



BUCKINGHAM BOWLS CLUB INC.

NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2021

Music Trivia Night

Cookie will be running one of his fantastic Music Trivia Nights on Friday 19 November 2021 – they are extremely popular nights – so get your team together and put your name on the notice at the Club now.

Gala Day – Club Triples Championship Grand Finals

Members are invited to come along to the Club from 1pm on Sunday 21 November to watch the grand finals of the Club Triples Championships with the Women's Open and B Grade and the Men's Open and B Grade finals all being played at the same time.

Club Fours Champions

The Club Fours Championships have been run and won – congratulations to the winners:

Women's Open – Chris Thompson, Alison Chamberlain, Cindy Gangell and Pam French.

Women's B Grade – Grady Helmich, Cathie Robson, Erna Eskildsen and Maree Sargent.

Men's Open – Stuart Rees, Barry Nash, Ike Smith and Steve Absalom.

Men's B Grade – Graham Smith, Peter Cavanagh, Noel Sargent and Tony Capasso.

McKay Timber Show Day Fours

A great day was had by all at the Olive and Arthur Stagg Show Day Fours Carnival which was proudly sponsored by McKay Timber.

Congratulations to the winners:

1st Place – Rod Turner, Dean Tabor, Crystal Brooks and Peta Barnett (Glenorchy Rodman).

2nd Place – David Williams, Max Tonks, Rose Williams and Ryan Williams (Brighton).

3rd Place – Grant Chamberlain, Barry Nash, Alison Chamberlain and Phil Wheatley (Buckingham).

Thank you to Craig Owen and Jeanette Lane for running the day and all the kitchen and bar helpers who ensured that the day ran without a hitch.

Christmas Dinner

The Club's Christmas Dinner will be held on Friday 10 December 2021 commencing at 6pm. Cost is \$42 per person for nibbles and a two-course meal. Private catering. Music until 10.30pm. Lucky door prize and drawing of the Club's major raffle.

Please RSVP on the list in the Clubhouse. Payment at the Bar is required no later than Tuesday 30 November 2021.

\$1,000 Grant

Our recent application for the three-day Southern Tasmania Lockdown Business Support Package of \$1,000 was successful and the money has been paid into our bank account.

Doug Cole \$3,000 Mixed Two Bowls Triples

Entries are rolling in for the Doug Cole \$3,000 Mixed Two Bowls Triples Gala Day. Entries close on Monday 22 November 2021 but get in quick as there are only a few spaces left.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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- Friday 19 November – Trivia Night.
- Sunday 21 November – Grand Finals Open and B Grade Club Triples Championships.
- Thursday 25 November – Close of entries Club Singles Championships.
- Sunday 28 November – Doug Cole \$3,000 Triples.
- Friday 3 December – Snack Meals.
- Friday 10 December – Club Christmas Dinner.
- Thursday 16 December – Last day of Women's Pennant before Christmas.
- Friday 17 December – Snack Meals.
- Saturday 18 December – Last day of Saturday Pennant before Christmas.
- Wednesday 22 December – Last day of Midweek Pennant before Christmas.

Doug Cole's Coaching Tips

Technique or Tactics? There's no point in talking tactics if technique is unsound. Bowls is a target sport so let's adopt successful methods of other target sports like archery, shooting (rifle, shotgun, pistol) and darts. All require visualisation of a delivery line. Bowls has the advantage of seeing one on the green or at least a spot on it to aim our bowl at and over. Our disadvantage is that we release our bowl while moving which seriously affects our balance.

Briefly:

1. Stand on the mat about half side-on with feet apart, both sideways and one ahead of the other but not in line.
2. Stand alongside your delivery line i.e. parallel to it, not on it so you will swing your bowl above it.

Greater details on these and other techniques and other matters will be in articles to be added to the Club's website under 'Coaching'.

Umpires

Congratulations to the group of ladies who recently undertook a Measurer's Course at the Club and are now qualified to undertake measuring during pennant or championship games. The Club is desperately short of umpires and would encourage any of those ladies or any other member who is interested in going on to become a National Umpire.

Vacancy – Club Security Officer

The Club is looking for a volunteer to take over the role of Security Officer from Todd Oakley who is no longer able to do it. If you are interested, please talk to Secretary Arija Bayles.

Singles Championships Entries Closing Soon

Just a reminder that entries in the Club's Open, B Grade and Novice Singles Championships close on Thursday 25 November 2021.

Women's and Disability Toilet Upgrade

The installation of our disability toilet is progressing well. Our volunteers are working hard but, unfortunately, we do have to put up with some inconvenience. Short term pain for a long-term gain.

Closure of Greens

Following uncertainty regarding closure of Bucks greens for a recent Saturday Pennant game, the Bowls Committee have determined protocols as follows for the closure of greens for pennant:

BTS Conditions of Play require that, except in exceptional circumstances, a decision against the start of play, must not be made prior to two hours before the scheduled start of play.

The synthetic green is never closed. Even if it is under water, if the rain stops the green will drain within half an hour and will then be playable.

The Greenkeeper is the only person authorised to close the grass green. If he does close the grass green, he will advise the authorised greens person who is Arija Bayles. If that happens, she will advise the relevant Side Captain and put notice of the green closure on the Greens Board located just inside the front gates.

Once a game commences, any decision on whether play continue or not due to inclement weather rests with the Side Captains. If the Side Captains cannot agree, the Umpires decision shall prevail.

Drinking Water

Please bring your own water bottle to the Club for pennant and practice as the Club will no longer be providing plastic cups for water.

Thank You

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