

FROM THE PRESIDENT

A warm hello to everyone.

September has arrived, and with it the promise of warmth (yet to appear), but nonetheless something we are all looking forward to.

Also the arrival of September means the excitement of footy finals, be they at AFL or local level, plus of course, the obligatory practice matches which lead us into the fully fledged Pennant season come mid-October....heaps to look forward to!!

Our thanks and gratitude to Carmel Rowe and Derrik Farr who have worked diligently in providing us with a good set of practice matches for both the Saturday and Tuesday Pennant bowlers, and I sincerely hope that all players will take advantage of their hard work and make themselves available for as many of these pre-season games as they are able. Remember, you will only reap rewards from your Pennant season if you are prepared to do the necessary training in the weeks leading up to Round 1.

All is in place for Opening Day this Saturday, and with the numbers for catering purposes approaching sixty, the Board looks forward to a really rewarding and fun-filled day leading in to our season proper. Please make our Guest of Honour Zoe McKenzie MP most welcome, and cheer her on as she attempts to out-draw club champions Di Washfold and Wayne Hewett.

For a fair while now, a number of projects concerning Dromana Bowls Club, in conjunction with the Mornington Peninsula Shire, have been hanging in the air, along with our legal bequest details in relation to the Pauline Brain estate. Please be assured that the relevant Board members will keep the membership informed about any developments in these areas, and we are all doing our best to hurry things along to the best of our ability. At times the amount of questions both Board and other members of various committees presented with can be are overwhelming, especially in relation to the prospective Hildebrand green and improvements/additions to the kitchen area. As much as we are able to, we will answer as many of these questions as we can, but when there is a lull in progress, we have little more knowledge of timelines and costings than anybody else. We appreciate everyone's concern and interest, and hope to have some good news for you all soon, so sit tight and cross all those fingers and toes!

In saying all that, I must comment on how great it is to see Amelia Gibson back at the club so soon after her recent illness. I have told Amelia that I do not want her getting involved in too much "heavy lifting", as in organisational tasks such as phone calling of clients, meeting tradespeople, catering major events, and a myriad of other tasks. There have been a number of members who have already helped our hard - working House Director, and I thank them for this, but please feel free to make an approach to see if you can give a little bit of time in helping lift the weight off Amelia's shoulders. After all she is one of the most valuable assets this club has, and I want to keep her fit and well! Thanks to everybody else at the club right now who is working so hard to keep things moving onwards and upwards, our public face is looking better, and better, and better in the eyes of the community all the time, given the number of inquiries we are currently fielding from prospective members and visitors. And more important, from where I stand, we are really feeling good about ourselves, and the club we so proudly represent.

Until next week, enjoy your time at the club and stay well!

Regards, Peter.

PREZ RESPONSE TO ANDY'S POSER.

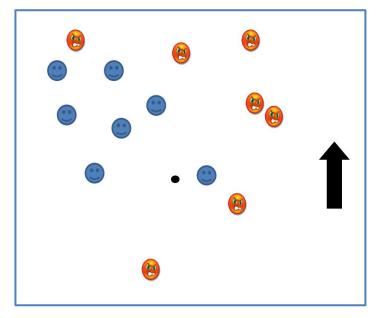


Let me say at the outset that after the rotten day I had on the greens Monday I don't undertake this task with any confidence at all. HOWEVER, if I was the bowler I would like to be, and even aspire to be, this is what I would attempt in response to the tactical situation Andy has laid out before us in #2, as presented last week in this forum.

Risk/Reward I say. Early in the game, plenty of time to consolidate later on. Be aggressive early. Let's try and maximise our chances! Draw on forehand underneath orange away bowl at 4 o'clock. Half a metre over draw weight. Sit on Jack for 2 or nudge Jack towards 10 o'clock position where our blue bowls are catchers and maybe pick up 6. Other skip may do same on backhand and pick up 5 but

what the hell, it is early days, so attack early and put pressure on. Opposition could also drive in to all of the blue bowls as well, and anything could happen. A big target on narrow side with weight.

Risk/Reward!!





THIS WEEK'S SPONSORS





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: Keith Jones 0418 550 752

SATURDAY

Club Selected - arrive early for a 10.30 am start List in Match Committee Window Contact: Phil Gannon: 0405 773 858

Thanks Phil Gannon

MATCH

CLUB TOURNAMENTS 2023-2024

The following is an outline of dates we would ask you to take note of in your diaries. If you are talking to other Clubs, please mention these up-and-coming events. Further details and entry forms will be available closer to the dates of each tournament.

DBC BREKKY DAY: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2023

BBQ breakfast similar to last year.2 bowl, nominated 4's. Three games of 10 ends.See Match Window for details and entry sheet.

DBC ALISON JAMES - LADIES SKIP DAY: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 2023 (NEW TOURNAMENT) (2 bowl triples, three games of 10 ends).

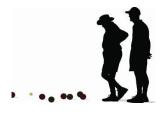
DBC STRAWBERRY DAY: SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2024

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

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).

