



From The President

A warm welcome to everyone as yet another week passes by, full of the joy and

problems of full- on summer weather with all its vagaries. Stay cool and well hydrated and **KEEP** out of harm's way when travelling.

Speaking of the perils of summer, let's all get behind **Matt Williams** this week as he is doing valuable CFA work on Wednesday and Thursday fighting the fires in the Beaufort area of the state. Stay safe Matt and thanks for your wonderful work on behalf of all of us!

A big day was had on Tuesday, with the wake for our long-term member and mine host at the bar, **David Ferguson**. With well over 120 people in attendance it was a very meaningful and life celebrating occasion for "Fergie", pulled together at very short notice by **Amelia** and her team. They will not want me to broadcast their names as usual, but I will anyway, such is the respect I have for all these people who do their finest club work in sad times such as this. Here goes: Barb and Frank Souter, Di Washfold, Carmel Rowe, Joy and Bernie Smith, Michele Castles, Vivienne and Phil Gannon, Jean Wells, John and Bev Waugh, Andy Wain, David Baud, Den and Carmel Healy, and of course Amelia herself. Well done to all concerned, what a memorable occasion it was for both family and club members alike.

This Saturday is a special day for our **Division 9** bowlers, otherwise known as **Dromana 3!** They are playing in the **Grand Final**, against Somerville **at Balnarring**. If the form they showed in our scratch match last Saturday is

anything to go by, I reckon it is London to a brick that they will bring home the title come 5.00pm this Saturday evening.

Please get over to Balnarring by 1.00pm Saturday, in club colours if possible, and show your support for this team which has taken all before them this season. To **Craig** and his crew, may the force be with you! (**And we will be there in force**).

NB. News from Balnarring is that there are two Grand Finals there this weekend. The usual hot food will be available on the day, and the bar will be open also. I would say that parking will be at a premium, so either get there early or be prepared to drive around a few streets looking for a spot.

Congrats to **Di** for going so deep once again in the **Champion of Champions** event last Sunday, the prospect of playing two high level games on the one day is pretty daunting, and in the end, she just fell short of reaching the business end of the competition.

Another strong winner in the morning game, **Di** battled hard in the afternoon but was unable to overcome a very skillful opponent thereafter. Well done once again **Di**, you have represented your club in a competitive and gracious manner once again.

Best wishes also to **Graeme Abblitt** and **Sandra McColgan's** rinks who have now reached the semi-final stages of the State Fours at the Regional level, to be played at Somerville this week.

Hopefully more success can come **Dromana**'s way through their endeavours, especially on an evening when conditions are still expected to be most unpleasant temperature and wind-wise.

Keep on rolling and let's see if **Dromana** can continue at this lofty level. We are certainly making some others sit up and take notice, although obviously **Sandra** needs no introduction to anyone! Her performances always speak for themselves.

Good news this week with the signing of contracts with **BBS** to get the bowl rolling on our re-surfacing project on the **Hildebrand green**. Phew!! What an effort that has been, spread over 10 months of consulting, pleading, investigating, researching, phoning, and all the other "__ings" you can imagine.

A number of club members have worked very hard to get to this stage, and I thank them all for the hours of work they have done for the long-term benefit of our club. We are almost there! Meanwhile, work on the **Duggan green** is chugging along, with the Shire currently

conducting surveys, digging holes and contributing their thoughts to the on-going subsidence issue. At least we are still in their plans for the long term, so we take heart from that. How long is the "long term"? Only time will tell.

Finally, many thanks to **Len Starkey** for his most informative presentation on the use of our defibrillator, which he conducted on Monday afternoon.

I am sure this session was of great value to all present, while also re-enforcing the need for all members to complete their medical/personal information forms, which will be catalogued by the club in case of an emergency. The importance of having such information at hand is vital.

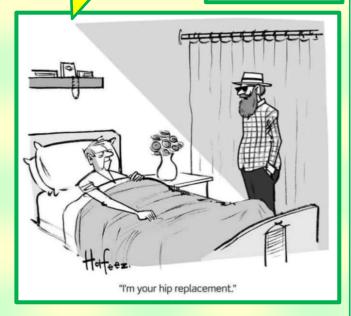
So that is it for another week. Take care everybody, and let's make sure we have more good news to share next time round.

Regards, **Peter**.

