

# Koala News

The Bulletin of the Men's and Women's Bowling Sections of West Pennant Hills Sports Club



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## You can't keep a good pair down!

After being runners-up in the Major Pairs **Brian Joyce** and **Bob Cole** won the **Barry Walker Classic Pairs** for 2013.

It was a very exciting, closely fought final. One dead end, frequent changes of lead and the fastest green we have had for a while produced a great game for both players and spectators.

Congratulations go to **Brian Joyce** and **Bob Cole** winning 19 – 17 over **Geoff Seamons** and **Gerard D'Costa**.



Bob Cole, Barry Walker and Brian Joyce



Brian Joyce, Bob Cole, Peter Eagle and Kevin Ross

### 2013 MEN'S MAJOR PAIRS

The teams of **Brian Joyce** and **Bob Cole** and **Peter Eagle** and **Kevin Ross** started out keeping each other in check with a margin of only a couple of points. About two thirds through the game Peter and Kevin scored a six point end and then increased their lead on to win the match 22 – 13.



Wendy Wise, Anne Lucietto and Lorraine Begg

### 2013 WOMEN'S MAJOR TRIPLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to 2013 Triples Championship winners, **Lorraine Begg**, **Anne Lucietto** and **Wendy Wise**.

Congratulations also to the runners-up, **Kaye Eagle**, **Veronica Doyle** and **Denise Hopkins** on winning through to the final.



Keith Robinson and Peter Eagle

### 2013 MEN'S MAJOR SINGLES FINAL

A see-sawing match saw Peter leading Keith 24 – 23 after 24 ends.

The next 7 ends were a battle of concentration. On one end, Keith was holding three shots only to see Peter draw the perfect shot to claim one.

The final score was **Keith Robinson** 31 to **Peter Eagle** 29. A very good match between two top players.

Footnote: Keith's son also won his club's Major Singles at Fingal Bay.

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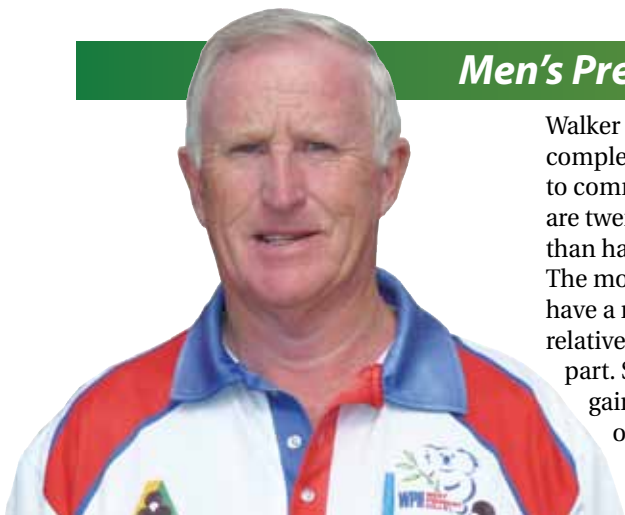
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## Men's President's Report



This is my last report as President of the Men's Bowling Section. I feel after two years as Senior Vice President and two years as President, it is time to step aside to allow another person to take over the position as President. A lot has taken place over those years. I will not go into details as my AGM report sets out what has been achieved, however it has been a rewarding experience and I wish to convey my gratitude to the members of all the Committees for their support and effort over this time. It is important to remember, that the bowling sections have the strong support behind them of the Sports Club. Without that support it would be a lot harder to function, especially in the current economic climate.

Since the last report, the Major Singles, Major Pairs and the Barry

Walker Classic Pairs have been completed. The Minor Singles are due to commence shortly. This year there are twenty six entrants, which is more than have been involved in the past. The most pleasing aspect is that we have a number of bowlers who are relatively new to bowling who are taking part. Singles is a game where you gain experience as you are on your own and have to make your own decisions. It is a learning curve and I am sure that every one of the bowlers participating will gain something out of their game regardless of whether they lose or win.

West Pennant Hills have had a number of successes at away carnivals. We won the Pennant Hills Birthday triples carnival. It could be said that there was a great deal of pain experienced by the Pennant Hills organisers in having to announce the winner, especially as earlier in the year, WPH defeated Pennant Hills in the Challenge Cup. Max Walters, Wendy Wise and Eric Hilton ran second in the Dural Super Six Carnival. Although, Max believes it was his bowling skills that got them into the position of being second, the consensus of opinion is that it was Wendy Wise that got them over the line. Rod Gamble and Gary Tyrrell also picked up prizes for the first to have resting touches in the morning

and afternoon games. Our teams have also competed well in the Turn Around Triples Carnivals, also picking up prizes on the way.

