



WEEKLY BULLETIN



14th December 2023



From The President

A warm hello to everybody once again this week. And a ho-

ho-ho, it's off towards Xmas we go, the festivities beginning with our Annual Xmas Lunch at the Peninsula Club.

As you can see from the accompanying photos, a great time was had by all. Many thanks to **Michele Castles** and her team for organising this well loved and greatly anticipated event once again this year.

There are still a few activities left at the club before we adjourn for the festive break, so please remember to fulfil your obligations if you are rostered for BBQ or greens duty any time in the next two weeks.

Volunteers are always needed as well, so if you hear of an event coming up where you could give some of your time to help out around the club, please let **myself** or a **Board member** know. Your help is always appreciated, and most welcome!

The Board has one special request to put to all members. We are sorely in need right now of what I might loosely term a "**Grants Officer**". In simple terms, we require a person to work with **The Board** in helping to draw up a list of priorities when it comes to applying for one of the many grants available right now: this is a really necessary role to fill and would help **Chris Rossi** a great deal in putting together applications for some of the monies available.

Chris has done a really good job so far in

putting forward these grant applications, and her experience in the field has already paid off to the advantage of **Dromana BOWLS Club**.

However, we need someone to work with both and **The Board**, someone who can prioritise what exactly is needed, all through being able to liaise with interested club members to ascertain what our requirements are.

We have a lot of talented people at this club who have excelled in all forms of life during their working years and beyond, so the simple request is: contact a **Board member** if you feel you are the one to help us take advantage of all the financial opportunities out there. Currently all **Board members** are flat out fulfilling their own obligations, and quite frankly: we need help!

May I wish **Sandra McColgan** and **Di Washfold** and their teams, good luck in their State Triples game this week, along with Group selection trials which are to be finalised on Thursday,

I believe both **Sandra** and **Di Washfold** are in the running for selection, so let's hope they can make the cut and continue to represent Dromana at the highest levels possible. What great assets to the club both these ladies are.

Best wishes to all our members at this late stage of the year, and let's hope that everyone is able to stay fit and healthy for the celebratory days ahead. If not with your own families, certainly with friends and club mates who can share some time, food and "bubbly" with you.

And of course, stay safe and imbibe sensibly, especially if you are driving.

Until next week, when we are one week closer to Xmas dinner, and the first half of the Pennant season is behind us, enjoy everything that our

fantastic Bowls Club has to offer.

Regards, **Peter.**

Some "early" snaps from the Xmas Lunch More in the next edition.



This Week's Sponsors

Ramsay Health

How to Book

Ask your General Practitioner or Physiotherapist for a referral.

Phone: **5976 0888** OR visit web site: **Beleuraprivate.com.au**

Address: **928 Nepean Hwy Mornington**



Dromana Roadworthy & Service





2024 GALA



STRAWBERRY DAY



SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST 2024

REGISTER 9.30 AM FOR 10.30 AM START

Two (2) Bowl Nominated Fours.

Three (3) Games of 10 ends.

BV Approved Uniform.

Tea and Coffee on Arrival.

Catered lunch included.

Refreshments and Nibbles at Presentation.

Entry: \$120.00 per Team

Prize Pool: \$1,800.00

(Subject to entry numbers)

Dromana Bowls Club

1 Stawell Street DROMANA

Contact Details:

Email:

match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au

Phil Gannon; Match Director

Mob: 0405 773 858

Entry & Payment Details

BSB: 633 000 Account # 129978284

Reference: SD – Your Name/Club

Entries Close 5th January 2024

**Please email your entry details to:
match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au**



Social and Fundraising News



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS RAFFLE

Many thanks to everyone for your donations - a very good response. Tickets are selling quite well - a few more sales would be great so if you have not got your tickets yet, please do so. Anyone who has taken tickets home to sell to friends, please return the butts or unsold tickets along with the money ASAP.

The draw will be this Friday 15th following Happy Hour - so make sure you are in with a chance.

See you at the club

Michele Castles



Canasta – Monday 1pm
All Welcome

I'm giving up drinking until
Christmas.
Sorry wrong punctuation .
I'm giving up. Drinking until
Christmas.



