



# NEWS FROM THE GREEN

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## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

2010 is well underway. Our Pennant trials are now completed with our match against our friends from The Hills on Saturday February 20th.

The weather has not been kind to us in recent weeks (flooded greens and heat waves) and we have missed out on some trials that were arranged both at home and away. The season kicks off on February 27th and I wish all grades success and enjoyment during the competition.

Our Turn Around Triples event on Monday April 19th is already receiving entries. This years event is supported well by sponsors and promises to be a great day. Make sure you get your entries in early.

Your Management Committee is trialling our Friday afternoon Jackpot Pairs (Ladies most welcome) event as "Mufti" dress for a period of 3 months. This appears to be well accepted by our members and is comparable with other clubs in our district.

Our Tuesday Afternoon Twilight Pairs (Ladies most welcome) is being well supported with a full green of players each week. The format of 13 ends, 3 bowl pairs is great way to get some mid week practise and also allows some extra social activity to be enjoyed at our club. It's good to see Norm Scott enjoying a game of bowls at this event.

We are now underway with our Club Championships for 2010 with our Minor Pairs down to the finalists.

Please check the club calendar to ensure you are aware of the dates of these events. Ample notice will be given for entries to all events and nomination sheets placed in the Sports Room along with "Conditions of Play" details in full.

Our Koala Carnival in 2010 promises to be an excellent event with a joint committee formed with the Ladies Bowls Section to coordinate the carnival.

The dates will be as follows:

Monday June 7th - Ladies Day

Thursday June 10th - Mixed

Friday June 11th - Men's Day

Information will be published soon so please ensure you get your entries in early. This year promises to be our best Koala Carnival ever.

Good Luck and Good Bowling

Terry Barnett

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## UPCOMING EVENTS - MARCH AND APRIL

EVENT	EVENT DATE	EVENT TIME
Turn Around Triples - Dural Country Club	1st March	9am
Ladies Pennants - Round 1	2nd March	9am
Men's Pennants - Round 2	6th March	3s - 11.30am 5s, 6s and 7s - 12.15pm
Men's Major Pairs - Round 1	7th March	8.30am
Ladies Pennants - Round 2	9th March	9am
Ladies District Delegate Meeting	10th March	
Men's Pennants - Round 3	13th March	3s - 12.15pm 5s, 6s and 7s - 11.30am
Men's Major Pairs - Round 2	14th March	8.30am
Ladies Pennants - Round 3	16th March	9am
Men's Pennants - Round 4	20th March	3s - 11.30am 5s, 6s and 7s - 12.15pm
Men's Major Pairs - Round 3	21st March	8.30am
Ladies Pennants - Round 4	23rd March	9am
Men's Pennants - Round 5	27th March	3s - 12.15pm 5s, 6s and 7s - 11.30am
Ladies Club Fours Entries Close	1st April	
Men's Pennants - Round 6	10th April	3s - 11.30am 5s, 6s and 7s - 12.15pm
Men's Major Singles - Round 1	11th April	8.30am
Ladies Pennants Finish - Round 5	13th April	9am
Ladies District Delegate Meeting	14th April	
Men's Pennants - Round 7	17th April	3s - 12.15pm 5s, 6s and 7s - 11.30am
Men's Major Singles - Round 2	18th April	8.30am
Turn Around Triples - Dural Country Club	19th April	9am
Men's Pennants - Round 8	24th April	3s - 11.30am 5s, 6s and 7s - 12.15pm
Anzac Day	25th April	

## FROM THE LADIES - MARGARET WIGHTON

On behalf of the ladies a very happy, healthy and successful 2010 to all bowlers.

To bring you up to date I must regress to 2009. Our lovely ladies , Betty Lamb, Alison Murray, Regina Tobin and Vera Dolman (representing the West Pennant Hills Sports Club ) modelled an array of fashions at our Annual Fashion Parade. With the great lunch supplied by Shane this is always an enjoyable social day.

October saw us enjoying our Patron and Past Presidents Day . The winners, Alison Murray, Rosemary Roles and Vivian Moller, runners- up Jeanette Eagan, Anne Lucietto and Monica Casey were the happy recipients of their monetary prize from Patron Sue Bowers. A happy day finished with an enjoyable lunch.

