

N.S.B.C. NEWS

JULY 2023

E D I T I O N # 1 5

The Eclectic - Game 2 Played Saturday 17/6/2023

Once again club members were out in force to compete in this great event, this year sponsored by Nic Fisher, Harcourts Nundah.

Nic went one step further this time, by not only sponsoring the event but also competed as a skip in one of the teams.

Due to holidays, illnesses and another competing district event, many teams had to make changes to their line ups.

Thanks must go to Tony Xavier, Roy Moore, and their helpers for organising so many replacements.

The day's winners were the team of Tony Xavier, Lee Corser and Ken Nelson. Runners up were Mal Bates, Adriana Moras and Thomas Mrazek, and third place went to Mick Davies, Ann Walter and Dave Francis. At the halfway point in the competition all teams are still in with a chance of winning the overall event.



Pictured above: Winners (L-R) Tony Xavier, Lee Corser, Ken Nelson with sponsor Nic Fisher. Photo above right: Runners up (L-R) Mal Bates, Adriana Moras, Thomas Mrazek with sponsor Nic Fisher. Photo below right: Third place getters, Mick Davies, Ann Walter, Dave Francis and sponsor Nic Fisher



Exciting Times ahead ...



The TEAM: from L-R: Peter Corey, Meryl Rowe, Rob Norquay, Tahlia Lait, Wendy Wilson, Matt Blyth, Lauren Schultz, Noel Shephard

With the new strength in our Ladies members the club entered a team into the State 8-A-Side Competition, in the Brisbane District playoff.

Teams in this competition are made up of 4 Men & 4 Ladies, with the playing format being Men's Pairs, Ladies Pairs and Mixed Fours.

It was a great day that saw 4 of our new highly skilled ladies team up with 4 of our strongest men and take to the green together, having never played together before. They combined amazingly well and supported each other from the first bowl, until the last, which saw them walk away as

Brisbane District Champions.

The ladies definitely showed us their class and experience, and the men competed fiercely. It was an amazing team effort and they now progress on to the next stage of group playoffs in September. Exciting times ahead.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

Upcoming Bowls Events



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POLICE LEGACY FUNDRAISING BOWLS DAY Friday 7th July

This event is full ... however ... Spectators and Supporters are very welcome to attend and support the cause. There will be lots of raffle prizes to be won, and prizes to be auctioned throughout the

day.



CLUB VISIT: <u>Sunday 20th August</u> 11:30am: Arrival & Social Drinks 12:00pm: Lunch 1pm - 4pm: Triples games (\$20: includes bowls & lunch t.b.a.) Sign on sheet at Bowls notice boards We need about 45 bowlers to match our visitors!

Bowls action - Game 2 The Eclectic



Ladies Games Director, Robyn Lambert, in action during the Eclectic.



Were the boys discussing the weather or team tactics?



Not all of the action was undercover. With so many teams competing some games had to be played outside..



Getting ready for the game ahead.



The bell sounded and the battles (games) began.

Bowls action - Game 2 The Eclectic, con't.



Mother Nature turned on a glorious day for all in attendance.



All smiles and team tactics discussions at the beginning of the day's play.



Action shots during the day's play.



The 'Merv Spada Monthly Award'

The Thursday social players monthly touchers award will now be known as 'The Merv Spada Monthly Award'. The prize money will be increased to \$50 a month with the winner's name and picture also appearing on our Honour Boards during the following month. This Award name change will commence from 1 July 2023.

Our heartfelt thanks and appreciation once again goes out to Merv, for his continued support of the sport and his constant encouragement to our Club and all its members. We are hoping Merv can avail himself to present the inaugural 'medal' at the end of July.

Around the Greens...

News from the Ladies' Games Director

Stay informed and keep up to date with what is happening with Ladies' Bowls

The Past Presidents' Day Mixed Fours

The Past Presidents' Day held on the 2nd June was well supported and enjoyed by all. There were 9 visiting teams and 5 teams from our club. A special Thank you to our Past Presidents who organised the day, and the many other members who worked so well to make the day a success. A delicious lunch, prepared by Jamie from Grid Coffee, was enjoyed by all. There were prizes for touchers from 10:00am, raffle prizes and out of the hat prizes presented by Sally Brown on behalf of our sponsor, Anton Brown Funerals.



Thomas Mrazek, Kathleen Xavier, Di Macdonald and Lee Corser



All the 'Out of the Hat' prize winners.



Some of the day's participants, eagerly awaiting the 'Out of the Hat' draw.

Wednesday <u>Open</u> Play Day

All members are welcome to join our Wednesday morning games.

Registrations close at 8:30am and play begins at 9:15am. Touchers are recorded each week and at the end of the month a \$20 prize is awarded to the bowler with the most touchers. There is a weekly \$30 random draw prize up for grabs, if not won, it jackpots to the next week, and must be won in the last game of the month.

