

Region Pairs Finalised & Region Sides Selected...



Newsletter of Eastern Ranges Bowls Region **December 2023**

Mens Side:

Josh Sanders (Captain) (Lilydale)
CJ Snary (Lilydale)
Luke Lamont (Lilydale)
Geoff Hill (Mitcham)
Neville Brown (Pakenham)
Tom Ristic (Blackburn)
Nick Dawe (Heathmont)
Luke Ingham (Lilydale)
David Boulton (Mitcham)
Johnny Sanders (Lilydale)
Tim Wallace (Lilydale)
Fintan McLoughlin (Heathmont)
Emergency: Will Mays (Heathmont)

Congratulations to those selected to represent our region. We had over 50 bowlers take part in two trials and everyone performed extremely well. A list of criteria was given to the selectors to judge each player 'individually' rather than a 1v1 comparison. The selected individuals have earned their spots by excelling in a range of areas and are all very deserving.

Women's Side:

Jess Wallace (Captain) (Lilydale)
Vicki Smith (Lilydale)
Karen Barton (Heathmont)
Karen Morgan (Lilydale)
Jan O'Regan (Lilydale)
Olivia Slade (Lilydale)
Rachael Powers (Mitcham)
Ellie Johnston (Lilydale)
Rebecca Callanan (Mitcham)
Patty Whorlow (Blackburn)
Kirsten Day (Yarra Glen)
Carol Protopapas (Heathmont)
Emergency: Sandy Elliot (Heathmont)

...and next month watch out for the ERBR online survey

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Much has happened since the November Newsletter, but graphic information to save the reader some time. I will condense the information to a summary.

Anyone wanting further information is welcome to approach me.

Region championships continue and this month the focus has been on the Women's Triples and the Men's Open Singles. Both events are at the pointy end of competition with the Final of both events scheduled for Monday 18 December at Lilydale. Further information surrounding the start time and competitors is available in the Bowlslink results portal.

Congratulations to the winners of the Region Pairs event - Jan O'Regan and Vicky Smith (Lilydale) in the Women's event CJ Snary and Luke Lamont (Lilydale) in the Men's event.

The Championship Committee is also scheduling a Region Novice and Over 60s Championship. These events no longer being a pathway for Bowls Victoria's State Events. Instead. Bowls Victoria have scheduled a carnival for both events to be held at Club Barham in the new

Nonetheless, there is sufficient demand from Members to participate in Region events on the basis that some do not want to travel to the BV carnival.

Entries to the ERBR events are open - look at the ERBR website for more information.

In late November, I attended a Bowls Victoria Region Representatives meeting.

BV provided an update on various matters:

Many bowling clubs are predominantly run by wellintentioned volunteers. Having a structured governance framework is an important element to ensuring the Club remains sustainable into the future. A series of free online governance programmes are available from the Australian Sports Commission. Completion of the 'Start Line', 'Managing Risk' and 'Organisational Culture' modules should be mandatory for any Club Board Member.

BV have a number of strategic partnerships in place which are available to all Clubs. ClubMap is a resource centre to assist clubs in several areas. Members have access to free webinars as well as a library of resources such as draft policies and procedures.

Kinetica is able to provide clubs with valuable demo-

which can be used to help drive recruitment.

Warren Griffin is the Region's Club Support Manager and he has a wealth of information to help Clubs support their bowls activities.

Elsewhere in this Newsletter is information surrounding the players se-

lected to represent Eastern Ranges at the Region Sides Championships in early January.

Being a Selector is the loneliest role in any Club environment. There is a plethora of critics who claim that they could do a better job or should have been considered for selection. These faceless individuals make their views known through the safety of social media platforms with little regard for those players who made themselves available to represent the Region at this event.

These comments are disrespectful to those players who have participated in a process and are giving up their time to play in this event and consider it an honor to represent the Region.

This year, there were a number of players who, for a number of personal reasons, were not available to play in this event. And while the Region relies on several volunteers to deliver services to Members, the faceless critics shoot the messenger without knowing the full story – or do not want to know the full story. Instead they are happy to offer their pithy views from the sidelines claiming that they could do a better job than the incumbents.

