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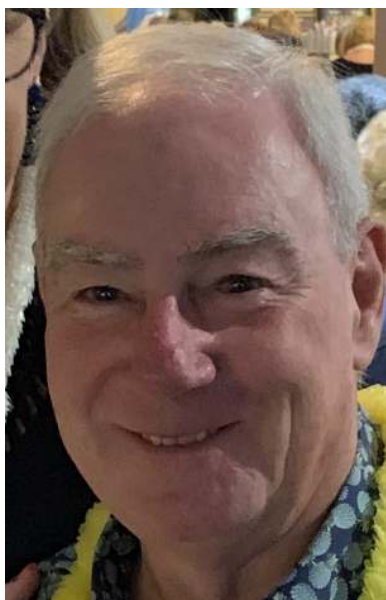
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Chairman's Report

By Paul Hynes

It has now been 3 months since the club re-opened on the 1st July after the forced closure. There have been changes brought on by the CovidSafe plan the club has operated under, most notably:

- Restrictions on the number of patrons allowed inside the club. You may have noticed our staff wearing a yellow vest patrolling the club counting patrons.
- A lot less furniture is on the ground. A quantity of tables and chairs are in storage. Personally, I think the club looks a lot more open and uncluttered with less furniture.
- The communal coffee and tea has disappeared together with plastic cups. The club is going plastic free as mentioned in the last newsletter. Bowlers are reminded that with the weather warming up simply put a water bottle or even a cup in your bag and fill from the water stations. Glasses are available from the bar if need be.
- The move to cashless is expanding with more members using credit cards and points on their membership cards to purchase items.

Members are reminded that subscription fees are required to be paid by the end of October to remain financial. Payments made after that date will be at the full fee excluding the discount offered to members this year due to the club closure. At reception please see that the club is holding the correct address, phone and email details for you.

The Club AGM this year will continue with the following restriction if there are no changes to State Government or Commonwealth policy. There will be a limit of 120 members who can attend. First in applies. Proxy voting in line with our constitution still applies. Whilst the Office of Fair Trading has granted an additional 6 months in which to hold AGM's (in total 12 months after the end of our reporting season) the Board maintains for continuity the AGM should go ahead as normal but with capped attendance. Please note due to CovidSafe there will be no drink vouchers this year. The timeline is:

- AGM Sunday 29th November. 9.30 am
- Notice of AGM meeting posted by Saturday 7th November setting out the meeting agenda and any *notices of motion received*
- Nominations for Board positions. Called from Sunday 1st November. Close 5pm Saturday 14th November.

Club Finances. The treasurer Phil will expand in his report however given the extreme circumstances during the year members should be pleased with the expected profit that our figures are showing (subject to end of financial year auditing). Many other clubs would be delighted to be in such a position.

Meetings with the local state MP Michael Hart and the local councillor Daphne McDonald were held during the last month. Michael provided a letter of support for an initiative regarding a coffee outlet and bar in part of our green shed which required approval to proceed by the State Government. The meeting with Daphne revolved around parking issues with the light rail stage 3 which are not settled yet and the Burleigh Heads Community Master plan which this club is very much a part of.

The club has a redesigned website. The new website makes it easier for us to provide quicker and more up to date information on club activities.

Washed Out Days. Section Presidents have agreed that 5 ends constitutes a game. For less than 5 ends mat fees will be refunded. If paid by cash or Credit Card a cash refund will be given by the games office. If points on

members cards were used for payment the points will be re-instated at reception.

Building Works. The Board has approved expenditure up to \$100,000 on an external refresh to the clubhouse. Works will include painting the whole of building, a new south facing facade, new signage, upgraded front entry and other enhancements. Work is due to commence on the 19th October and expected to take 6 weeks. In addition due to the popularity of the area alongside the greenkeeper shed during last years Queensland Premier League series part of the shed will be converted for dual use as a coffee outlet in the mornings and an outside bar when appropriate at other times. Outdoor seating and umbrellas will complete the scene which will be landscaped. The coffee outlet will be run by an outside contractor. Negotiation with the State Government as owners of the land has been ongoing for some time on this proposal.

