

where opinions are always biased !

The Positive Outcomes of a Wrong Bias. We play social bowls, we

play a wrong bias and we make a \$1 donation which ends up with a charity – more often than not we simply give without knowing to who or what we donate. On this occasion the ladies are to be congratulated on their selection of a local and worthwhile recipient in *Elsie's Retreat Project* to which President Lyndall Hegarty handed over a cheque for \$350 dollars raised through wrong bias deliveries and a collection at Christmas time, including a donation from Rick Astill in memory of Phyl Astill.



President Lyndall with Peter Hurley from Elsie's Project 16th March 2021

Elsie's Retreat Project has been leading the campaign for a 'homelike' facility for terminally ill residents for the past eight years. It has come a long way and in December 2020, it was confirmed that the former maternity ward at Gosford Hospital would be transformed into a 10-bed palliative care unit.

Once operational, Central Coast residents will, for the first time ever, have a choice between receiving palliative care at home or in a hospital setting, and by locating this unit within Gosford Hospital, patients can also benefit from access to specialist medical, nursing and allied health services as well as diagnostic testing.

The unit is going to be fully refurbished with plans including two large family rooms where families can visit

their loved one, a lounge and kitchenette so family members can spend the night, a children's playroom so families can stay on ward and a covered balcony so patients can enjoy some time outdoors.

The project has raised more than \$300,000 and has had support from both sides of politics and the Central Coast Local Health District. The more funds that are raised the better the facility will be.

Once operational, long term fundraising will continue to ensure that funds are in place for equipment upgrades and replacements within the facility, with another long-term goal the establishment of a range of palliative care scholarships for doctors and nurses.

Want to know more or make a donation

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members who have joined the club since the last edition of *Dolphin Tales*.

Julie Cox

Jason Jordon

Mick Perry

If you get the opportunity, please say g'day to our newest members and welcome them to our club.

If you know of anyone thinking of taking up bowls bring them along to the introductory coaching sessions which are held each Friday at 11.00 am. (and as arranged).

Or perhaps you have a friend at another local club – why not invite them to join you here for a game (or more permanently).



Don't forget - IT'S SIMPLES!

If you introduce them, you get the rewards. That's right, you get 4 green fees vouchers and two drinks when they become a bowling

member.

COACHING IS FREE AND WE SUPPLY THE BOWLS TO USE DURING THE COACHING TIMES – Contact Freddy Dowse, Alan McCleod or Glennie McCaffrey

Membership Renewals

The Club Terrigal Board has agreed not to increase bowling member fees for the forthcoming year and will return to a pre covid subscription rate of \$90. This represents no increase for male bowlers and a small saving for female bowlers in their effort to ensure an equitable arrangement. Membership renewals for both male and female bowling members for 2021/22 have been set by the Club Terrigal Board at \$90. They are due before 1st July and can be paid at Reception on any day. New members joining from 1st April will pay only \$90 to take them through to 30th June 2022.



S20 includes morning tea, Roast Pork lunch, Green Fees and lucky prizes.

The Mixed Visit from Stockton planned for the 14th March was cancelled due to the heavy rain and storm activity but it will be rescheduled for later in the year – *watch this space !*

TWILIGHT BOWLS



The sun has finally set on the Summer Twilight Series of social bowls. It was a resounding success, attracting regular players and visitors – and running from January to April. Most players were also seen dining in the club and taking the opportunity to give the cook a night off.

Everyone that participated had a chance to be in the money and when it returns later in the year for the next season it will start with a \$600 jackpot.

"Young man," said the judge, looking sternly at the defendant. "It's alcohol and alcohol alone that's responsible for your present sorry state! " I'm glad to hear you say that," he said with a sigh of relief. "Everybody else says it's all my fault!"

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Wet weather, pennants and State/Zone Events have had a dramatic effect on the progress of club championships at all clubs. However, the ladies have completed the singles and the men have completed the fours (reported in the last edition of *Dolphin Tales*). The men's pairs are at the semi-final stage and the singles are in rounds 1 and 2.

WINNERS ARE GRINNERS -



Congratulations to Julia Silvia, the 2021 Major Singles Champion, and runner-up Rose Bendall (inset).



State, Zone and District Championships



Paul Ryan – 2020 Zone 15 President's Reserve Singles Champion

Unfortunately, despite two very good wins in the sectional play, Paul didn't make it through to the knockout rounds of the State Finals played this year due to the covid pandemic. However, it's a well done to Paul – an outstanding achievement to get that far in a very competitive class of bowling.

2021 PENNANTS

We have reached the halfway point for the men and the ladies are only one week into the competition. Some will look at the results sheets and prophesize but the rest of us will remain positive in the knowledge that fortunes change. Whilst the men's Grade 2 have an uphill battle and Grade 5 are yet to win a game, Grades 3 and 6 have only lost one game. We are representing the club and we play to our best ability with the hope that we share the luck on the day.