WHAT WOULD YOU DO? WEEK 3



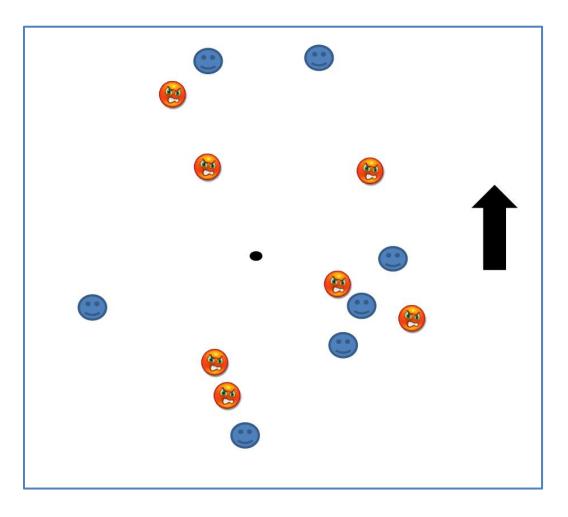
Hi all. With Pennant season just around the corner, I hope these scenarios are helping you to start think about your bowls game. I am printing and laminating about 5 of these each week and placing them on the tables in the "bar" area, feel free to use the felt pens, to draw on the copies and have a robust discussion with friends, over a drink (or two).

Week 2 Scenario, once again got people coming up with different shots, which is in my opinion great to see. Several people wanted to draw on the backhand, some wanted to cover the orange bowls on the back right. Personally, as it was early in the game, I would favour a forehand with a "yard of weight", because I think it provides 4 possible outcomes (all favourable) – can you work out the 4?

- 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 3 SCENARIO.

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



Scenario: You are the **blue** bowls

- You are the skipper of a Fours Team playing in a knockout competition
- It is the 14th End of a 15 end game and you are behind 12-14.
- You are 1 down and playing your last bowl.
- Your opponent has 3rd shot with the bowl behind on the left.
- You have two 4th shots.
- Your opponent has no bowls remaining.
- No breeze is blowing, making both hands of equal draw.
- The green is **narrow** drawing and running approx. 12 seconds.

** Please send me your opinions: andy.v.wain@gamil.com

SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING NEWS

First of all many thanks again to Amelia for organising Fish N' Chips for us last Friday. It is always nice to have a night off from Friday night cooking and having a great group of people to share dinner with.

MUSIC MAKERS. SUNDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

Music provided by The "Wizz" - Andrew Farrell and Ash Gaudion.

Have you got your name down yet? Make up a table of friends or just put your name down on the booking list. Please make payment into the Bendigo bank DBC Social account. All details on flyer. This will be a great afternoon of music, good company and a beverage or two.

FASHION PARADE. WEDNESDAY 4TH OCTOBER

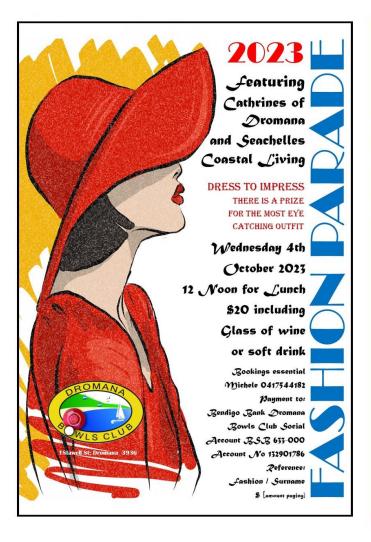
Featuring fashions from Cathrine of Dromana Home and gift products from Seachelles Coastal Living

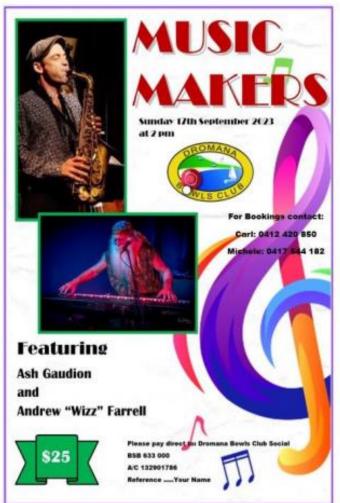
We are so looking forward to the return of a Spring Fashion Parade once again. Please see the flyers around the club for all details on booking and ticket payment. Please also be aware that we welcome bookings for tables of 8 but also happy to take single or smaller bookings and we can make up a table of lively company for you.





See you at the club Michele Castles





CLUB NEWS AND EVENTS



LUCKY NUMBER DRAW

RAFFLES

GOOD COMPANY!



CANASTA

Mondays at 1.00 pm

ALL WELCOME!



Gill, Donna, Claire and Denise living the good life in Fiji.

Chris and Ron Whitwell celebrating their 53rd anniversary in Koh Samui Thailand





Coach Andy putting new bowler Matt through his paces on a sunny Wednesday afternoon. Another graduate ready to go!

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

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