Come along and find out for yourself how welcoming the Wednesday morning bowlers are. Men are very welcome and encouraged to come along and join in.

Open Consistency Singles Championship.

The **Open** Consistency Championship games will commence on Wednesday 20th Sept., with nominations closing on the 13th September 2023.

This is an interesting competition played with 4 bowls each. First to 100 points wins. It is scored by closest bowl to jack scoring 4, then 3,2,1. Anytime the jack is displaced, it is placed back on the spot before next bowl. 5 penalty points each time jack is moved more than 1 metre. Nomination forms are at the Bowls Notice Board.

Ladies Novice Singles Championship

The Ladies Novice Singles Championship games are currently underway. In early games Kathleen Xavier def Marlene Ashton-Brown 25-12, Lorelle Stanisic def Helen Brougham 26-9, Natlalie Fenn def Anne Hendry 25-13 and Christine Thomasson def Liz Sheen 25-11.

Semi-finals will be held in coming weeks with Natalie v Lorelle & Kathleen v Chris.

BDBA Ladies' Day Pennants Competition

This year we are excited to have a team entered in Div. 1 & Div. 4.

Div. 1 (played on Saturday mornings)

Our newly joined ladies are excited to take to the greens to represent Northern Suburbs. They bring with them a wealth of experience and skills in the game we all love to play. Most of them are working ladies so can't play during the week even though they'd love to. Their first game will be played at home on Saturday 15th July at 9am against Chermside.

Come along and welcome them to the club and show them your support!

Div. 4 (played mid-week)

Div. 4 Pennants games will commence on Wednesday the 5th July 2023, with the first game being played at Samford. There has been great interest from our ladies wishing to be part of the team. The selectors will keep players informed as to when, where and who is required to play in the next game.

Let's play together... Together we can do it!

New Members

I have been impressed with the number of new players who have joined our Club recently and encourage all members to join in our games whenever possible.

A special 'Thank You' to Di Macdonald, Jill Sammon and Errol Lymbery for coaching our new members, and a very warm welcome to the ladies who have joined NS to represent our Club in Ladies' Div. 1 Pennants.

We have a lot going on at our club... Keep check on our Notice Board for upcoming games & events. We look forward to having you join our activities.

Robyn Lambert

In Profile



Bronte Roberts-Smith



Bronte and Denis Fogarty at Breakfast Bowls

Bronte delivering a bowl at the Eclectic.

What did you do before you retired in 2016? Care Manager of an Aged Care and Intellectually Disabled facility.

Apart from lawn bowls what else keeps you busy? Morning teas and lunches with friends and past work colleagues. I dog sit for a few friends. I also enjoy doing crosswords, puzzles and jigsaws.

When and where did you begin your lawn bowling journey? In December 2016 I undertook some coaching sessions at Northern Suburbs Bowls Club. I began bowling in 2017.

Why did you take up lawn bowls? I retired in 2016 and was looking for something to do after destressing from work.

What are your achievements in lawn bowls? Winning the Novice in 2019 as well as Triples and Fours titles. Serving on the board as President and now as Vice-Chair.

What do you consider to be your best moment in lawn bowls? I played a singles game against a very good bowler and managed to keep the score even until the last 2 ends when I lost concentration. We played 33 ends. Winning the Novice Championship after being 16 - 0 down in the final.

What do you consider to be your most forgettable moment in lawn bowls? All those wide bowls.. *What is the best Lawn Bowling advice you have been given?* Stay down for delivery which I often forget to do.

What advice do you have for beginning bowlers? Listen to all the advice (you'll get plenty), then use whatever suits your style.

What keeps you coming back each week? My love / hate relationship with the game. I would like to be consistently better than I am now.

A little bit of trivia ...

1. When and Where are the 2023 World Outdoor Bowls Championships being held?

2. What are the smallest and largest size (competition approved) lawn bowls?

3. In which city would you find Bowling Green Park?

Answers to previous Quiz questions.

1. Alex Marshall

2.Scotland

3. Katherine Rednall

4.England

Vets' Bowls for the month of June

This month saw us travel to nearby and far away clubs. First on the agenda was a trip to Aspley, followed by a journey to Solander Lake. Unfortunately this game was washed out before a bowl could be delivered in friendly rivalry.

Next came a trip to Geebung followed by a visit to Kallangur.

Overall we won as many games as we lost, which is an improvement on recent past performances. Team 1 also managed to pick up a round winners prize along the way.

With holidays, illnesses and other player commitments, we will only field 2 teams for the next few weeks.

Thanks to all who bowled in June.



Left: Ian Corser getting ready for a great day of Vets' bowling.

Right: Tony Giacoboni and Bruno Doller double checking a game score card.



