

WELCOME TO 2014!

Now that the festive season is behind us we can, once again, concentrate on all things bowls! It looks very much like new year, new weather conditions. Hopefully, the consistently inclement weather endured for most of the first half of the 2013-2014 pennant season is behind us and we can enjoy pleasant conditions which enable us to play each of our remaining pennant matches without disruption.

GOOD BOWLING, EVERYONE!

CONGRATULATIONS, SHIRLEY AND DESMA!

On Wednesday, 15 January, Shirley Maraldo (skip) and Desma Edwards played in the final two rounds of the BTS Ladies' Open Champion of Champions Pairs competition, at Buckingham Bowls Club.

Shirley and Desma played against a pair from Howrah in the Semi Final, winning 22-10. In the Final Shirley and Desma played in a thrilling match against a pair from Beltana, just missing out on a win, losing the game by the tightest margin possible – 21-20.

WELL DONE, SHIRLEY AND DESMA!

BOWLING MEMBERS' NIGHT

The next Members' "Pie Night" is in the early planning stage at present, but will most likely be in the form of a barbecue.

At the time of preparing the newsletter for publication final decisions had not been made as to whether the next gathering of bowling members would be a combined event, or whether separate events will be conducted for male and for female members.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU LOOK FOR NOTICES IN THE CLUBROOMS ADVERTISING THE NEXT SOCIAL EVENT/S FOR BOWLING MEMBERS.

LADY BOWLING MEMBERS' COLUMN

I would like to welcome you all back after the Christmas break and hope that Round 2 of the season is an improvement on Round 1. The 2013/2014 season didn't start off very well did it with more Thursday's sitting inside out of the rain than playing bowls out on the "green", however I would like to congratulate you all on your bowling efforts so far, perhaps the sun will shine on us everyday from now on instead of Monday to Wednesday and then Friday to Sunday!!

As Round 2 has now commenced, I have had the opportunity to watch some of you ladies in action, I must say I am very impressed with your bowling skills to say the least and, being a novice bowler I thank you all for showing myself and other newer bowlers "how it's done"!! So keep up the great work.

The following are the dates set down for our meetings until the end of the season (there are only 3) so please put them in your diaries, of course the list is on the board for you all as well. Meetings will begin at **11.00 am** unless further notified. It would be great if you could all turn up and be on time so that you are kept fully informed with matters concerning your club.

Dates are as follows

January 14, February 11, March 11 (the 2nd Tuesday in each month)

We will then be out on the greens for practice at 11:30.

Please let me know if you have any issues you would like me to take to the Board meetings on your behalf.

Thank you again for your support since the beginning of the season, and I wish you a great 2014.

Good bowling.

Ros Bridge
Ladies' Vice President



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SELECTION OF PENNANT TEAMS

The various pennant teams to represent Kingborough Bowls Club each week are nominated by the relevant Divisional Selector, working with their fellow selectors for that pennant competition. The decisions of the divisional selectors is moderated by either the Lady or Male Chair of Selectors, as appropriate.

The pennant selection panels work independent of the Board of Management of the Club, the Board having neither any influence nor any input into the selection process.

When a bowling member has a grievance in regard to team selections she/he should seek a meeting with the appropriate Chair of Selections (Lady Chair: Carleen Crane; Male Chair: Mike Harris) so that concerns may be addressed.

The Board endorses and supports, fully, the decisions made by the selectors who undertake a very difficult task each week to ensure that the Kingborough Bowls Club is represented by the best teams possible from the bowlers available for selection.

MEMBERS' FUNCTION

Discussions in regard to the format/theme for next Members' Function have commenced. It is expected that a date in February will be determined soon, as well as the themed dining experience for the evening.

As it might be too close to the event before the publication of the next Club Newsletter **PLEASE LOOK AT THE CLUB NOTICEBOARDS REGULARLY FOR ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE NEXT MEMBERS' FUNCTION.**

All members of the Kingborough Bowls Club, regardless of membership status, are welcome to attend the evening.

CLUB WORKING BEE SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY

A working bee at the Club is planned for Sunday 9 February, commencing at 9:30am

Tasks to be commenced/completed on the day are:

IBC - the completion of insulation works (polyfoam installation, painting, installation of skirting, etc)

Car Park - line marking in the main car parking area, and the identification of car parking areas at the rear of the building.

Grounds - general tidy up, brush cutting and fire hazard reduction.

