

# KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB

## "Absolutely Biased News"

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### MEMBERS' ITALIAN NIGHT SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER

This coming Saturday evening the first of the themed Members' nights planned for this season will be held, with an Italian flavour. The cost per person for a three course Italian meal is \$25.00. All members and their partners, as well as family and friends, are invited to attend.

A sheet has been placed on the notice board under the television set in the main bar of the Clubrooms, and it is essential that you add your name and number of guests in your party—if you wish to fest on the Italian fare to be prepared by our caterers, Wood and Baillie.

Please see page 2 for the menu, which includes two choices for each of the three courses for the evening.

**Don't miss out — organise your group and book early!**

### OUTDOOR GREENS AVAILABILITY

The Worsley green (the "back" green) is now open for play, and will be available for practice, Thursday and Saturday pennant from now on.

The Hazell green (the "front" green) has been seeded and top dressed and it will be some time before this green will be available for play. Hopefully, the weather will be kind and assist in the growth of new grass so that it will not be too long before both outdoor greens are in full use.

### SATURDAY MIXED PENNANT

Bowls Tasmania South has decided to conduct this season's Mixed pennant as an Open Division to be played in two sections, a Blue and Red section. This means that A Grade women are now eligible for selection for the Club's Mixed (Open) pennant team. **A Grade women who wish to be considered for selection in the Mixed team are now invited to advise their intentions.**

### PENNANT HOME GAMES

Until the Hazell green is ready for play it may be necessary to schedule some Thursday and Saturday pennants matches to be played in the Indoor Centre. This will occur when it is not possible to schedule the full round of home games for a particular day on the one outdoor green. In this circumstance it will be the responsibility of the Chairperson of Selectors to decide the match to be played indoors.

All home games during the Wednesday Midweek pennant roster for 2013-14 will be played in the Indoor Centre. Bowls Tasmania South has been advised of all matters relating to the availability of our outdoor greens and has concurred with the temporary arrangements for home matches for Thursday and Saturday pennant, as well as for the use of the Indoor Centre for Midweek pennant.

### PENNANT - AVAILABILITY FOR SELECTION

Please remember that it is your responsibility to inform the selectors of any day/s on which you are not available to be considered for selection, and to do so as early as is possible. Sheets have been placed on notice boards for all pennant rosters for all pennant players to indicate the days for which they will not be available for selection.

If, at any time, you are unavailable for selection then it is essential that you inform the selectors of your Pennant teams adding your name to the unavailable list in accordance with the following:

**Women's Thursday Pennant: by Monday afternoon**

**Men's Midweek Pennant: by Thursday afternoon**

**Men's and Mixed Saturday Pennants: by Saturday evening**

prior to the roster match for which you are unavailable.

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*KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB  
MEMBERS' ITALIAN NIGHT*

*Saturday 12 October  
6:30 for 7:00pm*

*THREE COURSE ITALIAN MEAL*

*\$25.00 PER PERSON*

*Wives, Partners and friends welcome*

*THE MENU*

*ENTREE*

*Bruschetta (tomato, onion, garlic and olive oil on crisp bread)*

*OR*

*Poppa al pomodoro (potato & bread soup with Parmesan cheese and olive oil)*

*MAINS*

*Chicken scallopine with marsala sauce (scallop of chicken with sauce made from Marsala)*

*OR*

*Osso bucco with wet polenta and gremolata (braised lamb shanks with polenta & garnished with parsley, lemon and garlic)*

*DESSERTS*

*Tiramisu (coffee flavoured dessert)*

*OR*

*Panna cotta (cream and butter pudding) (Italian style bread & butter pudding)*



### WHITE JACK BISTRO

The White Jack Bistro, the Club's Friday night bistro, has been operating for approximately eight weeks, and is now attracting very good patronage to the point it is now essential to make a booking to ensure that seating will be available for your party. Unfortunately, last Friday night it was necessary to turn away a number of people due to no places being available to seat the group.

The introduction of the Friday Night Bistro has had a positive effect on revenue from the Friday night raffle, as well as a significant increase bar trade.

The introduction of the White Jack Bistro has not been without a few teething problems, mostly due to a number of issues relating to equipment available in the kitchen. The Board is working through the matters with the aim being to ensure that the storage of raw ingredients, preparation and cooking of meals will be enhanced, as well as meeting the challenge of catering for the number of people who dine in the Bistro each Friday night.

**Don't want to cook Friday nights - why not eat at the White Jack Bistro? Bookings essential - Please ring to book.**

### 2013-14 BTS CHAMPIONSHIPS MEN'S OPEN AND B GRADE PAIRS

All male bowling members are reminded that entries for 2013-14 BTS Open and B Grade Pairs **close on 14 October**. Entry sheets are on the notice board BTS levies a charge of an \$8.00 entry fee per player which should be placed in the **red box** on the shelf below the main noticeboard.

Further 2013-14 BTS Championship entry forms will be displayed on the main noticeboard within reasonable time before the scheduled closure of entries.

### PENTANQUE NEWS

Our small but enthusiastic petanquers have completed construction of the shelter adjacent to the petanque terrain, and are awaiting warmer and more consistent weather for their Opening Ceremony.

There are very strong indications that members of both the Hobart and Bicheno clubs will be visiting to play on our terrain. All that needs to be done is the finalisation of arrangements.

All we need now is that our Petanque members allow someone else win the Friday raffle prizes!

It is going to be a very busy time in the Club over the next few months with, currently, eleven separate functions, two of them weddings, booked to occur before Christmas.

**Sorry, it had to happen some time!** Bar prices have been increased as a result of with recent increases in the cost of stock items, but have been kept to the minimum. This is the first increase in bar prices for more than a year.