Our Consistency Championship was the last bowling event for the year. This was won by Rowena Coode, Jeanette Eagan being runner-up. After winning four championships for 2009 maybe we should be calling Rowena "Queen of the Green," well done! December 8<sup>th</sup> saw the end of our bowling year with a Presentation of Trophies and Break-up Lunch.

A very hot Tuesday greeted us on 12<sup>th</sup> January for the start of our bowling year.

For the men who remember Margaret Read it was during our Christmas break that she became very ill, spending two weeks in Intensive Care. It was touch and go for a few days. Margaret is out of the woods, but has a long way to go before she leaves hospital. I will keep you informed on her progress.

We celebrated Vice-President Alison Murray's 80th birthday with a lunch at which she cut her cake and accepted a posy of flowers.

Australia Day was a full day starting with a sausage sizzle, a brief Australia day address by Ken Wighton, followed by turn-around triples. It was extremely hot so a break was called after each period of 7 ends. Mr. Lam, (a real sweetie!) surprised us with a special Australia Day cake, shared by all to enjoy on this special day.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> of March is the start of Pennants for our District, let's hope we can do as well or better than last year.

Wishing all bowlers a successful Pennant season.



Left: Mr. Lam with our lovely ladies cutting the cake on Australia Day

Right: President Pat Jones (left) with Vice President Alison Murray (centre). Alison with her flowers celebrating her 80th birthday.



## SELECTOR'S UPDATE - ALAN BOWRY

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### Pennants 2010

Following the enthusiastic response from our Bowlers to play Pennants for our Club in 2010 and in view of that number of Bowlers, herewith the current situation:

There are now 53 Bowlers who have now committed to play Pennants, together with 8 additional Bowlers who will be available to fill in when an emergency arises throughout the season. A total of 61 Bowlers which should suffice the required number to support 4 Sides.

In view of this number of players available the selectors have applied for and been accepted into 4 Sides in 2010 Pennants i.e. Grades --- 3, 5, 6, 7

The opportunity of having 4 Sides is so important in the development of our new Bowlers and those players who have never had that chance to play in such a prestige competition as Pennants, which will only benefit to our Club in the short and long term.

It is critical to emphasis the importance of team solidarity with teams selected not only on performance and skill but over cohesiveness.

### Joe Bedford Cup

Once again this year, the Joe Bedford Cup competition will be run for those members not taking part in the Pennants competition. To be run on Saturdays in place of social bowls for those players not involved with Pennants, the Bedford Cup offers an opportunity for players who enjoy a more structured competition during the regular Pennant season.

Points are awarded for

- Participation / round = 10 points
- Game win / round = 10 points
- End won / game = 1 point each end

Should two or more players finish on equal points then the following count back system will apply :

- Player who has higher participation point tally shall be declared the winner.
- Should participation points be equal then player who has higher games points shall be declared the winner.
- Should players still be equal then total end points / per game, starting with the last completed round and working backward, until a winner is decided.

Other than that, I would like to wish everyone a great year of bowls this year.

## CHAMPIONSHIP NEWS - MINOR PAIRS FINAL

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The battlelines were drawn and it was to be bowls at 20 paces between the awesome might of the **Brady Bombers** (skip Steve Brady, lead *Stormin'* Norm Jackson) and the formidable excellence of newcomers to the Minor Pairs competition, the **Stubbin Stormers** (skip Don Stubbin, lead Rod Gamble).

The game commenced with the first third of the game a close tussle with the Stubbin Stormers However, the Stubbin Stormers started pulling away from the Brady Bombers early in the game and never looked back. A very courageous effort by the Brady Bombers did not make the assault being made by the Stubbin Stormers any easier.

Despite this, both the Stubbin Stormers and Brady Bombers were not going to take the remainder of the game lying down and finished in a style commensurate with the level of bowls they have played throughout the tournament.

With the final score 26-4 in favour of the Stubbin Stormers, **Don Stubbin** and **Rod Gamble** became this year's Minor Pairs Champions. Congratulations to Don and Rod. Commiserations to Steve and Norm, you fought brilliantly and played some truly outstanding bowls.

