



WEEKLY BULLETIN



16<sup>th</sup> November 2023



## From The President

Hello to everyone.

Well, it has been a big week on the Admin front!

Interminable phone calls and missed contacts with public servants and community services personnel, problems that remain too difficult to be solved (or so it appears), and a myriad of other issues.

Well done to my partner in crime **Amelia** this week who has also been working with the Shire on a couple of issues relating to the kitchen and food storage areas. A few things need to be checked out, but overall, the Shire rep's annual inspection was apparently very favourable.

Not wishing to editorialise in this forum but let me conclude my opening paragraph by saying: *"No wonder the world of local volunteers who wish to do good work within their own communities is shrinking."*

The powers that be sometimes seem more intent on putting a never-ending set of barriers in front of us which can lead to much frustration, anger, and in the end severe heartburn. Sermon over.

A big welcome back to the club this week to **Matt Blackwell**, who is returning to the greens after a recent lay-off: we hope to see you back in good form very soon, **Matt**.

Please continue to support the club events which are currently being conducted at the moment, as I said last week there are some very good games

going on, all of which are well worth a look see.

State events are also currently being advertised, remember it is your responsibility to contact **myself, Carmel** or **Di** if you wish to enter yourself or a team. Sign-up sheets are situated by the spinning wheel, and dates are also highlighted in this bulletin.

Apart from that, all seems good around the club at the moment. Speaking of volunteering as I was earlier, you will all be aware that there are a number of functions coming up in the pre-Xmas period, not to mention our weekly commitment to the weekly Barefoot Bowls program. Sign-up sheets are displayed on the noticeboards around the social area in the bar, or else simply approach a Board member in order to register your availability.

On Thursday of this week the hedges around the club are due to be trimmed. I apologise in advance for any inconvenience this may cause to bowlers and members in general, but I am sure you all realise what a difference a good haircut makes to our appearance!

Thanks again **Andy** and all other contributors for your contributions this week.

Best wishes for the week to come, stay healthy, socialise and bowl to the best of your ability at all times!

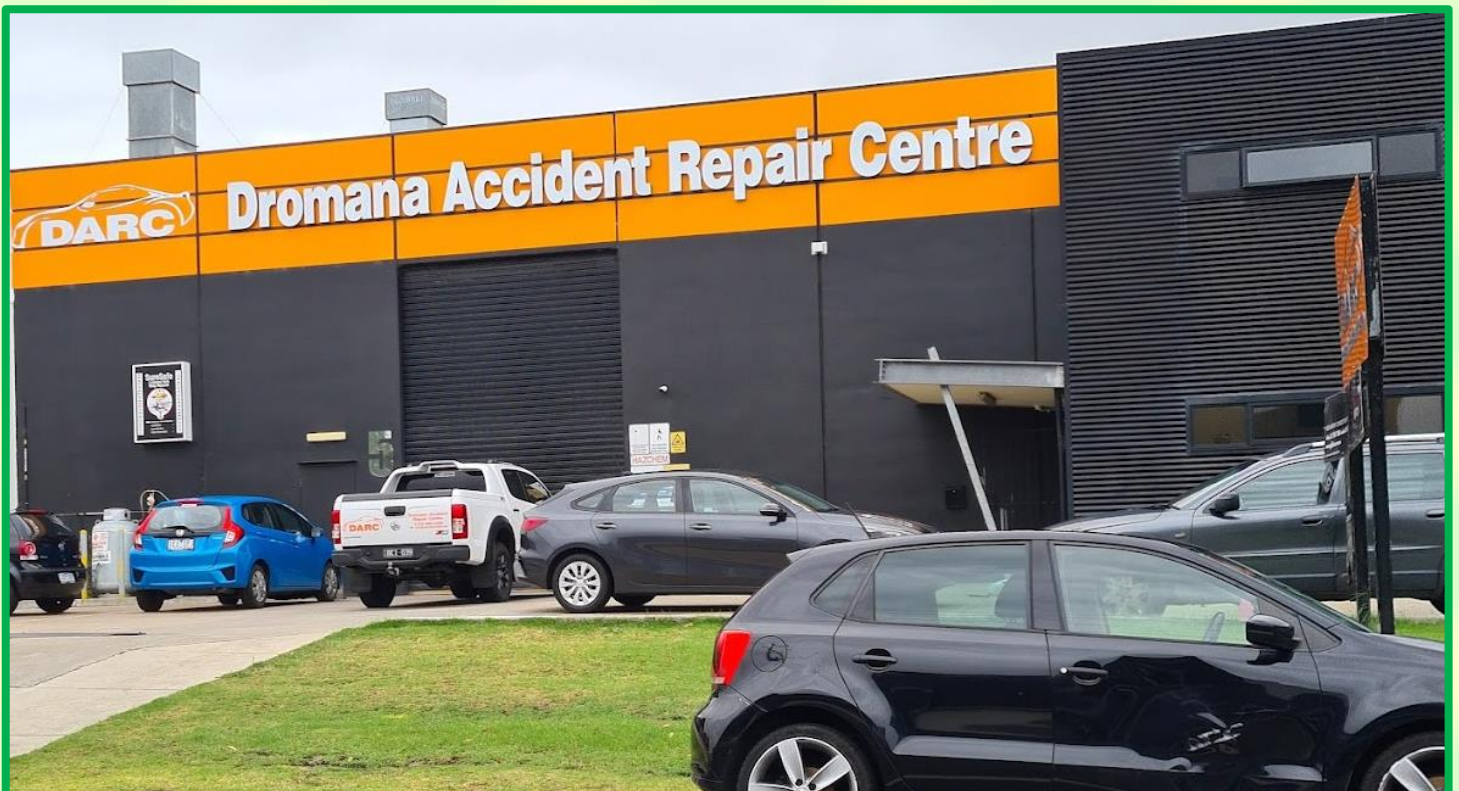
Regards, **Peter**.

