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The metro pennant home and away season has finished, the finals are now on us.

> Congratulations to those sides that have gained flags or promotions.

Commiserations to those sides that will be relegated next season.

The ERBR Championship events have almost concluded.

Just the Champion of Champions and the Over 60s Singles to run.

Good luck to all our ERBR winners who will now progress to compete in the State Championships in Bendigo next month.

Plenty of local tournaments are on soon, including BPL qualifiers.

Check out the advertisements in this issue.

It's time to now look further afield:

The Vic Open in Gippsland starts in under two weeks' time. The draws have already been published.

Entries have now opened for the Bowls Vic-run events:

- Under 18 State Championships
- State Novice Carnival
- State Over 60s Carnival
- State Para Championships

The Australian Open on the Gold Coast will be in June. Entries are now open.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

And so, another Pennant season has come and gone. 14-week seasons are far too short. However, given the calendar is jam packed with a plethora of events and tournaments, returning to an 18-week season plus finals will not be possible for some time.

I trust that the season saw personal and Club goals and aspirations achieved. Perhaps the off-season may be an opportunity to focus on self-improvement if personal goals were not achieved.

Congratulations also to those Clubs who made finals and were successful in gaining promotion to a higher-grade next season. And to those Clubs and volunteers who hosted finals matches, thank you for showcasing the Region's facilities.



The Eastern Ranges Night Pennant competition has also concluded. A 10-week season comprising 12 teams played in two Sections. In a hard-fought match, section winners Lilydale and Mitcham 3 played in the final, with Lilydale gaining the advantage and taking the title for this season. A big thank you to those Clubs who have supported this competition and to Garry Pickering who gives his time as the sole manager for this event.

Bowls Victoria are considering a more formal night competition for next season. In which case this event may have run its course in the current format. Further information will be provided at a Club Delegates meeting later this month.

The Over 60's Pairs Championship has concluded. While this event is no longer a pathway to State Champions Week, it is important that the Region supports those who are not able to attend the Over 60's Carnival.

In the Women's event, the composite team of Lyn Cameron and Sandy Elliott was successful over Monbulk's Gordana Baric and Irma Turner.

In the Men's event, the Burwood District team of Daryl Contessotto and Tony Villani was successful over the composite team of Colin Veenendaal and Neville Brown.

The Mixed Pairs event has also been 'run and won'. In a close match, the Glen Waverley team of Champay Oram and Rod Petersen was successful over the Lilydale team of Olivia Slade and Josh Sanders.

Entries for the Over 60's Singles Championship close on 24 March 2024.

The final Championship event for the season will be the Champion of Champions commencing 16 March 2024.

In other news, Eastern Ranges representatives Kirsten Day (Yarra Glen), Olivia Slade (Lilydale) and Jessica Wallace (Lilydale) have been selected to play in BV's Women's City squad. The City versus Country Series will see players compete in three Tests over the weekend of 6th and 7th April 2024 at Bendigo East Bowling Club.

A Region Club Delegates meeting is scheduled for 20 March 2024. This meeting will be held electronically. There are several strategic decisions to be determined at this meeting, so it is important that all Clubs are represented.

For those not heading away during the off-season, there is plenty of opportunity to continue with competitive bowls. Events such as the Victorian Open, the over 60s carnival, the Australian Open, the Australian Indoor Championship, the BPL Cup and other quality Club tournaments, allows one to play all year round.

And if you are heading heading off to warmer climates during the off season, safe travels and enjoy the break.

In the meantime, good bowling to all.

Richard Sanzin



ERBR
Women's Over 60s Pairs 2024

Irma Turner (Monbulk)
Gordana Baric (Monbulk)





ERBR

Women's Over 60s Pairs 2024

Lyn Cameron (Mooroolbark)
Sandy Elliott (Heathmont)





ERBR

Men's Over 60s Pairs 2024

Colin Veenendaal (Mitcham) Neville Brown (Pakenham)





ERBR

Men's Over 60s Pairs 2024

Tony Villani (Burwood District)

Daryl Contessetto (Burwood District)



ERBR Mixed Pairs 2024

Olivia Slade (Lilydale)
Josh Sanders (Lilydale)





