



WEEKLY BULLETIN



6th October 2023



It is with great regret that we have to inform you of the very sad passing yesterday, October 2nd, of our esteemed member and friend Tony Wells.

The thoughts and well wishes of all associated with our club are with Jean and the family at this sad time. Vale Tony

The Service will be held on Friday, 13th October, 10.30 in Cirrus Chapel, Bunarong Memorial Park, 790 Frankston-Dandenong Road, Dandenong South

From The President

Hello one and all and I trust people are coping as well as they can with these wild swings in the weather! It's not as if we haven't been warned, but at least we are learning to be resilient, although unsure about consigning all of our winter clothes to the cupboards for another 6 months. And after all our planning we lost a day of Pennant Practice on Tuesday.....the season proper is certainly approaching fast! Thanks to everyone who managed to sandwich in a game of 18 ends at RCC last Saturday morning, it was certainly a rush, but the bonus was that we got in some valuable bowling on their lush grass greens. That has got to help us as we contemplate our looming rounds of home and away games. Thanks to both groups of selectors for the sterling work they are currently undertaking to get us fit and ready for the new season, but please, please, as Derrik pleaded with us on Monday, please let them know as soon as possible if you are unable to play for any reason. The unavailability sheet is up, it's not going anywhere, so please check your diaries for long term commitments that may affect Selection.

No new Legal or Shire news to report to you this week, but rest assured I will be running through my contact list again next week, trying like hell to get you some answers to those vexed questions we are all sweating on right now.

As I write this report, I am preparing myself for a busy day at the Fashion Parade, joining a number of "middle aged" men in penguin suits as loyal servants of all our invited guests. Thanks in advance for the delivery of a great day, a yearly event which has continued to demand pride of place in our annual calendar: Michele, Amelia, Barb, Donna, Val, Pat and Marion have done a fantastic job. And Karl is also on hand to do the emceeing! The photos should be great viewing.

Please remember the kitchen area will be closed for major flooring renovations until October 13th. It is incumbent on all of us to treat it as a Shire construction area, restricted to all members until work is completed. At least one of the jobs that need doing is about to be done.

The Barefoot Bowls time of year is approaching rapidly, and volunteers are required urgently! BBQ duty and greens supervision are the two areas we need to cover, so you can expect a call from Val Park in the near future to ascertain your availability.

On average members would only be required to commit 2-3 hours of their time over a whole season, so please put your name forward as this event is worth a truckload of money to us over the summer months and is great publicity for our club. It is also a tremendous source of new membership. We expect to be opening our greens to community barefoot bowlers on Friday, November 10th.

Pennant bowlers also remember you need to attend the extremely important Information night on Thursday, October 12th, at 5.00pm. Pizzas will be provided, and we need ALL Saturday and Tuesday players present.

We are also in urgent need of half a dozen members to help out on the greens this Friday evening, with one event beginning at 4 o'clock, with another larger one (30 Lady netballers) running from 6-10.00pm. I don't expect it will go that late, but we need members on hand just in case to ensure everything runs smoothly both during and after. Di and Val are going to be in charge of the earlier group.

Many thanks to Di Washfold and Keith Jones for their work on Tuesday in cleaning up the bowls shed, as well as sorting through the many baskets of bowls in need of classification and labelling. A time consuming and arduous job, but a job very well done, nonetheless.

In what has been a sad week for the club, it's great to see members banding together to help those who are ill or in need of any help that only a club like ours can provide. We reach out to each other, keep in contact, and do what we can to make life more tolerable for all of us. Best wishes to any members or families that are doing it hard at the moment.... remember you can always reach out!

So, there you go, another week done. Great to see Tony's Talk Back returning in full voice. And don't forget the upcoming Lady Skips' Day, named in honour of our esteemed Life Member Alison James.

And finally: don't forget that volunteering.

Regards, Peter.

This Week's Sponsors



The advertisement features the MPFS logo, which consists of a stylized red and white circular emblem to the left of the text 'mpfs' in a bold, lowercase font. Below 'mpfs' is the tagline 'your financial partner through life' in a smaller font. The main text of the ad reads 'Financial Freedom?' in large, white, bold letters, followed by 'Easier than you think! Call us today 03 5976 8500' in a smaller white font. The background is a solid dark green color.



The advertisement shows the interior of an optometry clinic. The logo 'eyes on Optometrists' is prominently displayed at the top, with 'eyes on' in a stylized font and 'Optometrists' in a simpler font below it. The clinic interior is visible, showing shelves of contact lenses and various optometric equipment. At the bottom of the image, the address '1/143 Point Nepean Road Dromana' and the phone number 'Phone: 5981 0701' are listed in bold black text.