# This Week's Sponsors



**1 - 3 Dalkeith Drive Dromana**

**Phone: 5981 0943**





# 2024 GALA



# STRAWBERRY DAY



## SUNDAY, JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> 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](mailto: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 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Please email your entry details to:  
[match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au](mailto:match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au)**



**Dromana SC Year 9 "Women in Sport" groups – Thursday 9/11/23**



**Thanks to Terry R. (x2), Ian D., Andy W. & Di. W. for helping with the groups.**



Lorraine Rushton  
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November



# Social and Fundraising News

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH WEDNESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER - PENINSULA CLUB

Put your name down on the list at the club and make your payment into the Bendigo bank Dromana bowls club Social Account. So come along and join us - the more the merrier.

- \$40.00 pp
- Two course meal and entertainment
- Entertainment – Andrew “The Wiz” Farrell - one of our favourites
- Partner, friends, or family member welcome
- BSB: 633-000; ACC: 13-290-1786

Pre-payment into the social account no later than Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December and no refunds can be made. Details for payment on the [flyer](#).



## CHRISTMAS HAMPERS RAFFLE

Have you bought tickets yet? The hampers are looking great and many thanks for the lovely donations. For a chance to win one of 5 hampers buy your tickets, write your name and telephone number on the ticket-butts and leave them in the book. Three tickets for \$5.00. Thank you also to those people who have taken tickets to sell to friends and neighbours and remember to return tickets and money to the box provided on the table with the hampers.



See you at the club,  
**Michele Castles**



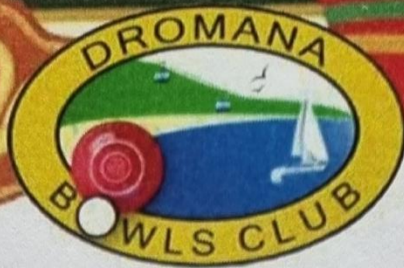
**Canasta – Monday 1pm**  
**All Welcome**



**Friday**  
**HAPPY HOUR**



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



**Dromana Bowls Club**  
**CHRISTMAS LUNCH**  
**at Peninsula Club**

**Wednesday 13th December 12.00–3.00pm**

**Lunch and Entertainment**

**The booking list is on the social and  
fundraising news board  
in the bar area of the club rooms.**

**\$40 pp**

**Payment: DBC SOCIAL ACCOUNT**

**BSB 633-000 Acc. 132901786**

**Ref: Christmas/surname**

***PLEASE NOTE:* Bookings and payment essential. Bookings must be made no later than Friday 1st December and we are unable to make refunds from that date.**





# PENNANT PRACTICE



All Pennant players are reminded that Pennant Practice will be held on **Friday mornings at 10 o'clock** for approximately one hour.