Remember our Members Draw! You must be present to win!



PENNANT PRACTICE



PENNANT PRACTICE IS CHANGING OVER TO DRILLS AND SKILLS and is available to ALL bowlers - that is - Full members, Pennant players and Social Plus members.

It will run on **Fridays from 10 to 11 a.m.**

Our Coaches will be available to assist and encourage.

Di Washfold

"You should never stay at the same level. Always push yourself to the next." —Marnelli Dimzon



Pennant Practice Friday 8th December.
Top & Bottom Left: **Robyn Carter, Phil behind and Len Starkey with Jeff Dardel.**
Right: **Bronwyn Evans, Andy Wain and George Bulka.**



*Tuesday 19th December
Bernie Smith*
*Wednesday 20th December
Liz Mills
Bruce Hawker
Patrick Williams*



PS Happy Birthday to **Mark Nolan** for last week, December 12th

Social Groups visiting Dromana BC

Parks Victoria staff Christmas party with
Barefoot Bowls on Thursday 7th December
2023.



New Clubhouse, opened on 5th. October 1957

New Member Welcome

Gary Kelly (pictured below,
welcomed by President **Peter
Gordon**). **Gary** has previously
bowled at Rosanna and East
Ivanhoe.

Gary was ready here, to play his
first game of Pennant for
Dromana BC, but unfortunately it
was washed out!



Visit our [website](#) for information on board meetings, games, pennant teams and ladders.

Browse our new [Club History Archive](#) and check out our [Sponsors details](#).

From the Editor

I hope everyone is enjoying the Newsletter and “extra” things that are appearing. Thanks to **Michele, Donna, Tony, Peter, Di, Carmel R., Val, Keith, Bronwyn, Andy** and many others for their contributions.

We are always looking for contributors for more things to add, so please feel free to **take photos, write an article/letter/joke/etc...**

Photos for the Newsletter or Club records:

photos@dromanabowlsclub.com.au

Reports and items for the Newsletter

newsletter@dromanabowlsclub.com.au
andy.v.wain@gmail.com or SMS

Club Championship Events

Ladies Pairs:

Final: S. McColgan & J. Wells v C. Whitwell & A. Eldridge

On or before 25th February 2024

See the draw next page

Mens Pairs:

We are up to the Semi-finals – see below

Final on or before 25th February 2024

Mixed Pairs:

Entries close **Monday 22nd January 2024, 4 p.m.**

Final on or before **10th March 2024**

Please note:

New format for all Pairs events – 3 Bowls rather than 4 bowls.

\$5 entry fee for all events to be paid in envelope supplied with name and event.

Place envelope in Red Box at time of entry.



An exciting game of pairs, 12 all after 15 ends, **Terry & David** won on the extra end over **Peter & George**.

The **Singles Championship Finals** will be:

Ladies:	Di Washfold	v	Jean Wells
Mens:	Peter Brace	v	Andy Wain

Both Singles' Finals: To be played on **7th January 2024, 9:30 a.m.**

Carmel Rowe

The Draws/Results for the Mens & Ladies Pairs Championships

DRAW ~ LADIES-PAIRS - CHAMPIONSHIP 2023/24.
3 BOWLS

1 on/before: 2 on/before: 3 on/before: CHAMPION
12-11-23. 25-24 FINAL

S. M'COLGAN
J. WELLS

S. M'COLGAN
J. WELLS

BYE

A. ELDRIDGE
C. WHITWELL

ELDRIDGE
WHITWELL

C. HEALY
D. WASHFOLD

DBC ... DRAW ~ MENS-PAIRS - CHAMPIONSHIP 2023/24
3 BOWLS.