HAZELL GREEN REOPENS

The Hazell green (the "front" green) is now open for play, and the Greens Committee invites all bowling members to bowl socially on this green at some time during each week. At the present time it is very slow and "heavy" but through regular usage, and rolling by the greenkeeper, we should expect the speed of the green to increase incrementally.

The Board thanks the members for their patience while the Hazell green has been closed. The reward will be a pleasing surface conducive to enjoyable bowling outcomes.

EARLY ADVICE - CLOSURE OF THE BAR FOR A PRIVATE FUNCTION

A private function has been booked for **Friday 4 April** which will necessitate the closure of the bar area for that afternoon/evening. Due to the number of people expected to attend the function the White Jack Bistro will not be open that evening, either.

Normal Friday bar services will be transferred to the bar area of the Indoor Centre for that evening. The Friday raffle, and the member jackpot draw will be conducted in the bar area of the Indoor Centre at the usual time (6:30pm, approximately).

FURTHER INFORMATION RELATING TO THE BAR CLSURE ON APRIL 4, AND ALTERNATIVE PROVISION/SERVICE TO MEMBERS, WILL BE DISPLAYED ON NOTICEBOARDS IN THE CLUBROOMS WELL IN ADVANCE OF APRIL 4.

KBC MEN' PENNANT UNIFORM

The Board has resolved to change the current white trousers of the men's pennant uniform to black. The black trousers will have the word "**KINGBOROUGH**" down one leg. It has not yet been decided what form of wording, or lettering (if any), will appear on the black shorts. This will be decided in consultation with our uniform supplier, Uniform City.

All that is required now is approval for the change to the men's pennant uniform from Bowls Tasmania South. When this has been obtained it will be possible to proceed with the ordering of the new trousers and shorts. Sheets for the placement of orders will be displayed in the Clubrooms, and assistance will be sought from Uniform City, in the form of sample trouser sizes, etc, to enable our male members to choose the right fit for them.

It is expected that the ordering process will commence before the completion of the current pennant season, to enable all male bowling members the opportunity to be ready to begin the 2014-2015 pennant season outfitted in the new uniform.



**HAZELL BROS \$1500 CARNIVAL
OPEN FOURS HANDICAP
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2014
KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB
10:00AM FOR 10:30AM START**

EACH TEAM WILL PLAY TWO GAMES OF 15 ENDS EACH.

ENTRY FEE IS \$60.00 PER TEAM

ANY COMBINATION OF DIVISION 1 PLAYERS WILL BE HANDICAPPED

FIRST ROUND WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN TO PLAY OTHER WINNERS IN ROUND 2

FIRST ROUND LOSERS WILL DRAW OTHER ROUND ONE LOSERS IN ROUND 2

PRIZES WILL BE ALLOCATED OVER THE TOP FIVE TEAMS AT THE CONCLUSION OF ROUND 2

ORGANISE YOUR TEAM NOW AND ENTER, EITHER BY WRITING YOUR NAME ON THE ENTRY SHEET ATTACHED TO THE WHITE BOARD IN THE CLUBROOMS, OR

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ENTRIES CLOSE 30 JANUARY, 2014

UPGRADES TO THE KITCHEN

In view of the new catering arrangements, and the greater usage of the Club's kitchen facilities that has occurred it has become very apparent that there are a number of improvements/equipment upgrades necessary.

As a result of a review of needs it has been decided to purchase and install a new 1200l two-door refrigerator. This should ensure sufficient cool storage capacity to meet the needs of our caterers, as well as for our lady members.

Further improvements will consist of a new canopy and extractor fan over the cooking area, and a new commercial deep fryer. These latter improvements will occur when funding is available to enable the work to proceed, and the purchase to be made.

RECENT ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

A letter has been written to BTS requesting the Section 3.21 (which states that at least 50% of matches in a division must be completed before points are allotted) be deleted from BTS Conditions of Play for 2014-15, because it disadvantages clubs that are able to complete their matches.

The Board has also requested meetings with Kingborough Councillors, and with the Executive of BTS to discuss matters in relation to the Kingborough Indoor Bowls Centre. The workshop with Kingborough Councillors will occur, most likely, during the latter part of February.

The KBC Board is keen to engage the BTS Executive in a discuss regarding the use of the Indoor Centre by BTS, and BT, for their competitions, as well as matters to do with the draft pennant roster for 2014-15, with a view to allowing member clubs greater flexibility in the organisation of matches, including the day and time of play.

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