

# TVBC News

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# TUGGERANONG VIKINGS BOWLS CLUB NEWSLETTER

## Prezzo's Report

Dear members,

Around the club we have, when weather has permitted had good attendances however, November has seen some abysmal weather which has had an impact on social bowls. Unfortunately, the forecast is not exactly wonderful going into December with the long term forecast by the BOM predicting the system will not ease until early 2023. We can only hope for pleasant days in the future.

But moving on to brighter subjects, even with poor conditions we have successfully run a number of Championships, the King and Queen Tournament, our Presentation Day and the upcoming Summer Triples which has been well supported in previous years and we hope will see the same participation levels again.

As you would expect, there is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes to organise, communicate, and coordinate and we are very fortunate to have our lady VP who has not only been instrumental in our ability to continue limited catering capabilities for events, but also in the liaison with the Town Centre Management to ensure our catering via the bistro has been programmed with meal options being value for money.

Special mention to Shane (Dutchy) Holland and Town Centre Management team who with the executive team provided subsidies on the meal costs to assist with our budgeting and allocate function areas and provide staffing.

Going hand in hand with our championships and tournaments, I would specifically like to thank our Match committee who have worked tirelessly to schedule, manage



and collate results and publicise to the membership. They have also been active in programming our 2023 events and a calendar will be forthcoming.

With the above in mind, I would like to take the opportunity to thank our sponsors, LDK (K&Q and Pennant Fees), John and Kirsten Beaumont (Annual Sponsorships, Major Pairs and the winning \$1000 auction bid on the Jackeroos signed polo shirt), and our newest sponsor for 2023, BeaumontTiles.

Congratulations to all the winners and runners up, our umpires, and our army of volunteers from catering to general helpers without whom we could not run these events with efficient coordination and management.

And lastly, to thank all our members who elected to play in these events, as without your participation they would not be the successes they have been and will be.

As with this festive season, you will have noted the activities around barefoot bowls, and this is once again being extremely well managed by Baden Clarke and Lynne Signor to ensure Town Centre Management and our volunteers are aware of when assistance is required.

With the new year approaching fast, and with it another pennant season, the selectors will be posting a player registration sheet. Please register your interest and let's see us enter multiple grades for another season with more successes.

We also have had a number of our member's unwell over the past months with some hospitalised, we pass on our thoughts and cares and hope their recovery is quick and look forward to seeing them around the club rooms and on the greens in the not too distant future.

I also remind you, our Xmas Party is being held on 16 December, so I request you please identify your intent as we would like as many members as possible to attend. This will permit organisers to liaise with Town centre Management in planning and catering for the day.

The committee and I wish you all a Merry Xmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Looking forward to another successful year at Vikings.

Regards, Dave





*Hail covering the Green on 16 November causing the cancellation of Mid-Week Pennants*

## MID-WEEK PENNANTS - MEN

In the Men's event our Grade 1 won the Pennant in the inaugural year of the Men's Mid-Week event. The team finished on top of the ladder with a game in hand. Due to the need to reschedule matches called off by rain, the Grade 1 side played double headers on November 2 and 9 against Queanbeyan RSL and the then ladder leaders North Canberra, respectively. Against RSL they picked up 13 of a possible 16 points (6 and 7) and 14 of a possible 16 points against North Canberra (8 and 6) to take a 5 point lead at the top of the ladder.

North Canberra needed to beat RSL in the last round to give themselves a chance of winning the Pennant but could only manage a draw. This meant that Vikings' last game of the season, which was cancelled due to hail (see photo), did not need to be rescheduled.

Our Grade 2 side finished in third spot.

## MID-WEEK PENNANTS - WOMEN

Mid-Week Pennants have been completed with our Women's teams finishing in third spot in Grade 1. Going into the last match of the season, a rescheduled match due to an early season washout, they needed to win at least one rink comprehensively or draw against Canberra Bowling Club. However, Canberra proved too strong taking out the match 43-29, winning both rinks and as a result winning the Pennant.

We had two teams competing in Grade 2, with Vikings 2 finishing in second spot and Vikings 3 in fifth.

## MID-WEEK PENNANTS

Thanks go out to all those who participated in Mid-Week Pennants this year. Turning up week after week, in sometimes very ordinary conditions is to be commended.

Thirty women and twenty five men took part in the competition across the season.



## VIKING'S SUNDAY FUNDAY

On Sunday 6 November the Vikings Group held a free fun day out for the whole family at Vikings Park, Erindale. It was an opportunity for everyone to try out any of the sports affiliated with Vikings Group.

Our bowls club was represented at the event and our small band of volunteers were kept very busy all day, introducing the game of bowls to many, many kids as well as talking to prospective players of all age groups.

A huge thank you goes out the ladies who represented our club at the event and particularly to Lynne Signor, who gave up her entire day, including setting up our stall, manning the stall throughout the event and packing up at the end of the day.

The only disappointing aspect of the day, was that no male members assisted with the event, despite only a handful being tied up with the final day of competition at the bowls club on the day.



