



## DROMANA BOWLS CLUB

### WEEKLY BULLETIN

9<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2023



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi all and welcome to the conclusion of a big week in bowls, with still more to come over the coming days. Firstly there is no better place to start than the heroics of our own Di Washfold over the last three weeks, culminating in her magnificent victory in the MPBR Champion of Champions event, held last Sunday at Karingal Sky Dome.

What a wonderful story this is.

Since joining our mighty Dromana Bowls Club from Coatesville Bowls Club In 2008, Di has won virtually every event there is to win at DBC: Singles Champion, Pairs, Mixed Pairs, you name it and she has won it. Di has always challenged herself to always be the very best she can on the greens, on all surfaces, and is a stickler for the rules and conventions of the great game we all love so much. Her efforts in the years and months leading up to, and including her achievement last Sunday, does her great credit, and reinforces the pride that all members of Dromana Bowls Club should have in relation to her bowling performance, and indeed her love for, and contributions to, the Dromana Bowls Club.



So how did she do it? For a start she did it by beating the best female bowlers as decided by each club in the region by virtue of their respective Club Championship events, in the process taking down some big names over three successive weekends of competition. And she did

it by beating a highly ranked bowler from the strong Mt Eliza club after being down 4-12, then 6-16, only to turn the tables and surge to a 25-22 victory. What a performance! Our most sincere congratulations to you Di, and it goes without saying that everyone wishes you all the best of luck in the upcoming State Titles in Bendigo. And just to put the icing on the cake, Di has subsequently been chosen in the Regional squad again this year!

This week's news on our Grand Final results is mixed, with our Division 3 North side being narrowly defeated by Karingal at Mornington Civic last Saturday. Well done on a great effort all year to all the players in this side, every member has worked hard to get to the last Saturday of the year; to just fall short is disappointing I know, but by the same token you should all be proud of yourselves and the consistent level of high standard bowling you have delivered throughout a long season. To all the players, support staff and supporters who flew the Dromana flag last Saturday, I say thank you all for your efforts.



On the other hand the Dromana Mid-week, Division 6 side met with more success, delivering a crushing blow to the opposition by winning convincingly on both rinks.

As a spectator on Tuesday I was delighted to witness a strong, consistent performance from all eight bowlers, and the way in which this side has come back from an early finals defeat, deserves

our admiration and respect. And there are a number of really good stories associated with this premiership victory.

Without naming names, there were some performances on the day, and leading up to the day, which bring an enormous amount of credit not only to Dromana Bowls Club, but to the individual qualities, as people, of those involved. Enough said. Enjoy your victory, this was a great one for our club, and one which brought a great deal of pleasure to all participants and members.



In latest Club Championship results just received this week, Sandra McColgan and Gill Fletcher overcame a gallant Carmel Rowe and Jean Wells. Sandra and Gill are absolute legends of our club, winning many titles over their respective careers, but they were made to work hard in their final in an entertaining match. Jean in particular has taken all before her in basically her first year of competitive bowling, and she has turned a number of heads with her bowling performances in a variety of formats.

It is certainly terrific to see inexperienced teams and individual players stepping up to match it with more experienced opponents in competition bowling, and something that is of long-term benefit to the club.

You only have to look at Tuesday's results in the Grand Final to see that.

In the Mens' Pairs Final played just this afternoon, Graeme Abblitt and Andy Wain defeated Peter Gordon and Wayne Hewett in an enthralling tussle lasting over three and a half hours. In the end the winners finished the game the stronger, and congratulations to Graeme and Andy for their performance in taking out the title. A great game in front of a number of very interested spectators! This weekend Sandra and Graeme Abblitt are taking teams to Main Ridge to compete in the State Fours competition, with stiff competition on both days. We wish all players good luck and hope that they can continue with the rich vein of form and success as mentioned above. Bowl well on that Main Ridge grass!

Keep alert for any updates relating to our dealings with the Shire and Mornington Legal, we have two committees in consultation with these bodies right now, and while definitive results are slow in coming, we look forward to good outcomes in both areas over the next couple of months. We are doing our best!

It was great to see such an enthusiastic turn out for the Fish-N-Chip night last week, and we now turn our attention to the Pizza and Trivia Night on Friday the 24th of March. Get a team together if you haven't already done so, it promises, as always, to be a lot of fun!

Until next week, stay well, and stay happy.

Regards, Peter.



## SPONSORS OF THE WEEK



## SOCIAL BOWLS

### MONDAY

Open Nominated Triples arrive early for a 10.30 am start.

List in Match Committee window.

Contact: Phil Gannon: 0405773858

### WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT BOWLS

Last Wednesday was the return visit of Martha Cove Retirement Village.

Unfortunately the Village could only supply 16 players so we only had 4 rinks and the weather was less than desirable. Despite this we all had a great time.

We had one game of 14 ends and even though we had a few showers and strong winds, the happy company, music and wonderful supper left all feeling very happy at the end of the day.