Social Bowls

MONDAY

Open Nominated Triples arrive early for a 10.30 am start.

List in Match Committee window.

Contact: Phil Gannon: 0405773858

THURSDAY

Club Selected – arrive early for a 10.30am start.

List in Match Committee window.

Contact: Chris Bowen: 0418 557 574

CLUB TOURNAMENTS 2023-2024

DBC ALISON JAMES - LADIES SKIP DAY: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 2023 (NEW TOURNAMENT)

(2 bowl triples, three games of 10 ends).

DBC STRAWBERRY DAY: SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2024

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

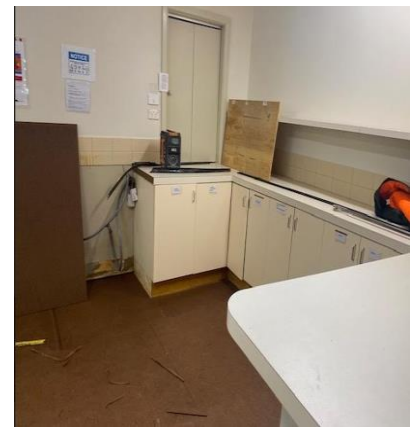
DBC PRESIDENTS DAY: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 2024. (NEW TOURNAMENT)

The plan is that this will be a catered lunch.

(3 bowl triples, two games of 12 ends).

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.

The Kitchen Floor



WHAT WOULD YOU DO? WEEK 7 - with Andy Wain

The WWYD Week 6 (pictured right). This week's winner of the free beer is.... Peter Gordon, here's his response (summarised):



Go up the forehand with a little weight, wick off 2nd shot and claim shot, if we just roll onto the Jack.. Weight is critical, can't move Jack sideways, pick up 3".

Personally, I also favour the draw on the forehand, could get 2 and draw the game. Could turn the green bowl at 3 o'clock out or a slight trail of the Jack to make 3 for the win.

Di anyone think of a better solution?

I will offer another free drink at the DBC bar, for the best entry again for Week 7 scenario below. Please submit in writing (andy.v.wain@gmail.com) by 9 pm Tuesday 10th October

1.Name 3 different shots you could make.

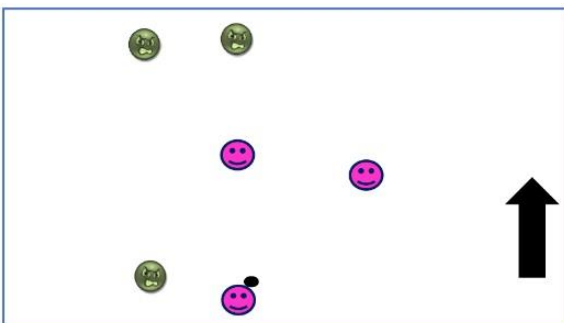
2. Which of these 3 shots gives you a higher percentage of being successful?

3. Which shot would you be most confident of making?

Week 7 scenario. (I would like to acknowledge that these scenarios are from the WA Bowls website)

Scenario: You are the pink bowls

- You are playing in a first to 21 singles knockout game.
- You are leading 18-15
- You are 1 up and playing your last bowl.
- Your opponent has one bowl remaining.
- No breeze is blowing, making both hands of equal moderate draw.
- The green is running approx. 15 seconds.



Social and fundraising news

Finally, our Fashion Parade has happened and a very enjoyable day it was. Once again it has been a huge task bringing this all together and it is very pleasing to have an end result such as today.

We thank our lovely models, waiting team, bar staff, exceptional hard working catering team (including Val with the beautiful cakes and her assistant Bronwyn) and special thanks to our two sponsors - Rowanne of Cathrines of Dromana for providing the wonderful clothing and Lisa from Seachelles Coastal Living, Dromana for providing the delightful selection of accessories and also the lovely bag of goodies for each of our guests. We are most grateful for their support.

Rowanne has asked that I let all our club members know that if you were not able to attend the Parade and would like to purchase some garments within the next week just let her know you are from the Dromana Bowls Club and you will receive a discount of 20%.

As has been the case over the last couple years, there have been many people unable to attend our functions for health reasons and having to cancel at the last moment. This year's parade was no exception and aside from guests not being able to attend our usual MC Craig is also unwell and we wish him a speedy recovery. Stepping up at the last moment was Carl and we thank you for doing this.

