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# SATURDAY PENNANT BOWLS IN THE INDOOR CENTRE

What a fantastic spectacle! The first Premier Division game to be played indoors for pennant points, and on a Friday evening, on Friday 10 October. The only disappointment on the night was the loss to Glenorchy Rodman by a mere one shot margin.

The players provided a very spirited contest, in response to the magnificent support of the many spectators who attended the match, with the game coming to a very exciting conclusion.

The second Premier Division pennant match to be played in the Indoor Centre will occur this Friday (Friday 24 October) with the pre-game roll-up commencing at 6:15pm for a 6:30pm start. Kingborough's opponent this Friday night will be the side from Rosny Park.

The White Jack Bistro will operate from 5:30pm to enable those attending the pennant match to enjoy a meal prior to play. Please telephone 6267 2197 or 0400914818 to make a booking.

#### BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH 2014-2015 SEASON LAUNCH AT KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB

Friday 10 October was certainly a very busy day in the Club. From 12:30pm we hosted Bowls Tasmania South's Season Launch and Club Delegates' Day, which began with the delegates playing a game of social bowls on the Club's back (Worsley) green.

After the conclusion of bowls the delegates moved indoors to the Dining Room to participate in the official proceedings for the afternoon. President Allen Sculthorpe welcomed the Bowls Tasmania South Executive, Board members, sponsors and the club delegates to the Club, and then introduced Bowls Tasmania South President, Leigh McAdam, inviting him to address the gathering, in which, in part, President Leigh expressed a keen desire for a successful introduction of the gender non-specific Saturday Pennant competition.

The afternoon tea provided for the Bowls Tasmania South Season Launch was just another occasion in which to showcase the magnificent catering skills of our wonderful lady members (and men!). The tables were full to overflowing with a wonderful variety of savoury and sweet treats, ensuring that no one could complain either about choice or lack of food.

The Board of Management is most grateful to the excellent efforts of Nona and David Clark, Norma Lovell, Beryl and Bill Reeve, Rosemary McHugh, Mavis Gordon, Dot Peterson and Vicki Bannister in the preparation, serving and the clean up afterwards. This was just a magnificent way in which to showcase the Club's ability to cater for such events.





#### BOWLS TASMANIA SOUTH REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

The first round of the 2014-2015 State Pennant was played at Buckingham Bowls Club on Sunday, 19 October, with the Kingborough Bowls Club having strong representation with Jarrod Long, David McLean (BTS Men's Team), Jason Fowler, Tony Clark and Shane Garth (BTS Men's Seconds), Vicki Bannister and Elaine Wills (BTS Women's Team) having been selected to play.

Unfortunately, the Men's Teams did not fare too well in their matches against teams from the North and North West, but the Women's Team had success in both of their games.

Ryan Guy also represented the Club on Sunday 19 October, travelling to Launceston with the Bowls Tasmania South Junior Team for the first round of the 2014-2015 Junior State Pennant. Ryan and the BTS Junior Team had a very successful trip to Launceston.

Congratulations, everyone, on your selection in the various Bowls Tasmania South representative teams. Good luck for future participation at the elite level.

#### KBC MEMBERS JOIN BTS AND BT SELECTION COMMITTEES

Not only are our bowling members being recognised for their bowling skill by being selected for representative teams, several of our Club members have been recognised for their skill in assessing player ability and potential by being appointed to Bowls Tasmania South and Bowls Tasmania Selection Panels.

Congratulations to Alex Stanelos (Bowls Tasmania South Selector) and Leonie Price (Bowls Tasmania South and Bowls Tasmania Selector) for your appointment to these prestigious positions. We are assured that you will both perform your duties with honesty and integrity.

# KINGBOROUGH BOWLS CLUB MONSTER RAFFLE

Kathleen Page has done a magnificent job in obtaining a total of fourteen prizes for the Club's Monster Raffle, all of which have been donated by local businesses. This is an excellent initiative which has the potential to raise significant funds for the Club.

Raffle books have been distributed to Club members and it is requested that you return the butts (and money) to Kathleen as soon as possible after having sold the last ticket in the booklet. Kathleen does have more booklets available if you are able to sell more.

