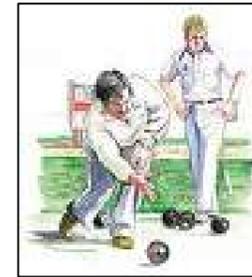


October 2009

(Dates subject to change)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Social
4	5 GREENS CLOSED	6 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	7 Major/Minor Pairs Comm. Meet Social	8 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	9	10 Auld Shield @ RSL Social
11	12 GREENS CLOSED	13 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	14 Consistency Singles Social	15 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	16 Basil Crouch Vet Pairs	17 Durrington Shield @ RSL Social
18	19 GREENS CLOSED	20 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	21 Consistency Singles Social	22 Mixed Social Mufti 1.00pm	23 Basil Crouch Vet Pairs	24 Social
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Camden Bowling Club Newsletter 9/09

“GREAT BOWL!!”

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From the Editor

Hello to all you happy bowlers out there. Congratulations once again to all the winners and especially to ALL those bowlers who competed. The coming 2009 Presentation Night should be a great night with about 110 tickets already sold. The recent winds have certainly made conditions very trying. Three bowler summed it up best; First bowler, "Windy, isn't it?" Second one says, "No, it's Thursday!" Third one says, "So am I. Let's go get a beer."

Bowls News

STDBA AGM News

The District AGM was held on the 9th September. The 2010 pennant competition was submitted and endorsed by the delegates present. For Camden we will be competing in grades 2, 4,5,6 and 7 again. I hope that we will have the numbers to enter a second 7's side. Following some issues last year the District Match Committee have done away with the north and south divisions and have done an open draw on the 7's eliminating the chance of having two sides in the same grade from the same club competing against each other. This may now necessitate a bit more driving, but remember why this was brought about before you complain. There were no other real issues to come out of the meeting apart from the fact that the District has a new President in Peter Kellond from Bundanoon. Our own Allan Woods was elected Vice President and Mick Shepherd elected as a District Selector. I was re-nominated as District Secretary / Treasurer for another year. If you have any issues you wish conveyed to the District please do not hesitate to approach Steve Laker and I will pass them on.

Southern Tablelands V ACT

On the 19th and 20th September the Southern Tablelands District played their annual game against the ACT State side at Queanbeyan. Camden was well represented by Mick Shepherd, Bruce Turton, Karl Szydal and Brian Barnicoat. Steve Laker, being there on official duties was also called into the side when one of the selected players failed to show. The event is played over the two days with six rinks of fours forming each side. The total aggregate score of all games is added over the two days with the highest score declared the winner. With great results on Saturday the STDBA led by a healthy margin of 35 at the end of the day. It was clear on the Sunday that the ACT side had been read the riot act and came out to play. Several rinks failed to match the class of several of the State players and the big board indicated a good win to the home side. The final aggregate score saw the home side taking the trophy by only five shots. A disappointing result following such a good performance on the Saturday by the STDBA. Hopefully with the improving standard of our play within the Club we will see more players being selected to represent the District and beyond. These are great games to play in and an opportunity to play against some of the best players in the country. Well done to our current rep. players.



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Try Bowls Open Day



Jack McGarrity sharing a joke and some ideas

Well done to the organizers of the Try Bowls Day. This was the follow up of the Narellan Town Centre advertising of our Club. With reasonable weather, a good number of prospective bowlers turned up to give it a go. With all finding it a bit harder than it looks, the interest was high and all appeared to have a bit of fun. With a couple of definite new members and more showing an interest in joining up it can only be considered a success.

Well done to Ted Salmon, the principle organizer, and all the members who turned up on the day to lend a hand and pass on a bit of their expertise to the budding new bowlers. This promotion can only be beneficial to our club.



Coach, Frank Lipscombe passing on some good information to some of the try bowlers.

Consistency Singles

In what can only be described as very ordinary conditions the final of the 2009 Consistency Singles was completed on Saturday 26th September. Both players showed good nerve to put their skills to the test on the day and battle not only their opponent but the howling westerly as well.

Steve Tajsic aiming for back to back wins and the current pairs Champion gave it his all against the formidable Championship Singles runner up Bruce Turton.

It was a case of talent and some luck that the bowls ended where they did but eventually with a consistency for which he is becoming well know, Steve came out on top and won his second consistency title. Well done Steve. I am sure the selectors are taking note.



Steve and Bruce after the windy game

From the Ladies

Three of our ladies, Gloria Murray, Joyce Doherty and Fay Clayton recently went to Norfolk Island to play in a triples tournament. Against all expectations, we got to the final and were beaten by a team from Canberra. There were teams from Queensland, New Zealand, Canberra and other NSW areas so we were pleased to do so well. David Murray also played with a men's team and enjoyed himself.

Kristie Dennison, a new bowler to our club won the Minor Singles last week and Kay Price was runner up. Congratulations to both Ladies. We held a district game at our club on 18th September between Nepean and Southern Tablelands Districts. Southern Tablelands won on the day. Everyone enjoyed the day and I

would like to thank our Ladies who came and helped with morning tea and setting tables for lunch, it was greatly appreciated.

We also held the Alice Martin Shield against the Camden RRSL and Camden won this event. Our next competition will be the Major/Minor pairs.



Funny Stories

An old member from the club went for his annual check-up. He told the doctor that he felt fine, but often had to go to the bathroom during the night. Then he said: "But you know Doc, I'm blessed. God knows my eyesight is going, so he puts on the light when I pee, and turns it off when I'm done!"

A little later in the day, Dr. Smith called his wife and said: "Your husband's test results were fine, but he said something strange that has been bugging me. He claims that God turns the light on and off for him when uses the bathroom at night."

His wife exclaimed: "That old fool! He's been peeing in the refrigerator again!"

Recruitment. Drive

Many thanks to the men & women bowlers who assisted with the recruitment drive at Narellan Town Centre, the drive was very successful and we got 73 names of people who might be interested in playing bowls. President Bill is now in process of contacting them.

The members who assisted us were; Bill Webb, Jan Parsons, Iris Britten, Joe Rainer, Bill Richards, Dave & Gloria Murray, Fay Clayton, Joyce Doherty, Charlie Toovey, Bill Marsh, Graham Cowell, Don Ray and Frank Lipscombe.

Puzzle

If you cross a Spaniel with a Poodle, you get a Spadoole, and if you cross a Labrador with a Poodle, you get a Labradoole, so if you cross a Bulldog with a Shih Tzu what do you get?

Overheard On The Green

A few Saturdays ago while playing social triples competition, the Falcon heard a skipper a few rinks down, yell out to his second, 'Jeeze you give more instructions than an air hostess'.

Interview with John Selems

John is a relative new member to the Club. As a way of members meeting John, it was suggested that it would be a good idea to interview him.

How long have you been playing bowls? Of and on for about 2 months.

How do you like bowls? I love it. Although I have only been a member for a few months, I have been getting a lot of tuition from my mum Beryl, my sister and especially my dear friend Burnesy.

What do you hope to get out of bowls? I love the friendship that you get out of sport. I love sport and competing. When I get better at bowls I would love to play in the pennant teams. I admit that I love to compete in sport and I realize that I have a long way to go in bowls but I will get there.

What level pennants do you hope to play? I would love to play number 1 pennants and even Australia. If you don't aim high you will never get there.

How do you find the members? They are really friendly people. It makes the sport more enjoyable when you have nice people to play with.

Do you have any interests outside bowls? Yes I am a bit of a muso and I love to play harmonica in a blues band. (Isn't that what President Clinton played)