ERBR Mixed Pairs 2024

Rod Peterson (Glen Waverley)
Champay Oram (Glen Waverley)















ERBR EVENTS 2023-24

DATES FOR ERBR EVENTS 2023-24- UPDATE						
EVENT	MEN/ WOMEN	ENTRIES CLOSE	DAY 1 DAY 2		DAY 3	FINAL
STATE						
TRIPLES	MEN	14/01/24	21/01/24	28/01/24		31/01/24
		Venues	Upwey-Tecoma	Upwey-Tecoma		Lilydale
SINGLES	WOMEN	14/01/24	21/01/24*	28/01/24	29/01/24	31/01/24
		Venues	Pakenham	Pakenham	Lilydale	Lilydale
MIXED PAIRS	N/A	11/02/24	18/02/24	25/02/24		26/02/24
		Venues	Heathmont	Heathmont		Heathmont
CoC SINGLES	вотн	9/03/24	16/03/24	17/03/24		18/03/24
		Venues	Boronia	Boronia		Boronia
			OTHER			
O'60'S SINGLES	вотн	24/03/24	3/04/24*	4/04/24	5/04/24	8/04/24
		Venues	To be advised			
O'60'S PAIRS	ВОТН	7/02/24	14/02/24	21/02/24	28/02/24	6/03/24
		Venues	To be advised			
NOVICE	вотн	6/01/24	4 14/01/24 15/01/24		17/01/24	
		Venues	Mulgrave	Boronia		Mulgrave

^{*} 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.

NIGHT PENNANT



The Night Pennant competition has concluded for another year, over the last three weeks the finals have progressed as follows:

The Tuesday qualification finals were played across both Mitcham and Blackburn bowls clubs on the 20^{th} February:

Mitcham 1 defeated Upwey-Tecoma by 22 shots (89-67)

Lilydale defeated Mitcham 2 by 18 shots (85-67)

Mitcham 3 defeated Ferntree Gully by 29 shots (86-57)

Blackburn defeated Mooroolbark by 36 shots (92-56)

The semi-finals were played at Burwood District Bowls Club on the 27 February:

Lilydale defeated Mitcham 1 by 7 shots (75-68)

Mitcham 3 defeated Blackburn 1 by 3 shots (67-64)

The final was played at Mitcham Bowls Club on Tuesday 5 March 2024.

Lilydale defeated Mitcham 3 by 9 shots (78-69). Well done to both teams for a great game.

Bowls Victoria conducted a successful trial with the Metro West Region's Night Pennant this season. This will be expanded to include Eastern Ranges Night Pennant in the 24/25 season.

Changes to the night pennant competition in the 24/25 season will be:

Bowls Victoria would take over the administration of the competition and provide support across various aspects, including competition creation, managing entries, and club training), assistance in developing Conditions of Play, and effective promotion through the Bowlslink portal.

Regions would continue to handle fee collection for the event and retain responsibility for decisions about which evening of play and format.

Bowls Victoria would organise a Finals Series between the Region winners (potentially across multiple grades) at a central venue, with the format determined by BV.

A survey will be conducted to seek feedback on the competition and any improvements that could be made. This will be to existing clubs asking for ideas on how the competition could be improved and to the remaining Eastern Region clubs to see the level of interest in joining the Bowls Victoria run competition.



A TRIBUTE TO HEALESVILLE'S LEGEND: BERYL AYRES

This is a summary of Beryl's achievements as presented by Ian Milgate at the opening of the Beryl Ayres Pavilion in October 2023.

BERYL AYRES PAVILION

A Lifetime of Achievements

Who in their lifetime can say that they have won 90 Championships over 45 years in their chosen sport. I would say only a Legend and that legend is Beryl Ayres from the Healesville Bowling Club. Beryl's first Championship was in 1971 and her last Championship only a few years ago in 2020. It is difficult to comprehend, so I will outline Beryl's achievements.