1b on/before: 2 on/before: 5 on/before: CHAMPION
10-12-23 4-2-24 25-2-24 FINAL

ENTRIES CLOSED: PLAYING

N. BONORA
K. JONES

N. DONORA
K. JONES

BYE

G. ABLITT
A. WAIN

G. ABLITT
A. WAIN

G. LARKIN
P. BRACE

T. ROWE
D. DITTERICH

Rowe
Ditterich

P. GORDON
W. HERBERT
G. WATTS

D. FARR
J. ROSSI

D. FARR
J. ROSSI

BYE

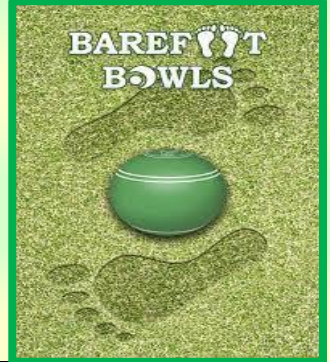
The Controlling Body has the right to alter round completion dates etc, if necessary

Barefoot Bowls

We thank all our volunteers who are required to run this wonderful Community Event.

BBQ duty and greens supervision are the two areas we need to cover.

Below is a roster for the upcoming weeks from **Val Park**. We thank all volunteers in advance.



BAREFOOT BOWLS GREENS ROSTER (Next 4 weeks)

	5:00pm – 6:30pm.	6:30pm – 8:00pm.
15th December	Val Park/Pat Donnelly	David Cowie
	Frank & Sandra McColgan	Nino Bonaro
22nd December	Chris Whitwell	Stephen Neville
	Pat Donnelly/Val Park	Steve Parkinson
	Bev Brierley	
29th December	Eric & Gill Fletcher	Len Starkey
	Carmel Rowe	George Bulka
	Doug Algie	
5th January	Val Park/ Pat Donnelly	Len Starkey
	Chris Whitwell/Barb Flather	David Moore

Please wear bowls top. If unable to attend dates above, please swap and mark on sheet in the bar area.

FRIDAY NIGHT BBQ ROSTER (NEXT 4 WEEKS) FOR BAREFOOT BOWLS

15 th December	22 nd December	29 th December	5 th January
Shirley Peters	Anthony Rushton	Joy Smith	Tony Evans
Ron Peters	Glenn Mills	Bernie Smith	Bronwyn Evans
Janet Ryde	Colin Carey	Bev Waugh	David Cowie

PLEASE SWAP WITH ANOTHER IF YOU CAN'T DO DATE LISTED AND CHANGE ON THE SHEET IN THE BAR AREA



**WE ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS
HELPING OUR WONDERFUL
CLUB**

Social Bowls

MONDAY

Open Nominated Triples: arrive early for a 10.30 am start.
List in the Match Committee window.
Contact: **Phil Gannon**: 0405 773 858

WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT BOWLS will break for the Festive Season. So, there will be none on December 20th and we shall resume on 10th January.

WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT BOWLS

Begins at 6 p.m.

This is available to all members and is especially helpful for newer players.

The relaxed, friendly atmosphere lends itself to a really enjoyable evening bowling experience.

Cost is \$6. Please sign the list on the Match Committee window.

Contact: **Di Washfold**: 0417 397 138

THURSDAY

Thursday is a great day for inexperienced bowlers, new members and practice for the more experienced bowlers. It is played in a lighthearted manner with plenty of fun even though we aim to win.

Teams are made up of all players who turn up, so no-one misses out on a game. Put your name on the sheet at the Match Committee window and arrive by 10am for a 10-30am start.

Contact: **Keith Jones**: 0418 550 752

Club Tournaments 2023 - 2024



DBC STRAWBERRY DAY: SUNDAY, JANUARY 21st, 2024

(2 bowl fours, three games of 10 ends). Entry includes catered lunch.

See [Flyer](#), in Newsletter

DBC PRESIDENTS DAY: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18th, 2024. (NEW TOURNAMENT)

The plan is that this will be a catered lunch. (3 bowl triples, two games of 12 ends).

Regional Events

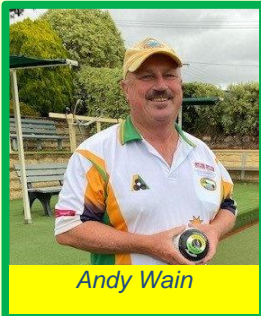
STATE/REGION EVENTS. All members please note that entry forms for all State events are now available in the black folder near the spinning wheel.

Advise **Peter Gordon** as he can add the entries on Bowslink.