IT'S NEVER OVER TILL IT'S OVER !



THE EASTER CARNIVAL

What a fantastic weekend of bowls under blue skies and sunshine – not always what we expect at Easter.

Those that played enjoyed the conditions and those that finished in the money enjoyed it even more !

Major Prize Winners



JUNIOR BOWLERS

Our Junior Bowlers continue to stamp their mark on the game and despite interruptions from other sports two of the juniors have played pennants with our successful Grade 6 side.

Luke Burton and Sam Griffiths also had an



excellent game in the Zone 15 Presidents Reserves Pairs. Drawn against a previous year's finalists they managed to stay with their adult opponents for the duration and only went down by handful of shots.

Junior bowlers are the future of the game and it is good to see our juniors playing alongside their parents and grandparents in social bowls and participating in championships.

They practice and train regularly with other Junior Bowlers from across the Central Coast and have enjoyed the opportunity of representing the Central Coast against other Zones.

We are looking to expand the Junior Bowler Group at Terrigal – so if you are a parent, grandparent, uncle, aunt or just a family friend and you know a young person looking to try a new sport, perhaps something without contact and less robust than most other sports, please call Freddy Dowse (0418 251 238) or leave a message at Reception.

Junior Bowling is a free activity. Membership is FREE – Coaching is FREE – there is a FREE shirt - there are no green fees – we provide the bowls for coaching and play.

All coaches are accredited by Bowls Australia and with current Working With Children Certificates (WWCC's)



There has been some considerable conversation about the movement of players during the game and some confusion, especially when female and male bowlers play together or when the umpire is of the opposite sex.

The Conditions of Play for the RNSWBA and WBNSW must be read independently.

Appendix A to the Laws of the Sport of Bowls – specifically A.4 on page 97 – includes a requirement for restricting the movement of players to be included within the Conditions of Play. With regard to Women's bowls, there is no such inclusion in the 2021 Conditions of Play for Championships nor in the Conditions of Play for Pennants which restricts the movement of players.

Hence, the movement of players in Women's bowls is not restricted.

Congratulations to Lillian Pombart who has very recently qualified as an umpire.



Our team of coaches now includes coaches with qualifications or experience to assist junior, new and aspiring bowlers, wheelchair bowlers, bowlers with impaired vision and bowlers with limited mobility problems. Please contact the Bowls Office to be guided to the appropriate coach.

Coaching for new bowlers is available every Friday from 11.00 am.





NSW Local Sports Grants



Adam Crouch, Member for Terrigal, visited the club on Tuesday 6th April to congratulate the men's and ladies' bowlers on the successful application for grants through the NSW Local Sports Grant Program. Adam handed over a cheque for \$4,000 to support our ongoing commitment to providing opportunities to both junior and adult bowlers, especially those adults with restricted or limited mobility issues. Adam was told that we hoped to encourage all groups to take up the sport and assist those that already play to continue playing bowls for much longer.

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Please call Freddy Dowse on 0418 251 238 to organize an introduction to lawn bowls.



After the Game

During his visit to our club Adam also spent some time with some of our lady bowlers who were enjoying the social benefits of bowling. Here he is chatting with our oldest lady bowler, Val Davis (90), who we think had just persuaded Adam to take up bowling.





Guess the position of the jack – which has been removed from the picture. To enter, take a copy of this page, mark the picture with a X where you believe the jack should be, include your name and membership number and then put it in the box at the notice board. Entries close Saturday 19th June 2021

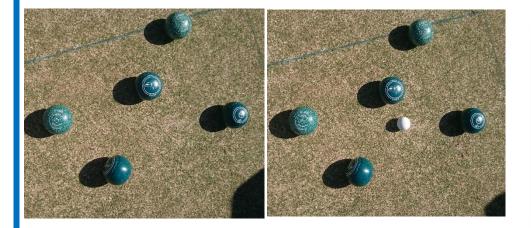


Name
Membership Number
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TERRIGAL

Conditions of entry: Open only to members of Club Terrigal and limited to one entry for each occasion the member plays social bowls or club championships. The decision of the judges is final and the winner's name will be included in the next *Dolphin Tales* newsletter.

FIND THE KITTY COMPETITION – FEBRUARY 2021 ISSUE OF DOLPHIN TALES



And the winner was



Pam Meagher



RSL BOWLS

Freddy Dowse, Rick Astill and Joe Griffin have been selected to represent Zone 5 against Zone 4 at Belrose on 17th May.

Next RSL Social Bowls Days are 19th April at Munmorah and 10th May at The Everglades – these days are open to RSL members and friends.

The RSL Zone Triples Championships was won by the team from The Entrance and our best performing team was Howie Fortis and John Luxford (from Breakers and now playing RSL bowls with Terrigal) skipped by Freddy Dowse, who reached the semi-finals.

The RSL Zone Fours Championships will be played at Terrigal during July and the entry sheets are on the notice board.