1995 State Title Championships Group Winner 1996 State Title Championships Group Winner 2005 State Title Championships Zone Winner 1992 State Title Championships (Last 8 in the Country

At a club Level Beryl was invincible winning year after year and becoming a Life Member in 1996. Her Club Championships included-

Ladies Club Handicap Champion Pairs 2019 -2020 Ladies Champion of Champions 8 times between 1978-2007

Ladies State Singles Champion 7 times between 1981 -2006

Ladies Club Champion Singles 31 times between 1971 -2015

Ladies Club Champion Pairs 12 times between 1992-2015

Ladies Club Handicap Champion Singles 16 times between 1974-2000

Ladies State Pairs Champion 3 times between 1995 -2003

Ladies MV Singles Champion 4 times between 1997-

Ladies MV Pairs Champion 4 times between 1974 -1994

As well as this remarkable achievement Beryl also won several Golf and Tennis Championships, and if you think that is incredible, during her younger years Beryl

pulled on a football iumper when Women's football was unheard of.

I could not think of a more deserving person to be honoured and remembered as the greatest Lawn Bowler that has played for the Healesville Bowling Club, and the name Beryl Avres will be remembered forever, as our newly renovated Pa-



vilion is named after her. "The Beryl Ayres Pavilion" Thank you to Aaron Violi, Cindy Mc.Leish, Jim Child and Fionia McAllister for showing your sincere interest in opening the Beryl Ayres pavilion and your kind words about Beryl who is not only a sporting legend but a beautiful, gentle human bean, and to all the people who turned up on the day to join in the celebrations, a big thank you. It means a lot to The Healesville Bowling Club, and of course Beryl, who wonders "What's all the fuss about" and to her son Robert who thinks the world of his mother and is forever grateful for naming the Pavilion after her.

Regards Ian Milgate

Beryl passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 24, 2024, aged 95 years. She is sadly missed by the Healesville Bowling Club. She was also well known and loved amongst our region's bowling clubs. Her funeral is at the Healesville football club rooms on

14th March 2024 at 11 am for those who wish to attend.







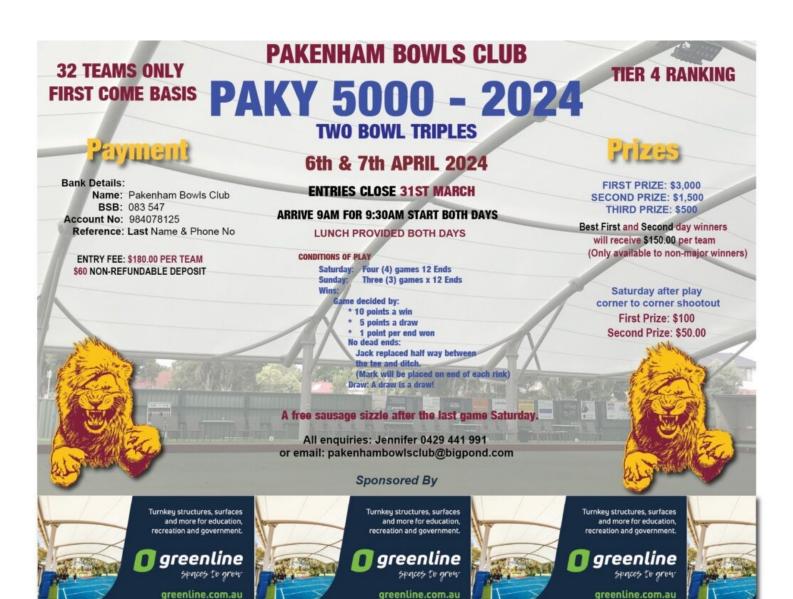




ENTRIES
OPENING
4th March









GLEN WAVERLEY BOWLS CLUB INC.

Cordially invites you to enter a team in the

Dick McClelland Tournament Arm Device - 'Open' Pairs in memory of past president Dick McClelland

Restricted to Arm Device Bowlers Only Saturday, 6th April 2024

Briefing at 9.30am Entries close Thursday, 28th March Entry Fee \$25 per player - Dress is 'Mufti'

Arrival tea/coffee, two-course lunch and after-game nibbles are provided.

