



# NEWSLETTER

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## FROM CHAIRMAN DAVID:

\*Finally we have a new Galvanized Pipe flag pole, which looks quite smart and certainly will not rot and collapse like the last one. I am also pleased to report the cost was only \$495, a far cry from the \$1500 plus quoted to us by specialist suppliers, and our thanks go Graeme at Mouse Engineering.

\*By now everyone will have received an envelope containing their new personalized plastic credit size Membership Card, and their Christmas Raffle book. Apologies for the delay with the supply of cards, but it was largely beyond our control. Next year they will be available immediately on re-joining from the 1<sup>st</sup> July, or even earlier to accommodate the travelling nomads who want to carry up to date Club member validation up north.

\*Members will have noticed that this year all the details relevant to the Christmas Raffle are the same re price and prizes, but your personal book this year contains 15 tickets. I trust everyone will be forgiving about this initiative, but results each year leaves less members to distribute books to, and less members to sell tickets at the various street locations. Last year's raffle result was the best ever, thanks to almost everyone's assistance with the scheduled rostering, and it is so critical for the Club's overall finances. It's a very good value for money raffle and easy sell.

\*Over the next six months Rob Ashworth will be involved working around the Club for 15 hours a week, doing general maintenance under a special agreement with the Federal Government. We all know of Rob's painting skills and easy going nature (except for his killer instinct on the Green), and we thank him for his generous agreement to participate in this program, which he did not "have" to do. Please show your appreciation whenever you have the chance.

\*Last month's working bee was cancelled due to not having a good list of appropriate work for a 2hr volunteer effort, but we will have another between 9 – 11 AM on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> November, again with coffee and socialising to follow. Hopefully it will be just as successful as in September.

\*The Club continues to wrestle with minimising expenditure, and maximising outside income sources, and Barefoot Bowls & Corporate Bowls leading into Christmas will be critical to this and any member able to assist with these events should contact Manager Bob, Brian Gilby, David Jackaman or myself.

\*Thanks to Bernie Jones another very successful concert was held on Friday night 16<sup>th</sup> October, - although a few more members in attendance would have put "icing on the financial result". Please keep in mind the next one scheduled for the 27<sup>th</sup> November.

\*The Board would like to offer its full support to the Selection Committee which has had a tough initiation to the year, with some very "unfortunate behaviour" by some making life very difficult. Remember it's a team game and you are playing for you Club – it's not all about you! Just go out and enjoy the company and your game of bowls, and if you win it's a bonus. If necessary, have a polite talk with the selectors, they are approachable, and finally enter Club and State events to prove your bowling ability, so the selectors will have to rethink. But remember every Committee is "voluntary", and nobody has the right to attack a hard working conscientious volunteer, or anybody else for that matter. There is a CLUB CODE OF BEHAVIOUR in each Members handbook.

## WINNERS ARE GRINNERS:

Congratulations to:

**Mary Tragardh**

Winner of the CLUB LADIES' CONSISTENCY.

**Paul Davies.**

Winner of the O&M MEN'S OVER 60 SINGLES.

**Paul Davies and Bob Harbridge.**

Winner of the O&M MEN'S OVER 60 PAIRS.

**David Jackaman, Kylie Whitehead and Brian Gilby.**

Winners of the HALLAWELL MIXED TRIPLES.



## NOVEMBER DATES TO HIGHLIGHT IN YOUR DIARY:

Sun	1	Men's State Triples Championship – Post Sectional
Tue	3	GENERATIONS Melbourne Cup Mixed Triples
Thu	5	Ladies' Club Triples Championship Final
Sat	7	Men's Club Singles Championship Rnds 1 & 2
Sun	15	Men's State Singles Championship Rnds 1 & 2
Thu	19	Ladies' Club Singles Championship Rnds 1 & 2
Sun	22	Men's State Singles Championship Rnds 3 & 4 Men's Club Singles Championship Rnd 3
Thu	26	Ladies' State Pairs Championship
Fri	27	Ladies' State Pairs Championship
Sun	29	Men's State Fours Championship

**LADIES' MEETING**  
**MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**1:00pm**



## LADIES' CONSISTENCY:

In perfect weather on a free running green two of the best draw bowlers from the ladies' ranks, Lee Taylor and Mary Tragardh, pictured above, met last Tuesday in the final of the Ladies Club Consistency. The game was an extremely even tussle with neither player being able to gain a break to establish ascendancy.

Both Lee and Mary entered the nineties together and therefore both were in a position to score enough points to take out the match on what would be the last end. A measure indicated Mary gained enough points to be declared the winner of an excellent display of draw bowling - 104 points to 99.

### VALE NORMA PASCALL:

Long-time members of our club were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Norma Pascall. Norma and her husband Keith, who pre deceased her some years ago, were highly respected and popular members for over thirty years.

The diminutive Norma possessed a happy outgoing straight forward personality who was an excellent and highly competitive bowler and a tireless worker for the club. Poor health over recent years prevented Norma playing bowls but she is fondly remembered by all those she played with and against in the past.

Condolences are extended to Norma's family.

### Mary's Big V:

All at Wodonga congratulate Mary Tragardh on her selection to play in the Women's Victorian State Side against Tasmania early in December. Our best wishes are extended to Mary and we are sure she will acquit herself with distinction and bring credit to herself and our club.