David Baud very kindly came in to look after the bar for us.

Anne Eldridge and team from Dromana had the overall win and prizes were also handed out for the best rink from each club.

Special thanks to Anne for looking after the group whilst I have been attending Region Trials.

Thanks to all who contributed to such a lovely evening. Hopefully we will still have about a month to go before the weather will force us indoors.

Di



## **THURSDAY**

Club Selected – arrive early for a 10.30am start.

List in Match Committee window.

Contact: Chris Bowen: 0418557574

## **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Please check the draw for the following Championship Events:

**PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP**

**TRIPLES**

**NOVICE**

**MINOR**

## **PENNANT**

All Pennant enquiries to the appropriate chairperson.

**MIDWEEK** Chairperson Di Washfold 0417397138

**SATURDAY** Chairperson Derrik Farr 0415780009

**IMPORTANT!** All members please note that there is an error in the syllabus.

**Good Friday this year is April 7th, not the 14<sup>th</sup> as stated in the syllabus.**

### **MID-WEEK PENNANT DIVISION 6**

What a stunning bunch of players these 9 people are!

In last Tuesday's Grand Final which was held at Rosebud Beach, every player contributed well throughout the game. The Monday practice played off as Dromana got off to a secure start whilst Belvedere struggled to find their line and weight Despite a small slump just prior to the lunch break all the division held in there with some lovely shots from every player.

Just lovely to watch.

A very convincing win with both rinks well up with an overall winning difference of a stunning 30 shots.

What a team.

CONGRATULATIONS to every one of you.

Enjoy a well deserved break.

Di ( on behalf of the Selectors)

## **WELFARE**

Please contact Donna Cartwright – 0407 308 106 or Barb Souter - 0425 712 764

# HOUSE

Hi all,

It's great to see the dishwasher being used so we are encouraging everyone to use the china mugs for their cuppa so we can reduce our disposable cup use which is much better for both our budget and the environment. Instructions are on the dishwasher so please read or ask for assistance if required. Thanks

As advertised a few weeks ago, Bev and I would like to encourage members to complete the short Health Dept. course for the benefit of us all as we all help out from time to time ie. BBQ, brekky day, social functions and the many other bowls functions held regularly. Thanks to our *one* member who has completed the course and commented how quick, easy and informative it was. So please consider completing this course. Again when you have completed the course, please advise Bev or myself. Thank you in anticipation of your involvement. If you need assistance, please let us know.

Here's the link - <https://dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au>

The new kitchen flooring is booked to start on Monday 27th March. (Awaiting confirmation). The kitchen will be emptied from Sat 25th. Morning tea and other items will be relocated for your use in the interim including the small fridge in the main hall. Please be aware that the kitchen will be a work zone so **entry is not be permitted for safety reasons**. Hopefully this will be completed in a week and will look great 🙌

## For Sale

New Helselite Pro Sport 52 bowls shoes available for \$20 at Lions Club Op shop, Pier Street, Dromana. Available in two colours, Aqua or Navy. Navy Sizes 8-1/2 or 9.5. Aqua 9-1/2 to 11. Ask at counter as they store them out the back. Bargain!

Thanks to Chris Rossi for shoe info.

Enough from me. Enjoy your quieter week!

Regards Amelia (House & OH&S Director)

## SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING NEWS



### PIZZA AND MUSIC TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday 24th March.



Last call for teams - please book no later than Friday 17th

Make up a team or just put your name down on the list. Friends, family and neighbours welcome.

A maximum of 6 per team

\$15.00 per person

The bar will be open

Payment into the Bendigo bank Social account.

Bendigo Bank. Account: Dromana Bowls Club Social Account

BSB 633-000. A/t number: 132901786.

Reference: Trivia/your surname. Amount: \$15.00 pp.



## AUCTION AND AFTERNOON TEA

Save the date  
Sunday 23rd. April.  
1.00. \$10.00pp.  
Bar open

We have an earlier start time to allow for everyone to have the opportunity to look at the items to be auctioned and also to register as a bidder.

DONATIONS PLEASE  
NEW GOODS \* USED GOODS IN EXCELLENT CONDITION \* ANTIQUES  
VOUCHERS/GOODS FROM BUSINESSES

PLEASE - NO CLOTHING OR USED ELECTRICAL GOODS

See one of the committee regarding delivery to the club - Michele, Donna, Barb, Amelia or Carl. Goods will be received two weeks prior to the event.

More details and a booking sheet coming soon.



## MUSIC MAKERS



Another date for your diary - Sunday 7th May - details later

See you at the club

*Michele Castles*

## CLUB NEWS AND EVENTS

### HOW DO YOU LIKE YOUR FISH AND CHIPS?

With mushy peas?



With yummy cakes?



With good friends?



**Another great night of fun and friendship at Dromana Bowls.**



**Good Luck in the Membership draw!**



**Monday 1pm  
ALL WELCOME**



**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:

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