Men's Singles	Entries Close 14/01/2024
Women's Singles	Entries Close 14/01/2024
Men's Fours	Entries Close 07/02/2024
Women's Fours	Entries Close 07/02/2024
Men's Champion of Champions	Entries Close 11/02/2024
Women's Champion of Champions	Entries Close 11/02/2024
Over 60's Pairs - Men's Entries close 31/03/2024 & Women's	Entries Close 31/03/2024
Over 60's Singles - Men's Entries close 20/04/2024 & Women's	Entries Close 20/04/2024
Bowls Victoria Over 60's Carnival May 20- May 26, 2024,	Entries Open February 2024



The MPBR have re-vamped [their website](#) and news of MPBR Club Events can be found by clicking [here](#).



Andy Wain

WHAT WOULD YOU DO? - WEEK 17

Last week's WWYD? Week 16 pictured right. Suggested shot indicated in Red. This would have to be played with perfect

weight to be successful. Also with the opponent having a bowl to come, he could play with weight, as he has all the back bowls! (That's the problem, when most of your bowls are wide or short.)

Regular correspondent Jeff Dardel suggests:

1. Forehand to push jack to be just behind the shot bowl.
 2. Forehand, slightly over draw weight, to hit left hand side of the opposition's best bowl so that that bowl will finish between our two bowls.
 3. Backhand to push jack to be close to our "2 o'clock" 3rd bowl. Quite risky.
 4. Forehand to push our 2nd bowl to rest behind the jack. Also, quite risky.
- Prefer Option 1.

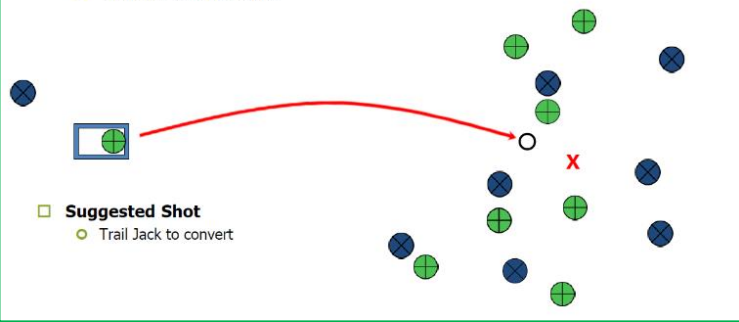
Which shot would you be **most confident** of playing?

A new set of Scenarios:

1. Consider 4 types of shots:
 - a. Forehand draw,
 - b. Backhand draw,
 - c. Weighted Forehand,
 - d. Weighted Backhand
2. Which of these 4 shots gives you a higher percentage of being successful?
3. Which shot would you be most confident of making?

Scenario A2: – You have the bowls

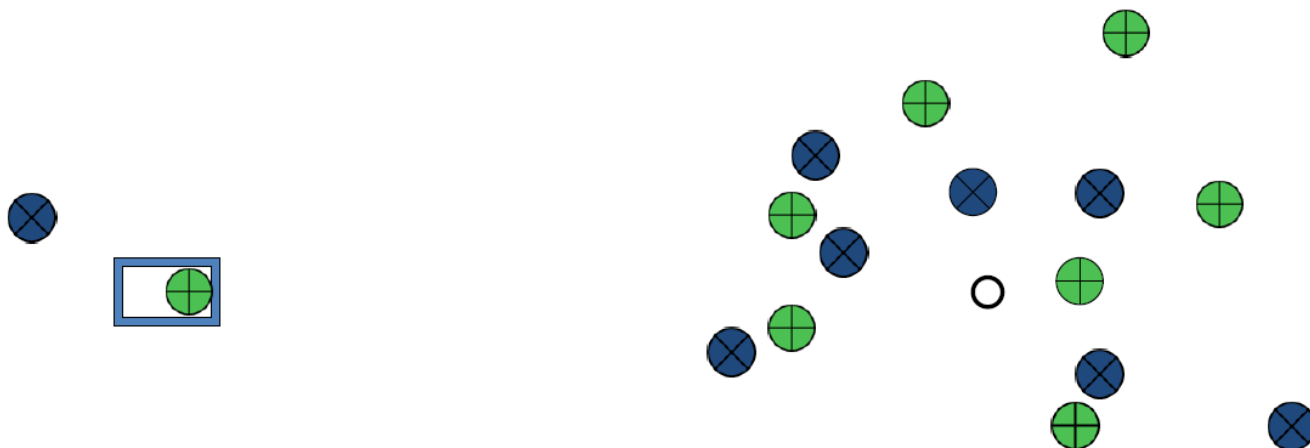
- Your opponent has **one** bowl to come and you are **two** down on the **master score board** and this is the **last** End
 - What shot would you play?



