

Pennant Hills Bowling Club

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News from the Men's Club



What happened?

Men's Pairs Championship Round 2

The games were held in near perfect weather over Saturday and Sunday. The sun shone and a tricky cross wind prevailed, making players continually adjust their shot selection. Organised purely for spectators were some extremely close games, with four out of the five going down to the last end with some surprising results.

Game 1 Steve Parry & Matthew George V Karl Proft & Chris Treloar

A very close match overall with some excellent bowling from all players throughout the game. It was locked up at 20 all with one end to pay and after the first six bowls it was still anybody's game. Consider the last two bowls: first Matthew drew the shot that gave his team the lead, then Chris produced another great bowl to draw even closer to win the match 21 – 20.

Game 2 Graham Krempin & Don Yeates V Bob Husband & Barry Fisher

Graham and Don got away to a very good lead and after 13 ends led 19-7. But as you know, this game of bowls can turn very quickly and Bob and Barry got on a roll and reeled off 11 shots over the next seven ends to trail 18-19 with 1 end to play. Fortunately for Graham and Don they managed hold off to pick a single shot and win the match 20-18.

Game 3 Voytek Lasek & Ian Millar V (WHO CARES) & Ken Byatt

Forget this one (played brilliantly one week sh*t the next). [Ed. The reporter here might have been involved. Someone give Ralph a hug] Outclassed by two consistent (if not a bit lucky) [Ed. There is no luck, only skill] players in Voytek and Ian, who after running away to a handy 11 -0 lead cruised through to the quarter finals winning 24-14

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Game 4 Vic Teterin & Harry Moody V Tony Yard & Kel Sullivan

Bowls is a very funny game: on any given day the un-expected can happen. This game was a triumph for the underdogs, for as good as Tony and Kel bowled Vic and Harry matched them all the way. After 21 ends it was locked up at 17 all. An extra end was required to determine who would win the match and after 6 bowls Kel held shot some 8 to 10 inches in front of the jack. With what can only be described as the wick of the century, Harry somehow managed to backdoor one that knocked this own bowl sideways to hit the jack and move it onto one of his other bowls. The look of dismay on both Tony and Kel's faces said it all. Kel had one final chance to steal the victory but was just wide of the mark. Vick and Harry winning 20 – 17

Game 5 Michael Ryan & Gary Havron V Bruce Dalton & Fred Murdock

Another close result with a win for Michael and Gary 25 - 23. After 10 ends Bruce and Fred held an 11-7 lead, but a 4, 3 and 7 over the next 4 ends put Michael and Gary in strong position to lead 21 - 12. Bruce and Fred fought back with a 3 & 5 to close the gap to 2 with 4 ends to play. Both teams picked up 3 each over those 4 ends with Michael and Gary finally winning 25-23.

Game 6 David Lesslie & Garry McKeough V Daryl Hallam & Laurie Herbert

While the game was close, the score did not reflect that, David and Garry winning 30-11. Daryl and Laurie lead 7 - 5 after 7 ends but a huge 16 from David and Garry over the next 5 ends saw the score blow out to 21 -8 in their favour. It was still an entertaining match to watch with all players producing some excellent shots.

Game 7 Phil Wilson & Billy Bastock V Barry James & Jim Brown

Another game to surprise everyone with the closeness of the scores throughout and once again showed that not always do the higher graded players take home the prize. Phil and Billy outplayed and outlasted their more experienced opponents Barry and Jimmy. Neither team could get away to any sort of lead with 3 being the biggest lead by either team throughout the game. Scores were locked up on 5 different occasions and with ends running out quickly it was a fight to the finish. In the end however it was Phil and Billy that just hung on to win 17 – 16.

Game 8 Kevin Brown & Ted Banks V Phil Briggs & Warren Phillips

Didn't see much of this one as like most I thought it would be a fairly comfortable win for Phil and Warren, but it just goes to show you that you can never underestimate two veterans of the game who handled the conditions a lot better than their opponents. Both Kevin and Ted bowled beautifully and never took the pressure off Phil and Warren throughout the game. In the end they lead all bar the first end and ran out comfortable winners 19 – 11.