CHRISTMAS FUNCTION: so, we move along to the next - this will be held on Wednesday 13th December at the Peninsula Club in Dromana, so please put that date in your diary now. It is open to club members, their partners or friend/ family member. Further details when I have recovered from this week.

See you at the club

Cheers Michele Castles



FRIDAY
HAPPY
HOUR



**Canasta – Monday 1pm
All Welcome**



See you all at Happy Hour in a few weeks. Donna



ALISON JAMES
LADY SKIP DAY



Sunday, December 3rd 2023

Register 10.00AM for 10.30am Start

Tea and Coffee on Arrival	3 Bowl Nominated Triples
Refreshments and Nibbles at Presentation	3 games of 10 ends
BYO LUNCH &/or Pies/Pasties (Preorder on arrival)	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 17th November 2023

Contact Details:

Email:

match@dromanabowlsclub.com.au

Phil Gannon; Match Director

Mob: 0405 773 858

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.

Photos for the Newsletter or Club records:

photos@dromanabowlsclub.com.au

Reports and items for the Newsletter

newsletter@dromanabowlsclub.com.au



Tony Evans

Tony's Talkback



Member: *Carmel Healy* (pictured right)

Birthplace: South Melbourne.

Residence: Montague Street, South Melbourne.

Family: Carmel was the youngest of 4 children, having an older sister and brother and a twin sister.

Primary School: Saint Peters, South Melbourne which was only one block away from her home in Montague Street but somehow or other she always found a way of being late for School (not on purpose) I was told!

Secondary School: Catholic Ladies College, East Melbourne.

Hobbies at School: Enjoyed playing Tennis, Netball and Athletics.

Employment: She started work with the PMG Customer Service Telephone Branch exchange and back then all work was done manually.

Carmel at this stage mentioned that she had many conversations over the telephone with Den, and she met him in person a few months later and the rest is history. Carmel and Den were married in 1969 and have recently celebrated 54 years of Marriage.

Started Bowls: Carmel had her first try of bowling when at the Cheltenham Branch of the PMG as they had a indoor bowling set up which she enjoyed.

Carmel and Den when first married lived at Clarinda from 1969 until 2007 before moving down and now residing in Dromana, a short distance from the Bowls Club.

Carmel's interest in bowling made her phone the Bowls Club and enquire as to what was available.

After Carmel and Den had a go at "Try Bowls" they signed up as Members and were given some very good coaching, Carmel coached by Allison James and Den coached by Ian Dale, no wonder they both have turned out very good bowlers for the club.

Carmel mentioned that the same time of joining with Den at the club, she remembers Donna and her husband Graham were also doing the same.

Bowls Success: Winner of last person standing which was an Open Event.

Winner of Minor Club Championship event not sure what year

Winner of Div. Pairs with Donna Cartwright not sure what year

Winner of Div. pairs with Di Washfold a few seasons ago

Club Positions held: Chair Selector Tuesday Pennant, Bowls Committee, Board Director and various other duties performed.

Hobbies apart from Bowls: Enjoyed playing Squash and playing Netball until 50years old.

Person/Persons most Admired: Den (Her answer came after very little thinking)

AFL /NRL Team: Loves the Sydney Swans FC (Previous South Melbourne FC)

Fav/TV Shows: None really, dislikes Reality shows. Enjoys Tennis

Fav/Music: 50s -60s all music prior to 80s

Fav/Movie: Dirty Dancing Fav/Actor Male: Paul Newman Female Actor: Meryl Streep, Judy Dench

Holidays: Have travelled to Canada, Thailand, Singapore and USA. They have travelled around Australia by

Caravan in 2003, also Queensland in 2005 and 2008.

Fav/Food: Both Carmel and Den love their Seafood meals.

Fav/Restaurant: Enjoy having a meal at Two Buoys, Dromana.

Fav/Drink: Red or White Wine.

Passion: Catching up with Den's Family is very important for both of us as we do not see them very often as

they are spread out over Victoria (Warragul) and New South Wales, so, it is very special when we can all get together.

Habits: Taking a walk down the beach.

Joy Smith gave us a Board game called Sequence which Den and I play every day or night and it is taken very seriously by both of us wanting a victory at all costs.

When I asked Carmel how the results were, as far as Wins and Losses on this very hard-fought contest she said, "that most times she is the victor but occasionally Den gets lucky";

(Reporter's note: Good luck for the future Den!).

Thanks for the chat, Carmel.

Tony Evans

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