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working, members
will need CASH on Friday
night Happy Hour &
Monday Triples

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Music Makers # "3 of a Kind"

Our first Music Makers for 2024 - do you have your name down yet? Booking list is up on the social news board. Come along and join us for a great afternoon of music and good company. All details are on the flyer below.



SILENT AUCTION Artwork by Matt Petrucci

Petrucci Matt has generously donated two beautiful paintings to the club to be sold via a silent auction. The paintings along with the information about Matt and how the auction works is on display in the main function room at the club. Please take the time to have a look at the artwork and make a bid. All proceeds go to the club

FISH N' CHIPS Friday 12th April

More details will be in next week's newsletter.

As promised, we have a replacement function for **Friday May 17**th following Happy Hour. This promises to be great fun (and another night you do not have to cook dinner). Put this in your diary now!

Last of all but certainly not least of all, the committee looks forward to **Carl** returning to the team as soon as he is well enough. Get better very soon **Carl**.

See you at the club, Michele Castles

PROPOSED SOCIAL CALENDAR 2024

- MUSIC MAKERS
- FISH & CHIPS
- PIZZA & CHARADES
- FASHION PARADE
- OAKS DAY
- CLUB XMAS LUNCH
- HAMPER RAFFLE DRAW

SUNDAY 24th MARCH

Friday 12th April

FRIDAY 17th MAY (FOLLOWING Happy Hour)

WEDNESDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

THURSDAY 7th NOVEMBER

WEDNESDAY 11th DECEMBER

FRIDAY 20th DECEMBER

IN ADDITION

Some of the following will be included into the calendar throughout the year

- Fish & Chips nights
- Mid-week lunches at various venues
- Movie day depending on what is showing
- Frankston Arts Centre. " " "
- Vineyard visit



Pictured right: Canasta Ladies on Monday 26th February







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

De-Fib Session

Thanks to **Len Starkey** for his **AED presentation** on Monday afternoon. Many members were in attendance and keen to understand what to do in a medical emergency, if it is ever required. Many members have also taken their medical forms to complete. There will be additional supplies at the club and a tray for completed forms so look for these will be on the sound system cabinet.

Len has also volunteered to oversee our First Aid needs and supplies, etc. This offer will help reduce my workload as House Director and is greatly appreciated. **Thankyou Len**. Enjoy your week - **Amelia**





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Still available!

A spare bar fridge **Free** to Good Home! Please contact **Amelia** if interested. 0419 311 903





Visit our website for information on board meetings, games, pennant teams and ladders.

Browse our new <u>Club History Archive</u> and check out our Sponsors details.

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

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





PRESIDENT'S MONDAY

Nominated Teams
Three (3) Bowl Triples

Monday, March 4th, 2024

Register 10.00AM for 10.30am Start.

Tea and Coffee on Arrival

Sausage Sizzle Lunch Included

Refreshments at Presentation

Dress: Bowls Australia Approved

3 Bowl Triples

Nominated Teams

2 games of 13 ends

Mixed Teams Allowed

Entry Fee: \$15.00 per Player

Prize Pool: 100% of Entry Fees

Entry Details:

DBC Members: Enter your team on the entry sheet in the match window and pay your entry fee on the day.

Visitors: please email or text your team entry to Phil Gannon (details opposite) and pay your entry fee on the day.

Contact Details:

Email:

match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au

Phil Gannon: Match Director

Mob: 0405 773 858

David Ferguson's Wake

On Tuesday (27th) The Club hosted David Ferguson's Wake.

The many members (as mentioned by **Peter** in his report) who helped make this a special day for **Fergie's** family and friends, should be congratulated on their efforts.

Pictured: (Clockwise from top Left): Fergie's son, Michael and daughter, Rachel; President, Peter, telling some bowling anecdotes about Fergie; Fergie's sister and husband; Tony reading out his "Talkback" with Fergie (see next page); More of Fergie's family.



A special Tony's Talkback - with David Ferguson - Sept 2020

This week I am chatting with Dave Ferguson (Fergie).

Dave was born in Korumburra and has two brothers and five sisters. He lived in Poowong for 30 years and went to Korumburra Catholic School and then onto Korumburra High School. He enjoyed playing football and sport in general.

When he left school, he worked at the local Butter Factory in Poowong for 16 years and drove tankers for 13 years. He then moved residence and purchased a Dairy Farm at a place called Simpson, which is situated in Gippsland.