- **Suggested Shot**
 - Trail Jack to convert

Scenario A3: – You have the bowls

- Overall master score board is **level** and this is the **last** End. Your opponent has **one** bowl to come
 - What shot would you play?



Tony's Talkback



Tony Evans

This week **Tony** is having a look back over the last 40 Years. With a special focus on the contribution some of our Ladies Members have made to Dromana BC.

	Joined	
Alison James	30/5/84	Life Member
Lorna Williams	21/1/86	Life Member
Margaret Robinson	31/10/94	Life Member
Pat Loveday	19/10/96	
Pat Donnelly	6/10/99	Life Member
Val Park	23/11/04	

In taking a look at what happened at the **Dromana Bowls Club** over the past 40 Years, the six ladies listed above have all performed above and beyond for our Club. In keeping our club running smoothly and in a very successful manner, both on and off the greens.

Along with so many other Ladies that may have been mentioned in the Newsletter or by **Peter** our President. They have all been fantastic! I'm sure they know who they are.

From all Members at **The Dromana Bowls Club**, we say a big thank-you Ladies, past & present, for what you have done for our club.

Regards Tony

Saturday, 9th December 2023



Lorna & Pat D. @ Marg's 90th



Alison



Lorna, Marg & Pat L



Pat D



Marg, Pat L & Pat D



Val & Pat D



Alison



Tony, Pat D, Val & Peter

F.D.L.B.A Pennant 2004-2005
Winners: Division 1



F.D.L.B.A Pennant 2004-2005, Winners, Division 1

*Back Row: Nita Bouker, Gwen Hildebrand, Ann Gross, Helen Naphine, Pat Loveday
Middle Row: Margaret Robinson, Lorna Williams, Grace Hewlitt, Margaret Dawson, Alison James
Front Row: Sandra McColgan, Carol Spencer, Gwen Holt, Dot Vorbach (Pres), Eila Peacock, Robyn Parsons, Isabel Webber*

