENNANT NOMINATIONS

As has been previously advised, BTS 2014-2015 Saturday Pennant will be conducted as an **OPEN GENDER** competition. The Board of Management, on behalf of the Club's Saturday Pennant Selection Committee, invites all female bowling members of the Club to nominate themselves as being available for selection to represent the Club in Saturday Pennant teams for 2014-2015.

A nomination sheet, specifically for female bowling members to state their availability for Saturday Pennant, is on the Women's noticeboard in the clubrooms, and in the Indoor Centre.

Please give this matter your serious consideration.

GREENS REPORT PROGRESS ON OUTDOOR GREENS

The topdressing of the Hazell ("front") Green is scheduled to occur in early August. This should ensure that the Hazell Green will be ready for use by bowlers by the first week in October.

Everything is going well, and to plan, with the Worsley ("back") Green, and the first week in September is scheduled for its opening for the 2014-2015 bowls season, enabling all of the Club's bowlers to practice outdoors, weather permitting, from this time.

With thanks to our greenkeepers!

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NOMINATION of AVAILABILITY FOR PENNANT SELECTION 2014-2015

Forms on which bowling members can nominate their availability for selection in the Club's teams for the various BTS Pennant competitions for 2014-2015 are now on display in the Indoor Bowls Centre, and in the bar area of the Club.

Please enter your name on the sheet/s for the pennant competition/s for which you intend to participate in 2014-2015.

The nomination form for female bowlers to declare their availability for Saturday Open Mixed Pennant will remain even though there is some doubt about this competition proceeding as a result of BTS adopting an open gender format for Saturday Pennant.

Completing this task as soon as possible will be most helpful to the Chairs of Selection Committees, and to the Board, to enable the determination of the number of pennant teams the Club will be entering for the various BTS pennant competitions in 2014-2015.

OPPOSITE GENDER PLAYERS, MEN'S MIDWEEK AND WOMEN'S PENNANT

The BTS Board has agreed to change the Conditions of Play for 2014-2015 to allow up to two opposite gender players in each rink in a club's lowest Men's Midweek and Women's Pennant teams. This should provide more flexibility for selectors, and also ensure that all clubs have the best opportunity to field full rinks in all divisions each week in these 2014-2015 pennant competitions. Hopefully, this change also allows women to selected in any position in a rink for Men's Midweek Pennant.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2014-2015

Tax invoices have been issued to all members for 2014-15 Club membership fees. Please arrange to make payment of your membership fee as soon as possible - if not already done.



STRONG RECRUITING DRIVE A SUCCESS	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - INDOOR BOWLS CENTRE
A strong, consistent effort by our recruiting team has resulted in excellent gains in regard to player depth for the 2014-2015 BTS Pennant season, especially for Saturday Pennant.	Expressions of interest from Club members willing to volunteer their services to assist in the operation of the Indoor Bowls Centre are invited.
This has ensured that known player losses, through intra and interstate transfer, as well as due to personal circumstances, have been covered by experienced players transferring their membership to Kingborough for 2014-2015. the most notable of the players new to the Club is David McLean, a former Bowls Australia squad member, and a player with over 70 appearances as a	Members able to assist are requested to register their interest with the IBC Director, Barry Fleming (0408 532 484), or by placing their name on the form displayed in the Club bar, and in the Indoor Bowls Centre. A roster will be developed once potential volunteers are known.
Tasmanian State player. Please make all of our new members, both experienced and novice bowlers, welcome to our Club.	WINE AND CHEESE TASTING PLUS ART SHOW KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB
KBC SATURDAY PENNANT TRIALS THURSDAY 14 AND 28 AUGUST OPEN GENDER	An opportunity to taste some great wines and Ashgrove Farm cheeses - and the chance to purchase at competitive prices. SUNDAY AUGUST 10 2014 1:30pm to 4:00pm
An invitation is extended to all full members of the Kingborough Bowls Club to participate in two trial sessions to be conducted in the Indoor Bowls Centre on Thursday 14 and 28 August, commencing at 5:00pm. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase.	IN THE CLUBROOMS ENTRY: GOLD COIN DONATION
These sessions are for all male and female bowling members of the Club who wish to be considered for selection in the Club's Saturday Premier and/or Division 2 teams.	KINGBOROUGH PENNANT "LEGS & BREASTS" SHIRTS - PRICED TO SELL! The Club has a significant number of "Legs & Breasts" Club pennant uniform shirts in stock and the Board has endorsed a recommendation to offer these shirts for sale
The trial sessions will provide the Club's selectors with an opportunity to observe and assess individual player performance well before the commencement of the pennant season, and to commence the process of developing the Club's top two Saturday division squads.	at a reduced price of \$20.00 per shirt. It is the Board's belief that it is quite appropriate for members to use the "Legs & Breasts" shirt as an alternate pennant uniform item, especially when members participate in more than one BTS pennant
These sessions will also provide an excellent opportunity to welcome to our Club, and to our Premier Division bowling team, David McLean, who has a wealth of experience at Tasmania's highest level, and who is very keen to promote bowls development and coaching at our	competition each week. The purchase of the "Legs & Breasts" shirts may be made at the bar, or by contacting the KBC Secretary.
Club.	KINGBOROUGH PENNANT SHIRT ORDERS
Coaching will be available at both sessions, and further development opportunities will flow from these activities. Come and experience coaching drills that are performed by the Australian Bowls team.	Certain shirt sizes of the current Club pennant uniform shirt (the "Harcourt" sleeve shirt) are either in short supply, or there is no stock on hand. If you require a new "Harcourt" sleeve shirt please check to make sure that a
Do you believe that you have been overlooked for selection in the past? New season, fresh approach! This is an excellent opportunity to demonstrate your worth and potential to the Club's Selectors.	shirt in your size is available, either by requesting assistance in this matter with bar staff or the Club Secretary.
[<u> </u>	Orders are being taken for shirt sizes not currently available, and an order will be placed with the Club's
There will not be any BTS Champion of Champions Pairs competitions in 2014-2015 after the BTS Board decided to discontinue these competitions, following a similar decision from Bowls Tasmania.	uniform supplier when the number required is sufficient to attract the cheapest possible price per unit from the supplier. Please attend to this soon to ensure that your new pennant shirt is here before pennant starts.