The Bowling side of the club has generated great enthusiasm with the initiative of live streaming some of the finals of the mens section notably the pairs and singles. The streaming watched by enthusiasts from all over the world. Special mention to our Bowls Co-ordinator Barrie who put on a wonderful display to win the District Champion of Champions single final. The zone final is the next step for Barrie.

I hope to see as many members as possible at our AGM.

Paul Hynes
Chairman 2020



Treasurers Report

By Phil Westlake

The end of September will see out our current financial year. Trading up to March was excellent as previously stated. However the 13 week closure ate up our profit up to that point and a loss of \$14,000 was shown at the end of June.

Since commencing trading on 1 July we have had an excellent trading period and our system changes introduced from the start of our financial year are showing us the rewards.

Our trading has highlighted our three main profit centres, these being barefoot bowls, gaming and bar. Without the continued good performance of these profit centres the club would be in dire straits. The aim is to support and expand these profit centres going forward.

It is with great pleasure that I am informing members that due to the good performance in trading since 1 July it is likely the club will be showing a six figure profit at the end of the financial year. This has not occurred since 2015. With future undertakings in the planning stages the club should further increase its bottom line without further unforeseen events.

Phil Westlake
Treasurer 2020



Men's President Report

By Brian Bottrell

Greetings Bowlers,

Unfortunately, due to scheduling of Championship finals the 4th Bowly Grail Challenge between the Club and the Camels was postponed to a time to be determined.

The Men's Championships are progressing well even with the shortened timelines for play. Congratulations to the following winners:

Open Singles – Barrie Lester

Open Pairs – Latif Karim & Michael Turner

Open Triples – Chris Monk, Ian Mitchell & Michael Turner

Veteran Pairs – Graham Absalom & Bob Marin

Barrie Lester went on to win the District Champion of Champions Singles and will play against the Gateway District Singles Champion. I wish him the best of luck.

The time has come to start preparing for our 2021 Premier League season. If you are interested in playing please enter your name on the sheet outside the Games Office. Training will be starting early October.

Between myself and Barrie Lester we have been live streaming some of our Championship games on Facebook. The exposure this is giving Burleigh Heads Bowls Club worldwide is phenomenal. We are still learning the ropes but looking at other Club's attempts at live streaming we are slightly more advanced. If anyone is interested in joining the "Burleigh Heads Bowls Club Media Team" to help live stream, take photos and upload content to Social Media please see either Barrie or myself. No experience necessary.

Good Bowling

Brian Bottrell

Men's President



Barrie's Bowls Bulletin

By Barrie Lester

It's been an action packed period at Burleigh Bowls.

Our Mens and Women's club championships have been in full flight with many great games on show. The introduction of club championship finals at night have been very popular.

Live streaming of club games has been introduced, the feedback from the members has been very positive. A number of matches played at Burleigh Bowls have been streamed all over the world. More than 100,000 views, this showcases our wonderful greens, facilities and of course our brilliant players.

Burleigh Bowls are looking for members to join our media team. If you are interested please place your name on the list provided at the club.

As we're playing catch up with Club Championships, I thank all the competitors for their patience and working well with their opponents to have the games played on time. Thank you to all the markers and umpires for their valuable contributions.

Well done to all winners and those who made finals in these Championships.

A special mention to Michael Turner who managed to win his 3rd club title for 2020 (Fours, Triples & Pairs).

Burleigh Bowls will be represented well at the upcoming Champion of Champions events.

- Champion Of Champion Pairs October 3rd & 4th at Club Musgrave – Michael Turner & Latif Karim
- Champion Of Champion Pairs October 10th & 11th at Club Musgrave – Michael Turner, Steve Miller, Bob Marin & Graeme Absalom.

On a personal note, thank you to all those who congratulated me on winning the Club and Gold Coast District Champion of Champion Singles Championships. I'm very honoured to win the title representing Burleigh.

