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WINNERS ARE GRINNERS

Toukley RSL Celebrate Their Pennant Success

Toukley RSL President Frank Sutton hosted a celebration luncheon for over 50 bowlers to commemorate the Club's success in winning the 2016 Bowls Central Coast Zone 15 Grade 4 Pennant and going on to win the Bowls NSW State Grade 4 Pennant at Bomaderry. Toukley RSL is the first Central Coast club to win a state pennant in the past 10 years, the last being Halekulani in 2006 when they won the Grade 1 flag.

Toukley RSL could well be described as the Zones "Quiet Achievers" as it was the fifth occasion that they had won a Zone flag since the inception of the Zone in 1995 having won the Zone Grade 6 pennant in 1995, 1997, 2003 (State Runner-up), 2012 and now the Grade 4 Zone and State Pennant in 2016.

Zone President Kevin Dring and Zone Director Jim Swanson were special guests and unfurled the pennants in a strong breeze that had



them flying proudly over a stirring rendition of the club song written and led by Troy Williams. The club song has become a hallmark of their success and it reflects a strong club spirit and camaraderie that is unique to the Pennant competition and the sport of lawn bowls



Glenn Simington & Shane Starkey winners of the Central Coast section of Bowls NSW Rookie Pairs

Hali hailed as "A Grade" Super 9 Champs
Hali defeated Avoca Beach in the last round of the A grade Super 9's (2 rinks to one) to maintain a two point margin over Ettalong in the inaugural midweek Super 9 competition.



Back Row (L/R) Bill Constantine, Bruce Jewell, Gary Pollock, Shane Gibbin, Mick Stead Front Row (L R) Mick Thomas, Graham Smith, Gary Wisemantel, Mick Cross

Other Players that competed during the competition: Lindsay Willding, Warren Smith, Roy Thompson, Col Cosgrove, Fred Peters, Denis Bowmar.

Wyong took home the bacon in the B Grade final over Ettalong whilst Gwandalan proved too strong for Ourimbah in the C Grade final. The new format was hailed a success and most players seemed to enjoy the shortened versions of the respective disciplines. Congratulations to all those clubs and players that participated.



A long time between drinks
Wyong's Wayne Hesling winner of the 2010 Central Coast Open Singles title showed that he hadn't lost his touch when he won the Champion of Club Champion Singles by defeating The Entrances Peter Taylor 31-23 at Ettalong BC on Saturday

3rd September. Wayne joins that select group of elite bowlers who have won both the Open and Champion of Club Champion Singles.



Two Titles in a Week
For Umina's Shane Starkey he celebrated Christmas early by winning two Central Coast titles just a week apart. He firstly won the Central Coast section of the Rookie Pairs with partner Glenn Simington and backed up a week later to win the Champion of Club Champion Pairs with Peter O'Sullivan

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On behalf of the Bowls Central Coast Executive President Kevin Dring extends Christmas Greetings to all bowlers and their families and may we continue to work together in 2017 to take the sport forward. Good Health and Good Bowling!

Central Coast Bowlers Put Their Stamp On State Championships



Peter Taylor

Central Coast bowlers took every opportunity on their home turf to put their stamp on the 2016 Bowls NSW State Championships played at Ettalong BC from 15th-22nd October. The Entrances Peter Taylor had an outstanding tournament in winning his way through to the final of the prestigious Singles but succumbed to an in form Mat Pietersen from St Johns Park. A great effort Peter!

Ettalong's Lee Trethowan & Aron Sherriff made it back-to-back State titles by defeating the Wallacia combination of Trent Whittingham & Jeff Smith in the final of the pairs. Aron & Lee are only the third team to record back-to-back wins in the history of the event and it was 72 years since this feat was last achieved. It doesn't come much sweeter than that!



Ettalong's Lee Trethowan, John Roberts & Aron Sherriff were also to the forefront in the Triples only to be beaten in the semi-final by the ultimate winners from Warilla in Wayne Crane, Jamie Mitchell & Jeremy Henry. This Ettalong trio is a formidable team in any company!

State Pairs Champions 2016 & 2017 Aron Sherriff & Lee Trethowan



Not to be out done, the Halekulani father & son combination of Josh and Paul McDonnell were unlucky runners-up in the final of the President's Pairs going down by just one shot to the East Maitland pair of Ian Laing & Peter Watson. Well done guys on a magnificent effort!