### INTERACTION WITH THE GREENKEEPER

At the Board of Management meeting on Tuesday evening (8 October) verbal complaints from the greenkeeper (David McLean) and from his employer (Doug Ollington), were discussed.

Whilst it is important to maintain friendly relations with our new greenkeeper it is imperative that all members abide by agreed protocols for any interactions between the Club and the contractor in regard to the work to be done on the outdoor greens.

These protocols have been determined through discussions between the contractor and the Board and have been designed to streamline the line management of the work. It has been agreed that the principal point of liaison between the contractor and the Board will be the Chairman of the Greens Committee.

If any member has any concerns in regard to the state of the greens, or wishes to know why certain procedures are being undertaken by the greenkeeper these questions should be put to the Chairman of the Greens Committee.

**Under no circumstances should any member approach the greenkeeper, independently of the Chairman of the Greens Committee, on any matter relating to the state of the greens, or the method of their maintenance or preparation.**

### VOLUNTEER MAINTENANCE OF THE GREENS SURROUNDS

**Congratulations** to Craig Griggs and his team of volunteers for their excellent efforts in the preparation of the surrounds of the outdoor greens. The work done on the lawn areas enhance the external environment of the Club, making for a very pleasing visual experience when entering from the car park.

Painting of the concrete surrounds of the Worsley green has been refreshed, and the peg markings on the bank repainted, also. The next major task for the group will be to conduct similar work on the Hazell green surrounds next Friday week.

If you would like to join the grounds maintenance group, or would like to volunteer some of your time to assist in the upkeep of the garden areas around the Club please talk to Craig, he would surely appreciate your input and help.

### **BTS NIGHT/TWILIGHT PENNANT GAMES IN THE INDOOR CENTRE**

The Board of Management has endorsed, unanimously, a proposal to contact other BTS member clubs seeking their willingness to join with Kingborough Bowls Club in promoting the game of bowls to a wider audience by playing competitive pennant roster matches in the Indoor Centre.

With the growing success of the White Jack Bistro it is believed that it is time to add another dimension to the culinary experience by including the opportunity to watch competition bowls while dining. In general, though, it is an excellent opportunity to showcase our game as well as to bring more men and women into the sport (and, thus, grow our membership base).

The Board has been encouraged by the positive support of BTS, as well as unsolicited approaches from other clubs regarding the possibility of making alternative arrangements for the playing of pennant games at the Kingborough Bowls Club by transferring them to the Indoor Centre, and playing the matches on Friday night.

Letters have been sent to all BTS-affiliated clubs outlining the proposal with an invitation to explore the possible alternatives available by moving some of our home games indoors. The proposal does not limit the initiative to Men's Pennant, only, or just to a single division (i.e. Division 1).

### **WOMEN'S THURSDAY PENNANT SELECTORS**

Congratulations to the following lady bowlers elected to the position of Selector for their Division inv 2013-14.

Division 1	Leonie Price
Division 2	Margaret Thorpe
Division 4	Elaine Cockshutt
Division 5	Ros Bridge

Thank you to our Chair of Selectors Carleen Crane for all the work gone into the organisation of the selection process. Well done Carleen.

It would be pleasing to see these ladies be given your support during the new season.

### **CLUB UNIFORM NEWS**

It has been decided to postpone the introduction of the new uniform trousers until the beginning of the 2014-15 Pennant Season.

### **BOARD OF MANAGEMENT NOVEMBER MEETING**

The next general meeting of the Board of Management is planned to be held on Monday 11 November. If you have matters that wish to be addressed by the Board please forward your issue in writing to the Secretary.

### **MALE PENNANT PLAYERS' PIE NIGHT THURSDAY 17 OCTOBER**

It is proposed to have a meeting of all male Pennant bowlers in the Clubrooms after practice on Thursday, 17 October, combined with a "pie night". This will be an excellent opportunity for a "bonding" session with your teammates, as well as to commit to the playing goals for the season. Other matters, such as opportunities to interact with Club Coaches, will be outlined, also.

Mark this down in your diaries as an essential activity, and watch the notice boards for details of the meeting.

### **SELECTORS FOR SATURDAY PENNANT**

The sides for each of the divisions which the Club has entered for the first round of BTSS 2013-14 Saturday Pennant were selected by the interim divisional selectors, assisted by the Chairman of Selectors, Mike Harris.

Each divisional side will have the opportunity to confirm their selector for 2013-14 during the first round of pennant play this Saturday (12 October), either electing the interim selector for the position, or electing another player after nominations have been received at a meeting of each side.

### **MEN'S SATURDAY PENNANT AFTERNOON TEA**

The Saturday Pennant afternoon tea roster has been distributed to all lady bowling members. If you are unable to make one of your allocated days please try and swap with one of the other ladies. Also, please be at the club around 12 noon to 12.15 on the day/s for which you are rostered. Norma Lovell will be organising the purchase of the items needed for the sandwiches and will bring them along on the day.

All lady bowling members can be assured that the male bowlers very much appreciate the efforts of the lady members who give so freely of their time to prepare the Saturday Pennant afternoon teas.

### **LADIES 100 UP AND 2 BOWL CONSISTENCY CLUB COMPETITIONS**

The 1<sup>st</sup> couple of rounds of the 100 up and 2 bowl consistency competitions have been completed and are going very well. The draw for the "pairs" is now on the board for those of you who are taking part.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Verona Kerrison for her hard work in getting these competitions up and running and thank you to Di Willett and Mary Forbes for their contribution in helping Verona with this difficult task. Great work ladies!