Well to these individuals I say your time to contribute to the sport of bowls will come. The need for coaches, access to Clubs for coaching clinics, assist with selection and even nominating for trials will see an improvement to the current process.

I look forward to seeing these individuals help the Region in becoming a benchmark for other Regions to follow.

In closing, I wish all bowlers a safe and happy festive season. Please take the time to be with your family and enjoy the break from bowling and I look forward to catching up with many of you in 2024.

Richard Sanzin



REGION SIDES

Women Selectors

Jess Wallace (Lilydale)

Jan Macgregor (Heathmont)

Lyn Baker (ERBR Nominee)

Men Selectors

Stephen O'Reagan (Lilydale)

Josh Sanders (Lilydale)

Richard Sanzin (ERBR Nominee)



REGION TRIALS at MITCHAM 22nd Nov & 29th Nov











ERBRWomen's Pairs

Olivia Slade (Lilydale)
Ellie Johnston (Lilydale)





ERBR Women's Pairs

Jan O'Regan (Lilydale) Vicki Smith (Lilydale)





ERBR Men's Pairs

Steve Weber (Heathmont) Fenton McLoughlin (Heathmont)





ERBR Men's Pairs

Luke Lamont (Lilydale)
CJ Snary (Lilydale)



ERBR EVENTS 2023-24

EVENT	MEN/ WOMEN	ENTRIES CLOSE	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	FINAL
STATE						
FOURS	вотн	15/10/2023	22/10/23	29/10/23		30/10/23
PAIRS	вотн	5/11/2023	12/11/23	19/11/23	20/11/23	22/11/23
TRIPLES	WOMEN	26/11/2023	3/12/23	10/12/23		18/12/23
SINGLES	MEN	26/11/2023	3/12/2023*	10/12/23	17/12/23	18/12/23
TRIPLES	MEN	14/01/2024	21/1/24	28/1/24		31/1/24
SINGLES	WOMEN	14/01/2024	21/1/2024*	28/1/24	29/1/24	31/1/24
MIXED PAIRS	N/A	11/02/2024	18/2/24	25/2/24		26/2/24
CoC SINGLES	вотн	9/03/2024	16/3/24	17/3/24		18/3/24
OTHER						
O'60'S SINGLES	вотн	24/03/2024	3/4/2024*	4/04/2024	5/04/2024	8/04/2024
O'60'S PAIRS	вотн	7/02/2024	14/02/2024	21/02/2024	28/02/2024	6/03/2024
NOVICE	вотн	6/01/2024	13/1/24			14/1/24

^{*} indicates sectional play for Day 1- Groups of 3, bye is marker

The region prefers to play both mens and womens finals at the same time and place.

The number of entries will determine the number of rounds and once the draws are complete the final dates will be confirmed.

Day 3 is required due to number of entries in these events

All dates are correct at the time of publication
Conditions of Play for all events will be published on ERBR website
Entries can be made on Bowlslink via the ERBR website. Links will take you directly to the entry page of each event. Check with your Club Secretary if you need help to locate your National ID number.



For any enquiries contact Bruce Aumann 0418 332 697

BOWLS CLUB WEBINARS



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Free webinars for all bowls clubs across the country. We'll bring you ways to create thriving, sustainable organisations for the future.

WEBINAR 2: FUNDRAISING & NEW-AGE REVENUE

or Session 1 - Tuesday December 12 7:00PM (AEDT)
Session 2 - Tuesday December 12 9:30PM (AEDT)

- Membership and sponsorship growth
- Proven new-age online fundraising
- Grant applications and resources
- Finish with Q & A

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Session 1



Session 2





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Bowls Australia and CLUBMAP would like to thank everyone who attended the first webinar on Volunteers & Committee Structure. The feedback from the first webinar has been positive and we have already had 145 people log into the BA/CLUBMAP Club Support Portal.

Our second webinar will be held on **Tuesday 12th December** on Fundraising & New-Age Revenue. You'll hear from experts in the field as well as real-life examples from bowls clubs who have implemented these strategies to financially support the sport and their clubs.

Two session times are available if a certain time of the evening suits you better than another:

- Session 1 Tuesday, December 12 7:00PM (AEDT)
- Session 2 Tuesday, December 12 9:30PM (AEDT) Register now by scanning the QR for the session you wish to attend in either the image that follows, or in the pdf attached.