The Turn Around Triples Carnival at WPH was a successful event. There were concerns about the weather and the state of the greens, but everything went very smoothly on the day. It is very pleasing to say, that as far as I am aware there was not one grumble. The weather was fine, the greens ran well, the food was excellent, the support of the Sports Club left nothing to be desired, Dallas did an excellent job recording the scores using electronic means so that every team knew their position, plus it also gave WPH the opportunity to do some advertising, especially in relation to the new fee system which a lot of bowlers read. Also, a couple of our teams picked up prizes. To the volunteers on the day, thank you for your help as it was greatly appreciated. To David Beavis, thank you for your help.

In finishing, I would like to thank John Skidmore, Ian Corke and those previously involved, Don Carpenter, Max Walters and Tony Boughton for their involvement with the Koala News. A lot of time goes into each edition. It needs to continue. To all of the bowlers at West Pennant Hills, good bowling and good luck as it is a great club.

*Peter Eagle*

## Dural Super Sixes – as Max saw it!

Dural Bowling Club had trouble scraping up the cash prizes to pay five WPH Bowlers their prize money at their bowls day on 29th July.

There were two prizes of \$50 (one morning and one afternoon) for the 1st person in each session to have a 'resting bowl on the jack'. Rod Gamble achieved the 1st 'rester' (just one second before Eric Hilton) and Gary Tyrrell (former Dural lad) won the 2nd 'rester' in the afternoon. Not only that – they were both in the same team and collusion has been mentioned!

Our Club was represented by four teams in this event.

The event of the Day was 'Super Sixes', where you play 6 games of 6 ends against different opposition in 3 bowl triples. Obviously, to score well and win most games gives teams a chance of success. Ably led by Eric Hilton, Wendy Wise (a brilliant 2nd) and skipped (no comment) by Max Walters, they won five games and missed the 1st prize by one point, coming in a clear 2nd. Unbiased comments heard around the greens, believed they were by far the best team!

## Will you live to see 85?

I recently visited a new doctor.

After two visits and exhaustive lab tests, he said I was doing 'fairly well' for my age. (I had just reached 65.)

A little concerned about that comment, I couldn't resist asking him, 'Do you think I'll live to be 85?'

He asked, 'Do you drink or smoke?'

'Oh not much prog these days and don't smoke' I replied. 'I'm not doing drugs, either!'

Then he asked, 'Do you eat steaks, fatty roasts and barbecued ribs?'

'I said, 'Not much ... my previous doctor said that red meat is unhealthy!'

'Do you spend a lot of time in the sun, like playing golf, boating, sailing, surfing, hiking, or bicycling?'

'No, I don't,' I said.

He asked, 'Do you gamble, drive fast cars or have a lots of sex?'

'No,' I said.

He looked at me and said, 'Then, why do you want to live to 85?'



Rod & Gary flaunting their \$50 successes



Max, Wendy and Eric (not flaunting)



## Women's President's Report

Since my last report we have had some difficult weather to deal with. However we were successful and concluded the Women's Club Triples Championship for 2013.

Winners : **Lorraine Begg, Anne Lucietto and Wendy Wise**

Runners Up : **Kaye Eagle, Veronica Doyle and Denise Hopkins.**

Once again the final scores were not an indication of the way the game was played. Congratulations to all these worthy players. Our next Championship event will be the Club Fours, scheduled to commence Thursday 22nd August. It is pleasing to note that our newer members are keen to participate in competitions and are enthusiastic about attending carnivals.

On Tuesday 9th July we held our AGM with election of officers for the year 2013-1014. I am very pleased that I was elected again to serve as President for another year. It has been a learning curve for me I must admit, "getting to know the ropes" and indeed just getting to know and be associated with the ladies and the gentlemen of the bowling sections. This past year has also allowed me to become associated with the Management of the Sports Club and the very co-operative and friendly staff.