Halekulani's Josh & Paul McDonnell runners-up in the Bowls NSW President Pairs

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Outright winners of State titles for 2016 :- SINGLES Mat Pietersen St Johns Park (Z12), PAIRS Lee Trethowan & Aron Sherriff Ettalong (Z15), TRIPLES Wayne Crane, Jamie Mitchell, Jeremy Henry Warilla (Z16), FOURS Adam Troth, Brent Norman, Mark Berghofer, Chris Herden St Johns Park (Z12), SENIOR SINGLES Crawford Linton, Belrose (Z9), SENIOR PAIRS Crawford Linton & Tony Taylor Belrose (Z9), PRESIDENT SINGLES Nick Hancott Hazelbrook (Z5), PRESIDENT PAIRS Ian Laing & Peter Watson East Maitland (Z6)

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Fashion Statement Binned!

Terrigal BC identity Alan Fillbrook has been renowned over many years for his much loved self styled "Conquistador" bowls hat. He made a rash promise at the beginning of this years Pennant season if his Grade 6 Terrigal side were to win the Zone Flag he would stop wearing his highly recognisable signature hat.



True to his word Alan Fillbrook disposes of his much loved and talked about hat in the Club rubbish bin

Everglades Acknowledge Their Volunteer Workers

Everglade's President Ray Benton took the opportunity to acknowledge the Club's highly valued volunteer workers at the club's annual "Officers and Members" day held on the 24th September 2016. Bowls NSW

Merit awards were presented by Zone 15 State Councillor Doug Rose to William Vincent, Tom Cain, Stephen Mansour, Anthony Mansour and Ladies brooches to Julie Davis and Elizabeth Cadwallader. BCC-Zone 15 Merit Awards were presented to : - Len Haddock, Col Nicholls and Zone Tie Bars to Gordon Lobb and Brian Dolan.

Unique Bowls Central Coast Raffle

There's nothing new about conducting a raffle to raise funds but it is the first time Bowls Central Coast has sought the support of Clubs and bowlers to raise funds to assist Zone Pennant winning clubs with expenses to attend State Finals and to assist with the promotion of bowls on the Central Coast. First prize is return airfares for two and five nights accommodation at the Sofitel Gold Coast Broadbeach and VIP entry to the final two days of the 2017 Australian Open at Broadbeach BC. Second prize is a weekend stay for two persons at a Hunter Valley Resort and entry to the Hunter Valley Gardens. Third prize is a set of bowls of your choice from Resting Toucher and fourth prize \$250 cash. Zone President Kevin Dring said it was a unique attempt to help Clubs offset the cost of sending a side/s to the Bowls NSW State Pennant Finals. All profits will be invested back in the sport at Club level. Clubs will be allocated books of 10 tickets and at a dollar ticket they are expected to be in high demand. The lucky winners will be drawn at the Bowls Central Coast Presentation Night at Ettalong BC on 11th February 2017.

SHARE A BOOK OF 10 WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Malloy Gains Country Honours

Congratulations to Ettalong's Nathan Malloy on being selected in the Country side in the long standing City versus Country annual challenge game. Nathan is rated one of the Central Coasts top leads and obviously caught the eye of the State Selectors at the recent Inter Zone Sides Championship played at Tuncurry/Forster. Well done Nathan!

Sherriff Caps Off Another Magic Year

Ettalong's Aron Sherriff was voted by his peers as the International Bowler of the Year at the Bowls Australia Annual Awards night held at the Mantra Legends Surfers Paradise. Sherriff has made this award his own in recent years, having claimed the accolade on three successive occasions from 2012-2014. As the award's most prolific winner he enjoyed another scintillating season on the international arena, performing exceptionally in all three of the internationally capped events over 2015/16. Aron earned the coveted blue-ribbon singles gold medal at the 19-nation Asia Pacific Championships in 2015, followed by a formidable Trans Tasman performance that helped Australia retain the men's and overall trophies, and capped off the period with dual gold medals at the 2016 Six Nation Invitational, in the singles and pairs. Widely regarded as one of the sport's premier players, Aron has proven that he has the universal adulation and support of his teammates, having been voted the international bowler of the year by them four times now.

Gwandalan Fundraiser Exceeds Expectations

Once again the generosity of bowlers was to the forefront at Gwandalan BC with members exceeding their ambitious target of \$10,000 by raising an outstanding \$10,364.10 over twelve months for the Central Coast Prostate Cancer Support Groups at the Wyong and Gosford Hospitals. To all those members that willingly supported this most worth while cause throughout the year a big thank you and a special vote of thanks to Freddie DeBattista, Bob Hawkes and Colin Wynn for their ongoing efforts in raising awareness and encouraging members support.