Warren Griffin | Head of Club Support & Victorian CSM

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GRANTS

Please find below open grants for Victoria

Please note that neither Bowls Australia nor our partner Sports Community are monitoring the Local Government's (LGA) for their regular minor and major grants programs.

We highly recommend that the Grants Officer at your club is in regular contact with your LGA; subscribed to council newsletters and social media platforms for these grants as they become available

Bowls Australia also recommend that your Grants Officer regularly checks the Sports Community Grants https:// sportscommunity.com.au/grant-category/grants-open-grants/ page for additional grant opportunities Grants - Open grants - Knowledge Base - Sports CommunitySports Community's list of up-to-date open grants that have been provided by government authorities and private enterprise. Check them out!

sportscommunity.com.au

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OPEN GRANTS	State	Open Date	Closing Date	Link
Significant Sporting Events Program	VIC	1 st Nov '23	31 st Dec '23	Significant Sporting Events Program - Sport and Recreation Victoria
Local Sports Infra- structure Fund	VIC	Oct '23	13 th Dec '23	Local Sports Infrastructure Fund - Sport and Recreation Victoria
Sporting Clubs Grants Program	VIC	20 th Feb '24	20 th Mar '24	Sporting Club Grants Program - Sport and Recreation Victoria
Emergency Sporting Equipment Grant Program	VIC	Nov '23	31 st May '24	Emergency Sporting Equipment Grant Program - Sport and Recreation Victoria



			O60 State	Carnival 2024 Schedu	ule		
Time	Monday 20th May	Tuesday 21st May	Wednesday 22nd May	Thursday 23rd May	Friday 24th May	Saturday 25th May	Sunday 26th May
9:00am	Mixed Pairs Sectional Game 1	Mixed Pairs KO	Singles Sectional Game 1	Singles KO	Pairs Sectional Game 1	Pairs KO	Finals Session 1
11:30am	Mixed Pairs Sectional Game 2	Mixed Pairs KO	Singles Sectional Game 2	Singles KO	Pairs Sectional Game 2	Pairs KO	Finals Session 2
2:30pm	Mixed Pairs Sectional Game 3	Mixed Pairs KO	Singles Sectional Game 3	Singles KO	Pairs sectional Game 3	Pairs KO	Finals Session 3
5:00pm		*Possible Mxp KO		* Possible Singles KO		* Possible Pairs KO	
Supporter Events		Mixed Pairs		Open Pairs		Singles Sets Play	
CluBarham Events	Tribute to Legends - Elvis and Orbison from 7pm		Trivia Night with buffet dinner		SOS ABBA Tribute from 7pm		7

LAWS & UMPIRING



In the ERBR Laws and Umpiring world this month, the focus has been on setting up for reaccreditation and new umpire on-green testing under the new Bowls Victoria system for accrediting officials. A steady stream of applications for new umpire/measurer/marker accreditation and reaccreditation of existing officials has been coming through from BV on a fortnightly basis.

Reaccrediting officials receive the exam paper via email to complete and return which is followed by an on-green assessment. On-green sessions for groups of officials are being scheduled for mid-late December (one at Yarra Glen, one at Mulgrave Country Club and potentially another for Vermont South Club – dates to be confirmed). Any that are not completed during December will be undertaken in late January in addition to any further applications received during this period. The full list of ERBR officials needing to reaccredit is being reviewed and officials will be encouraged to apply via BV to start the reaccreditation process. Additional on-green session will be scheduled in the new year to complete the process.

New officials are now able to access the updated Officiating Manual in order to undertake their training – either online via Bowls Learn or face to face in sessions organised by the ERBR LUC. Current candidates have mostly expressed a preference for doing the theory online and then doing the practical on-green testing soon after. Subject to further confirmations from candidates, on-green testing will also take place in midlate December at Mulgrave Country Club – dates to be confirmed. Additional sessions (on-green and face-to-face if there is strong demand) will be scheduled in the new year to complete the process.

The ERBR LUC thanks all **officials from clubs hosting Region championships** for their time and dedication to officiating that enables these championships to proceed. Special thanks to those answering the call to officiate at a club other than their home club to support the Championships Committee.