There were some changes with our Committee members and I would like to acknowledge my thanks and appreciation to the following ladies, **Jeanette Egan** who did not stand as Vice President again this year, **Lorraine Milburn** and **Bernice Francis** retired from the Social Committee, **Betty Lamb** will not resume her position as a Delegate to the Northern Suburbs District and **Lyn Hindle** was unable to continue as our Welfare Officer. However, welcome to the

new Committee members elected to varying positions, **Teddie Dowling** (Chair of Operational Committee and Welfare duties), **Gina Tobin** and **Shauna Geraghty** (Operational Committee), **Wendy Wise** (Delegate to NSDWBA), **Kaye Bailey** and **Jennifer Higginson** (Social Committee). Ladies, your contribution will be very much appreciated. I would like to say thank you too to those ladies who do not commit as committee members but are always on hand to assist at any time with any assistance required.

On Tuesday 23rd July Joan Ellem and I attended President's Day at Pennant Hills Bowling Club as invited guests for the retiring President Helen Atkinson. A short game of bowls was played before lunch. The main function room was very well presented and the meal was delicious. The usual protocol was taken, as with President's Days and there was plenty of refreshment on hand for the toasts. The weather was kind, we were with good company and it appeared that all present enjoyed the day.

We are looking forward to being the host club on Thursday 8th August when the Beecroft ladies attend to compete with West Pennant Hills once again for the annual Leonie Hunter Rose Bowl trophy. At the moment Beecroft retain the coveted trophy but this year we are determined to win it back.

At last, after having to wear it for six weeks, I am free from that cumbersome boot on my left foot. Hopefully it has served its purpose and I am now able to enjoy being back on the green again. Thanks to those who showed concern for me during that time. Enjoy your bowling everyone.

*Betty Gough*



### WPH BOWLING CLUB 2013/14 WOMEN'S COMMITTEES

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <b>President</b>             | Betty Gough   |
| <b>Vice Presidents</b>       | Margaret Wighton<br>Barbara Hazeltine   |
| <b>Secretary</b>             | Anne Lucietto   |
| <b>Treasurer</b>             | Judith McCreadie  |
| <b>Match Committee</b>       | Pat Jones (Chair)<br>Cass Joyce<br>Kaye Eagle   |
| <b>Selectors</b>             | Lorraine Begg (Chair)<br>Denise Hopkins<br>Veronica Doyle<br>Joan Ellem<br>Rosemary Roles |
| <b>Operational Committee</b> | Teddie Dowling<br>(Chair And Welfare)<br>Margaret Sawyer<br>Shauna Geraghty<br>Gina Tobin |
| <b>Social</b>                | June Huntley (Chair)<br>Kaye Bailey<br>Jennifer Higginson                                 |
| <b>Delegates to NSDWBA</b>   | Alison Murray<br>Wendy Wise   |



## Irish Medical Dictionary



|                          |                                   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>ARTERY</b>            | The study of paintings            |
| <b>BACTERIA</b>          | Back door to cafeteria            |
| <b>BARIUM</b>            | What doctors do when patients die |
| <b>BENIGN</b>            | What you be, after you be eight   |
| <b>CAESAREAN SECTION</b> | A neighbourhood in Rome           |
| <b>CAT SCAN</b>          | Searching for Kitty               |
| <b>CAUTERIZE</b>         | Made eye contact with her         |
| <b>COLIC</b>             | A sheep dog                       |
| <b>COMA</b>              | A punctuation mark                |
| <b>DILATE</b>            | To live long                      |
| <b>ENEMA</b>             | Not a friend                      |
| <b>FESTER</b>            | Quicker than someone else         |
| <b>FIBULA</b>            | A small lie                       |
| <b>IMPOTENT</b>          | Distinguished, well known         |
| <b>LABOUR PAIN</b>       | Getting hurt at work              |

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|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>MEDICAL STAFF</b>    | A Doctor's cane                   |
| <b>MORBID</b>           | A higher offer                    |
| <b>NITRATES</b>         | Rates of pay for working at night |
| <b>NODE</b>             | I knew it                         |
| <b>OUTPATIENT</b>       | A person who has fainted          |
| <b>PELVIS</b>           | Second cousin to Elvis            |
| <b>POST OPERATIVE</b>   | A letter carrier                  |
| <b>RECOVERY ROOM</b>    | Place to do upholstery            |
| <b>RECTUM</b>           | Nearly killed him                 |
| <b>SECRETION</b>        | Hiding something                  |
| <b>SEIZURE</b>          | Roman Emperor                     |
| <b>TABLET</b>           | A small table                     |
| <b>TERMINAL ILLNESS</b> | Getting sick at the airport       |
| <b>TUMOUR</b>           | One plus one more                 |
| <b>URINE</b>            | Opposite of you're out            |

**Norma Sneddon** is getting better and is back playing bowls.

**Rosemary Rolles** is still not well.

**Geoff Tweeddale** is still having health problems.

**Ken Holden** is improving.

**Col Johnston** is getting better after another visit to hospital.

**Steve Brady** is getting better and now watching the bowls.

## I have some questions!



Why isn't the number 11 pronounced onety-one?