Hawaiian Night has been popular, beautiful warm nights with a great vibe for bowls. This event has seen a couple of new members join the club through this fun and relaxed form of the game. A reminder Hawaiian Night is open for Full & Social members, it's a great way to introduce a friend to the game.

Lady's Presidents day was a success, a great turnout and fun had by all. Well Done to June O'Dea on her wonderful service to the club as lady President.

The State Championship Draws are now live, either visit the Bowls Queensland Website or see the draws displayed up at the club.

Premier League Queensland is coming around quickly, if you wish to play or be involved please place your name on the list provided at the club.

Regarding Covid, can I please remind our members to sanitise your hands, mats and jacks on a regular occasion. We are doing so well, keep up the good work.

Tuesday October 6th between 1pm & 4pm there will be an AERO BOWLS Demonstration day will be held at Burleigh Bowls with special guest Kelvin Kerkow OAM on hand to assist. It will be a great day to have bowls royalty at our club. Bowls, shoes and bags will be available to purchase.

Barrie Lester
Bowls Co-ordinator 2020





Green's Supervisor Report

By Ossie Moore

The donated green carpet, which lay on green #3 for some weeks, has been laid on the eastern side of green #2. The remainder is currently earmark for a similar laying after this trial is examined.

Green #1 is now in a renovation phase.

There was an AIR injection machine performing sub-level air blasts to loosen soil and root matter. This allows oxygen and nutrients to filter deeper into the profile of the soil. Monday, the 14th Sept the entire grass surface was subjected to verti cutting, which thins the thatch of grass on removes the tiffdwarf runners. There will be calcium added and the slightly low PH levels will be raised. There was a low sodium reading in the last test, which means the bore water is suitable to use without any adjustments. Also a deep spike machine will open up the top surface after the cutting.

Green #2 is healthy and will be in major use during this period. It will be in play until next year, before renovations commence.

The synthetic green #3 will be the overflow green, if needed.

Michael made comment at the Sept board meeting, that he is very happy with the progress of green #1, and that a topdressing of this green will depend on a closer inspection after treatment. He sets high standards and this is reflected in the quality of the bowling surfaces.

Ossie Moore

Green's Supervisor 2020



*President June's
At Home Celebration
Thursday 17th September 2020*







Ladies President Report

By June O'Dea

Our Burleigh Ladies are back well & truly & enjoying their bowls. Tuesdays Mixed Pairs have gone from strength to strength & we appreciate the men bowlers who have discovered our Mixed Morning of Bowls.

Our Championships, the 2 we held, will finish soon & the competition has been very competitive. Our Saturday Morning Ladies are having some lovely games & we all seem to be managing with the one green.

We've had some big raffles lately & they have been very well supported. Also the Craft & Charity table has had good responses especially on their cake stall day. Many thanks to all who support us, ladies & men.

Presidents Day was a happy occasion & pleased to see ladies attending who we haven't seen for a while.

I must admit I miss our morning tea on Thursdays, the coffee & chatter did us all the world of good.

To our members who are ill, in hospital or recovering, we wish you well & a speedy recovery.

Remember it's nice to be important but it's more important to be nice.

June O'Dea
Ladies President 2020



Ladies Games Director Report

By Karen Harding

On Thursday 13th August our Ladies club celebrated Hazel Easton's Birthday with her Sponsored Day. We were allowed to have Morning Tea under strict Covid Rules and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all. It's the little things you miss in these challenging times and a cuppa is definitely near the top of the list. We gave out over \$400 in money and vouchers to 24 Lucky Bowlers. We thank you Hazel for your generosity!



Tuesday's Mixed Pairs have been outstanding lately with 40-46 pairs down to play, even without our host of visitors that we usually have every year, so Thankyou everyone. Its good to see a few more men amongst us. At the moment one Green is out so we are all having to play Triples but no one minds. Its a competitive but fun-filled morning and I thank all of you for coming every week and participating.