Adrian Goldsmith Chair – ERBR Laws and Umpiring Committee

NIGHT PENNANT

5 Dec 2023

12 sides from 8 Clubs have entered the Night Pennant competition this season on Tuesday night.



The competition will run for 10 rounds, with two sections of six teams playing each other twice, followed by qualifying finals, semi-finals and the final scheduled for 5 March 2024.

The major change this year is the introduction of a final four in each section.

To date 3 rounds have been completed with the fourth round scheduled to be played on the 5 Dec.

Results of all games can be found on Bowlslink:

Bowlslink>Results Home>Events>Eastern Ranges Bowls Region Night Pennant 2023-24

Garry Pickering Chair—Night Pennant

WHAT ARE OUR CLUBS DOING?

Chirnside Park and Gr8 for Brains



Eastwood is attracting women bowlers



Eastwood Golf Bowls Club is addressing the shortage of women bowlers. When Bowls Aust/Vic introduced the Jack Attack competition several years ago and encouraged Bowls Clubs to host, Eastwood embraced the opportunity and hosted a mixed Jack Attack. However they quickly noticed that female participation was almost nonexistent, so they took up the challenge to also run a female only Jack Attack which is now in its 5th year. These women come from various parts of the community; they are not affiliated with any Bowls Club, just women looking to try something new, with a little bit of competitiveness but a whole lot of fun. The competition is put together and run by two members with great support from others in the club.

This year there were seven ladies teams participating, some are now Jack Attack regulars with a few new ones being introduced to the game. The competition runs for 4-5 weeks. It's great to see the Greens alive with these amazing, enthusiastic women of all ages.

MONBULK gives support to neighbour

Heavy rain prevented bowling for Pennant on the first Saturday in summer. Bowlers at Monbulk waited an hour for the downpour to ease, but eventually the pin was pulled. Nevertheless, the day wasn't a total loss - the opposing bowlers, from Upwey-Tecoma, were called into the clubroom for a special presentation of \$1000 from Monbulk Bowling Club. This donation was to assist in the rebuilding of resources after Upwey-Tecoma was recently scammed out of a large sum of money. It was a good example of the camaraderie amongst bowlers who can, at the same time, be fierce competitors on the bowling green.





The Australian Open returns to the Gold Coast from Saturday, June 8 to Friday, June 21, 2024.

The Vic Open 19th March - 28th March 2024 **Entries open soon**













GLEN WAVERLEY BOWLS CLUB INC.



"Christmas Bowls Tournament"

Wednesday 27th Dec through Saturday 30th Dec, 2023

Wednesday 27th - Men's Triples & Women's Triples

Thursday 28th - Mixed Triples & Open Singles

Friday 29th - Men's Pairs & Women's Pairs

Saturday 30th - Mixed Pairs Medley

Prize money - \$10,000 - spread across the four days.

Entry fee \$20 per player. Full team fee must accompany entry.

The Club reserves the right <u>not</u> to refund the fee if team is withdrawn within 24 hrs of event.

- . Briefing at 9:10 am games commence at 9:30 sharp.
- . BYO lunch or purchase.
- . Tea & coffee provided, and bar will be open.

Closing date Sunday 17th December

MULGRAVE COUNTRY CLUB

EASTER MONDAY OPEN TRIPLES



Monday 1st April 2024

\$2,000 PRIZE MONEY

Prizes for First, Second, & Third Place as well as Individual Game Winners (Limit of one prize per team)

Entry Fee \$75 per team - includes lunch and morning tea Entries limited to 42 teams

Conditions of Play

- Morning Tea/Coffee 9.30am sharp
- Start Time 10.00am sharp
- 3 Games of 11 Ends
 2 Bowls per player
 Open to BV affiliated players

- Mulgrave CC hot weather policy will apply Open to BV affiliated pla Blind draw on the day of the tournament (skip's pick scorecard on arrival) Winners decided by Games Won, Shots Up, and Percentage in that order
- The Tournament Committee reserves the right to alter the "Conditions of Play" if necessary

SPONSOR:



MULGRAVE COUNTRY CLUB

To ensure entry in this tournament, forms must be received by Saturday 16 March & entry fees must be paid in full by Saturday 23 March – no monies accepted on the day

Skip's Name: Club:

Email completed form to: bowls@mulgravecc.com.au or post to: Bowls Section, Mulgrave Country Club, cnr Wellington & Jells Roads, Wheelers Hill VIC 3150

Payment to be made via electronic funds transfer. On receipt of your entry form, you will be contacted and provided with our bank account details and a reference number to include with your payment.