He started playing bowls in 2003 at the **Simpson Bowls Club**, which only had one green. His Mum and Dad influenced him into bowls. His father was the Green Keeper and his Mother was four-time Ladies Club Champion. I did ask **Fergie** at this stage, "was it your mother's skills that had rubbed off onto you?" and his reply was "no comment".

Dave first met **Bev** in 2003 and they married in 2011. They shared 5 children and sadly they have had 2 children pass away in the last 18 months.

At **Dromana Bowls Club**, **Dave** has spent some time on the Match Committee and his highlights at the club are that he has played in four or five winning Grand Final teams. He was runner-up in Novice Event Singles Championship and won Club Mens Pairs with **Frank Souter** two seasons ago. In the President Handicap he was Joint Winner with **Chris Whitwell** last season 20/21. (The final was not played because of covid virus). It was decided that both finalists be declared the winner.

Person/Persons Admired : All at the Collingwood Football Club

Sport interested in : AFL No Surprise here Collingwood Football Club.

Car Racing He watches the V8s when televised.

Favourite Movies: Enjoys Western movies.

Music likes: Country and Western.

Favourite Singer: Red Sovine (who sings a great song called Teddy Bear)

Nic Name: Fergie

Travel: Has travelled Overseas and visited such places as Las Vagas, Bali,

Phuket, Canada, Paris. But most of all, his favourite places are when travelling around Australia. Dave mentioned that he and Bev travelled around Australia in their Caravan back in 2006 and loved every minute of it and if given the chance they would revisit Darwin again, as they found this is one of their favourite places.

They both enjoy Queensland and have visited a daughter, who lives up there at a place called Smithfield. They had planned a trip visiting Darwin and then back into Cairns but because of the way things are at the moment this has been put back for another day.

Drinks liked : Enjoys a Tea or Coffee, and a nice cold Beer every now and then.

Passions: Dave's main Passion is that Family comes first.

Lock down Habits: Doing a little gardening and waiting for Tony Evans' jokes on the computer,

which he gets a good laugh out of (his words not mine).

After lock down: Getting back into Bowls at Dromana Bowls Club.

Thanks, Fergie, for having a chat

Tony Evans 28/9/2020

R.I.P Fergie

2023/24 Club Championships

Results so far:

Ladies Pairs: Jean Wells & Sandra McColgan d Chris Whitwell & Anne

Eldridge



Ladies Singles: Di Washfold d Jean Wells

Mens Singles: Andy Wain d Peter Brace



Mens Pairs: Nino Bonora & Tony Evans d David Ditterich & Terry Rowe



What's coming up?

Mixed Pairs: See Draw on the next page.

2nd Round: on/before 25th Feb 3rd Round: on/before 17th March

Final on or before 10th March 2024

President's Handicap: See Draw on the next page.

1st Round by 18th Feb 2024 2nd Round by 17th Mar 2024 3rd Round by 7th Apr 2024

Final Round on/before 21st Apr 2024

Open Triples: See Draw on the next page.

Round by 25th Feb 2024 2nd Round by 17th Mar 2024 Final round on/before 7th Apr 2024

Minor Championship: Closing date 18th Feb 2024

1st Round by 3rd Mar 2024 2nd round by 17th Mar 2024 Final round on/before 7th Apr 2024

Novice Championship: Closing date 3rd Mar 2024 On hold.

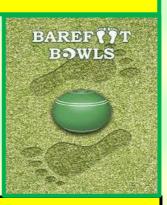


Barefoot Bowls

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 3 weeks)				
	5:00pm – 6:30pm.	6:30pm – 8:00pm.		
1 st March	Chris Whitwell/Val Park Doug Algie	David Moore Stephen Neville		
8 th March	Pat Donnelly/Val Park Barbara Flather/Bev Brierley	Mick Arendsen Colin Carey		

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 3 WEEKS) FOR BAREFOOT BOWLS

1st March	8 th March		
John McMurray	Rob Vesty		
Marion McMurray	Bob Langford		
Joe Ammerlaan	Jean Wells		

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

Friday 8th March will be the last Barefoot Bowls session for the summer period.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Derrick Farr Sunday 3rd March

Den Healy Tuesday 5th March















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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

Due to the weather forecast the inter-club **Pixie Challenge** with Martha Cove Retirement Village has been deferred to March 6.

Cards will be called at 5.15. Please register by 5.00. \$6 CASH, 2 bowls. Just neat casual attire and a large plate of supper as arranged.

David Baud has very kindly agreed to attend the bar, so a jolly night should be had by all.