Quarter Finals 4th June 2017

Game 1 Karl Proft & Chris Treloar V Tom McKeown & Graham Krempin

Karl and Chris got away to a very good lead and after 16 ends lead 17 – 10. But two great ends by Tom and Graham, picking up 8 shots with a 5 and a 3, saw them lead 18-17 with 3 ends to play. It was only on the final end that the match was won by Karl and Chris when they picked up a shot to win 21 – 19.

Game 2 Voytek Lasek & Ian Millar V Vic Teterin & Harry Moody

The two giant killers from the previous week were drawn to play off in this round; what a match up everyone thought. Of course, only one team managed to continue on with their good form from the previous week. It didn't seem to matter how good either Vic or Harry bowled, Voytek and Ian bowled better, knocking shot bowls out of the way or trailing the jack back to their own bowls. Voytek and Ian led 9- 1 after 7 ends and it was only a mighty end by Vic and Harry, where they picked up a 6 on the 8th end, did the match look like it was on, and that we were in for another classic battle. Sorry but that's where it ended for Vic and Harry as both Voytek and Ian went on a rampage to score 21 shots to 5 over the next 13 ends to win 30 – 13.

Game 3 David Lesslie & Garry McKeough V Michael Ryan & Gary Havron

This game I thought would be the clash of the day and it turned out that way. Another slow start by Michael & Gary saw David & Garry get a way to a handy 9 – 3 lead after 7 ends, and with shots pretty even over the next 7 ends you started to think they were running out of time to get back into it, but suddenly the game came to life as both Michael and Gary found their mark to draw level at 15 all after 19 ends. After a superb bowl from Michael they took the lead for the first time in the match: 16-15 with one end to play. After 4 ½ hours of bowling, and with the light fading fast, David put the pressure on, his first bowl within inches of the jack. After both Michael and Gary H cut it down to one it looked as we would be going into a 22nd end decider, but Mr McKeough had other ideas and drew his final bowl just inside Gary's to win the match 17 – 16. What a great match to watch.

Game 4 Kevin Brown & Ted Banks V Phil Wilson & Bill Bastock

Another masterly display of bowling from the old veterans; they seem to be getting better the longer the championship goes. [Ed. That would be Kevin and Ted] Unfortunately for Phil and Billy they just could not match the excellent bowling from Kevin and Ted. If only they could have started the way they finished it may have been a lot closer, but all credit to Kevin and Ted who maintained total control of the match throughout to win 35 – 16.

Congratulations to our winners and good luck in the Semi Final



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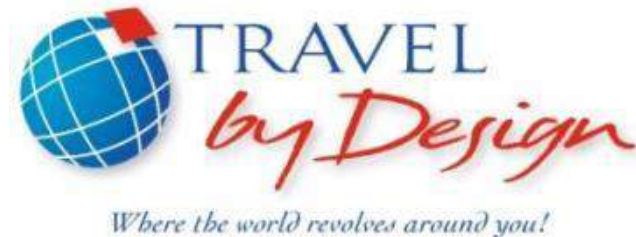
After a request from a number of players from all four teams I have decided the semi-finals will be played this **Saturday 10th June starting at 12:00pm**

Make sure you come along and watch what should be two very close and exciting matches.

Regards, The Committee.

What's coming up?

Who knows, better check the notice board!



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News from the Women's Club

Winner of Northern Suburbs District Singles – Cath Foster

After a hard fought battle against Lesley Hines of Beecroft, Cath emerged as the winner of the District Singles. Cath was behind at the start of the game but as the game see-sawed, she fought back with dogged determination to finally win 26-21. Her last two bowls sat happily each side of the jack. Well done, Cath.