If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhoea ... does that mean that one out of five ENJOYS it?

If people from Poland are called Poles, then why aren't people from Holland called Holes?

Why is a person who plays the piano called a pianist, but a person who drives a racecar is not called a racist?

If it's true that we are here to help others, then what exactly are the others here for?

If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, then doesn't it follow that electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked, and dry cleaners depressed?

I thought about how mothers feed their babies with tiny little spoons and forks, so I wondered what do Chinese mothers use, toothpicks?

How come you never hear father-in-law jokes?

Whose cruel idea was it to put an "s" in the word "lisp"?

## A visit to the doctor

A woman went to the doctors where she was seen by one of the younger doctors. After about four minutes in the examination room, she burst out screaming as she ran down the hall. An older doctor stopped her and asked what the problem was, and she told him her story.

After listening, he had her sit down and relax in another room.

The older doctor marched down the

hallway back to where the young doctor was writing on his clipboard.

"What the hell is the matter with you?!" the older doctor demanded.

"Mrs. Terry is 71 years old, has four grown children and seven grandchildren, and you told her she was pregnant?"

The younger doctor continued writing and without looking up said,

"Does she still have the hiccups?"



We went to breakfast at a restaurant where the 'seniors special' was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for \$2.99.

'Sounds good,' my wife said. 'But I don't want the eggs.'

'Then, I'll have to charge you \$3.49 because you're ordering a la carte,' the waitress warned her.

'You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?' my wife asked incredulously.

'YES!' stated the waitress.

'I'll take the special then,' my wife said.

'How do you want your eggs?' the waitress asked.

'Raw and in the shell,' my wife replied.

She took the two eggs home and baked a cake.

## Umpires' Corner

**A player stands on the mat with the toes of both feet 20cm over the front of the mat and delivers his bowl. Is he footfaulting?**

Yes. Law 20.1. Before delivery a player should be standing on the mat with one foot fully on the mat.

**During a singles game a bowl in course from the next rink comes toward the head. The marker lifts the stationary bowl to allow it to pass. Is the marker correct?**

No. Law 28.6.2. If, during a singles game, a bowl at rest on the rink is in danger of being moved by a bowl from a neighbouring rink, the marker should stop the bowl from the neighbouring rink.

**A Lead delivered the jack and played the first bowl. The opposing lead then queried the length of the roll of the jack. What shall happen?**

Nothing. Law 22.7. After the first player has delivered the first bowl, no one has the right to challenge the legality of the original position of the jack.

**A jack in course is displaced by the opposing skip. What shall happen?**

Law 33.1.1.2. If a jack in its original course is displaced by an opponent, it should be delivered by the same player.

**Who is the player in possession of the rink?**

Law 35.1. Possession of the rink will belong to the player or team whose bowl is being played.

## Ask the umpire.

If you have a particular bowls question that you would like answered get a message to the editor directly or by email. There's no guarantee you will like the answer – but we will do our best.

### Kevin Ross

Kevin Ross was born on the 1st April, 1940 (no, it wasn't an April Fools Joke) at Marrickville, the eldest of four boys. His schooling began at West Marrickville and he then went to Dulwich Hill Junior Tech High School. He always wanted to be a butcher, so at the age of 10, he worked in a Butcher's Shop after school, delivering orders etc. After completing his Intermediate Certificate at age 15, he left school and went straight into butchering, doing his 5 year apprenticeship at the same shop. There was no TAFE in those days, it was all practical. At the end of his apprenticeship, Kevin decided to branch out and extend his knowledge at various other shops. His working career included owning several butcher shops and later working as a representative selling butcher's supplies.