The sessions will be more effective if we can practice in our TEAMS, so perhaps Skips could encourage their own team to attend. Reading and directing heads, position play, team bonding etc. will be covered.

*"I hated every minute of training, but I said, don't quit, suffer now and live the rest of your life as a champion."*

—Muhammad Ali

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.

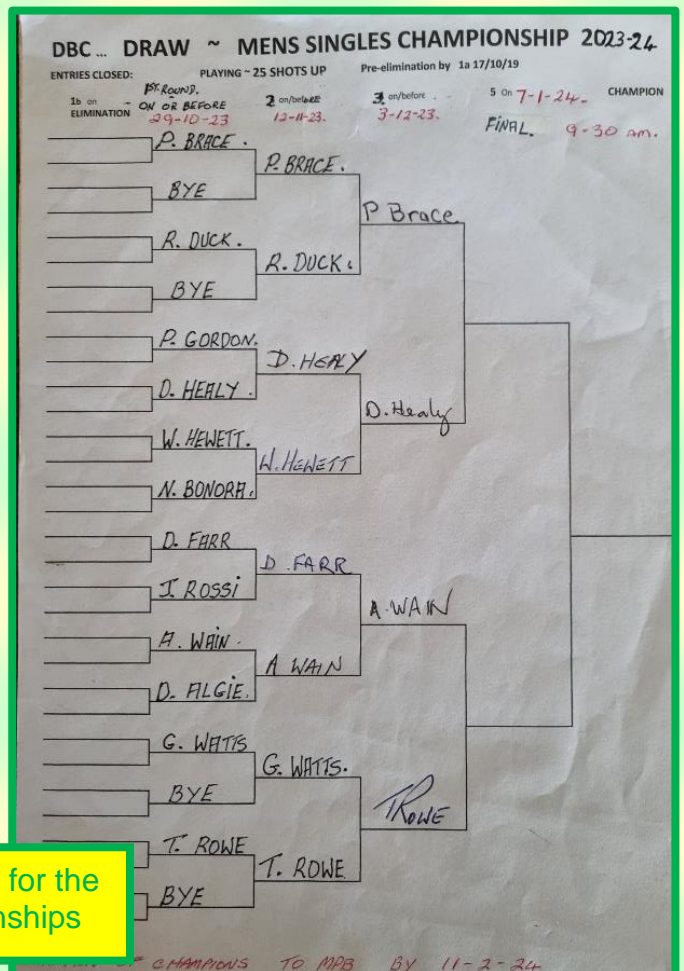
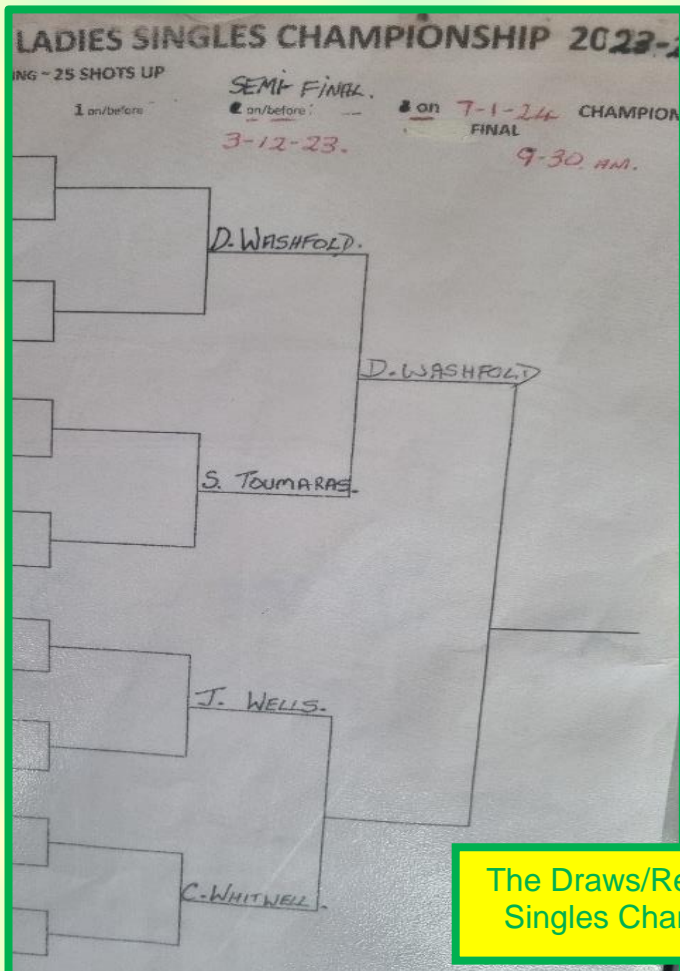
We are always looking for contributors for more things to add, so please feel free to take photos, write an article/letter/joke/etc...