Final Score: **Stubbin Stormers (26) def. Brady Bombers (4)**

## MATCH COMMITTEE UPDATE - DAVID WILSON

### **Inclement Weather**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members on behalf of the Match Committee for their co-operation over the last few weeks. Whether it has been due to extreme rain or extreme heat, everyone has been most compliant with the direction given by the Controlling Body with regard to play. As always, the Match Committee is open to suggestions from our members. Your thoughts are welcome in helping us to refine our conditions of play to make bowls as enjoyable as possible while maintaining safety at all times.

With this in mind and with a run of extreme heat occurring over the next couple of weeks, I would ask that members use their common sense and exercise some responsibility for their own wellbeing. If you are a person who doesn't handle the heat well, please don't put your name down to play. While we welcome everyone to play as often as possible, it isn't fair to put pressure on the Controlling Body to act in your best interests. Sometimes we need individuals to make their own decision based on their health. Furthermore, while no-one thinks any less of anyone for pulling out of bowls due to extreme weather, please inform the selectors as soon as possible to avoid any problems with regard to numbers in organised competitions.

The Match Committee is in the process of refining the extreme heat sub-section of the Conditions of Play. My personal thanks to Steve Brady for his assistance in this matter, especially in making representations to the main club's board on our behalf.

### **Uniform**

With the pennant season fast approaching, the Zone Match Committee has asked all clubs to remind those participating in pennants to be mindful of their uniform.

#### ***For pennant competition;***

**SHIRT:** The club's turquoise and maroon shirt with the Bowls Australia logo must be worn. The old cream club shirt or any other white or cream shirt is not acceptable for pennants. Anyone wearing any other shirt will be asked to change shirts before play starts. (Note however, that shirts no longer need to be tucked-in to the trousers)

**PANTS:** Both shorts and long trousers are acceptable.

**SHOES:** Shoes must be all white or predominantly white with no other colours on them. The only exceptions are maker's logos as long as they are tonal. Shoes where the sole extends up the sides of the shoe are not acceptable.

**SOCKS:** Plain white socks/sockettes/ankle socks are all permitted.

Please note that the same requirements apply for club championships. If you arrive at the club for a club championship match in a shirt other than the club's turquoise and maroon shirt will be asked to change before the match can commence.

### **Roll-ups**

To ensure the longevity of our greens between renovations and over the hectic competition season, the Management Committee is asking all members who roll-up to roll-up on the boundary markers. This should help the green wear evenly and avoid runners appearing in the green. Our greenkeeper Blake has marked the boundary markers with white or blue dots so that members are able to see where the lines are.

### **Championship Conditions of Play**

I would like to remind everyone of the importance of reading the individual conditions of play for championship events. Most importantly, the scheduled dates are pretty well set in stone owing to the packed championship calendar we have this year. Already, the Match Committee has had to knock back several requests for changes in the scheduled time of championship because alternate times are not available. However, those with exceptional circumstances should receive dispensation. It is a situation which while being regrettable is nonetheless necessary.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and happy and safe bowling over the next 12 months.

# MEN'S PRESENTATION DAY 2009

Congratulations to all of 2009 winners and runners-up. Photos from the day can be found at our website

[www.bowls.demaj.com.au](http://www.bowls.demaj.com.au)

Those without access to the internet can get copies of the photos by contacting the Editor.

## The Keith Walkom Memorial Veterans Triples Championship 2008

**Winners** Ken Henry Clem Woodward Norm Jackson  
**Runners-Up** George McBrien John Lilly Cliff Johnstone

## The West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Novice Singles Championship 2008

**Winner** Norm Jackson  
**Runner-Up** Clive Donohoo

## The West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Minor Triples Championship

**Winners** Warren Phillips Peter Eagle Terry Barnett  
**Runners-Up** Aaron Barnett David Wilson Mal Horner

## The Bob Mackintosh Minor Pairs Championship

**Winners** David Wilson Geoff McIntosh  
**Runners-Up** Norm Jackson Steve Brady

## The West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Novice Singles Championship 2009

**Winner** Brian Joyce  
**Runner-Up** Rod Gamble

## The Bill Menzies Minor Singles Championship

**Winner** Geoff McIntosh  
**Runner-Up** Kevin Hoffman

## The Barry Walker Classic Pairs Championship

**Winners** Steve Brady Keith Robinson  
**Runners-Up** Steve Watson Dallas Palm

## The Joe Bedford Memorial President's Cup 2009

**Winner** Allan Meaker

## The President's Player of the Year 2009

**Winner** Keith Robinson  
**Runner-Up** Mal Horner

## The Gordon Atkins Fours Championship 2008

**Winners** Don Stubbin Geoff McIntosh Keith Robinson Ross Tinnmouth  
**Runners-Up** David Wilson David Jeffrey Alan Bowry Nev Roach