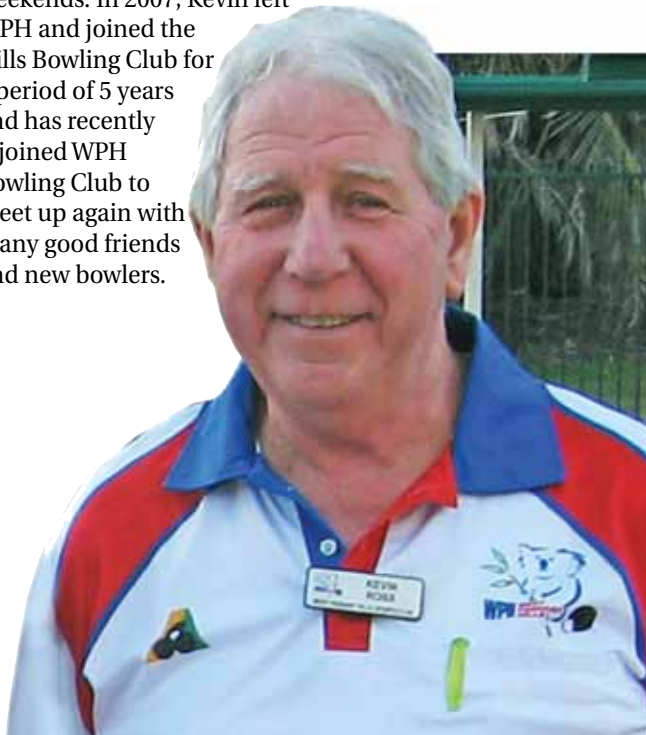
In 1988 Kevin and a working partner purchased a Butcher Supply Company at Warriewood which also manufactured sausage seasonings, meat coatings and marinades. After building the business up, he was unfortunately forced to retire in 2002 due to heart problems.

In 1962, Kevin was married and a year later he and his wife had a daughter, Debbie. In 1965, his wife contracted Hodgkins Disease, a form of cancer, and died later that year, aged 25. This was a difficult time and they both lived with his parents who cared for Debbie for many years.

In 1970, through mutual friends, Kevin met Belle and they were married in 1972 with Debbie aged 8 being the flower girl. Debbie is now 50 and both she and Belle share a very close relationship. Kevin and Belle went on to have two more daughters, Sarah-Jane and Anita and now enjoy eight grandchildren, 4 boys and 4 girls.

Kevin started playing bowls in 1967 with his father and uncle at Revesby Bowling Club and later joined the Hunters Hill Bowling Club where he won the Club Minor Singles Championship in 1971. In 1973, Kevin joined the small West Pennant Hills Bowling Club which at that time was supported by dedicated volunteers, working behind the scenes at the bar etc. It was during this time that he became friendly with Don Fletcher, Bob Rosebery and Barry Walker with whom he had many a good game of bowls. In the late 80's and early 90's Kev took a few years off playing bowls to concentrate on his business which required long working hours often including weekends. In 2007, Kevin left

WPH and joined the Hills Bowling Club for a period of 5 years and has recently rejoined WPH Bowling Club to meet up again with many good friends and new bowlers.



### Wendy Wise

Wendy was born at Croydon Park NSW on 27th January 1942, an only child. She lived in Ashfield until she married Ross Wise in 1964. Wendy attended Ashfield Primary School and then Burwood Girls High School. After leaving school she attended Sydney Technical College where she studied a Business Principles Course, learning shorthand and typing. In 1958 she started work for a firm of solicitors, "Walker, Taylor, Edwards and Smith" in Castlereagh Street, Sydney.

After her marriage she moved from Ashfield to Beecroft and is still living in the same home after 49 years. Wendy has two sons and four granddaughters.

Wendy played tennis in Western Suburbs for many years and after moving to Beecroft played at Cheltenham in the Eastwood Thornleigh Tennis Association. She worked on the Grading Committee of that Association for a couple of years as a Delegate and then became involved with the Delegates Grading Committee of the Metropolitan Grass Courts Association at White City. After a number of years as Delegate she became the Chairperson. While involved as a Delegate she helped with the running of the "Esso" Girls and Boys age championships.

Wendy joined the bowling section of Cheltenham in 1986. Even though she was playing bowls she was still involved with tennis, being a foundation member of the Friends of the NSW Tennis Association which ran the Tennis Museum at White City and then at Homebush Park. Wendy was a volunteer at the Museum for about 16 years and during that time was a member of the Committee.

When she started to play bowls full time she held positions on the Committee as Treasurer, Vice President and President. Both her husband, Ross, and Wendy were Presidents of the bowling club at the same time. While she was President Wendy became involved with the Northern Suburbs District Women's Bowling Association where she held the positions of Match Committee member, Publicity Officer, Delegate to the NSW Women's Bowling Association, Vice President and President. At the moment Wendy holds the position of Selector on the Selection Committee.

