

Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Club

December 2020

Herewith the latest news



Still open for new members

What has happened since the last issue?

Midweek 5-A-Side Pennants

At the last issue, the B Grade sides had one round to play, and the C Grades had two. The final outcomes for all 5 sides were:

B Grade Red - Won its last game for maximum points to finish as the section winner with the highest F/A margin, as 2 other sides also had the same number of points from the 5 rounds. Lost the semi-final by 9 shots.

B Grade White – Could not improve its position to finish in 6th place, despite a good win in the last round.

B Grade Blue – A loss in the last round to the previous last placed side resulted in a 6th place finish.

C Grade Green – Despite a win and a narrow loss in the last 2 rounds, the side unfortunately won the “wooden spoon “ for the section.

C Grade Blue – The last 2 rounds produced a win and a loss, but still the side finished in 2nd place in the section.

The eventual winners/runners-up in the competition were:

Grade A – Wenty Leagues, Castle Hill

Grade B – Toongabbie Sports, Denistone Sports

Grade C – NBC Sports, North Ryde RSL

Congratulations to the winners, and thanks to all our members who participated to the best of their ability. There is always next year.

*(Question – What do these seven words all have in common?
- Banana, Dresser, Grammar, Potato, Revive, Uneven, Assess*

Graded Fours

The second semi-final between Team M Fisher and Team Phillips resulted in a win to the latter by **27-12**. In the final between Team Phillips and Team Yeates, the former prevailed with a score of **27-17**.

The winning team was Barry James, Barry Fisher, Voytek Lasek and Warren Phillips, with the runners-up being Alan Evans, Bob Richardson, Michael Ryan and Don Yeates. Congratulations to the winners, and commiserations to the runners-up, but well played to you all, and for your perseverance in concluding this event some 10 months after it started.

Minor Singles Championship sponsored by Terry and Heather Rae

The weather for the final was kind to us, with no hint of rain or excessive heat (which was a change). Under the watchful eye of the marker, President Kel Sullivan, Ross “exploded from the blocks” with a 4 on the first end, but Sami was not to be put off, and “dug in”, but Ross’s experience was too much, and he “greeted the judge” with a score of **31-7**. Congratulations to Ross and Sami in reaching the final, and the sportsmanship displayed.



Kel

Heather

Terry

Ross

Sami

Sincere thanks again to Terry and Heather for your continued sponsorship of the event for those who consider themselves “also-rans”, but where there can be some glory gained.

Mixed Novice Singles Championship Sponsored by Kel Sullivan

This event is open to women with less than 5 years bowling membership, and men with less than 3 years, at the date of the closing entries of the event, and was last contested in 2017. Also, none had to have won a singles or pairs title at any club. A total of 6 members entered and the Match Committee used its discretion to run the event with less than the eight stipulated. This resulted in 3 first round matches being :

Paul Ramsay **21** defeated Jane Edgson **7**
Ian Moyes **21** defeated Greg Salthouse **4**
Graham Edgson **21** defeated Chris Brown **18**

With the highest winning margin from the 3 games, Ian progressed straight to the final, leaving Paul and Graham to “battle it out” for the right to challenge to Ian. Paul was successful with a score of **21-10**.

In the final, with Kel the sponsor also being the marker, Ian took the lead from the first end, and although Paul did not give up the fight, Ian was too strong on the day, and “clinched the title” with a score of **25-18**.

Well played to you both, and thanks to Kel for his continued sponsorship.



Ian

Kel

Paul

(As a footnote, the previous winner in 2017 was the one and only Voytek Lasek, who has regularly featured since in championship winning teams. Take that as an omen Ian? I am not Nostradamus though).

If God had intended us to fly, he would have made it easier for us to get to the airport.

Why does the first piece of luggage on the carousel not belong to anyone?

I have kleptomaniia. When it gets bad I take something for it.

Reserve Pairs

The results for this event are:

Round 1

Ron James and Sami Gounder **22** defeated Charles Coode and Barry Fisher **19**

Round 2

Ron James and Sami Gounder **21** defeated Keith Cunningham and Laurie Herbert **19**

Tony West and Ken Byatt **26** defeated Ian Moyes and Paul Ramsay **17**

John McGlynn and David Rumble **20** defeated Kevin Brown and Warren Thompson **15**

Bob Sexty and Voytek Lasek won by forfeit due to Ross Butler taking ill during the game, but Ross was back on the greens a few days later. Hard luck Ross, but good to see you back

Semi-Finals

Ron James and Sami Gounder **18** defeated Ken Byatt and Tony West **17**

Bob Sexty and Voytek Lasek **22** defeated John McGlynn and David Rumble **11**

The Final

This game was scheduled to be played on the afternoon of Sunday 29 November but, due to the forecast of excessively hot weather for that day, all parties agreed to play on the morning of Saturday 28 November.

Bob and Voytek took the initiative from the outset, and ran out convincing winners **21-4**

All Championship events for 2020 have now been completed, and it is appropriate to “take our hats off” :

- Firstly to the Match Committee of David Rumble, Michael Ryan and Charles Coode who had to juggle and re-juggle the program as COVID-19 restrictions dictated, and hoping that, once the revised program was in place, nothing arose to put “out of whack”
- Secondly, to all members who participated and had the patience to “go with the flow”

We all hope that 2021 will be an easier time.



Ron

Bob

Sami

Voytek

Seasonal “Crackers”

- 1. What is red and white and falls down chimneys?**
- 2. Which of the reindeers has the worst manners?**
- 3. What do you call a kid who does not believe in Santa?**
- 4. What do the elves call it when Santa claps at the end of a play?**
- 5. What do the sheep say to shepherds at Christmas?**

What is next on the Agenda?

Christmas Function and Presentation

This is to be held tomorrow, 12 December. I had proposed to report on it in this issue, but instead will do a “Christmas Special” on it in the next week or so, as there is to be a “one-off” presentation on the day.

Graded Fours for 2021

Entries for this open on 15 December and close on 8 January, with the first round on 16 January, and is to be played on Saturdays and Sundays in order to get the event finished quickly, and to allow for contingencies in the weather, where the forecast for the first 3 months is “wetter than normal”.

Major Singles for 2021

This is another “early starter”, entries opening on 1 January, closing on 22 January, with the first round on 30 January, and all rounds on a Saturday.

Keep your eyes on the notice board for these entry sheets, and other events as they come up.



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Committee News

We extend a welcome to another two new members – John Black and David Chandler.

Management Committee for 2021/22

Our AGM is to be held on Saturday 20 February 2021, and nominations are now open for positions on the Committee. The duties are not onerous, and it is an opportunity to give something back to the club.

Wednesday Social Bowls

After last year’s successful trial, we again are having the games in the morning, starting at 9.30 am, and finishing at 12 noon, or earlier as appropriate. This will continue until the end of March 2021. As a bit of a “carrot” to boost attendances – Wednesdays are our best for numbers – there will be \$200 awarded, individually or shared, to the member/members who record the highest attendance. Committee members are not eligible to participate.



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Ken Byatt



Answer to the question on page 2

In all of the words, if you take the first letter and place it at the end, then spell the word backwards, it will be the same word.

Answers to the Seasonal "Crackers"

1. *Santa Klutz*
2. *Rude-olph*
3. *A rebel without a Claus*
4. *Santaplause*
5. *Season's bleatings*

(Apologies for the Dad/Granddad jokes).