## The Gordon Atkins Fours Championship 2009

**Winners** Dallas Palm Mathew Stubbs Geoff McIntosh Ross Tinnmouth  
**Runners-Up** Ken Wighton Barrie Stuart Peter Booth Don Yeates

## The West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Major Triples Championship

**Winners** Jonathon Rixon Jim Collins Peter Booth Don Stubbin (sub.)  
**Runners-Up** Warren Phillips Keith Robinson Terry Barnett

## The West Pennant Hills Men's Bowling Major Pairs Championship

**Winners** Ken Wighton Don Yeates  
**Runners-Up** Alan Bowry Clive Montague

## The Thorby Major Singles Championship

**Winner** Don Yeates  
**Runner-Up** Geoff McIntosh



# **Tuesday Afternoon Twilight Mufti Pairs**



**Starting from**

**12th Jan.**

**5.30pm start**

**Nominated Pairs**

**(Ladies Welcome)**

**3-bowl, 12 ends**

**\$5.00 per team**

**Prize for Highest Margin**

## CHANGING OF THE GUARD

As many members would be aware, I am currently in the third year of my Bachelor of Arts (Ancient History and Politics) degree at Macquarie University. I always knew this year was going to be a challenge for me juggling my work commitments, university commitments and the commitment I made to this club at the last AGM when elected as your Vice President.

Thus, I have had to reign in a couple of my responsibilities at the club and one of the roles I will be relinquishing this year is that of editor of the newsletter. I hope that over the past two years the newsletter has become everything the members hoped it would be when they requested it at the 2007 AGM. Since then, 13 editions have been published over two volumes. While I would still like to see more material coming from the members, there have been a few dedicated and diligent people among us who have always provided something of interest.

I am exceptionally grateful to the new editorial staff of *News from the Green* who I have no doubt will guide this publication to greater heights of journalistic brilliance. Therefore, it gives me great pleasure to announce that as of the March/April 2010 edition, the editor of the newsletter will be Tony Boughton, ably assisted by two deputy editors in Peter Booth and Micheal Schwarcz. I thank these gentlemen for stepping up and hope that all members will offer any assistance they can.

David Wilson.



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**103 New Line Road, West Pennant Hills.**

Interested in joining our club or discovering what our club has to offer? Call **Terry Barnett on 0417 681 044** to learn more and arrange an introduction to lawn bowls.

Arranging a corporate event for your workplace? Looking for something different for that family function? Then contact **Paul van Tilburg on 9656 1453 or at [corporate@demaj.com.au](mailto:corporate@demaj.com.au)** . Visitors are invited to join us on social days.

**Tuesday (Ladies)** Cards called at 9:45am. Games commence at 10:00am . Put your name on the list in the Sports Room.

**Tuesday Twilight 3-bowl Pairs (Ladies Welcome)** Cards called at 5.30pm. Put your name on the list in the Sports Room

**Wednesday (Mens)** Cards called at 12:45pm. Games commence at 1:00pm. Put your name on the list in the Sports Room or phone between 11.00am & 12.00pm on 9980-6922.

**Thursday Twilight Bowls** From 5.30pm, no phone-in required.

**Friday "Jackpot Pairs" Nominated Mixed Competition** Cards called at 12:45pm. Games commence 1:00pm. Put your name on the list in the Sports Room

**Saturday (Mens)** Cards called at 12:45pm. Games commence at 1:00pm. Put your name on the list in the Sports Room or phone between 11.00am & 12.00pm on 9980-6922.

**Sunday Mixed Bowls** Games commence at 2:00pm

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