A walk of triumph



The winning style

Pennants

Finally, the Pennant season has finished and the winners are – Grade 1 Asquith, Grade 2 North Epping, Grade 3 West Pennant Hills and Grade 4 North Epping. Well done to all and good luck in the play-offs.

If we thought this was a drawn out season, spare a thought for the competitors in the AWBC National Bowling Championships in 1995. Jean Bunn and Isla Donkin of Rosny Park, NSW plus two others began their day at 9.30am with a win in the semi-final of the fours. After their semi-final win, Jean and Isla competed in a gruelling pairs encounter which they won 18-12. Then after a short meal break they were back on the green at 6.00pm for a dour struggle in the final of the fours. After winning that, the tired but happy duo hit the green for the pairs final. The day dragged on until about **2.00am**. Why am I recounting this story, you ask – Jean Bunn was Bev Fairbairn's mother. No wonder Bev is so determined! Great genes to inherit, Bev.

Talking of Pennants, Women's Bowls NSW have informed the clubs that the moratorium of all grades concluded this year. In 2018, clubs will be able to enter teams in whatever grade they see fit. There will be no enforced elevation or relegation because of this year's results unless a team wins through to the State play-offs then elevation to the next grade would be compulsory. However,

It is expected the clubs will enter teams in the spirit of good sportsmanship and fair play, taking into account players skill level and history.

It is planned that all clubs and districts will play their pennant games as normal in 2018, except for grade 1 in the metropolitan area. For Grade 1 it is recommended that in 2018 there be a trial pennant competition where clubs play teams outside of their district and region. This is planned to address the issues of not enough games played and with not enough teams entering Grade 1. So we will wait for 2018 to see how this all pans out.



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Club Pairs sponsored by Archer Law

The club pairs have commenced and there have been some good games and interesting results.

Round 1

Cath Foster and Jan Sexty defeated Dina Waters and Carol Huttary 17-15

Orma Downs and Marg Dellow defeated Judy Fripp and Anne Drummond 22-18

Judy Summerson and Rowena Coode defeated Fay Brown and Pat Fullagar 33-6

Barbara Crossman and Suellen Caisley defeated Judy Beattie and Pat Holden 20-6

Jenny Partridge and Pam Lowe defeated Julie Ortlepp and Lola Wills 25-7

Round 2

Orma Downs and Marg Dellow defeated Cath Foster and Jan Sexty 18-11

Judy Summerson & Rowena Coode defeated Barbara Crossman and Suellen Caisley 27-18

Jenny Partridge and Pam Lowe defeated Ruth Low and Ros Krempin 31-12

Karen Svenne and Nerida King defeated Ann Smith and Lynne Lockwood 14-12

Survey

Women's Bowls NSW have also sent a survey they would like all members to complete. If you wish to have a say in the future of our game and you have internet access, the go to <http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9TTHSX6>.

If you don't have internet access, see one of the committee for a copy of the survey.

The Queen's Birthday carnival on June 12 is fast approaching and the sheets are on the board. This time we are planning bowls and a BBQ (instead of a catered lunch) and the cost is only \$15. Sponsored by Ray White, we will play turn around triples with generous prize money. Please come along and support this event.

Plans are being finalised for our social night on July 28. Organised between the men's and women's clubs this will be a fun night. The cost is only \$30 for a 2 course meal plus some nonsense entertainment and music to 'trip the light fantastic'.

Quiz

1. I am an insect and the first half of my name reveals another insect. Some famous musicians had a name similar to mine. What am I?
2. No legs have I to dance, no lungs have I to breathe. No life have I to live or die and yet I do all three. What am I?
3. I go up and at the same time go down. Up towards the sky, and down towards the ground. I'm present tense and past tense too. What am I?
4. What grows when it eats, but dies when it drinks?
5. I come in different shapes and sizes. Part of me are curves, others are straight. You can put me anywhere you like, but there is only one right place for me. What am I?