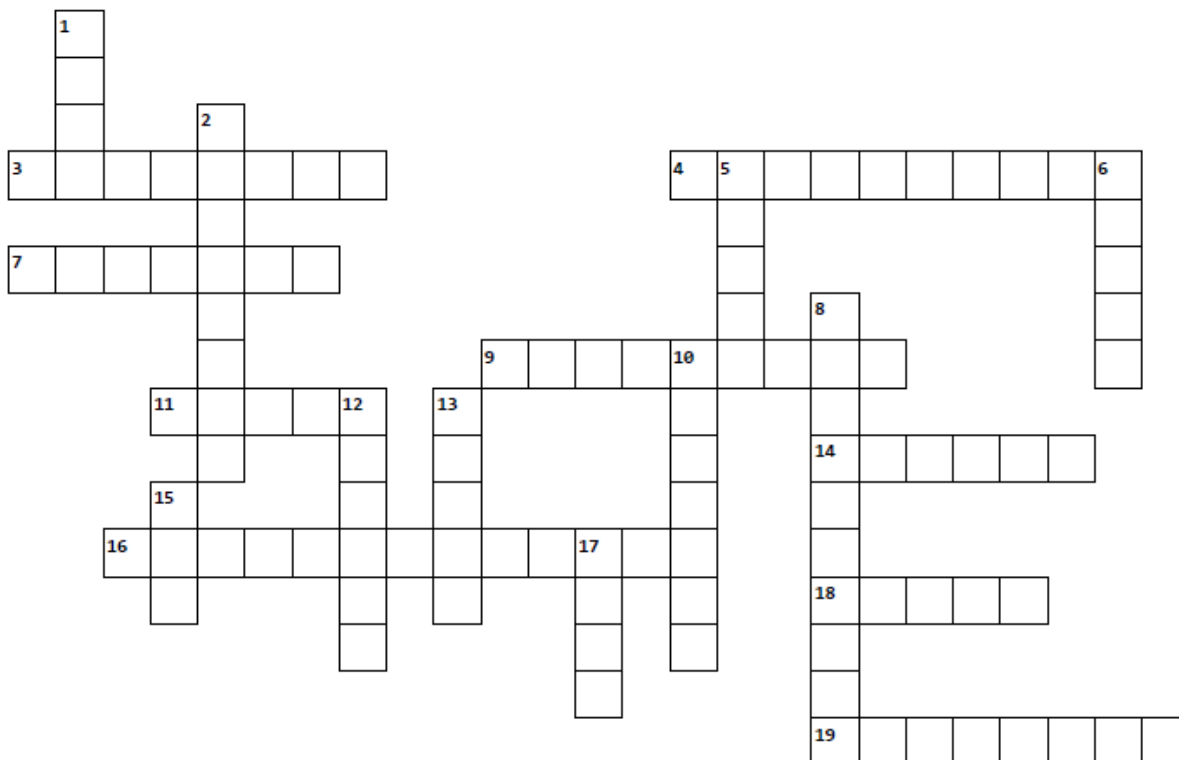


Marg, receiving Life Membership from Peter



More of the wonderful Ladies Members enjoying a fine dinner together

Bowls Mix



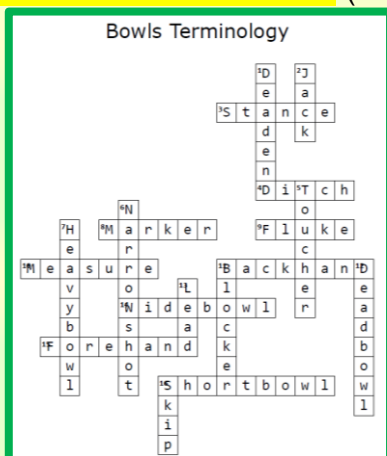
Across

- 3. The furthest West club we play against in Pennant
- 4. Responsible for Sponsors
- 7. One of our youngest bowling members
- 9. A description of an artificial green
- 11. Natural bowling surface
- 14. The Eastern Green is named after this couple
- 16. Happens every Friday night in Summer (8,5)
- 18. Membership Director
- 19. Lady skip in lower divisions

Down

- 1. Ex-treasurer who has been overseas recently
- 2. The moment at which the bowl leaves the hand
- 5. One of the Midweek selectors
- 6. A position in a game of fours. He will deputize for his skip in certain circumstances, and could be responsible for measuring
- 8. One of our Greens is named after this couple
- 10. A type of Bowling Arm
- 12. The player who plays after the lead in a game of fours or triples. He marks the score-card and keeps the score-board up to date
- 13. Runs Thursday Social bowls
- 15. Our tireless Secretary
- 17. Current newsletter editor

Brain Teaser Answers (from last week 7th December):



Weekly Bowls Report

Wednesday Twilight (29/11/23): 8 players

Cheers, Di.

Thursday (Club Selected) (7/12/23): 7 players

Bowling on Thursday 7th December consisted of 7 players made into a team of 3 and a team of 4. The team of 3 used 4 bowls each with the team of 4 using 3 bowls each. Obviously, confusion reigned for a couple of ends, but we finally got the hang of it. Two games of 10 ends were played with a lot of fun had by all.

Keith Jones

Saturday Pennant Round 9 (9/12/23):

Dromana 1 (Div 2) V Karingal @Home

Rinks: S. M^cColgan (-), Wain (-), Watts (-)

Dromana 2 (Div 3) V Balnarring Away

Rinks: Moore (-), J. Waugh (-), Farr (-)

Dromana 3 (Div 9) V Somerville @ Home

Rinks: Neville (-), Gannon (-)

Dromana 4 (Div 10) V Sorrento @ Home

Rinks: - Donnelly (-), D. Healy (-)