*A young participant at the Sunday Funday.*

## **VICE PRESIDENT LYNNE'S REPORT**

This will be a brief overview of three services Catering; Corporate Bowls and Bookings I am responsible for and there has been some changes in the practices the way we deliver these services.

I have written a Manual for each one and placed the master copy in the office for all members to view; Catering Manual -Green folder; Corporate Bowls -Black Folder; Bookings -Red folder.

### **Catering**

The Vikings Town Centre now does their own catering In-house. Therefore, the way we did our catering has changed in the requirements the Town Centre wants us to deliver catering to our members. All catering is now in accordance with the Legislative ACT Health Act and Food Safety ACT and is limited to the following Canteen services only.

- 1 Heat and Serve e.g. Pie warmer
- 2 BBQ
- 3 Cold meat /salad and fruit – meals
- 4 Morning Teas -coffee /tea stations

Most importantly, it is a requirement that any volunteer who handles foods must have a Basic Food Safety certificate.

Non-certificate holders can still do other duties e.g. kitchen.

If you wish to volunteer by helping out with food service and preparation, don't be put off, it is easy to get a certificate.

You can get your certificate online at [accessrt.edu.au](http://accessrt.edu.au). Click on food safety. Once you have completed the course let us know and the bowling club will reimburse you cost of the certificate. A copy of your certificate will be held on file in the office.

### **Corporate Bowls**

In this folder there is a copy of Job description for Administrator, which I currently am doing and for Duty Officer, which is currently Baden Clark.

All relevant documentation and bookings and Running Summary Spread Sheet of bookings are also held here.

### **BOOKINGS**

All bookings are done on a monthly basis, one month in advance.

This includes Umpire, Greenkeeper overtime, and Greenkeeper, Rooms, Bar Catering, Match, Tournaments, BACT events and Functions. A monthly running sheet is included.

If any member wishes to book extra e.g. coaching rink availability or other requirements, there is a monthly blank calendar, fill in and you will be added to booking



**Breakfast  
on the  
Green  
Sunday**  
**27<sup>th</sup> NOV**  
8.45am  
Bowls 9.30am

**3 Bowl Pairs 18 ends**  
Breakfast commences at 8.45am  
Bowls commences at 9.30am  
**Bowls and Breakfast**  
**Fees: Members \$10**  
**Breakfast only \$5**  
**NOMINATIONS CLOSE 4.00 PM SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> Nov.**  
Please indicate your acceptance of this invitation



## Upcoming Events

### Breakfast on the Green.

The next Breakfast on the Green will be held on Sunday 27 November.

Please get your name down by 4.00pm Saturday 26 November. The sign-up sheet is on the Noticeboard.

### Summer Open Triples

The very popular Summer Open Triples will be held on Saturday 10 December and Sunday 11 December.

**Nominations close 5.00pm Friday 2 December.**

## Christmas Giving Tree

A Christmas Giving Tree has been set up in the Kevin Hamilton Room to collect Christmas presents for Kids In Care.

Please leave your gift under the tree, wrapped (wrapping paper is available) and ensure the gift card stipulates boy, girl, or either and the age group that the gift is appropriate to. Leave your gift under the tree by 13 December.

*Please note that the following gifts are still needed.*

*Boys 4-7 (Dinosaurs, cars, lego, balls)*

*Girls 4+ (Beads, Jewelry, Make-up, Dolls, Art Stuff).*

**A big thank you to Rose Morrissey who is the main force behind this fabulous initiative.**

## Membership Renewal

Membership renewals are due to be lodged and paid for by 31 December 2022.

Forms are available in Kevin Hamilton Room or by email request to [lawn.bowls@vikings.com.au](mailto:lawn.bowls@vikings.com.au).

For those members who find it difficult to get to the office during opening hours, renewals can be made by submitting a scanned copy of the signed renewal form via email, both sides of the form are to be completed, and paying the renewal fee via bank transfer.



*Benny Hill – Club Champion 2021-22*



*Chloe Morrison – Club Champion 2022*



*Glenn Morton – Club Champion 2022*

## Presentation Day

Our annual presentation day was held on 12 November

Over 100 members and guests attended the event and from the feedback it was judged a huge success.

The event would not have been possible without a lot of hard work by our small band of organisers. A big thank you goes out to Reg Bates, Lynne Signor, Kathy Bourbon and Marilyn McInnes, who put many hours into the arrangements for the day. A special thanks also to Garry Goodman our official photographer for the day. A sample of Garry's photos are at the back of the Newsletter but if you would like to view all the photos head to our website.

In total 49 members received their awards for either winning or being a runner up in 17 events held throughout the year. A number of members received multiple awards.

Lynne Signor was also presented with her Life Member badge for her outstanding service and contributions to the club over many years. Further, Marilyn McInnes and Patrick Robertson were well deserved winners of the Clubwoman of the Year and Clubman of the Year respectively.



*Lynne Signor – Life Member*



*Marilyn McInnes – Clubwoman of the Year*



Pictured above is Detective Sergeant Alex Uren, Board Member of Kids in Care, receiving the TVBC donation of \$2,000 to Kids in Care.