Game 1: 8 ends of 2x2x2x2 Game 2: 10 ends of 2x4x2 Game 3: 12 ends of 3 bowls

Prize Money - \$1200

Best Winning Team - \$600 Runners-up Team - \$300

Best 1st Game - \$100 Best 2nd Game - \$100 Best 3rd Game - \$100

Event Manager - Daryl Contessotto

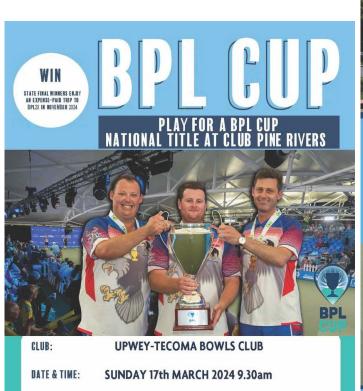
Acceptance of invitation to the

Arm Device Open Pairs

Name:	Phone:
Email:	Club:

Payment is 'on the day' via Cash/ Credit Card/ Direct Debit

Please return via email to contessd1@gmail.com or call Daryl on 0490 366 206



INFO: upweytecomabc@gmail.com

FORMAT 2 Sets of 5 ends, 1 end tie-break if required | Teams of 3 or 4 players, playing 2-bowl triples



WANT TO ENTER NOW?
SCAN THE OR CODE, CLICK ON "ENTER A TEAM" AND FILL OUT THE ONLINE FORM
OR REGISTER YOUR TEAM AT WWW.BOWLS.COM.AU/BPL-CUP

ENQUIRIES: EMAIL: BPLCUP@BOWLS.COM.AU





FRIDAY 12TH OF APRIL

1PM, CHIRNSIDE PARK COUNTRY CLUB

2 SETS OF 5 ENDS, I END TIEBREAKER (IF REQUIRED) TEAMS OF 3 OR 4, PLAYING 2 BOWL TRIPLES.



Scan here to enter your team.

For more information, please email sport@chirnsideparkcc.com.au 68 Kingswood Drive, Chirnside Park 3116.









RINGWOOD BOWLS CLUB INC.



William Matthews Funerals Over 60s Two Bowl Triples

Proudly supported by Bendigo Bank Ringwood East and Croydon Branches



Tuesday oth April 2024

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Prize Money \$3,000		
1 st Prize	\$1,530 per team	
2 ^{rid} Prize	\$750 per team	
3 rd Prize	\$360 per team	
Best 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd 4 th Game Winners	\$90 per team	

NOTE Teams can only win one prize

ENTRY FEE \$90 per team (\$30 per player)

4 Games of 10 ends Bowls Uniform 9.30am Start (Rollup 9:15am) Entries close Sunday 17th March 2024 TO SECURE YOUR SPOT PLEASE CONTACT

0425 701 330

Ben Thomason 0480 338 728

Or secure your team by emailing cluboperations@ringwoodbowls.com.au

William N	Entry Form Matthews Funerals 2 Bowl Triple	s Tournament	
	Complete for Team Entry		
Team	Names		
Skip	Address		
Third	Phone Number		
Lead	Email Address		

MULGRAVE COUNTRY CLUB

EASTER MONDAY



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
 Mulgrave CC hot weather policy will apply
 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: Email:

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>

YARRA JUNCTION **BOWLING CLUB**

PRESENTS

PRESIDENT'S GOOD FRIDAY MARCH 29TH

\$1600 PRIZE MONEY

ENTRY....\$100 PER TEAM MORNING TEA AND LUNCH PROVIDED 14 TEAMS OF 4 PLAYERS 3 GAMES OF 10 ENDS CLUB UNIFORM ARRIVE 9.30 FOR 10AM START

FIRST 13 TEAMS ACCEPTED

THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS



TO REGISTER CALL IAN MACGREGOR ON 0419685425



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Apt Invitation Open Fou

Saturday, 6th April, 2024

Sponsor: Apt Wealth Partners

TOTAL PRIZE MONEY **PROVIDED ENTRY BY 24 TEAMS**

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

BBQ LUNCH PROVIDED Coffee: 10.00am for 10.30 bowling

Dress: Bowls uniform Enquiries: Ian Crawford: 0418 331 113

Entry	fee:	team \$100	or sin	igle	entry	\$25.	Deposit \$	25
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BANKED: Direct Deposit: Bendigo Bank
A/c name: Benwood Bowling Club
BSB: 633 000 A/c: 1855 49557
Type "Apt Tourny" in the reference