Di

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

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 PRESIDENTS DAY: MONDAY, March 4th, 2024. (NEW TOURNAMENT) click for the Flyer The plan is that there will be a light lunch. (3 bowl triples, two games of 13 ends. \$15). More details to come.

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 Bowlslink.

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 Bowls Victoria Over 60's Carnival May 20- May 26, 2024, Entries Open February 2024

Entries Close 20/04/2024



The MPBR have re-vamped their website and news of MPBR Club Events can be found

by clicking here.

Matt Blackwell, Peter Gordon, Andy Wain & Graeme Abblitt played in the MPBR Fours, Semi-Finals, on Wednesday(28th) night at Somerville. Unfortunately beaten by a quality Frankston team.

Sandra McColgan and her team won their semi-final on Wednesday night and proceed to the Final next Wednesday night.

MPBR Champion of Champions

On Sunday, 25th Feb, **Di Washfold** represented the **Dromana Bowls Club** in the MPBR Champion of Champions singles at West Rosebud.

Di won her Quarter final in a 3-hour battle, but unfortunately lost in the Semi-Final in the afternoon. A great effort and well-done **Di**.

Pictured below: (Clockwise from top Left): **Di** picking up 3 more shots in her semi-final; A classic bowling pose from **Di**; Some of the support crew, **Jean**, **Den** & **Carmel**; Another **Di** delivery



Andy Wain

WHAT WOULD YOU DO? - WEEK 23

Last week's WWYD? Week 22 pictured right. Suggested shot indicated in Red. Explanation underneath.

From Jeff, Hi Andy,

- 1. Backhand, very slightly overweight to push the jack back to the centre of our three rear bowls. Hopefully this will give "us" four shots.
- 2. Forehand, to push our front bowl towards the jack.
- 3. Forehand to push the jack back as in Option 1. Prefer Option 1- open hand.

Kind regards Jeff Dardel

Which shot would you be most confident of playing?

A new set of Scenarios:

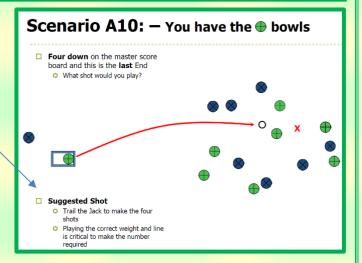
- 1. Consider 4 types of shots:
 - a. Forehand draw,
 - b. Backhand draw,
 - c. Weighted Forehand,
 - d. Weighted Backhand
- 2. Which of these 4 shots gives you a higher percentage of being successful?
- 3. Which shot would you be most confident of making?

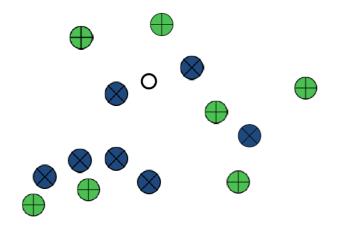
Scenario B1: — You have the bowls

- ☐ **Two down** on the score board and this is the **last** End
 - What shot would you play?









Brain Teaser/Time Waster Linguistic Equations 2

This question format is known as the 'Linguistic Equation',

for example: 26: L of the A: means 26 Letters of the Alphabet.

Questions

64 S on a C B

200 D for P G in M

40 D and N of the G F

7 C in a R

• 7 D of the W

1001 A N

8 S on a SS

• 30 = M in a H H

76 T in the B P

• 50 W to L Y L

99 B of B on the W

• 60 S in a M

• 1 H on a U

7 B for S B

21 D on a D

• 15 M on a D M C

80 D to G A the W

• 2 = N it T to T

12 D of C

366 = D in a L Y

Brain Teaser Answers (from last week 22nd February):

- 4 Leaf Clover is Good Luck (4 LC is GL)
- 4 Quarts in a Gallon (4Q in a G)
- 7 Wonders of the World (7 W of the W)
- 7 Wonders of the Ancient World (7 W of the AW)
- 3 Blind Mice (See How They Run) (3BM SHTR)
- 12 Signs of the Zodiac (12 S of the Z)
- 24 Hours in a Day (24 H in a D)

- 54 Cards in a Deck (With the Jokers) (54 C in a D W the J)
- 1 Wheel on a Unicycle (1 W on a U)
- 8 Planets in the Solar System (Used to be 9!) (8P in the SS)
- 4 Digits in a PostCode (4D in a PC)
- 88 Piano Keys (88 PK)
- 57 Heinz Varieties (57 HV)
- 13 Stripes on the American Flag (13 S on the AF)

- 11 Players on a Cricket Team (11 P on a CT)
- 32 Degrees
 Fahrenheit when
 Water Freezes (32 DF at which WF)
- A Picture is Worth a 1000 Words (A P is W a 1000 W)
- 18 Holes on a Golf Course (18 H on a GC)
- 29 Days in February (In a Leap Year) (29 D in F in a LY)
- 90 Degrees in a Right Angle (90 D in a RA)

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Weekly Bowls Report

Wednesday Twilight (21/2/24): 12 players

Cheers, Di.