Men's Men's Championship Events

The Men's Club Championship B Singles are currently playing through the knockout rounds. The Men's Club Championship A Singles, Novice Singles and Pairs have all been decided. Russell Wheeler was the victor in The Novice Singles final defeating a gallant Thomas Mrazek. The Pairs final was a tussle between Errol Lymbery & Keith Donaldson against Peter Hull & Rob Norquay. After an even start Errol and Keith managed to pull away for a handsome win. Rob Norquay and Mal Bates took to the rink in the A Singles final. Rob started well and maintained his form for a strong win.

Congratulations to all who played in finals! You have set the bar high for next year.



Novice Singles Champion Russell Wheeler



A Singles Champion Rob Norquay



Men's Pair Champions Errol Lymbery & Keith Donaldson

Helen Boardman's Bowls Profile

By Di Macdonald

Helen is a new member to our club. She has a great sense of humour, and brings lots of positivity to a game of bowls.

Helen's on green director and coach is Peter Doherty. She has just finished competing in the Australian Open Lawn Bowls Competition at the Gold Coast in in Vision Impaired Singles and Pairs.

In a late update Helen and bowls partner Jake Fehlberg won gold in the Vision Impaired Pairs event.

INTERNATIONAL PLAYING ACHIEVEMENTS

2022 Trans Tasman Event. Overall Team / Para Team Champion.

NATIONAL PLAYING ACHIEVEMENTS

2022 Australian Open - Gold - Vision Impaired Pairs 2022 Australian Open - Silver - Vision Impaired Singles

Helen made her Commonwealth Games debut in 2022 debut as a Vision Impaired Bowler and teamed up with up with 2018 gold medalist Jake Fehlberg in the B2-B3 Mixed Pairs. Helen was runner up in the VI Pairs at the 2021 Multi Disability Championships in Mackay, eventually losing to Brandon Smith and her Birmingham partner Jake Fehlberg. After being part of the Commonwealth Games training camp and selection trial in January 2022 at Tambourine Mountain Bowls Club, she was named in a squad to tour the UK in May 2022 as part of a mixed pairs group. Helen celebrated her 60th birthday on that UK tour. Welcome Helen and Peter to our club.



Their coaching tip for the green : 'Never go backwards'..



Helen in her 2022 Commonwealth Games uniform

Helen proudly wearing her NSBC shirt and sporting her 2023 Aust. Open V.I. Pairs Gold medal.

Around the Club in Pics...



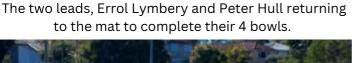


Rob Norquay delivers his bowl while Keith Donaldson gets set to follow suit.



Laraine Meteer enjoying Tuesday social bowls

Thomas preparing for a roll-up before the Men's Novice Singles final.







'Just another day at the Club ' for Pete & his helpers.



'Mr Fixit' Pete, concentrating on the task at hand.



Volunteers are the backbone of the Club.



Birthday List

2/7 Kathleen Xavier 4/7 Cam Spencer 6/7 Rod Wellings 17/7 Gino De Angelis 21/7 Colin Neisler 21/7 Hazel Ryan 21/7 Bryson Leo 22/7 Wendy Wilson 23/7 Anne Hendry 26/7 Valentino Frangiosa 30/7 Carol Yates

Regular happenings....



Every Monday night from 7-9pm come down and play indoor bowls. \$5 to play.



Every Sunday from 8:00-10:30am come down and enjoy a BBQ Breakfast at GRID





when bought with a drink

Stubby Cooler

Club Coaches 2023

Feel free to call any of our coaches to arrange coaching. * Di MacDonald: 0419564870 * Errol Lymbery: 0421551508 * Jill Sammon: 0408280427 * Peter Hull: 32662068 * Wendy Wilson: 0408684118



Club Uniforms Shirts



Short S50 sleeve each

Long S55 sleeve each Shirts & jackets available in Unisex & ladies' cut

* Jackets \$75 each * LIMITED STOCK at the moment **ORDER NOW** for Winter * 6-8wk delivery time * SEE BRONTE (pref.) or Paula

Social Craft Events

Alcohol Ink Workshop Northern Suburbs Bowls Club



Sunday July 16 - 1pm-3pm \$45pp (make 3 items)

- Learn the fine art of using alcohol inks to decorate a vase, pot and tiled coasters
- Two hour guided class
- No experience needed
- All materials included
- Licensed bar and grazing platters
- Ages 8 and over



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Polymer Clay Workshop Northern Suburbs Bowls Club



Sunday August 20 - 1pm-3pm \$45pp

- Learn to make earrings and beads using polymer clay
- Two hour guided class
- No experience needed
- All materials included
- Licensed bar and grazing platters
- Ages 8 and over



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