KINGBOROUGH PREMIER DIVISION PENNANT GAMES IN THE INDOOR BOWLS CENTRE

An innovation of the 2014-2015 BTS Saturday Pennant roster will be the inclusion of pennant games scheduled to be played in the Indoor Centre on a Friday evening. Four of our Premier Division team's home matches for 2014-2015 will be played in the Indoor Centre. These matches will be the first four home games of the season, the dates and opponents being:

Round 1: Friday 10 October: Glenorchy Rodman

Round 3: Friday 24 October: Rosny Park

Round 5: Friday 7 November: Buckingham

Round 5: Friday 21 November: Sandy Bay

The scheduling of Premier Division pennant games for Friday evenings provides all Club members, from lower divisions, an excellent opportunity to attend these matches to support the efforts of our top Saturday pennant team.

The scheduling of pennant games for Friday night in the Indoor Centre also provides the Club, and Bowls Tasmania South, with a means of promoting our game to the wider community. Why not organise a group of friends/relatives, who are not bowlers, to watch these games. Make a night of it and enjoy a meal together in the White Jack Bistro, also.

All matches will commence at 6:00pm (roll up 5:45pm). Mark the dates in your diary and make your attendance to support our Premier Division team a high priority.

SATURDAY PENNANT DOUBLE HEADER SATURDAY 31 JANUARY-SUNDAY 1 FEBRUARY

All Club members intending to make themselves available for selection in the Club's Saturday Pennant teams are advised that Bowls Tasmania South has scheduled two rounds (Rounds 13 and 14) to be played over the weekend of Saturday 31 January (Round 13) and Sunday 1 February (Round 14), 2015.

Please make special note of these dates and keep both days free for bowls, if at all possible.

THURSDAY PENNANT ROSTER

The Thursday Pennant roster will commence on Thursday 16 October and all matches are scheduled to be played on a Thursday, except for Round 2 (to be played Tuesday 21 October) and Round 13 (to be played Tuesday 3 February). The only other round scheduled to be played on a Tuesday are the Preliminary Finals, to be played on Tuesday 17 March.

BOWLS ETIQUETTE WHO IS IN POSSESSION OF THE RINK?

On any given day, when competition bowls is being played, a lone bowler, most often a skip, can be seen standing forlornly on the mat with bowl in hand while his/ her direct opposition, the skip of the other team, is observed at the head in deep conversation with his/her teammates. Is this fair and reasonable behaviour? **NO**!

The laws of the game of bowls (Laws 35.1 and 35.2, in particular) are very clear on the question of possession of the rink. Possession of the rink belongs to the player of or team for whose bowl is being played, and possession of the rink transfers from one team to the other (or from one player to the other in a game of singles) as soon as each bowl comes to rest (allowing time for the marking of toucher as soon as it comes to rest).

Therefore, in a game of fours, when the bowl of the three of the team bowling second comes to rest, possession of the rink passes to the skip next to play. The opposing skip is required to proceed to the mat end as soon as the skip in possession of the rink moves in that direction. Alternatively, the skip not in possession of the rink may retire to a position behind the jack and away from the head until he/she has possession of the rink.

It is our responsibility as bowlers to know and understand what is appropriate behaviour on the green. It is OK to be fiercely competitive on the green, but let us always, as members of the Kingborough Bowls Club, act in a manner that shows respect and courtesy for our opponents.