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The Draws/Results for the Singles Championships

# Club Championship Events

The draws for the Club Championships for the Men and Ladies Singles are now complete. These can be found in the black folder near the Spinning Wheel.

**Men's Singles 2<sup>nd</sup> Round:** on or before Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November  
**Ladies' Singles 1<sup>st</sup> Round:** on or before Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
**Both Singles' Finals:** To be played on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Ladies' Pairs:**

1<sup>st</sup> Round by 12<sup>th</sup> November  
 See draw below

**Men's Pairs:**

1<sup>st</sup> Round by 10<sup>th</sup> December  
 Final on or before 25<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**Mixed Pairs:**

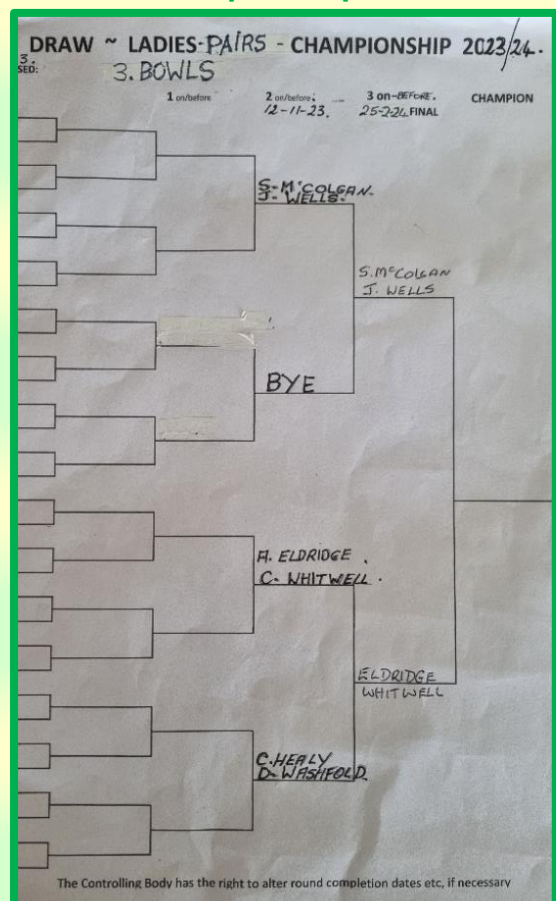
Entries close Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024, 4 p.m.  
 Final on or before 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**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.

**Carmel Rowe**

## The Draws/Results for the Men's & Ladies Pairs Championships





## Barefoot Bowls

Barefoot Bowls re-commenced **last week on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.**

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.

