



SEPTEMBER

The Mudlark News

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Clifton Springs Bowling Club



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SOCIAL BOWLING

Wednesday Mixed—1.00 PM

**1st Wednesday of Month: Men's
Nominated Triples— 10.00 AM**

PENNANT TRAINING:

Midweek—Mondays 1.30pm

Saturday—Fridays 2.30 pm

COACHES:

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Presidents Prattle

How the weeks are flying by. Here we are already into the serious part of the season. I tried to slow time down the other day, I took the battery out of the clock but alas, it made no difference.

The Selection Committees have been very busy selecting the teams for both Mid week and Saturday pennant, not an easy job and not an envious job either. However they do what they believe is best for the Club and I believe are doing a great job.

Unfortunately the consolation singles in both mens and women's had to be cancelled through lack of numbers. Our Match Committee Manual and Procedures, stipulate a minimum of 8 players are required to make an event. It is no use having rules and then breaking such rules to have an event. Once we start breaking rules who knows where we will finish. It is sad though that out of all our members we could not get enough participants to make a competition.

Last Sunday was a great day at the Club, we had 52 members come along to practice Rick's well organised drills. It is very encouraging to see so many members turn up. The BBQ. after the practice was a great climax to the day. I am sure Rick will organise similar days in the near future.

The pennant season is now upon us and I truly believe that we will be very competitive in all divisions of pennant this year. I wish all pennant players success this year and hope that you all enjoy the season ahead. If for one reason or another you happen to get dropped back to a lower division, don't be upset, make yourself more determined to prove the selectors wrong and play your best bowls to show them you are determined to retain your spot in the above division.

Coming up is Presidents Handicap Singles and I wish all participants the best of success in this event.

Congratulation to Jan Townsend and Noel Menner on winning our two bowls singles championships for 2019. Well done to you both a great effort.

Barefoot bowls start this Sunday Oct 6th at 3pm to 5pm. If you have nothing to do and would like to help out it would be very much appreciated. Alison Aitken is the contact and her number is 0438261244.

Last Friday night was another great night at the Club we had just on 50 for dinner and it was a great evening. If you would like to join in put your names on the sheet provided at the Club, it is not a late night and the cost of the meal is usually \$12.00. The members draw also went off so that is now back to \$100 starting point.

Once again I wish you all a very successful and more importantly an enjoyable season of bowls.

Yours in Bowling,

Barry.

OPENING DAY—SEASON 2019-2020



“OPENING” JACK AND BOWL DELIVERED BY CLUB CHAMPIONS,
JAN TOWNSEND AND JOHN BAKER



MIXED TRIPLES CHAMPIONS 2019-2020

Winners: P Fisk (s), P Verspeek, M Faulkner
Runners-up: G Boxall (s), R Smith, N O’Brien



2-BOWL SINGLES CHAMPIONS 2019-2020

Winner: Jan Townsend
Runner-up: Bev Kingsbury



Winner: Noel Menner
Runner-up: Peter Fisk

TUESDAY AND SATURDAY DUTY TASKS

AM DUTY

INSIDE:

SET TABLES WITH SERVIETTES, RINK NUMBERS, SMALL RUBBISH BAG

ALSO FOR SATURDAY- SKIP NAMES ON TABLES (MATCHING RINK NUMBERS)

SET OUT CUPS ON KITCHEN BENCH WITH TEA AND COFFEE, SUGAR, MILK,

TEASPOONS, BOWLS FOR USED TEA BAGS, SPOONS, SUGAR ETC.

PUT OUT TRAYS FOR USED CUPS (IF GOING THROUGH THE DISHWASHER)

CHECK SUFFICIENT TOILET ROLLS, PAPER TOWEL IN TOILETS

OUTSIDE:

ERECT FLAGS, CHECK SCOREBOARDS SET UP, CHECK WATER FOUNTAINS SWITCHED ON, CHECK FOR SUFFICIENT CUPS

UMPIRES KIT- PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT UMPIRES KIT IS LEANT AGAINST A WALL OR HEDGE (BLOWS OVER IN THE WIND)

PM DUTY

INSIDE:

PUT DISHWASHER ON PRIOR TO RESUMING PLAY,

'THIRDS' IN TEAMS TO ENSURE SERVIETTES, RINK NUMBERS ARE PUT AWAY, (COVER OR STORE EXCESS FOOD IF SATURDAY)

CHECK TABLES AND BENCHES ARE CLEAN

AFTER GAME, PUT CUPS THROUGH DISHWASHER, TURN OFF AND EMPTY DISHWASHER

OUTSIDE:

TAKE FLAGS DOWN,
SWITCH OFF WATER FOUNTAINS,
PUT SCOREBOARDS AWAY,
PUT BOWLING CARTS ETC AWAY

TAKE KITCHEN RUBBISH OUT TO BINS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION.