Washout, Points: 8, Ladder position: 2nd

Washout, Points: 8, Ladder position: 7th

Washout, Points: 7, Ladder position: 1st

Washout, Points: 8, Ladder position: 3rd

Rink of the day: -

Monday Triples (11/12/23): 34 players

Best 2 Game Winners: Terry Rowe, Bill Wright, Bruce Hawker

Best 2 Game Runners - Up: Frank M^cColgan, Bronwyn Evans, Andy Wain

Best 1st Game: Janet Ryde, David Ditterich, Gary Ryde

Best 2nd Game: Peter Brace, Jean Wells, Nino Bonora

Tuesday Pennant Round 7 (12/12/23):

Dromana 1 (Div 1) V Mt Eliza Away

Rinks: Wain (11 - 23), M^cColgan (18 - 18), C. Healy (17 - 19)

Dromana 2 (Div 6) V Balnarring 2 @ Home

Rinks: Farr (20 - 17), Tulloch (24 - 12), Hewett (19 - 20)

Dromana 3 (Div 8) V BYE

Rinks: -

Lost 46 - 60, Point: 1, Ladder position: 7th

Won 63 - 49, Points: 14, Ladder position: 3rd

BYE, Points: 0, Ladder position: 7th

Rink of the day: Stephen Parkinson, Anthony Rushton, Joe Ammerlaan, Russell Tulloch

Action from Thursday Bowls



Clockwise from Top Left: **John McMurray; Bruce Hawker & Bev Brierley; John McM and Keith Jones; Terry Champion, Bruce H, Les Blackburn & Marion McMurray**



Who can remember this?

* House Duties *

AFTERNOON TEA } MONDAY TRIPLES,
MENS SPONSORED DAYS,
SUNDAY NOMINATED FOAKS. } SLUTTERED BLIND,
DRY BISCUITS,
CAKE - DRY BISCUITS

MENS PENNANT DAYS } SANDWICHES & SWEET BISCUITS }
VISITORS AFTERNOON TEA. }
PLEASE RING THE BELL AT 2.45 PM.

LADIES PENNANT AFTERNOON TEA
DRY & SWEET BISCUITS.

BISCUIT BARRELS TO BE FILLED EACH DAY OF USE. SUGAR & COFFEE
JARS ON TEA TRAYS TO BE CHECKED. - LEFT OVER MILK TO BE EMPTIED
INTO GLASS JARS - JUGS.
NOT TO BE RETURNED TO CARTON.

* Other Duties *

KITCHEN EMPTY RUBBISH BIN, REPLACE LINER,
FLOOR TO BE SWEEP AND LEFT CLEAN,
TEA TOWELS & APRONS TO BE WASHED.

TOILETS CLEAN HAND BASINS AND SURROUNDS,
CHECK TOILETS ARE CLEAN,
EMPTY PAPER BINS, REPLACE TOILET ROLLS & HAND TOWELS,
NEW SUPPLIES IN HAND BASIN OUTBOARD.

MAIN CLUBROOM WIPE TABLES, SWEEP FLOORS.

LADIES LOUNGE WIPE TABLES, LEAVE TIDY.

SUNDAY LADIES ON DUTY TO BE EARLY TO PREPARE TABLES FOR AFTERNOON
TEA.

SATURDAY STARTING TIME FOR DUTIES - 2 PM.

THE FACILITIES OF THE CLUB ARE FOR YOUR BENEFIT AND
COMFORT. SO YOUR CO-OPERATION IN KEEPING THE PREMISES
CLEAN & TIDY WILL BE GREATLY
APPRECIATED...

KITCHEN FLOOR:- WASH WITH WARM WATER ONLY. DO NOT ADD
DETERGENT OR ABRASIVES, SUCH AS AJAX ETC. R.W.



Matt Williams, Patrick Williams and Peter Gordon at the recent Frankston Bowls Club, Peter Armistead Triples Day.



Pictured Left: Is it...

- A. New Member **Peta Gordon**?
- B. **Peter's** new disguise, for the next time we play **Rosebud CC**?
- C. Having filled most positions in the club, is **Peter** looking to bring back the **Ladies President**?
- D. An audition for the new production of *Priscilla, Queen of the Desert* beginning at **Rosebud Players**?
- E. One red wine too many?
- F. All of the above?