NOT TO BE MISSED...THE NIGHT OF NIGHTS

After the success of the Zone's Presentation Night last year it is expected that tickets will be in high demand for the 2016 Presentation Dinner to be held at Ettalong BC on Sat 11th February 2017. The night will begin with drinks at 6pm for a two course dinner commencing at 6.30pm with wine on the table. Presentation of badges and prize money will be made to all the 2016 Zone Championship winners and runners up along with those special awards for the Bowler and Club of the Year. Popular and versatile vocalist "Joey B " will keep you entertained and calling for more throughout the night.

Tickets only \$25 per head
Tickets will be available at the front Desk of the Ettalong Club or phone Tony Hegyi on 4334 3080 for a table reservation.

Costly Loss to Hunter (Zone 6) in Inter-Zone

The Central Coast Representative Side got away to a confident start in the 2016 Inter Zone Sides Championship at Forster/Tuncurry with a strong 93-60 win against Far North Coast (Zone 1). But their hopes were quickly squashed in an unexpected 68-84 loss to the Hunter (Zone 6) in the second game. The Hunter appeared to have the section in their keeping after winning their opening two games,, but a third round loss to the far North Coast (Zone 1) by just one shot opened the door for Zone15, who beat the North West (Zone 3) by 96-68 . The Hunter however recorded two important rink wins in their third round to give them the section by just half a point. Once again the round robin Sectional play turned into a cliff-hanger and had administrators guessing up until the final bowl. The Section winners were:-

Section 1 : - Sydney South West (Zone 12)
Section 2 : -Hunter (Zone 6)
Section 3 : -Illawarra (Zone 16)
Section 4 : - Sydney Central & South (Zone 13)
Final Zone 12 v Zone 13
Overall Winner :- Sydney South West (Zone 12)
Central Coast (Zone 15) Team Performances

| Skip | Game 1 | Game 2 | Game 3 | Overall |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| Aron Sherriff | W+14 | L-11 | W+17 | 2W+20 |
| Darren Morrison | W+12 | L-5 | L-12 | 2L -5 |
| James Cook | W+7 | Tie | W+8 | 21/2W+15 |
| Lee Trethowan | Tie | Tie | W15 | 2W+15 |

Peninsula Clubs Dig Deep for Prostrate Cancer

Umina Beach, Everglades and Ettalong BC's combined again this year to raise \$13,500 between them for prostate and related cancers. The cheque was presented to Jan Richens of Central Coast Local Health, on Thursday 6th October at Club Umina. The money will be used to purchase instruments used during procedures related to prostate cancer, for both Gosford and Wyong Hospitals. Pictured below from (l/R) Ian Jarrat (Umina), Ian Richardson (Everglades), Robert Powell (Ettalong) and Umina President Ray Simpson. An outstanding effort!



HAV'AGO PAIRS

A FUN WAY TO INTRODUCE A FRIEND OR RELATIVE TO THE SPORT OF LAWN BOWLS

Now is the time for bowlers to start thinking who they can team up with as a non registered bowler to participate in Hav'ago Pairs early next year. Clubs only need four teams to make up a Section to guarantee each team three games of 5 ends plus a roll up. Every Section winner advances to a Catchment Final on 3rd March at a nearby Club for a chance to win \$400 and \$100 for the runners-up. Four Catchment winners then play off in a Grand Final on Friday 17th March for a share of \$1,000 ie 1st \$400, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200, 4th \$100. It's a great opportunity to attract new members and showcase your Club. So over a Christmas drink or two get yourself a partner in readiness to have a Hav'ago!

New President for Bowls NSW

Following the Annual General Meeting of Bowls NSW on 15th September Barry Watkins (Cabramatta) was elected President of Bowls NSW and newly elected Director Dennis Taylor replacing Bob Moran, was elected Deputy President. Barry has a substantial administrative background with some 34 years in the State Attorney General department culminating in the Senior Executive Service working with senior politicians, judges, architects and engineers. In Bowls Administration Barry was President of the Cabramatta Bowling Club for 14 years and 15 years as the CEO. He has also served on Clubs NSW as State Councillor, Secretary of Zone12 and Bowls NSW State Councillor and Director.

Nominations Now Open for Bowls NSW Volunteer of the Year

We all appreciate that Volunteers are the backbone of our sport and we wouldn't have a sport without them. The "Volunteer of the Year Award" is Bowls NSW way of recognising the hard work and dedication of these outstanding workers. If you have a volunteer worker in your Club that performs his duties in an outstanding manner please take time out to nominate him as a thank you for his services. The finalists for the "Volunteer of the Year Award " will be announced in the January 2017 edition of Bowls NSW e-newsletter. The outright winner will be announced at the Bowls NSW Player Awards on 22nd February 2017 held at Kirribilli Club North Sydney. Nomination forms are available through the Bowls NSW web Site. So....."Go to it!"