Thursday (Club Selected) (22/2/24): 6 players

Keith Jones

Saturday Pennant Finals - Week3 - Grand Final (2/3/24):

Dromana 3 (Div 9) V Somerville 3 @ Balnarring Bowls Club

MPBR Inc Saturday Division 9 2023/24 SECTION 1 | GRAND FINAL | GRAND FINAL Local: Sat, Mar 2, 2024 1:00 PM BALNARRING BOWLS & SOCIAL CLUB INC

Dromana 3

Somerville 3

Dromana 3	Versus	Somerville		Balnarring	
	Lead	Second	Third	Skip	
Rink 1	Robyn Carter	Len Starkey	Craig Anketell	Phil Gannon	
Rink 2	Bronwyn Evans	Peter Brace	David Baud	Steve Neville	
	Emergency	D. Moore	Carl Sabo		

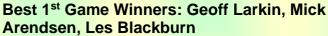
Monday Triples (26/2/24): 48 players – Fantastic Turn-out

Best 2 Game Winners: Len Starkey, Jeff Dardel, Derrik Farr



Best 2 Game Winners Runners -

Up: George Watts, Gil & Eric Fletcher





Best 2nd Game Winners: Carmel Healy, Jim Rossi, Keith Jones

Tony's Flashback: December 2015

DROMANA BOWLS CLUB INC. MENS PENNANT RESULTS 2015-2016

ROUND 7	DA	DATE 12/12/2015			sнотs		POINTS	
Div 1	V 0	BALNARRING	номе					
LEAD	SECOND	THIRD	SKIP	FOR	AGST	+ -	FOR	AGS
L. Webb	G.Bouker	M. Price	I. Dale	25	18	7	2	
M. Arendsen	L.Taylor	D.Tomlinson	J. Breen	20	22	-2		
N. Bouker	H Gray	L.Schulz	G. Breen	19	33	-14		0
P.Rossetto	S.McCOLGIN	G.Chilcott	P. Gude	31	17	14	2	
MANAGER	L. Taylor		TOTALS	95	90	5	14	
Div 2 D2	v	BALNARRING	AWAY					
P. Vercoe	P.Raymant	A. Ryan	G. Quinn	22	22	0	1	192
J.Christensen	J.Bell	C.Healy	G.Hegarty	31	14	17	2	
J.Shepherdley	I. Penson	R.Templeton	A. Voice	24	23	1	2	
G Peck	D Phillips	W.Brierley	P. Phillips	33	17	16	2	
MANAGER	I. Penson		TOTALS	110	76	34	17	635
Div 2 D3	v	SORRENTO	HOME					
P.Carter	P. Gordon	J.Waugh	D. Taylor	27	19	8	2	
T.Stone	F. Dawson	D.Ryan	T. Rowe	12	25	-13		
I.Shepherdley	B.Hill	R. Haig	S.Templeton	17	17	0	1	- 1
D.Di Iorio	K.Austin	A.Vorbach	W.Hewitt	31	21	10	2	
MANAGER	R. Haig		TOTALS	87	82	5	15	
Div 3 D4	v	Mt MARTHA 2	номе					
D.Ditterich	C.Corva	B.Martin	W.Hegarty	25	17	8	2	
G.Mills	F Murphy	K. Wickham	D.Currie	25	18	7	2	
T.Evans	R Fothergill	D. Baud	K.Newton	17	21	-4		- 9
MANAGER	T. Evans		TOTALS	67	56	11	14	
Div 5 D5	v	MAIN RIDGE 2	AWAY					
C.Rowe	B.McLorinan	B.Baker	I McMurtrie	26	12	14	2	
F.Souter	A.Alexander	P.Gannon	D Vorbach	23	19	4	2	
MANAGER	B.Baker		TOTALS	49	31	18	14	