Karen Harding
Ladies Games Director 2020

On Thursday 17th September we celebrated President June's Special Day. Our Presidents Day was a day to honour all the hard work June has done for us Ladies throughout the year. We know it's been a tough one and we show our appreciation on this day. The Craft and Charity Table gave us some sponsorship money and with our allowable fees from the day 48 Bowlers played and 24 received money or vouchers.

It was a lovely day and everyone enjoyed their bowls and lunch.



In Competition the Triples final was played on Thursday 24 between N Herbertson, K Hodges and G Brogan against D Pickett, L Ogden and D Jenkins. It was a glorious day for the Final, perfect temperature, no wind ,and it's not often we can say that!!!

Donna Jenkins team prevailed winning 26-10.Well done to both Teams and congratulations to the winners.

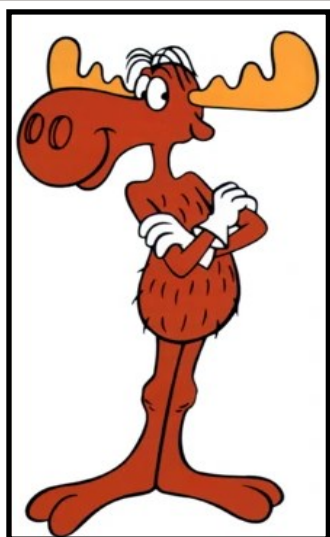


A big thank-you to all you Ladies who encourage and help me when things don't always go to plan. I appreciate you. A big, big thank-you to all the Selectors and helpers currently doing the Games Office. Its quite often stressful, difficult and demanding so well done to all of you for accepting the Challenge. A Special thank-you to my friend, sounding board, and Assistant Maureen. Its such fun to work with you!!!

Love and laughter to you all.....

Karen Harding
Ladies Games Director 2020





Camels Corner August 2020

By Bruce Stotesbury

Spring must be in the air as the Camels are back to their winning ways. The most recent Camels outing was to Tugun to take on the Guns, and the Camels won every game. Apparently final scores were not available, the Guns Tuffy stated he would email the final scores to the Camels at an undetermined date.

Another Camels recent trip was the much-anticipated Annual Bribie Island weekend games to meet up with the Pumicestone Pirates of Bongaree. It was a great weekend including a first class coach ride from BHBC. The Bribie weekend started with the sunny Saturday afternoon match that had the Camels winning all of the rinks and it was obvious that they were ready for the Sunday morning classic game. That conclusion resulted in a more relaxed evening before the big match and allowed everyone to partake in the local festivities.

The hotel that the Camels stayed at had live entertainment including a 70's band that was a 'Back to the Future' moment for some. Although the busy sports bar seating requirements were somewhat annoying, it was also a very popular destination as it was filled with Camels. As the night and early morning wore on, there was room designation confusion taking place; it seems that Mick the Matt and Dick became closer friends as they had a squatter in their room taking up a bed, and Unra felt very alone in his sleeping quarters. The Sunday morning match took place under cloudy skies and cloudy heads and even some rain fell delaying the proceedings. In the end the Camels had lost their way and even dropped a couple of games to the Pirates, but the overall results were outstanding with another brilliant weekend away and new friendships made and others renewed.

Another trip last month was the long journey north to Mudgeeraba. The much awaited meeting of the clubs was successful as TOGS and the Mudgeeraba crew welcomed the Camels on a brisk morning on the greens. It soon warmed up with the fierce competition taking place and it turned into a perfect day as the Camels left with a win.

Well-done Camels.

Bruce Stotesbury (Bullwinkle)









JOKES CORNER

How many tickles does it
take to make an
Octopus Laugh?

Ten—Tickles

What do you call cheese
that isn't yours?

Nacho cheese!

What do you call a
magic dog?

A Labracadabrador

I just swapped our bed
for a trampoline.

My wife hit the roof

You know, people
say they pick their
nose, but I feel like I
was just born with
mine

Why can't you hear a
psychiatrist using the
bathroom?

Because the 'P' is
silent

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