

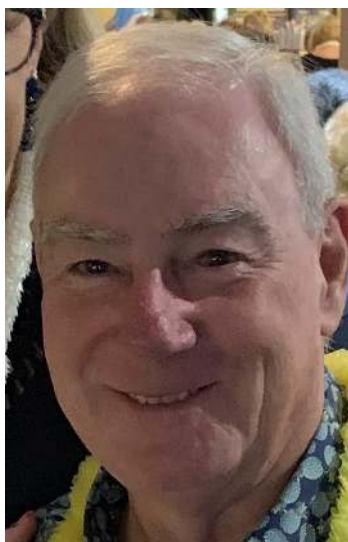
# BOWLER NEWS



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The latest news for our valued Bowling Members





# Chairman's Report

By Paul Hynes

## A REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Thank you to the more than 120 members who attended or posted proxy votes for the Special General Meeting on Sunday August 7<sup>th</sup> to pass constitution changes with a presentation of the club Strategic Business Plan stage1 also on the agenda. Of the 7 proposed changes to the constitution 5 were passed with 2 failing to get the 75% affirmative vote by very small margins. A notable motion which was passed was a reduction in the number of Board members by 2. The Presidents of the Mens and Ladies sections will remain as Board members but a second member from the sections will no longer qualify as a Board member. Motions which failed were:

- Deleting the maximum tenure of 5 years for the Board Chairman and Section Presidents
- Deleting the position of Games Director in the Mens and Ladies Committees.

The changes are now required to be approved by the Queensland Office of Fair Trading before taking affect.

A club Strategic Business Plan stage1 has been completed. The most important outcome is that to remain viable we must keep attracting patrons to our premises. Barefoot Bowls is proving successful with the revenue flow however it would be wrong to totally rely on this for the future. Whilst negotiations are continuing what can be revealed is a potential partnership with a large interstate craft beer company who are looking to expand their Queensland presence. A hospitality venue on the

northern end of green 2 is being evaluated. The club would own the infrastructure and grant management rights for the operation of the venue. Planning for this is in the very early stages. We can expect to see more craft beer/cider/ginger beer from the company on tap over the next month. A switch of beer suppliers to Carlton United Brewery from Lion Nathan (XXXX) is also taking place due to greater financial incentives. The bad news is prices for beer will increase in line with a Government excise increase from September 1<sup>st</sup>.

30 new lockers for the mens change room will be ordered. This is necessary as some of the old ones are simply falling apart. The new lockers are hardened plastic, have additional space and are the latest design. A gradual process will take place to replace more lockers. To fund the replacement from next financial year a standard locker will cost \$10 per year up from \$5. A new hardened plastic locker will cost \$20 per year. Locker prices are in addition to annual subscriptions.

Congratulations to Barrie Lester on winning a silver medal in the mens triples at the Commonwealth Games in a match which could have gone either way. Barrie also had the honour of receiving the Commonwealth Games Federation flag on behalf of the Victorian 2026 Commonwealth Games. Also congratulations to our mens pennant sides. 5 out of 6 teams qualified for the finals with 3 making it through to the Grand Finals. Fortunes did not go our way with any grand final wins however we live to fight another day. Also congratulations to John Balzarolo, Scott DeJongh, Crawford Linton, Scott Franklin on winning through to the State 4's finals to be held in Mackay later this year. It has been a year of success for our Burleigh Bowlers who will all be recognised at presentation night later this year.

As reported in February the first few months of the year realised a downturn in our trading compared to the same period in previous years. The likely cause being Omicron variant spreading in the community combined with the Government vaccination mandate. In addition, rain

during 19 weeks of the first 21 weeks of the new year did not help attendance at the club. I can report that with finer weather and an influx of bowlers from down south and visitors to Burleigh, the trading has been excellent over the past few months which if it continues will see a solid financial result at the end of our year in September.

Celebrations for the clubs 85th birthday is on the weekend of the 17th and 18th September. To secure a seat on Saturday 17th for the official function commencing at 12 noon a booking must be made at reception.