Please ensure that you have returned your booklet to Kathleen well before the date on which the raffle will be drawn, **Friday 19 December**.

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - INDOOR BOWLS CENTRE**

Expressions of interest from Club members willing to volunteer their services to assist in the operation of the Indoor Bowls Centre are invited.

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.

# dj motors SOCIAL (BAREFOOT) BOWLS, WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

DJ Motors has provided significant sponsorship to the Club to assist with the re-introduction of a Social (Barefoot) Bowls roster at the Club. Already, there are a number of teams of four participating in social bowls each Wednesday evening in the Indoor Centre, commencing play at 6:30pm, but more teams are needed to develop a roster.

This is a great opportunity to encourage members of our local community, including local business enterprises, to enter teams of four into the Club's DJ Motors Barefoot Bowls competition so that a formal roster can be established. If you know of anyone who may be interested, or if you are able to form a team from your workplace, please advise Craig Griggs (04076 72082).

Prize money will be available for distribution at the completion of the DJ Motors Barefoot roster and, as an added incentive, our winning team will have the opportunity to play off against a team representing the Howrah Bowls Club Barefoot Bowls roster, at the end of the 2014-2015 season.

Please promote the DJ Motors Barefoot Bowls roster to your friends and/or work colleagues. Bowls can be provided to those do not possess their own.

# **BTS CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES**

BTS Championship events have commenced and strong interest has been shown by Club members, already. It is very important that the entry fee (usually \$8.00 per player) for the BTS competition for which you enter, as a team or an individual, is **placed in the red box at the same time** that you write your name (or team) on the entry form.

At the close of entries for any BTS competition, entries for which the entry fee has not been paid may be removed from the entry form.



# BOWLS AUSTRALIA INTRODUCES A NEW STRUCTURE FOR BOWLS OFFICIALS (UMPIRES), COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2015

Bowls Australia, in response to the Australian Sports Commission's requirement for all sports officials to have access to appropriate training conducted by accredited presenters, has resolved to introduce a new structure for the training and accreditation of bowls officials

(umpires), to commence from 1 January, 2015.

The Bowls Officials pathway, illustrated in Diagram 1 (above), will be adopted from 1 January, 2015, also. The separation of roles of an umpire, into that of Marker, Measurer and then National Umpire, is being promoted in recognition that not all bowlers want or need to demonstrate knowledge of, and competency in the interpretation of the Laws of Bowls. The new pathway also recognises that much of the work of a bowls umpire involves measuring, rather than adjudicating. It will also no longer require umpires to relinquish their involvement in the game of bowls due to being unable to get down to measure due to loss of mobility. Other bowlers, with accreditation as a Measurer, can undertake this task, while the umpire of many years standing will be available to adjudicate on matters pertaining to the law of bowls.

The first step on the Bowls Officials pathway, that of Marker, will enable bowlers to undertake a short course to obtain accreditation as a Marker. In future, open singles championships, conducted by Bowls Tasmania South and/or Bowls Tasmania, will require accredited Markers. It will no longer be a requirement that players who lose their first round match will be used as markers for second round matches. Accredited Markers will officiate through all rounds of the competition.

The arrow underneath the Bowls Officials pathway (Diagram 1, above) indicates the progression through the various parts of the pathway. Before it is possible to be accredited as a National Umpire it is first necessary for the person to have been accredited as a Marker and a Measurer. The International Technical Officer accreditation is the ultimate goal for many National Umpires.

A major plank of the new structure is that all Bowls Officials will undertake a course of instruction, conducted by accredited presenters and assessors, who themselves have been through a "train-the-trainer" type course. The accredited presenters will be provided with course material that will ensure that all Bowls Officials, no matter where they undertake their training in Australia, will receive similar instruction.

The change to the Bowls Officials pathway, and the manner in which umpires receive their training may have caused considerable angst, but it is incumbent upon us all to give the new process some time to work before condemning it outright. Any KBC umpires, who are due for re-accreditation in 2014, are advised to wait until 2015 before going through this process. Waiting until after 1 January, 2015, before re-accreditation will ensure that the umpire is accredited as a **National Umpire**, which has significant benefits.