<b>BAREFOOT BOWLS GREENS ROSTER (Next 4 weeks)</b>		
	<b>5:00pm – 6:30pm.</b>	<b>6:30pm – 8:00pm.</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Carmel Rowe	Steve Parkinson
	Pat Donnelly	Ron Duck
<b>24<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Frank & Sandra McColgan	Keith Jones
	Bev Brierley	George Bulka
<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	Val Park/Pat Donnelly	Len Starkey
	Chris Whitwell	Nino Bonora
<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Val Park/Barbara Flather	David Moore
	Doug Algje	Ron Duck

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

<b>FRIDAY NIGHT BBQ ROSTER (NEXT 4 WEEKS) FOR BAREFOOT BOWLS</b>			
<b>17<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>
Wayne Hewett	Phil Carter	Marion McMurray	Janet Ryde
Graeme Abblitt	Robyn Carter	John McMurray	Jim Rossi
Matt Williams	Joe Ammerlaan	Jean Wells	Chris Rossi

**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**

# Happy Hour & Barefoot Bowls – 10/11/23



A beautiful night (35°C) out on "The Deck"  
Listening to the dulcet tones of MC Craig

Barefoot bowlers getting expert  
instruction from David M. & Mick A.



The BBQ cooks, Tony E., Carmel R. & Bronwyn E. and another happy customer, Peter B.

# 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

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 ALISON JAMES – LADIES SKIP DAY: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 (NEW TOURNAMENT) - Updated

\* (2 bowl) \* triples, three games of 10 ends). See [Flyer](#), next page in newsletter.



## DBC STRAWBERRY DAY: SUNDAY, JANUARY 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

(2 bowl fours, three games of 10 ends). Entry includes catered lunch.  
See [Flyer](#), in Newsletter

## DBC PRESIDENTS DAY: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024. (NEW TOURNAMENT)

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

**STATE EVENTS.** All members please note that entry forms for all State events are now available in the black folder near the spinning wheel. Also note that closing dates for some of these events are coming up quite soon.

Advise **Peter Gordon** as he will add the entries on Bowlslink.

<a href="#">Men's Triples</a>	Entries Close 23/11/2023
<a href="#">Women's Triples</a>	Entries Close 23/11/2023
<a href="#">Men's Singles</a>	Entries Close 14/01/2024
<a href="#">Women's Singles</a>	Entries Close 14/01/2024
<a href="#">Men's Fours</a>	Entries Close 07/02/2024
<a href="#">Women's Fours</a>	Entries Close 07/02/2024
<a href="#">Men's Champion of Champions</a>	Entries Close 11/02/2024
<a href="#">Women's Champion of Champions</a>	Entries Close 11/02/2024



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



**ALISON JAMES**

**LADY SKIP DAY**



**Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023**

**Register 10.00AM for 10.30am Start**

**Tea and Coffee on Arrival**

**Refreshments and Nibbles at  
Presentation**

**BYO LUNCH &/or Pies/Pasties  
(Preorder on arrival)**

**2 Bowl Nominated Triples**

**3 games of 10 ends**

**Mixed Teams Allowed**

**BV Approved uniform**

**Entry: \$60.00 per Team**

**Prize Pool: \$900.00**

**(Subject to entry numbers)**

**Entry Details (Direct Debit):**

**BSB: 633 000 Account # 129978284**

**Reference: AJ – Your Name/Club**

**Entries Close 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**Contact Details:**

**Email:**

**[match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au](mailto:match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au)**

**Phil Gannon; Match Director**

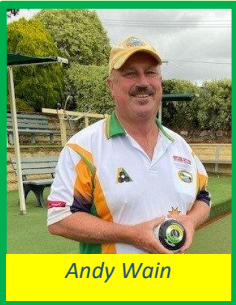
**Mob: 0405 773 858**

# Remembrance Day 2023

The wreath laid in Remembrance from Dromana Bowls club by **Carmel Rowe** and **Amelia Gibson**.

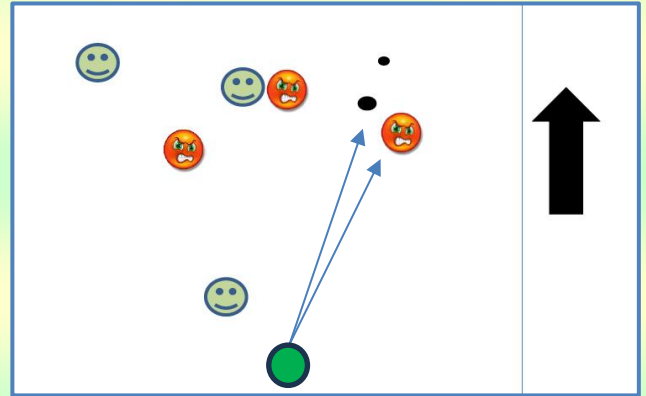


# WHAT WOULD YOU DO? - WEEK 13



Andy Wain

Last week's WWYD? Week 12 pictured right.