Replacement of the surface on green 3 is now complete. The club was informed the speed of the surface would be slow for the first month or so. This has proved to be correct and we look forward to an improved speed over the coming weeks.

A reminder that annual subscriptions are due at the end of September and must be paid by the end of October to remain financial.

Good Bowling to all.

**Paul Hynes**  
**Chairman 2022**



# Men's President Report

By Crawford Linton

Hello fellow bowlers,

As usual much has happened in the last 3 months commencing with the state singles. In which must have been a first for Burleigh Bowls Club both finalists came from our club. In a quality final played on the new synthetic at Paradise Point, Dean McWhinney defeated Gary Pearson.

During this period saw the competition of the club singles where again Dean McWhinney proved too good for Gary Pearson winning 25—19. In the semi finals Dean defeated Crawford Linton and Gary defeated Alan Clements.

In the Veteran Singles Crawford Linton defeated Ron Kelsey 25—13 after defeating Mick Myers in one semi. Ron defeated Ian “Mantis” Mitchell in the other semi.

Also completed during this period was the Novice Singles where Ross Stubbings defeated Dee Moore in the final after defeating Steve Bird-Monk in one Semi Final. In the other Dee defeated Zaine Bisby.

The B Grade Singles was also completed during this period where Steve Lord defeated Aaron Falconer in a high quality final 25—24. In the Semi Finals Steve defeated Alan Holmes and Aaron defeated Alan Opferkuch.

While all this was happening our bowls co-ordinator Barrie was representing Australia in the Commonwealth Games over in Birmingham England where he was successful in winning a silver medal in the Mens Triples in an Extraordinary final. Congratulations to Barrie and his team mates.

Also being completed was the Champion of Champion events out at Musgrave Hill. In the singles Dean McWhinney was defeated by Aron Sherriff in the final. A great effort Dean. The pairs saw Crawford Linton and

Scott Franklin defeated in the semi final by the ultimate winners from Broadbeach Chris Lanham & Shaun Ingham. In the fours the Burleigh team of John Balzarolo, Crawford Linton, Scott DeJongh and Scott Franklin Defeated Aron Sherriff in the district final before going on to defeat the Belmont team in the zone final. They will now proceed to the State Finals in Mackay on the 22nd & 23rd of October where they will attempt to win another State title for the Burleigh Club.

Entries are now being taken for the mixed pairs and handicap singles club trips are the next event to kick off early in September. A reminder also that Scroungers is still being played each Thursday at 5.30pm. It has also been determined that mufti dress is allowed all day on a Friday as long as the shirt is collared or has a Bowls Australia logo on it.

On Nov 12—13 the club is hosting the Burleigh Spring Classic. This is an Open Triples Tournament with \$20,000 in prize money being put up. The tournament committee reserves the right to vet all entries so that a high standard can be maintained.

Until the next issue of Bowler News I would like to wish you all good bowling & good health. See you around the club sometime.

Yours in bowls

**Crawford Linton**  
**Mens President 2022**



# Barrie's Bowls Bulletin

By Barrie Lester

Well it has been a very busy and exciting time at the club especially with the instalment of the brand new KCL synthetic surface. This surface will be very beneficial to our members not only for week to week competition but for rotation purposes to rest the greens more often. The speed of the green will increase in the near future but you will notice that it is very accurate when it comes to your drawer bowling. Thank you Jon and the team at KCL.

My time away for the Commonwealth games was a successful one and a very enjoyable one. To walk away with a silver medal in difficult and testing conditions I'm so proud of the entire jackaroos team. The support I received whilst away from the members and friends and family meant a lot and I thank you all for cheering us on from Burleigh. I was bestowed the honour On behalf of the Commonwealth games Australian team of carrying the Federation flag for the entire Australian team this was a moment I will cherish forever in my sporting career. A special mention goes to Bob & Tracey and Les Hammel who sat and watched every day and supported the Jackaroos it meant a lot to have Burleigh supporters in the crowd (see pic).

Our pennant season has almost come to an end with many divisions making finals please check all notices at the club for information regarding finals and please if you're available come along and support our dragons.