The RSL Group is always looking for new members to experience the camaraderie and sense of humour of life in uniform now displayed on the bowling green. – please contact Brian Parker, Secretary, or Rick Astill, Delegate.

WANT TO BOWL FREE FOR A MONTH?



SIMPLES – ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS INTRODUCE A NEW OR TRANSFERRING BOWLER TO THE CL UB.

..... AND THAT'S NOT ALL. THE NEW MEMBER ALSO GETS FOUR GREEN FEES VOUCHERS AND A CLUB SHIRT!

..... BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE. THERE'S ALSO A FREE BEER, WINE OR SOFT DRINK FOR BOTH OF YOU.

C'MON, HOW HARD IS THAT?





An up-to-date list of Q & A's from Women's Bowls and Bowls NSW is available at https://www.bowlsnsw.com.au/unification-news/

You may also seek answers to additional questions through mailto:unification@bowlsnsw.com.au

The information Roadshows to which every male and female bowler in NSW were invited have finished. In the next few weeks, all clubs are being provided with the wording of a resolution to be put to all bowlers at club level. You will be asked to vote for a replacement constitution and then vote to authorise the State Bowls authorities to implement the new constitution, which in effect will bring about the unification of Bowls NSW and Women's Bowls at State level. The voting process will be conducted separately for both men's and women's organisations as explained in the Q&A document. Special General Meetings will be called in the next few days for the vote to take place in May.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WILL ONLY BE A VOTE TO UNIFY AT STATE LEVEL and clubs are not required to unify at club level to be affiliated with the new organisation. As all bowlers would be affiliated with the one organisation, fees will be calculated as one club but the decision to unify as one club will remain at club level.

If the vote for unification is not carried the status quo will remain – that is, female bowlers will continue to be able to join clubs affiliated with Bowls NSW and continue to participate in male championships and pennants.

There is a lot of misinformation and disrespectful inuendo circulating throughout the bowls community and because these changes will affect us all, we should take the time to read through the Q&A document, the Member Information Pack and the proposed constitution.

We may have a strong point of view about these intended changes but we should refrain from disrespectful comments, especially via electronic media, and make our point through the voting process.

Central Coast Past Presidents' visit 18th April 2021



Just for the record we also played bowls on the day - Terrigal 175 shots /Past Presidents 116 shots. Their President, Ian Jarrett, explained that it is a tradition that they allow the host club to win. Like we believe him! Anyway, winning isn't everything when you are in good company in a bowling club. A game of bowls, a good feed and a cold drink – it's a game made in heaven.



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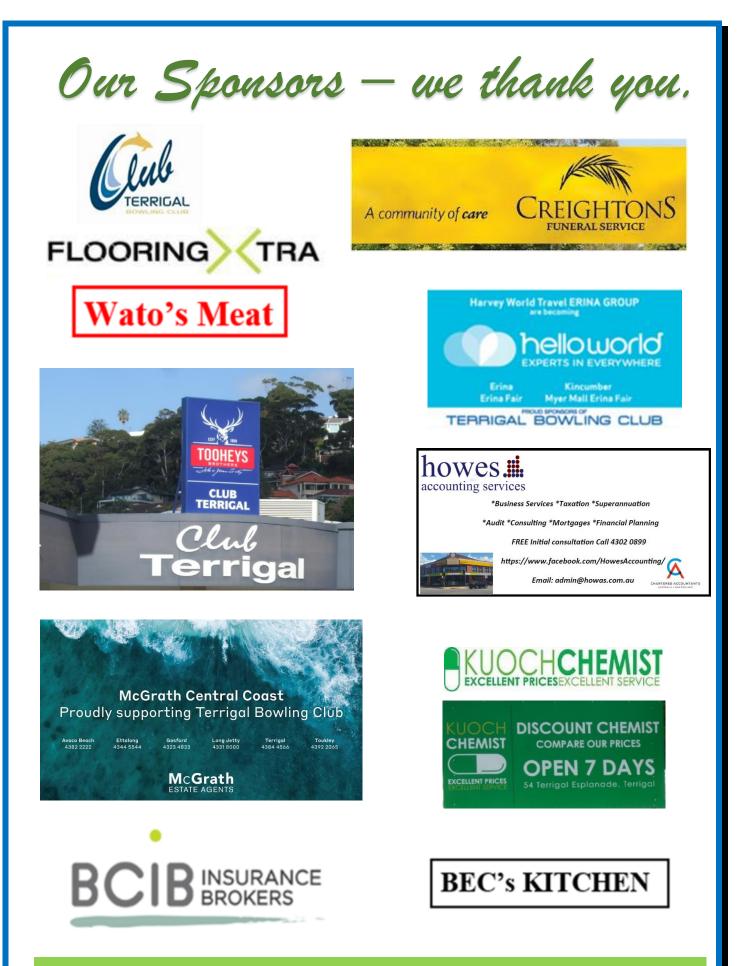
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That's all for this edition,

Freddy Dowse

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