> Enquiries to Christine Battersby (Tournament Manager) 0409 253 238 Or via email to bowls@mulgravecc.com.au

Heathmont Amaroo Classic



Tier 4 BA National Ranking



Sunday 11th February 2024

"Two Bowl Triples"

\$4500 Prize Money

1st: \$1800 2nd: \$900 3rd: \$600 4th: \$300

\$15 per team each game won

Conditions of Entry.

- · 3 Games of 14 ends. 3 game winners play off 1 end, final 2 ends
- 9.30am start (Tea & Coffee, Lunch & Afternoon Tea)
- \$ 90 entry fee per team to be paid by cheque or bank transfer to Heathmont Bowls Club - BSB: 633 000 Account : 138 106 141
- Description: Amaroo/your surname









Heathmont Amaroo Classic ---- Entry Form -- Email--

Payment by bank transfer on: (date)

Send entries to: Greg Pullen c/o Heathmont Bowls Club

9 The Greenway Heathmont 3135

Email: gpullen@bigpond.net.au Mobile: 0401 619 881

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Cordially invites you to enter a team in the

Skins Tournament



GLEN WAVERLEY

Friday 26th January 2024 Open 3-bowl Triples 15 Games of 2 Ends

Briefing at 9:15am Entries close Friday 19th

Entry fee \$20 per player. Full fee of \$60 must accompany entry. FREE Sausage Sizzle &/or BYO lunch

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Event Mgr - Robert Baxt 0411 879 247 rbrtbxt@gmail.com

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RETIREMENT LIVING IN ROWVILLE

Saturday 16th March 2024

\$2,000 PRIZE MONEY

Prizes for First, Second, & Third Place as well as Individual Game Winners (Limit of one prize per team)

Entry Fee \$75 per team – includes lunch and morning tea Entries limited to 42 teams

Conditions of Play • 3 Games of 13 Ends

- Trial Ends 9.45am sharp

- 2 Bowls per playerOpen to BV affiliated players
- Start Time 10.00am sharp Mulgrave CC hot weather policy will apply

WATERFORD PARK

- Blind draw on the day of the tournament (skip's pick scorecard on arrival) Winners decided by Games Won, Shots Up, and Percentage in that order
- The Tournament Committee reserves the right to alter the "Conditions of Play" if necessary

To ensure entry in this tournament, forms must be received by Saturday 24 February & entry fees must be paid in full by Saturday 2 March – no monies accepted on the day

Skip's Name:	Club:				
Email:	Phone:				
Email completed form to: bowls@mulgravecc.com.au or post to: Bowls Section, Mulgrave Country Club, cnr Wellington & Jells Roads, Wheelers Hill VIC 3150					
Payment to be made via electronic funds transfer. On receipt of your entry form, you will be contacted and provided with our bank account details and a reference number to include with your payment.					
Enquiries to Christine Battersby (Tournament Manager) 0409 253 238 Or via email to <u>bowls@mulgravecc.com.au</u>					
KEYTON ROWVILLE RETIREMENT VILLAGES					

THE LINKS AT WATERFORD







WATERFORD VALLEY LAKES

PEPPERTREE HILL

BENNETTSWOOD BOWLING CLUB

WAVERLEY COUNTRY CLUB

179 STATION STREET, BURWOOD 3125



You are invited to enter a team in our

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Friday, 26th January, 2024

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PRIZES: 1. \$1000 - best 2-game winner (same proviso)

2. Runner-up 3. Best 2nd game winner, 1st game loser

4. Best 1st game winner, 2nd game loser 5. Mystery prize Entry fee: team \$100 or single entry \$25. Deposit \$25

TWO GAMES OF FOURTEEN ENDS

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