The Australian Open was a huge event with record numbers and it was so great to see our club host for so many days. Well done to all involved from the volunteer perspective those who came and played Burleigh really enjoyed the experience.

Australian Open results were quite extensive with the standout performer being Scott Franklin who won the over 60s pairs with his mate Rocky Stone well done.

We are enjoying lots of success on the greens, it really is a Burleigh boom. I congratulate all our players who are representing our club so well and getting some amazing results from tournament level right through to state championships and Australian level.

Recently Queensland travel to New South Wales to take them on in a two day best-of-three State series. Well done to Dean McWinney, Dale Mcwinney Shillington, Gary Pearson and Barrie Lester for being selected and represent in Queensland so well.

There is plenty of works in progress around major events regarding tournaments and special occasions. We have our 85th anniversary coming up soon along with our clubs presentation night and a seasons launch for the 2023 Premier League season. I will also be hosting a series of coaching clinics for our school kids as well as Lady bowlers over the coming months.

As always thank you to all our volunteers umpires and officials who help the day-to-day running of our Bowls program and events your support whilst I was away was greatly appreciated.

**Barrie Lester**  
**Bowls Co-ordinator 2022**





## COMMONWEALTH GAMES

**2022**



# BURLEIGH BOWLS ANNUAL RACES DAY 2022



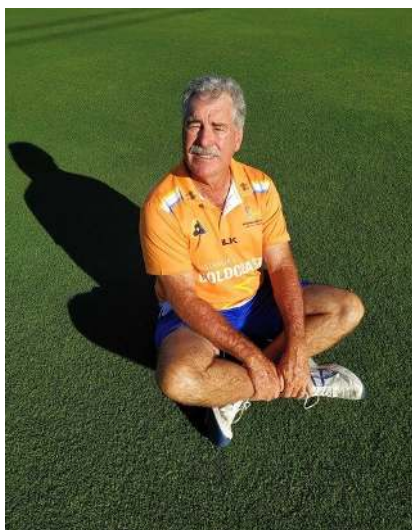
**BEST DRESSED FILLY  
ROSEANNE MCCANN**



**BEST DRESSED STALLION  
GARY PRESNELL**







# Green's Supervisor Report

By Ossie Moore

The new KCL green is finished and in play. Although it will be 'slowish' for a month or so, the pace will improve with play and rolling (30 hours). The levels are within 2 mm which will provide a true roll of the bowl.

Winter is done and the grass greens barely survived the constant traffic. Australian Open, Pennant season, Club competition and barefoot bowls all contributed to the outcome.

The Green's surrounds have been in good shape for the past few months and now the green staff look to the Reno's after the 85th celebrations. Green 1 will commence on Sept 19th with the 'shatter master', then a grooming, along with aeration, using 10mm hollow tines.

Green 2 will have similar aeration early in September to help relieve compaction. Some grass plugging of both greens will occur over the same time period to alleviate the bare areas.

Again the story for this edition of the bowlers news is the NEW Green 3 which will help rest Greens 1&2 as more games are played on the synthetic green. Enjoy the photos of the redevelopment of the carpet green.

Thanks to Michael and his staff, Ian and Chris Monk who is now employed by John at KCL, after his work on the new synthetic was noticed.

**Ossie Moore**  
**Green's Supervisor 2022**





# Ladies President Report

By Sue Fenton

This year the weather has not always been our friend with some bowls days lost to rain. We have, however, managed to complete our Championship Games.

I am happy to report that this year we took part in a 6 week pennant competition with teams representing Burleigh on Friday and Saturday mornings. We proved to be competitive with close games but just fell short of the finals, finishing 3rd in both divisions.

In July we welcomed a day with Paul Henricks who attended with a great range of bowls and apparel for sale. Thank you Paul.

June O'Dea hosted a delightful Past President's morning tea in August which was enjoyed by all. It was lovely to see Hazel Easton and wish her a Happy 90th birthday.

Sadly in July we saw the passing of life member Joan Gill after a relatively short period of decline. Joan no longer bowled but remained a very interested and active member of the club.

