



## BRUSH PARK BOWLING CLUB NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2017

### Chairman's Newsletter - September 2017

#### Amalgamation

Your board continues to work with Carlingford to finalise the amalgamation process with the latest milestone of transferring the Club License almost done. The Board approved the Application to be sent to Liquor and Gaming on the 6<sup>th</sup> of September.

Remaining activities are around the transfer of financial responsibilities completely to the Carlingford management and the consequent closure of our bank accounts. Also, the completion of any regulatory issues around the closure of the Brush Park Bowling Club Ltd whilst retaining our bowling identity as Brush Park as far as Bowls NSW are concerned. This may require retention of our ABN.

All current Directors will be removed from the ASIC register once the "Limited" club ceases operations. At this point an advisory committee will be established consisting of the 2 Bowls Presidents and, initially, 2 other directors on the current Board.

Carlingford has already taken over the management of staff, rostering and the ordering of stock. Shaun Johns, their CEO, has been organizing and carrying out maintenance work around the club. You may have noticed:

- The newly painted sign above the front door
- Improved exterior lighting on the paths and driveway
- Foxtel is now showing on the projected screen. Note that the quality is expected to be improved when the Carlingford Audio/Visual consultant has been able to investigate options
- A new Point of Sale has been installed linking all 3 clubs
- A 4 pm to 6 pm happy hour has been established Monday to Friday
- There is new staff behind the bar

Coming up:

- Very soon a new "Club Entry" sign will be installed on the Greenkeeper's shed visible from both directions in Rutledge Street
- The big Tooheys sign will be updated and moved, by Tooheys, to a better more visible location once a DA for the move is approved by Ryde council
- New signage on the doors and inside the club is being prepared
- Orders have been placed to restore the damaged ceiling panels in the bar area and restaurant
- The preparation of new membership cards is in progress. Welcome letters will be sent out soon
- Our website and Facebook page will be updated

Although we continue to lose money there have been signs of "green shoots" going forward with patronage slowly picking up. Long may it continue! There is a role for all members in this area by patronize events such as Trivia and Karaoke, partaking of the excellent meals available from our restaurant and encourage friends, neighbours and family to come and enjoy our facilities.

Continue to enjoy **your** club and go Brushie.

Geoff Young

Chairman/Secretary

## A Group Photo Of Board Members



Most of the old/new Board. 2 bowls presidents and Gerry Josephs missing

## Newsletter Editor's Report

### Ron Palmer Tournament September 11th.



Overall winners, P Delves team from Nth. Epping



Overall second, Bill Daley's team from Nth. Epping



Overall third, Tony Bromley's team from The Hills



Our hard working organisers Les and John

This was another great and successful day thanks to our sponsors Wayne and Teena Vaughan of McGraths Real Estate, the organising by John Roddy with help from Les Robinson and of course the great weather organised by Ron Palmer.

## Memorial Day 19th. August



What a great effort from everybody involved, winners are shown. John Leek also won the best pose award.

## Ron Palmer's Birthday Celebration



Ron recently celebrated his 88th. Birthday with his lovely wife Betty and a group of friends and fellow bowlers in our Dragon 88 Restaurant (very fitting).

Ron and Betty, have been married for 61 years and Betty is also an accomplished bowler and partners Ron in mixed events.

Ron has been bowling since 1976 and I have been informed that in that time he has won 20 singles titles, 35 pairs finals, various district singles and fours events, plus a States Sides Fours event.

Hi fellow bowlers call him "The Smiling Assassin" and those who have played against him would understand.

## Our Gardens

As bowlers, we tend to take our surrounding gardens for granted. They are always there and they always look great.

The gardens are now in full bloom thanks to the spring weather and the tireless efforts of John Higgins and John Roddy who regularly maintain and replenish it with new varieties, some from their gardens, some donated by Swaness Nursery Carlingford. You will also notice that we have a small vegetable and herb garden included.

There have been many complimentary comments from visitors and Phil Roy has advised that we will be entering the Ryde Council Garden Competition this year.



## Women's Club News

### Ladies Fashion Parade Sept. 4th.



Well done ladies, it was a very successful and colourful parade

### Winners of Ladies Gala Day 21st. August



Well done Marie and company.

### Veterans' Day



Well Deserving Veterans' Day Badge Winners

## Club Triples Final 2017 Winners



L-R Jenny Roddy, Betty Palmer and Pam Lyons

## Notices

### Membership Cards

New membership cards for the Carlingford Group are now available. As this card requires your photo ID, you will need to go to the Carlo Club to check your details and have your photo taken. No transfer cost is involved.

### Newsletter Inputs

I am always looking for and happy to receive news, photos and articles from our members for inclusion in the newsletter.

Thanks to Marie Dewhirst for the many photos and news from the Women's Club.

Roger Hurley has sent me an article which is his story relating to his recent trip to the snow country in his new all electric Tesla motor vehicle.

I found the article most interesting, I am sure that you will. It won't be long before everyone will be driving electric cars

As this is a large article I have attached it as a separate file to this mail out, please open and read it.

### Suggestion Box



We now have a Suggestion Box, presently located on the shelf outside the Selectors' Office.

Before you rush to deposit your suggestions or complaints, consider 2 points.

1. The note says that the box is opened on the 8th day of the week.
2. The box has no bottom to it and any suggestions would fall through to the ground.