

Pennant Hills Bowling Club

January 2020

News from the Men's Club



What has happened since the last issue?

Novice Singles

Unfortunately, this event was again not held, as the minimum number of entries was not reached. Basically this event is for new bowlers with less than 5 years (for women) and 3 years (for men) bowling experience. If we cannot recruit new members, the future of this event looks bleak.

Christmas Function

This event, being the major end-of-year function, and the opportunity to acknowledge our Championship winners for the year, was held on 14 December. Representatives from our Parent Club and our sponsors were also in attendance, as this gives us the opportunity to thank them for their support. Bill North, a Director of Seven Hills RSL (and a bowler at Blacktown City), was high with his praise at what was being achieved at Pennant Hills.

Play was available in both the morning and afternoon, most opting for the morning, with some also “doubling up” in the afternoon. After the afternoon games, 2 ends of corner-to-corner were played, with Mark Fisher winning the first, and Mick Eland the second. It needed all the skills of the Chairman of Umpires (me) using the orbital to determine that Mick was the winner.

Bowling over a distance of some 40 metres takes some “skill”, but a lot of luck.

Thanks to all who attended to make the day the special event that it is.



Ready for the “nanna nap” after an excellent lunch served by Kenny and the crew of Abby’s Bistro

What is next on the agenda?

Graded Fours Championship

Entries close next Friday 10 January, with Round 1 on Saturday 18 January and Round 2 on Saturday 1 February. All teams must have a minimum of 20 points based on the 2019 Pennant grades, with ungraded players being graded 6. Women are also eligible to enter due to the recent decision by Bowls NSW to make the sport gender neutral. Their gradings of 1, 2, 3, 4 become 4, 5, 6 and 6 respectively.

Australia Day Mixed Carnival with the Women’s Club

This will be on **Monday 27 January** beginning at 8.30 am (with the obligatory morning tea). Entry sheets (single entry only) are on each Notice Board with all the details as to cost, dress etc. Please support this year-opening event which is more about the camaraderie than the bowls.

Pennants for 2020

Although a few weeks off yet, the first round is set down for Saturday 29 February, with a “double-header” weekend on 7 and 8 March for Rounds 2 and 3. We retain the same grades as last year 4, 5 and 6. Can Grade 4 emulate its success of 2019 with another Zone flag (and hopefully one from the State playoffs).



Two of our “finest” hoping to again get Grade 4 on the podium in 2020

We take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to Peter Nolan for the umpteen hours he puts in each year to ensure that the pennant season runs smoothly. Also to the other pennants selectors for their dedication to the cause.



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Committee News

Annual General Meeting

The 2020 AGM, and election of the Management Committee, will be held on Saturday 22 February commencing at 10.00 am.

Nominations are now open for positions on the Committee, which will be for 12 months from the date of the AGM. They close on Friday 31 January 2020.

This is an opportunity for you to become involved in the running of the club, and to be a “doer”, not a “sayer”.

Wednesday Social Bowls

Just a reminder that, from now until the end of daylight saving in April, we have the early start for Wednesday bowls. Ring in between 8.15 am and 8.45 am, if you have not already entered your name on the entry sheet. Play starts at 9.30 am and is over 18 ends with no refreshment break.



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