Answers next newsletter



The advertisement is split into two main sections. On the left, there is a logo for 'DRAKE'S Handmade Jewellery' featuring a crown over a 'D' and 'S' monogram. A red starburst graphic next to it says 'MULTI AWARD WINNING'. The text 'DRAKE'S' is in black, 'Handmade' is in yellow, and 'Jewellery' is in large yellow letters on a dark blue background. On the right, a purple box contains the headline 'More than bricks and mortar.' in white. Below this, it says 'The residents at Uniting Wirreanda West Pennant Hills say they're living a life they love.' followed by a bulleted list: 'Affordable living', 'Tranquil gardens', and 'Neighbours who look out for each other.' At the bottom of the purple box, it says 'Get in touch. 1800 864 846 uniting.org' and the 'Uniting' logo.

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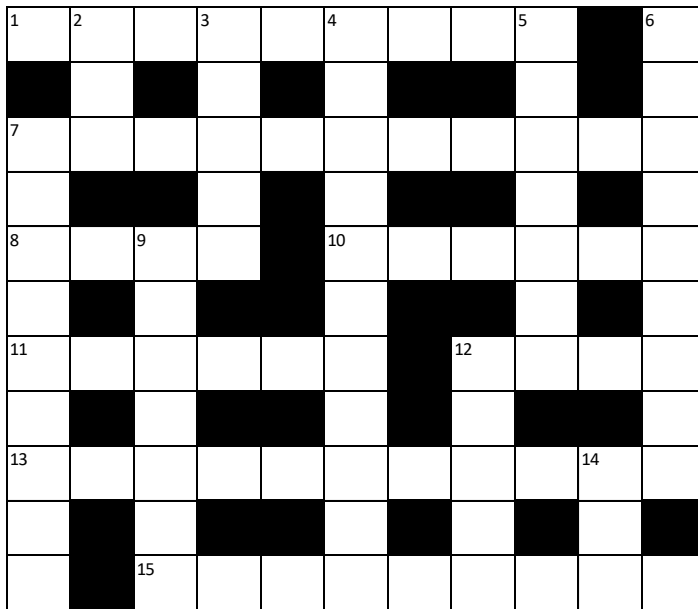


Puzzle Time

...has been temporarily replaced by the Women's quiz

The Crossword

No 38



Laurie's Cryptic

Across

- 1 Old timer had 36-24-36 figure (9)
- 7 Did blond elf, weirdly sightless, bend over before Edward? (11)
- 8 In part, Eva Peron could inhale (4)
- 10 Storey about a pearl container (6)
- 11 Band labourer takes a rum in the ute! (6)
- 12 Mad zealot carries a tool to shape timber (4)
- 13 Stage Archer built for uninvited guest (11)
- 15 Bloke, with head gear, to treat leather on NY island (9)

Down

- 2 It's crude to slash boils! (3)
- 3 Remove soap from some scrubber in Sefton (5)
- 4 Another file roughly describes all known organisms (4, 2, 5)
- 5 Calmed, she oddly, went out with... (7)
- 6 ... boxers and other unmentionables (9)
- 7 Bees surround Vera G. and drinks (9)
- 9 Nonexistent comic book character? (7)
- 12 Alien goes after fool for something of value (5)
- 14 Extras without even a Greek letter (3)

Nolan's Straight

Across

- 1 Sand-filled timer (9)
- 7 Prevented from seeing (11)
- 8 Inhale from an e-cigarette (4)
- 10 Mollusc (6)
- 11 One who assembles the drums, etc. (6)
- 12 Axe-like tool (4)
- 13 Party invader (11)
- 15 Island of New York (9)

Down

- 2 Slippery liquid (3)
- 3 Douse in water (5)
- 4 Attenborough's doco on evolution (4, 2, 5)
- 5 Calmed with a drug (7)
- 6 Intimate apparel (9)
- 7 Drinks (9)
- 9 Lee Falk creation (7)
- 12 Anything of worth (5)
- 14 Seventh Greek letter (3)

Answers to No 37