*Patrick Robertson - Clubman of the Year*



## **SIMPLY THE BEST**

### **This month's player profile is BOB BEST**

#### **Early Days**

Bob was born in Sydney in 1946. At the age of 10 the family moved to Campbelltown where Bob. During his school years Bob played Rugby and competed in athletics, where he specialised in high jump. Bob loved it so much he built his own high jump in the family backyard so he could practice at home.

#### **Work Life**

Bob was keen to become a carpenter like his father but his father wanted Bob to get a job working in an office. Around the age of 15, Bob commenced his first job working for a bank in Cobargo in NSW. This didn't last long, as not long after commencing Bob's best and closest friend was killed by a train. Bob was devastated and wanted to move back home.

He then commenced work as a Customs Agent in Sydney. But after two years he parted company with Customs as he felt that he was never meant to work in an office.

This time his father relented and Bob went to work with his father as a carpenter.

#### **CMF**

Bob missed out on National Service but he liked the military, so he enlisted in the CMF (Citizen Military Forces). He liked all aspects of the CMF but particularly the use of firearms. He was a good shot as he had his own rifle and used to do target shooting but the CMF gave him the opportunity to use an SLR rifle, Owen Machine Gun and the pistol. He once picked up the award as the best shot in the company.

#### **Age 24-50**

By this time Bob had married and moved to Picton. Here he played tennis and was involved in two service clubs, Apex and Rotary. Bob liked being in the service clubs as he is always keen to help others in the community, in whatever way he can.

After a few years he moved back to Campbelltown for work purposes. By this time, he was a building contractor working for the NSW Housing Commission.

#### **Age 50 - Present**

At the age of 50 due to medical issues Bob was forced into early retirement.

#### **Bowls**

He and his wife moved to Lake Munmorah to the Lakeside Leisure Village on the Central Coast. It was here that Bob took up lawn bowls and it wasn't long before he was running the show, organising all the bowls events at the Village. A little while later he joined the Gwandalan Bowling Club where he was one of the top bowlers in the club, specialising as a lead. In 2013, he took out the Bowler of the Year Award. This

award is points based with points awarded for each of the Club's championships. In 2013, Bob was a member of the successful Triples team, and runner up in the Club Fours and Singles.

### ***Canberra and Vikings***

When Bob's wife passed away as a result of cancer his son suggested that Bob should move to Canberra. He agreed and has put a granny flat on his son's property in Banks.

On moving to Canberra, Bob wanted to continue his bowling and joined TVBC, where he still enjoys a good game and has made many new friends. He enjoys the company of his fellow bowlers and the good standard but friendly competition at Vikings.

Bob has also joined the Tuggeranong Over 55s Club where he regularly plays 500 and carpet bowls.

### **Highlights of Bob's Life**

Bob has had many highlights during his life but two that stand out for him were on Royal Australian Navy ships.

Bob's son was an officer in the Navy and was able to invite Bob to participate on two four-day cruises onboard two guided missile frigates. He sailed from Sydney to Melbourne onboard the Canberra and from Townsville to Sydney on the Melbourne.

On the Canberra, the Captain invited Bob to steer the frigate for an hour. While Bob was presented with a Helmsmen Certificate for his efforts, the captain did say that he hoped Bob steered a car better than he did the ship.

Another highlight of his life was to fly over the Canadian Rockies in a helicopter.



*Bob relaxing with his "best mate", Ruby.*

## Bowls Shop

The following items are available from our bowls store:

### **BOWLS REQUISITES – PRICE LIST (as at Jan 2022)**

<b>CRACK-A-JACK</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>GRIPPO</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>WILGRIP</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>BULLDOG GRIP</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>BETTS GRIP</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>GET-A-GRIP CLOTH</b>	<b>\$15</b>
<b>TOUCHA SPRAY (White or Lilac)</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>BOWLS MEASURE</b>	<b>\$45- \$50</b>
<b>CLUB CAPS (White or Red)</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>BUCKET HATS (White or Red) (S/M or L/XL)</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>BEANIES</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>SOCIAL SHIRTS (RED)</b>	<b>\$40</b>
<b>UNIFORM SHIRTS (SHORT SLEEVE)</b>	<b>\$45</b>
<b>(LONG SLEEVE)</b>	<b>\$50</b>
<b>UNIFORM PANTS</b>	<b>\$45</b>
<b>UNIFORM SHORTS</b>	<b>\$40</b>
<b>CLUB JACKETS</b>	<b>\$70</b>
<b>VESTS</b>	<b>\$35</b>
<b>SUN SLEEVES (pair)</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>BOWLS GLOVES</b>	<b>\$25</b>

## Supporting our sponsors

A big thanks to the following businesses for their continued support of TVLBC: LDK, Tuggeranong Building Services (John Beaumont), A&A Contracting (Don Angel), Southlands Travel and Cruise, Fernwood Fitness, Coca Cola, Bennetts' Group, Beaumont Tiles and of course, our major sponsors, the Vikings Group.

Beaumont Tiles is a new sponsor for our club, with signage expected to go up in the near future. For all your tiling needs make sure you visit Beaumont Tiles and make sure you mention you are from Tuggeranong Vikings Bowls Club.