BTS DEFINITION OF A GRADE BOWLER HAS CHANGED

At its most recent meeting the Bowls Tasmania South Board revised its definition of what constitutes an A Grade bowler, to align its definition with that of Bowls Tasmania's determination of A and B Grade in BT's Conditions of Play for 2014-2015.

The change means that the definition of an A Grade bowler for BTS and BT competitions is any bowler who plays in either the Premier Division, or Premier League Divisions 1 and 2 (former BTS Division 2R) in the BTS 2014-2015 Saturday Pennant competition. All bowlers who play in Premier Divisions 3 and below will be deemed B Grade bowlers for BT and BTS competitions.

For BTS Midweek Pennant only, bowlers who play regularly in Premier League Division 2 will be regarded as B Grade.

Confused?

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PREMIERSHIP 2014 SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER AFL GRAND FINAL FU DAY TWO BOWL TRIPLES	KINGBOROUGH BOWLS UNIFORM BLACK PANTS AVAILABLE AT HOBART BOWLS CENTRE
Make a big day of the 2014 AFL Grand Final by participating in the Two Bowl Triples competition in the Indoor Bowls Centre, and then stay on to watch the AFL Grand Final on the BIG SCREEN .	Don't forget to visit the Hobart Bowls Centre, at the Buckingham Bowls Club, to obtain your black pants or shorts for the 2014-2015 bowls season. The choice for women range in price from \$55 to \$58, while for men the City Club belted garments range in price from \$59
Games will commence at 9:00am and each team will play three games of six ends each. Prize money of 1st: \$150; 2nd \$75; and 3rd: \$30 is on offer with placings being decided on the results of the three rounds of competition.	(shorts) to \$80 (trouser). There is also a unisex range of trackpant-style with tie waist that range in price from \$42 (shorts) to \$45 (long pant).
Entry is \$10 per person and individual players, or teams	PLEASE REMEMBER:
Entry is \$10 per person and individual players, or teams of three, may enter either by writing names on the entry sheet in the Indoor Centre, or by contacting Jason (tel: 6258 3756).	The Hobart Bowls Centre is offering a 20% discount on all black lower garment Kingborough uniform needs until Christmas. Club members may access the discounted price by identifying themselves as
You had better make up your mind quickly! Entries are filling fast!	members of the Kingborough Bowls Club.
Food and refreshments will be available.	WINTER SOCIAL ROSTER PROGRAM INDOOR BOWLS CENTRE
Australian Australian HEARING HEARING CHECKS AT THE CLUB IN OCTOBER	All members are advised that the winter program of social random draw bowls and social roster events will conclude on Monday 22 September, after the final round of the AOL Super Eights roster.
A small number of members took advantage of the offer of free hearing checks conducted in the Club by Australian Hearing during August. Australian Hearing has offered to conduct another session in the Club later in the year and it is hoped that this will occur before the end of	It is expected that all bowlers will be involved in preparation for the 2014-2015 pennant bowls season by then, and all bowling efforts will revert to the outdoor greens.
October. Look for more information on this in future issues of the Club Newsletter.	TASSAL CHALLENGE TWO BOWL TRIPLES COMPETITION SATURDAY 6 SUNDAY 7 SEPTEMBER
Beautiful Mou	The TASSAL Challenge will be conducted in the Indoor
Beautiful You by Monica	Bowls Centre Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 September, with play commencing at 9:00am both days. This will be a two
"Beautiful You by Monica" is located in Kingston and is a home-based beauty therapist business operated by	-bowl triples competition with over \$2000.00 in prizes, in cash and TASSAL product, to be distributed.
Monica McLean. For all your waxing, tinting, tanning, nails, massage and make-up needs why not give Monica a call on 0424 449 893 or go to: facebook.com/ beautifulyoubymonica.	Each team will play five games of 15 ends each (three matches on Saturday, and the remaining two Sunday morning). The top four teams, after the completion of the five preliminary rounds, will play in the Finals (the top two teams playing off for 1st and 2nd place overall; and the
A beauty therapist for both men and women. Located in Kingston By appointment only.	third and fourth placed teams playing off for 3rd and 4th place) after lunch on Sunday.
	Entry is \$120.00 per team, with lunch provided both days.
DIVISION 1 THURSDAY PENNANT	Dress is full club pennant uniform, sponsor uniform or other bowls uniform either of which must display the Bowls Australia logo prominently.
Some Thursday Div 1 games may be affected in Rounds 6 and 8, with the possibility of matches being played on Tuesday 18 November and Tuesday 16 December, respectively, but only if requested by clubs that have State representative players.	The TASSAL Challenge is limited to sixteen teams and there are only a few spots remaining to be filled. ENTER YOUR TEAM NOW! This will be a great spectacle for spectators, also!