Club Post to: Bennettswood Bowling Club, 179 Station St, Burwood 3125





SUPER 4'S TOURNAME

Sunday 28th **April 2024**





\$3000 prize pool

1st \$1400, 2nd \$600, 3rd \$360, 4th \$240, 5th \$200, Last game winner \$200 (A team can only win one prize)

3 x games of Fours and

2 x games of Three Bowl Pairs

ENTRY FEE: \$120 per team

Play starts at 9.15 am Team registration from 8.30 am Entry fee includes bacon & egg roll before game, and lunch

Entries close 12th April 2024 or when field full – maximum of 32 teams. Entries will only be accepted on the entry form with full payment and in order of receipt.

Entry form - KCL SPORTS & VERMONT SOUTH BOWLIN	IG CLUB SUPER 4's TOURNAMENT 2024
Name of team captain	Club
Postal address	
Email address	Telephone

Entry form to be emailed to mike.petty@vermontsouthclub.com.au Payment of \$120 to be made by direct bank transfer BSB 633-000 Account number 133016451 (reference Super 4's & team captain's name) No refunds for cancellation within 14 days of tournament (special circumstances considered)



Vermont South Club Inc. orth Park, Livingstone Road, Vermont South (Melway 62 G7) Contact: 1300 911 145





Proud sponsors of the "Balmoral Cup Challenge" at the Vermont South Bowling Club

Open Handicapped Nominated Triples 17th April to the 19th of June (allowing for weather impact), 10 weeks.

\$1200 prize money to be won as well as weekly prizes along the way

Team Entry requirements:

A points system will apply to each individual player as part of the team entry. Points are based on Saturday selection teams and at the Conveners' discretion.

Saturday Pennant	Player Value	TEAM NAME
Premier	8 points	Player 1 (Name)
Division 1	7 points	Player 2 (Name)
Division 2	6 points	Player 3 (Name)
Division 3	5 points	
Division 4	4 points	BLOCK LETTERS PLEA
Division 5	3 points	Please contact John Strybos
Division 6	2 points	or Submit entries by email t
Div. 7 & 8	1 point	All entries to be submitted b

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Adding up each individual's points, the total points for each team cannot exceed 13 points. Additionally, a team cannot have more than 1 player who has played the majority of games in Premier, Division 1 or 2. Substitutes are allowed but teams must adhere to the conditions as above, and be approved by the Convener.

MULGRAVE COUNTRY CLUB presents -

2 BOWL TRIPLES TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by -



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

- Trial Ends 9.45am sharp
- Start Time 10.00am sharp Mulgrave CC hot weather policy will apply
- 3 Games of 13 Ends2 Bowls per playerOpen to BV affiliated players

- 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:
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KEYTON ROWVILLE RETIREMENT VILLAGES

THE LINKS AT WATERFORD PEPPERTREE HILL WATERFORD PARK WATERFORD VALLEY LAKES **WAVERLEY COUNTRY CLUB**

MITCHAM BOWLING CLUB



The Mitcham (Selby / Jarvie) **Memorial Classic 2024**

Saturday April 6th & Sunday April 7th Total prize pool \$5000+ "Ranking Points"

The select field is limited to 28 Teams

Entry Fee \$280.00 per Team (4) - Entries close 9th March 2024

8.45 am Start

Two days play consisting of 10 games in total 6 games of fours - 2 games of pairs - 2 games of singles (3bowl)

Catering

A light breakfast (7.45-8.15am) & lunch will be provided to competitors each day **BBQ** on Saturday evening

Contact: Wayne Handley 0412 183 002 or Andrew Dalli - 0408 549 460 OR

Email: wayne.handley@bomboraadvice.com.au

Club/Team Name.... ..Contact No..

All entries must be accompanied with full payment of \$280.00 EFT/Cheque Mitcham Bowling Club: BSB 633000 Account 150 776 656 Ref: "Team Name" & Classic 2024

Email Details EFT & Receipt info to:mitchamtreasurer@bigpond.com

Mitcham Bowling Club Inc reserve all rights to change the conditions of play