A tough one last week. I'd prefer the backhand (under the short green) with weight, to sit out the shot bowl, or a trail of the Jack.

**Jeff Dardel** suggests: *Hi Andy, A rather curly one.*

1. Backhand to draw the shot. Two other possibilities- (a) hit up our current second shot or (b) wick off their 2nd shot
  2. Forehand to draw shot around the current shot bowl.
  3. Kill the end. Negative.
- I prefer option 1.      Regards Jeff Dardel

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

Now for this week's scenario.

1. Name 3 different shots you could make.
2. Which of these 3 shots gives you a higher percentage of being successful?
3. Which shot would you be most confident of making?

**Week 13 scenario.** (I would like to acknowledge that these scenarios are from the WA Bowls website)



**Scenario:** You are the **blue** bowls

- You are playing in a 15 end triples knockout game.
- You are **leading 12-10** after 12 ends.
- You are **1 up** and playing your last bowl.
- Your opponent has one bowl remaining.
- A breeze is blowing from the right, making the right-side wide drawing and the left side moderate.
- The green is running approx. 16 seconds.

# Tony's Talkback



Tony Evans

Here is this week's Tony's Talkback with ...

**Member: Robyn Carter** (pictured right)

**Birthplace:** Yarram  
**Primary School:** Won Wron  
**Secondary School:** Yarram High



**Employment:** Department of Navy, Key Punch Operator

**Married:** Phil

**Children:** 2 daughters

**Family:** 1 brother, 1 sister

**Joined Dromana Bowls Club:** Robyn, lived close to Club in Safety Beach and joined the Bowls Club with husband Phillip around 2012 and were both very good members before moving to Bribie Island Qld and buying into a Gem life house there and staying for 3 or 4 years, before coming back home, Robyn & Phillip have been most welcomed back into our club and strengthen our bowling stocks.

**Positions held:** Robyn has now also joined the Clubs Social Committee which has pleased Michele very much. Robyn has also helped out in a role that she has done in the past and that is as a model for the club's fashion parades functions which is greatly appreciated .

The added bonus for the club, apart from their work input, is that both Robyn and Phil are also bowling very well, so it is a win /win for DBC. Also been on Match Committee for 2 years.

**Bowling Club Highlights:** Runners-Up in Lady President's Trophy; Played in 5 Grand Finals: 3 wins and 2 runners-up.

**Best Car owned:** Isuzu; Mazda



**Holidays:** Outback Queensland; Western Australian Coast; Travel around Australia in caravan. Red Claw Fishing at Theresa Creek Dam.



**AFL Team:** Collingwood

**Favorite Player:** All of them





**Favorite singers:** Dolly Parton

**Band:** The Beatles

**Favorite Food:** Thai; Japanese

**Favourite Restaurant:** Thai in Queensland



**Favourite Movie:** Anything Romantic

**Favourite Actors:** Meryl Streep



**Most Admired Person:** Lord Baden Powell.  
Was a part of one of the first committees to set up Girls in Cubbing. Robyn was also the first person to be awarded the Queen Guide award in Yarram (this is a great honour).

**Future Plans:** During retirement, have a happy, healthy life and some travel with **Phil**.

*Thanks for the chat, Robyn.*



*Cheers Tony*

Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**Brain Teaser/Time Waster:**

A 9-letter bowls-related terminology to solve, plus make as many words as possible. Each word must contain the **middle letter** & be at least 4 letters long. NB: No plurals or Capital i.e.: Towns, names etc.