Very recently we lost our member Dee Dorrington after a long battle against cancer. Dee had also been an active member of the club for many years.

Quite a number of our members have had health problems this year. I hope you all get back to bowls soon.

**Sue Fenton**



# Ladies Games Director Report

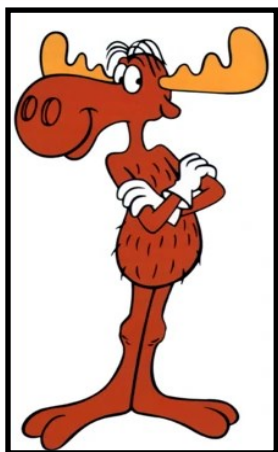
By Carolyn Fisher

Congratulations to Gail McGaveston on winning championship singles also to Millie Dejongh for runner up . Congratulations also to Lorraine Ogden Jen Burns and Donna Jenkins for winning championship triples runner up Janet Franklin Glenda Shapter and June O'day for runners up.

The veteran and novice singles are now playing good luck all players. It was a pity B grade games had to be cancelled due to lack of entries but hopefully with changes to our conditions of play these competitions will go ahead next year.

**Carolyn Fisher**  
**Games Director 2022**





# Camels Corner 2022

By Bruce Stotesbury

The Camels have been well represented in Club Championships, Pennants and the Australia Open Championships this year.

Scott (Scotty) Franklin won the Australian Open Over 60 Pairs with his good mate Ian (Rocky) Stone.

Pennants are also well represented with an entire team that was from the Camels featuring Dee Moore, Ross Kelly, Erroll Millstead and Geoff Irwin.

Some of the other Camels representing the club are Chris Monk, Scotty Franklin, David Kennedy, Crawford Linton, Cam Hilton, Shaun Wheeler, Anthony Taubman, Peter DeKleyn, Cam Williams, Steve Rickard, Brian McPherson, Doog, Gavin Shapter, Steve Lord, Greg Pierce, Mick Cooper, Keith Masters and Brett Reynolds and Damo Louie. (Sorry if I have missed anyone)

The Camels hosted Musgrave Hill and the Gap on a recent Sunday home game with 84 bowlers' filling the greens at the same time Stephen (Lordy) Lord was playing in the BHBC B Grade Singles Club Championship. It was a no pressure event for Lordy as he had the support of his fellow Camels cheering him on during his stellar performance.

Stephen (Lordy) Lord won the BHBC B Grade Singles Club Championship Final beating Aaron Falconer in a close battle winning with the last bowl 25-24 in a cliff- hanger.

Men's Pairs BHBC Open Club champions were won by Crawford (Craw)

Linton and Scott (Scotty) Franklin.

The Men's Veterans Singles Open was won by Crawford (Craw) Linton.

Congratulations to Dee Moore made it to the Novice singles grand finals.

Crawford (Craw) Linton and Scott (Scotty) Franklin along with BHBC members Scott De Jongh and John Balzorolo won the Gold Coast Tweed District Fours champion of champions and will be on their way to the state championships in October.

One of the recent out of town trips featured the annual pilgrimage to Nimbin on a cold Sunday morning, but fortunately the bowlers were met with a warm breakfast before the start of the games. During the games it seemed something was missing, as the usual scent in the air was gone, as were some of the long time members who had left the earth, also in a cloud of smoke.

The other recent trip was to Pottsville on a perfect Sunday morning. The sun was shining but the Camels fell short and were defeated overall. The post game meal was an endless supply of various pizzas leaving the Camels full and content for the quiet ride home back to Burleigh.

The upcoming annual weekend trip to Bribie Island in September is much anticipated as Covid-19 derailed the trip last year. The two-day event is one that the Camels look forward to every year as old friendships are renewed and past rivalries are reignited.

### **Bruce Stotesbury (Bullwinkle)**

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***It is with sadness the Camels have lost our respected and kind member 'MAC', who suddenly passed away this weekend.***

***'MAC' you will be missed.***





# PENNANT GRAND FINALISTS



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