#### ACCREDITED MARKERS NEEDED

To enable the Club to enter an expression of interest to conduct the Tasmanian Indoor Open Singles Championships from 2015 to 2017 it will be necessary to demonstrate that the Club has sufficient accredited Markers available. It is intended to arrange for a **MARKERS' COURSE** to be conducted by an accredited presenter, at the Club, prior to the end of the year. A nomination form, for members interested in undertaking Marker training, will be displayed on the Pennant Board as soon as arrangements can be made with the presenter for a date/s and time for the course.

# TASMANIAN INDOOR OPEN SINGLES

The Club has been invited to enter an expression of interest to conduct the Tasmanian Indoor Open Singles Championships for the next three years, 2015 to 2017. After the great success achieved in conducted the 2014 event the Club Board is most keen to obtain the event for the Indoor Centre for a number of years into the future.

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#### NEW CLUB UNIFORM

It is very pleasing to see that the vast majority of Club members have purchased black trousers/slacks/shorts prior to the commencement of the pennant season. We certainly look very smart out on the green each pennant day!

Haven't got into black "bottoms" yet? The Hobart Bowls Shop at Buckingham Bowls Club has a good supply and will sell to you at a discount of 20% off the retail price - if you indentify yourself as a member of Kingborough Bowls Club. **BUT HURRY!** The offer expires on 31 December, 2014.

#### BCiB CUP

Bowls Clubs Insurance Brokers (BCiB), the Club's insurers, has offered significant sponsorship to the Club to organise and conduct a bowls competition, to be known as the **BCiB Cup**, to occur before the end of the bowling season.

At the present time the event is still in the planning stages but announcements will be made soon about the format and structure of this multi-week event. What is known is that it will be a two-bowl mixed triples event with a similar format to the recent Australian Premier League (Bowls) competition shown on Fox Sports.

Watch the Club notice boards for further information on this event, as it is most likely that planning will be sufficiently advanced to enable advertising to occur before the publication of the next edition of the Club Newsletter. Time to starting forming your team, and to decide on a wacky name for your side.

# Beautiful You by Monica

*"Beautiful You by Monica"* is located in Kingston and is a home-based beauty therapist business operated by 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.

A beauty therapist for both men and women. Located in Kingston By appointment only.



#### **GREENKEEPER'S SIGNAGE ON THE GREENS**

Please take care to observe all signage placed on or need the outdoor greens by our greenkeepers. It should not be assumed that either or both greens will be available for practice on any given day.

If you are among the first to arrive make sure that you take the time to look for any signage that indicate that a green is closed for play, or that particular rinks are closed. Make sure that you inform others as they arrive.

Above all, always abide by the instructions of the greenkeeper as his advise in regard to the availability, or otherwise, of our outdoor greens is given to ensure that we have the best possible grass surfaces on which to play.

#### SECURITY OF THE CLUBROOMS

The Board of Management requests that members authorised to have security access codes to the Clubrooms ensure that the security alarm system is activated and all external doors are locked before leaving the building - if the sole occupier or the last to leave.

There have been occasions, recently, when the building has been left open, unoccupied, and the security system unarmed when other members have entered the premises. Whilst it may be inconvenient to go through the closure process, when planning to be absent for just a short time, but this can be sufficient time for those intent on "mischief" to achieve their opportunistic endeavours.

#### BTS CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS AT KBC

Advice has been received from the BTS Women's Match Committee regarding the use of the Club's outdoor greens on three separate days to enable the conducting of BTS Women's 4's events.

The days for which greens will be required are:

Friday 31 October (both greens) to 4:00pm (approx)

Wednesday 5 November (1 rink) am only.

Friday 7 November (2 rinks) to 4:00pm (approx)

#### **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST BTS OVER 60'S**

Expressions of interest are being sought from interested men and women members for BTS Over 60's teams for this season's Statewide Pennant, to be played **Tuesday 9 December** (South), **Tuesday 20 January** (North West) and **Tuesday 24 February** (North). Expressions of interest should be in writing and submitted to Secretary Bowls Tasmania South, PO Box 832, Glenorchy 7010, or email bowls.south@bigpond.com by **Friday 31 October**.