L	L	I
O	B	K
W	S	N

**Number of words – Below Average: 5; Average: 10 - 15; Good: 16 - 20; Excellent: 20+**

**Brain Teaser Answers** (from last week 9<sup>th</sup> November):

The 9-letter bowls-related terminology was **president**. Other words (apart from the **unprintable** ones): **8 letter:** resident, respited; **7 letter:** despite, present, preside, prested, pretend, printed, repined, respite, ripened, serpent, spender, stipend, striped; **6 letter:** espied, esprit, instep, pester, preset, priest, prised, repent, ripest, sniped, spider, sprint, sprite, stripe, trepid; **5 letter:** inept, penis, **peter**, petre, pined, piste, pride, pried, print, prise, snipe, speed, spend, spent, spied, spine, spire, spree, strip, tepid, tripe; **4 letter:** deep, drip, neep, peer, pent, pert, pied, pine, pint, rent, ripe, seep, snip, sped, spin, spit, step, trip; **3 letter:** dip, nip, pee, pen, pet, pie, pin, pit, rip, sip, tip.

I am sure there are more!



# Weekly Bowls Report

**Wednesday Twilight (8/11/23):** 8 players  
Cheers, Di.

## **Thursday (Club Selected) (9/11/23):**

A small group of eight bowlers fronted for an enjoyable day played in fine weather. Two games of 2-4-2 were played, each with 10 ends before and after a lunch break. Both games were very close, played in a very competitive manner and with lots of fun. Games were completed by 2-30pm. Unfortunately, with tree pruning works around the greens there will be no bowls held this Thursday (16th).

**Keith Jones**

## **Saturday Pennant Round 5 (11/11/23):**

**Dromana 1 (Div 2) V Rye 2 @Home** **Won** 68 – 58, Points: 12, Ladder position: 5<sup>th</sup>  
Rinks: S. M<sup>c</sup>Colgan (30 – 11), Wain (23 – 28), Watts (15 – 19)

**Dromana 2 (Div 3) V Morn. Civic 1 Away** **Lost** 58 – 78, Points: 2, Ladder position: 6<sup>th</sup>  
Rinks: Moore (21 – 27), J. Waugh (14 – 30), Washfold (23 – 21)

**Dromana 3 (Div 9) V Morn. Civic 6 @Home** **Won** 36 – 34, Points: 12, Ladder position: 1<sup>st</sup>  
Rinks: Dale (25 – 12), Neville (11 – 22)

**Dromana 4 (Div 10) V Rye 4 @Home** **Lost** 34 - 48, Points: 0, Ladder position: 4<sup>th</sup>  
Rinks: Gannon (18 – 22), Algie (16 – 26)

**Rink(s) of the day:** G. Fletcher, D. Farr, T. Rowe, S. M<sup>c</sup>Colgan

## **Monday Triples (13/11/23):** 42 players

**Best 2 Game Winners:** G. Watts, E & G Fletcher  
**Best 2 Game Runners - Up:** B. Hill, B. Wright, D. Cowie  
**Best 1<sup>st</sup> Game:** M. Arendsen, L. Blackburn, I. Penson  
**Best 2<sup>nd</sup> Game:** J. Wells, P. Brace, G. Bulka



## **Tuesday Pennant Round 5 (14/11/23):**

**Dromana 1 (Div 1) V Balnarring 1 @Home** **Won** 54 – 52, Points: 13, Ladder position: 6<sup>th</sup>  
Rinks: Ablitt (14 – 16), M<sup>c</sup>Colgan (21 – 17), C. Healy (19 – 19)

**Dromana 2 (Div 6) BYE** **BYE**, Points: 0, Ladder position: 6<sup>th</sup>  
Rinks: -

**Dromana 3 (Div 8) V Mt. Eliza 5 Away** **Lost** 33 – 41, Points: 1, Ladder position: 6<sup>th</sup>  
Rinks: Duck (15 – 15), Donnelly (18 – 26)

**Rink(s) of the day:** F. M<sup>c</sup>Colgan, P. Gordon, A. Wain, S. M<sup>c</sup>Colgan

Monday Triples Action (13/11)



Val Park captured some shots of the 'Nail-Biting' finish for Division 1 Tuesday (14/11)

