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Bowls Newsletter

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Barefoot Bowls Day



\$10 ENTRY



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BALLOON ARTISTS

FACE PAINTING

BBQ LUNCH

Sunday 12th June
12pm - 3pm

From the Chairman's Desk



Graham Brittain

Last month I urged all members to support the "Its Un-Australian" campaign to help put a stop to the Wilkie Gillard deal of mandatory pre-commitment on poker machines. Again, I urge you all to keep supporting it by signing the coasters we have throughout the Club and online at www.its-unaustralian.com.au. Please also write to your local MP

via this website because we have been told that they will not act on a

few letters, but will definitely act if they receive thousands.

Thank you to everyone who has already supported the campaign as we will not rest until this is stopped. We believe that a voluntary pre-commitment program should be in place but strongly disagree with mandatory pre-commitment...because what will come next!!?? Protect your privacy and the survival of your Club and community groups by signing the petition now!

Last month the Board attended a Strategic Planning session as part of our obligations to Corporate Governance and have developed a five year master plan. Exciting new improvements and renovations are in the pipeline which will be discussed in more detail at the Club's AGM in October. In the meantime the gaming room is receiving a mini facelift and we are currently looking at ways to repair the driveway at the entrance to the Club.

We are now well into our membership renewal period and for all those who renew before the 30th June they will receive a financial year calendar with vouchers to be used throughout the Club and a chance to win \$1000 every month. Simply pick up your calendar with your new membership card. If you are a five year social member you are also eligible for a calendar.

Congratulations to all our bowlers who excelled last month with Brenda Thompson and Lynsey Armitage winning the State Fours, as did Anthony Fantini, Anthony Kiepe, Mark Casey and Nathan Rice. Also congratulations to Nathan Rice who took out the state singles title. Well done to all of you and to youngster Rohan Wilson on his selection in the Under 18 state side. It's great to see the young ones representing at state level, with Australian representation as their next goal.

Our monthly shows seem to be gaining in popularity and the Rumours - Fleetwood Mac experience held in May was no exception. This month we have Aussie Thunder on the 3rd and Chisel Revived on Saturday 18th June.

Please support our barefoot bowls charity day with all proceeds going to Gold 92.5FM's Give Me 5 For Kids. Cost is only \$10 per person which includes a great day of bowling, a bbq, face painters and balloon kings for the kids. Bowls are supplied for the first timers and if you wish to wear shoes we recommend flat soled shoes or thongs.

Men's Bowls News

It is a busy time for our top bowlers at this time of the year. Achievements so far are:

State Singles Champion - Nathan Rice.

State Fours Champions - Anthony Fantini, Anthony Kiepe, Mark Casey and Nathan Rice.

State Pairs Runner's Up - Mark Casey and Brett Wilkie.

Gold Coast Champion of Champion Fours Winners - Anthony Fantini, Anthony Kiepe, Brett Wilkie and Nathan Rice.

Anthony Kiepe and Anthony Fantini will represent our club in the Champion of Champions Pairs in the first round on the 4th of June at Mermaid Beach.

A Queensland/New South Wales Test series is being played at South Tweed on the 24/25th June and our club will be represented by Nathan Rice, Mark Casey, Anthony Fantini, Mark Thatcher, Anthony Kiepe, Darren Mullens and Brett Wilkie.

Our Club Champions are almost completed with results so far the winners are:

Open Fours - Ray Perkins, Laurie Swift, Alex Foreman and Bob Edwards.

Semi Fours - Ray Perkins, Noel Ridgwell, Murray Jensen and Jim Nugent.

Champion of Champions Fours - Mark Casey, Nathan Rice, Anthony Kiepe and Brett Wilkie.

Champion of Champions Pairs - Anthony Kiepe and Anthony Fantini.

All other Club Championship games should be completed by the end of June. Bowlers interested in playing Pennants this year should put their names on the sheet in the Games room.

Ron Boydell
Honorary Secretary



Ladies Bowls News

Ladies another month has just about finished and our congratulations must go to a few people, firstly to Margaret Pickering who made the District side, Lynsey Armitage who won the State 4's, Nathan Rice who not only won the State Singles but also the State Fours. Well done to all concerned.

We had the final of the B Grade Singles which was played between Fran Ryan and Terry Mayne with the eventual winner being Terry. Well done to both ladies.

Our Birthday Bowls Day - Mixed Day- A.P.I.A. and the Major/Minor day all went off very well indeed.

It has been quite a busy month with the last special day being held on the 31st a 4's Tournament.

I am pleased to say that the practice for Pennants held on a Thursday morning has been very well attended. Thanks ladies. You all seem to like the drills that we do before a short game. The teams will be going up for the four Divisions that we have nominated for with the District. Remember these will not necessarily be the final teams. They are a starting point only. Should you have any queries, please see one of the Selectors not moan about it amongst yourselves.

Please enjoy your game of bowls and the company available.

Pam Peardon
Publicity Officer



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Lynsey's Roundup

After a massive month during April, May has been relatively quiet on the bowls scene.