Our SOCIAL COMMITTEE are continuing to plan dinners to provide a special repast for members and friends on Friday evenings.

The next dates are **Friday 11th & 25th October**

UPCOMING CHAMPIONSHIP & TOURNAMENT DATES OCTOBER

Sun 6 Oct 10.00am M & W Presidents H/Cap

Sun 6 Oct 3.00pm TRY BOWLS DAY

DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS

Wed 9 Oct 10.00am Men's monthly triples

Fri 11 Oct 10.00am Consolation Singles R2/FINAL

Sun 13 Oct 10.00am Presidents Handicap R2

Sun 13 Oct 3.00pm TRY BOWLS DAY

Thu 17 Oct 10.00am Presidents Handicap R3

Sun 20 Oct 1.00pm RSL TROPHY TOURNAMENT

Sun 27 Oct 1.00pm Presidents Handicap **FINAL**

Wed 30 Oct 6.00pm JACK ATTACK

Fri 1 Nov *Closing date M & W Singles Championship*

Sun 3 Nov 3.00pm TRY BOWLS DAY

Tue 5 Nov 11.00am CUP DAY Mixed Social bowls

NEW WEBSITE

At present our new website, www.cliftonspringsbowls.com.au is now live and a work in progress. Most of the main menu items Membership, Our club, Sponsors, Functions, Contact and the syllabus pages don't change that often but are still worth a look at occasionally. The News item has a drop down menu which houses the latest News, Social bowls, The Mudlark and Jack Attack. On the other side is the Competition menu which houses most pages members will frequent like Club events, Club Event Draws, Club Event Results, Indoor Bowls, GBR fixtures, ladders and results, Midweek and Saturday Pennant Teams, Tournaments and Tournament Results. I'm working on a Catering page and the Social bowls page where members can put their names on the list to play Social Bowls and book a table or a meal on the Catering page. May or may not work but could be worth a try. Our website is the outside face of our club where people look to find Barefoot Bowls, Birthday parties Functions, Meals and other entertainment Ideas. The website is only as good as the information members can provide, so any items of interest, photo's news or idea's please email jb@outlook.com.au**Website Editor John Baker**



Photos taken by **Laura Johnson** during a recent trip to Central Victoria touring the Silo Art Trail.

Explore the web site: <http://siloarttrail.com>

GrainCorp Silo Art at Brim,
by **Guido van Helten**



At Patchewollock, by **Fintan Magee**



GrainCorp Silo Art Lascelles, by **Rone**



At Rosebery, by **Kaff-eine**

AS I SEE IT ... with ROB.

(Oct '19)

While I was 'up north' I was bowling against a local named Smokey (Surname Dawson).

He was ex-navy through and through. He had started using a bowling arm a few years ago, having one of the very first DHBs. He had taken it on because of back and knee problems from being a Stoker. We were discussing the merits of the various types when he said, "and the bowl came out crooked and ran as shaky as a seaman on shore-leave." I laughed at that and we discussed a remedy.

If you have a bit of this problem, try this for yourself. Get a stick of chalk and run it into the centremost grooves on both

sides of the bowl. Just the ones closest to the running surface of the bowl. Then when you clamp the bowl into the arm, it is easy to see if there is the same gap on both sides of the gripper so it will come out straight. (I turn my arm over to check the bottom gripper is centred as well.)

If you find this works for you, wash the chalk out, dry well, get some house paint and a fine brush, paint the lines in, and let it dry for a few hours. Scrape off the surface paint with a blade and give the bowls a good polish. Hopefully your bowls will now come out running true. If they don't, you may be twisting on release. Come and show me the problem.

Thursdays at 2pm-3.30 is my personal coaching time.