Unfortunately, because Kylie Whitehad is committed to undertake a placement position with her physiotherapy studies Mary's Wodonga team mate and Victorian representative is unavailable to play in the same test.

### MEN'S STATE EVENTS:

In Men's state events held so far Wodonga bowlers are to the forefront. Last week Ashley Bates and Paul Davies played off at Wodonga before a good number of spectators for the O&M Men's Over 60s Singles title. Paul played to his usual high standard consistently outdrawing Ashley for a very comfortable win.

Last Thursday Paul once again featured, playing outstanding bowls, when he partnered Bob Harbridge to win the O&M Over 60 Pairs defeating their Benalla opponents 29 – 4 on an excellent running green at YMGCR.

In the Men's State Pairs Paul Davies and Ray Moon will play Ric Gillman and Shannon Reese for the O&M title.

As this play-off only involves Wodonga players, as did the O&M Men's Over 60s Singles, the O&M administration has displayed a great deal of common sense and agreed these events be held at Wodonga and played at the player's convenience.

### HATS:

Wodonga Bowling Club is always mindful of the imposed rules of pennant but is also fully aware that some small minded opponents will take the opportunity to report even the smallest breach of the stipulated rules which can ultimately lead to a club losing points.

While it is appreciated that many players have a favourite hat and that on occasions a hat can reflect the wearer's individuality the club points out that pennant players must wear hats that are not in breach of the pennant rules.

Pennant players please note if you wear a hat that is not the old white broad brimmed style with the club hatband it must be a cap or the "bucket" type hat with an embroidered Bowls Australia logo prominently displayed.

## Auction for Wodonga Bowling Club Premiership Photos

Invitations are invited from past players or family members of past players to bid for the purchase of large framed photographs of the players who participated in those "exciting victories" over the past two decades, particularly in the A1 division of the Ovens & Murray

This is a once in a life time opportunity to acquire a piece of Wodonga Bowling Club and Personal history.

Offers of purchase will be accepted up until 4pm on Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2015.

**Tammy Wynette**

**Dolly Parton**

**Loretta Lynn**

**Linda Ronstadt**

**Patsy Cline**

**June Carter Cash**

**& More**

**Amber Joy Poulton & The Holy Men**

**Bring to Wodonga**

# **QUEENS Of Country**

**They'll tantalise you with  
the "Songs & Sagas" of  
country music royalty**



**Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> November  
Wodonga Bowling Club**

**7:30pm - \$15**

**BYO nibbles**

**Bernie: 0438 411 488**

**Bookings: 02 6024 1554**

## **CLUB UNIFORMS:**

Lately there has been suggestion that the club is changing our uniform. It would be quite unrealistic to require over 200 members to purchase new uniforms so it is not going to happen. Not in the foreseeable future at least. The only way the club would entertain a major change in uniform is if a very generous sponsor were to supply each member with a new shirt of a new design.

When coloured uniforms were introduced some years ago Wodonga decided to stick to the club colours of blue and white which were the colours decided on in its foundation year and because of the heat during our playing season it was decided our shirts should be predominately white and not the heavy colour of blue.

Currently, we have one supplier for ladies' shirts and another for men which has led in some cases to very slight differences in the blue "splash" on the shirts and also in some cases the cut of the shirt being incorrect and therefore uncomfortable. The club is now looking to having the one supplier for both men and women and looking to have the shirts made from the most suitable material for our warmer summer climate and having them cut to suit the natural different body shape of the genders.

Members are obliged to wear the club uniform in pennant games, club tournaments and championship events, however, in social events they can wear bowls shirts of their own choosing and perhaps their own design therefore if they choose to have some animal on their back e.g. a monkey, it is their choice!

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# NOVEMBER

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
<b>30</b> Greens Closed						<b>1</b>
<b>2</b> Greens Closed	<b>3</b> Melb. Cup Mixed Triples	<b>4</b> Men's Pairs 2:4:2	<b>5</b> Ladies' Club Triples Final	<b>6</b> Happy Hour & Raffles	<b>7</b> Men's Club Singles Champ'ship Rnds 1 & 2	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> Greens Closed	<b>10</b> Ladies' Social	<b>11</b> Men's Pairs 2:4:2	<b>12</b> Ladies' Social	<b>13</b> Happy Hour & Raffles	<b>14</b> Weekend Pennant	<b>15</b> Men's State Singles Champ'ship Rnds 1 & 2
<b>16</b> Greens Closed	<b>17</b> Mid-Week Pennant	<b>18</b> Men's Pairs 2:4:2	<b>19</b> Ladies' Club Singles Champ 'ship Rnds 1 & 2	<b>20</b> Happy Hour & Raffles	<b>21</b> Weekend Pennant	<b>22</b> Men's State Singles Rnds 3 & 4 Men's Club Singles Champ'ship Rnd 3
<b>23</b> Greens Closed	<b>24</b> Mid-Week Pennant  Ladies' Social	<b>25</b> Men's Pairs 2:4:2	<b>26</b> Ladies' State Pairs Champ 'ship  Ladies' Social	<b>27</b> Happy Hour & Raffles	<b>28</b> Weekend Pennant	<b>29</b> Men's State Fours Sectional