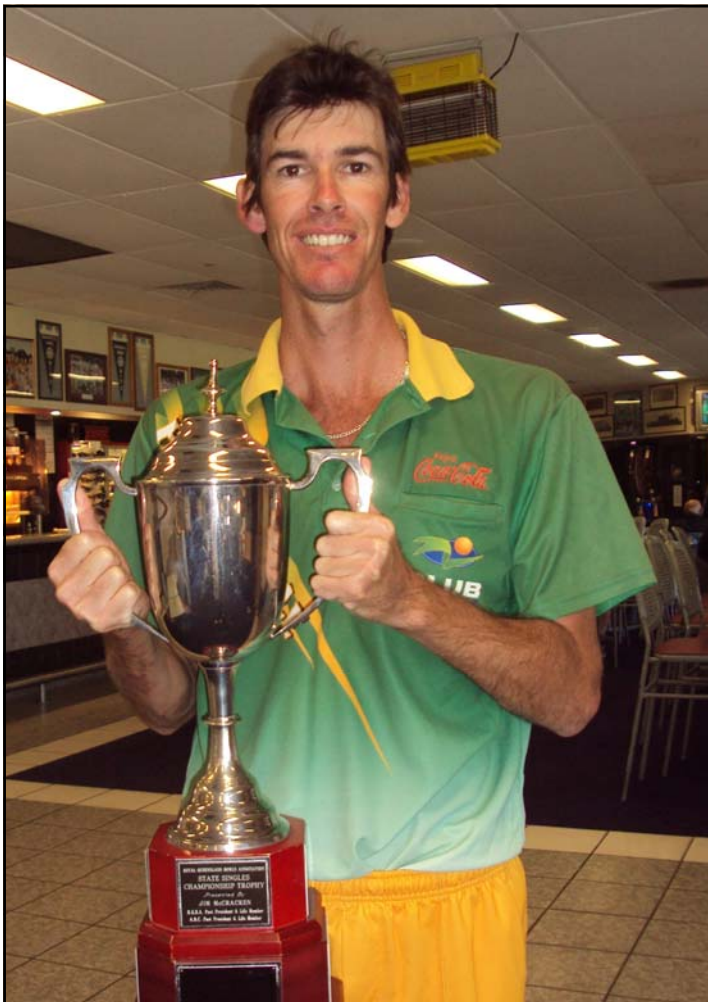
A massive congratulations to Nathan Rice on winning the state singles title, and then backing it up with a State Fours victory alongside club mates Anthony Fantini, Anthony Kiepe, and Mark Casey. Fellow Hawks players Brenda Thompson and myself were lucky enough to win the Ladies State Fours title as well, by just one shot!! Very close games all round but great to secure three state championships for the club. Mark Casey, Brett Wilkie and Brenda Thompson and myself also came runners-up in the men's and ladies state pairs events too. So close to a history making performance, well done Hawks.

I attended the Bowls Queensland annual awards night on Tuesday 3rd May where I was awarded Representative Player of the Year trophy. Former Helensvale Player, Des Cann, won the Men's Club Player of the Year title.

More congratulations to our young star Rohan Wilson on being selected for the Queensland Junior State Team. It is a much deserved selection and am sure you will do yourself, your family and our club very proud.



Lynsey Armitage
Bowls Coordinator



- NATHAN RICE -
State Singles Winner

Junior News

Rohan's dream has finally come to fruition, by getting his first state cap, being selected in the under 18 state boys side to compete against New South Wales in Sydney 4-6th July at a venue to be announced. Rohan missed out on the coveted singles position to lead for his friend and arch rival Sean Ingham (Broadbeach) in the pairs and will also lead in the fours. Well done Rohan, the club is proud of you. It was a great effort by the Gold Coast district with 4 out of 5 boys selected for the state team and one girl for the girls side.

Junior challenge - Now having completed 3 rounds with Helensvale 1 team - def composite team cool. 23-13 - round 2 going down 13-17 Tweed Heads 2 - round 3 def 17-12 Burleigh/Tugun whilst Helensvale2 going down to Tweed Heads 27-9 - round 2 going down 32-4 to Burleigh/Tugun - round 3 going down Tweed1 32-9 . although the scores do not show it the Helensvale 2 side have played some good bowls over the comp. Toby Martin skipped the team with Bethany, Sasha and Miki making up the rest of the side. Connor Jordan, Levi and Sydney have filled in in different teams along the way. well done. It has been noted that your bowls have been improving over the weeks. Helensvale1 team should make it to the finals...good luck.

Junior training resumes Saturday the 18th June.



Cameron 'Yowie' Wilson
Jnr Development Officer and Coach

CHISEL REVIVED



SATURDAY
18th June 8.30pm
FREE SHOW



NORTH GOLD COAST RSL SUB-BRANCH
(Now meeting in Club Helensvale)

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Sub Branch activities: Please note your diaries with the following details:

Upcoming events:

2011
General Meeting (0930h): Saturday 30 July
General Meeting (0930h): Saturday 24 September

2011 Committee Meeting Dates (0930)
25 June 27 August 29 October

Bill Ward has advised that a group of Service personnel have been meeting for some years now at various locations around the Hope Island area and now have shifted the Meet and Greet location to the Helensvale Bowls Club (RSL North Gold Coast Sub Branch) commencing May 2011. Everybody is welcome Service personnel (Returned or otherwise) and your friends. The meets are held monthly on every second pension day from approx 5:00pm.

Seniors Expo – Monday 18th July 2011

The Fadden Senior's Expo is in its second year and seeks to offer the local seniors community and option to find out what local private and government services can do for them. With around 80 exhibitors plus presenters, lucky door prizes and special guests the day is sure to be informative.

The legendary **Normie Rowe**, will again MC the event and the **Hon Bronwyn Bishop**, Shadow Minister for Seniors will be in attendance for the day. More information can be found on Stuart Robert's webpage.

Care Parcel packing day:

Please keep Thursday 1 September free if you can as it is our turn to host the Care Parcel packing day and we will need some willing workers to help out. Doesn't take long and is a fantastic way to show the public what we do for our deployed troops. More information will follow.

Service News Papers online:

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ANTHONY FANTINI, ANTHONY KIEPE, MARK CASEY & NATHAN RICE
State Fours Winners



BRENDA THOMPSON & LYNSEY ARMITAGE
with Yvonne Lovelock & Sue McKenzie
State Fours Winners

Junior Bowls Sessions
Saturday mornings at 9am

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