She left Cheltenham Bowling Club in 2007 after her husband passed away and joined West Epping Panthers WBC and remained a member until the club was closed by the Panthers Group in 2011. Wendy then joined the Women's Bowling Section at West Pennant Hills.

Wendy enjoys playing competitive bowls and has been successful over the years both at Club level and District level. She is enjoying her bowls at West Pennant Hills and has made many lovely friends.





## Calendar of Events from August 22 to December 8, 2013

|                  |                     |             |  |
|------------------|---------------------|-------------|--|
| Thursday         | 22 August           | 9 am        | Women's Fours – Round 1                  |
| Saturday         | 24 August           | 8.30 am     | Men's Minor Singles – Round 2            |
| Thursday         | 29 August           | 9 am        | Women's Fours – Round 2                  |
| Saturday         | 31 August           | 10.30 am    | Men's AGM                                |
| Saturday         | 31 August           | 12.30 pm    | Men's Minor Singles – Round 3            |
| Thursday         | 5 September         |             | Women's Minor Singles – Entries close    |
| Thursday         | 5 September         | 9 am        | Women's Fours – Round 3                  |
| Saturday         | 7 September         | 12.30 pm    | Men's Minor Singles – Semi Final         |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>7 September</b>  |             | <b>Orange Blossom Carnival</b>           |
| Tuesday          | 10 September        | 9 am        | Women's Fours – Final                    |
| Saturday         | 14 September        | 12.30 pm    | Men's Minor Singles – Final              |
| Thursday         | 19 September        | 9 am        | Women's Minor Singles – Round 1          |
| Saturday         | 21 September        | 12.30 pm    | Men's Major Triples – Round 1            |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>24 September</b> | <b>9 am</b> | <b>Friendship Day</b>                    |
| Thursday         | 26 September        | 9 am        | Women's Minor Singles – Round 2          |
| Saturday         | 28 September        | 9 am        | Mixed Pennants – Round 1                 |
| Saturday         | 28 September        | 12.30 pm    | Men's Major Triples – Round 2            |
| Thursday         | 3 October           | 9 am        | Women's Minor Singles – Semi Final       |
| Tuesday          | 8 October           | 9 am        | Women's Minor Singles – Final            |
| Saturday         | 12 October          | 9 am        | Mixed Pennants – Round 2                 |
| Saturday         | 12 October          | 8.30 am     | Men's Major Triples – Round 3            |
| Sunday           | 13 October          | 1 pm        | Men's Major Triples – Semi Final         |
| Saturday         | 19 October          | 9 am        | Mixed Pennants – Round 3                 |
| Saturday         | 19 October          | 1 pm        | Men's Major Triples – Final              |
| Saturday         | 26 October          | 9 am        | Mixed Pennants – Round 4                 |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>27 October</b>   |             | <b>OPEN DAY</b>                          |
| Thursday         | 31 October          |             | Women's Club Consistency – Entries Close |
| Saturday         | 2 November          | 1 pm        | Men's Minor Pairs – Round 1              |
| Saturday         | 2 November          | 9 am        | Mixed Pennants – Round 5                 |
| Saturday         | 9 November          | 8.30 am     | Men's Minor Pairs – Round 2              |
| Saturday         | 9 November          | 1 pm        | Men's Minor Pairs – Round 3              |
| Saturday         | 9 November          | 9 am        | Mixed Pennants – Round 6                 |
| Thursday         | 14 November         | 9 am        | Women's Club Consistency – Round 1       |
| Saturday         | 16 November         | 1 pm        | Men's Minor Pairs – Semi Final           |
| Thursday         | 21 November         | 9 am        | Women's Club Consistency – Round 2       |
| Saturday         | 23 November         | 1 pm        | Men's Minor Pairs – Final                |
| Tuesday          | 26 November         | 9 am        | Women's Club Consistency – Semi Final    |
| Thursday         | 28 November         | 9 am        | Women's Club Consistency – Final         |
| Saturday         | 30 November         | 10.30 am    | Men's Presentation Day                   |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>4 December</b>   |             | <b>Ladies' Lunch</b>                     |
| Sunday           | 8 December          | 11 am       | Christmas Lunch                          |

**Note** – the times shown against events are presented as indication only. Confirm actual start times for events from the information posted for the individual event closer to the date. Match Committee reserve the right to make changes to start times and dates to enable the programme to be completed.

