



Clovelly Bowling & Recreation Club

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July 2021

Major Singles Champions 2021



Gina O'Reilly



Stuart Wright

 Bendigo Bank

Good for
AND your
community



From the President

Dear Members, Guests and Staff,

At the outset I'd like to sincerely thank Kimberley Freed for her work in putting the Newsletter together with such frequency. The Newsletter helps in many ways to maintain links with all members and the contributions by members are always gratefully received.

Unfortunately difficult COVID times are upon us again and I need to mention a few things given the current lockdown.

QR Codes and other restrictions

As of today it is still not clear if the current lockdown will be lifted on Friday 9 July, 2021 but when it does the NSW Government has made it clear that everyone needs to sign in using the QR code.

This means that all members will need to complete a double sign in process as follows:

- once using the QR code to maximise speedy contact tracing as required by NSW Health and then
- member sign in using your member number on the Blue Circle Scan machine to satisfy Registered Club requirements.

I anticipate that NSW Licensing Police will enforce both. Our staff will always be available to assist if necessary and I know that you will all give them your full support.

In addition, mask wearing will be mandatory if not eating or drinking, the Club will be required to adhere to the 4 square metre rule limiting the number of patrons inside the Club and I expect the no standing and drinking rule to remain in place. Hygiene standards will also need to be maintained.

Membership Renewal

The Board will extend the period to renew memberships as needed following the lifting of the lockdown.

However, if you wish to renew your membership ASAP then by all means pay by Bank transfer as follows:

BSB 633 000 Account 118 508 654.

Your membership number is on the renewal form. Please put this number in the reference field when completing the bank transfer. This will help to issue your membership card which you will be able to pick up from the Club after lockdown.

Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment

The Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment is a lump sum payment to help someone during the 14 days needed to self-isolate, quarantine or care for someone with a positive test

Here's the link <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/pandemic-leave-disaster-payment-new-south-wales>

Eligibility criteria apply but it may be helpful for some.

Stay Safe, Stay Well!

Warm Regards,

Brian Bagshaw
President



Women's Club

Women's Major Singles

An exciting final of the Women's Major Singles was played between Gina O'Reilly and Sharon Scarcella with President Betty marking enthusiastically. The lead swung between both players keeping the crowd on the edge of their seats. At 23 all with Sharon holding three shots to win, Gina put down a superb bowl to take the jack and trail it to her two back bowls giving her shots and the game!

Brilliant Bowls ladies! Gina now progresses to the Champion of Champions singles in Port Macquarie from 20-23rd July. Spectators welcome!



Gina and Sharon

NSW State Carnival

Clovelly Women entered two teams in the NSW WBA State Carnival in Forster/Tuncurry in May. As always it was a great week, with both teams narrowly missing out on winning their sections. However, much solace was found in good food, wine and shopping for the remainder of the week!

Ramsgate Carnival

We also sent two teams to this great day of bowls at Ramsgate. Whilst not successful it was Suzie Clark's first foray into bowls outside the Club and she got a touch with her very first bowl! Go Suzie!!!

Eastern Suburbs District Womens Open Fours WINNERS

On Wednesday 12th May 2021 our Clovelly girls Sandra Starrett, Judith Staunton, Sue Snape and Gina O'Reilly (skip) won the ESD Open Fours. A great game was played against the Randwick team consisting of Pam Keir, Jill Cash, Steph Cavanha and Jan Kos (skip). All the women played with exceptional skills and a great game attitude which made the match thoroughly enjoyable.

The Senior Fours was won by Double Bay against South Coogee and was another excellent game.

Congratulations to all the girls who played through the two days of competition.



Quotes on the Green

Overheard in the District Mixed Pairs at Clovelly

Skip 1 *"Is the lead your partner?"*

Skip 2 *"No – but I'm looking, although she'd have to be small and fit in the back of the van!"*

Watch this space

Due to COVID updates our Open Fours Region 13 playoff is on hold. For the same reason our Grade 2 Pennant team game is also on hold. We should eventually have the Region 13 playoff since we won the District Competition.



Eastern Suburbs District Womens Open Fours

By Sue Snape and Sandra Starrett

Men's Club

Men's Major Singles

Congratulations to Stuart Wright for his win in the Men's Major Singles against John Cottle. It was an exciting match and a fantastic end to a wonderful competition. The final score was 31-15.

Below:

Men's Major Singles Winner, Marker and Runner Up



Men's Pairs Semi Finals

In the Pairs Semi Finals Trevor Maroske and Bruce Hughes beat Gary Woolly and Ed Ellis 20-15. Also, Stuart Wright and John Cottle won against Hugh Campbell and John Brennan 30-10.

The Trevor/Bruce vs Noddy/John final will be a ripper!
Date to be confirmed.



Australian Open in Queensland

The 2021 Australian Open, staged on world class greens across a dozen Gold Coast Clubs from this June was a resounding success. A few familiar names including Lynsey Clarke and Kelsey Cottrell (Women's Pairs) and Aaron Wilson (Men's Singles) had their names in lights again. So too did Zone 13's very own David Ferguson with his team taking the chocolates in the men's fours event.

Edward 'Ned' Ellis and Stuart 'Noddy' Wright outgoing and brand new car smell Club Champions respectively were accompanied by fellow (multi) member salts Aaron Jarosz, Danial and Rick Roper (Waverley) and Frank Zammit (Bronte) at the nation's premier bowls event. Men's singles was first on the agenda with the lads struggling to threaten going beyond the sectional stage. Nod was flogged 11-21 his opening game by Steve Eichenberger (Moonta, SA), managed to win his 2nd game against Rick Holt from Merimbula and have the eventual Section winner Steven Packer (Hawthorn, SA) at 18-all in the final game, but lost his way in the

emerging shadows of Southport's high-rise neighbours and failed to bother the scorer again.

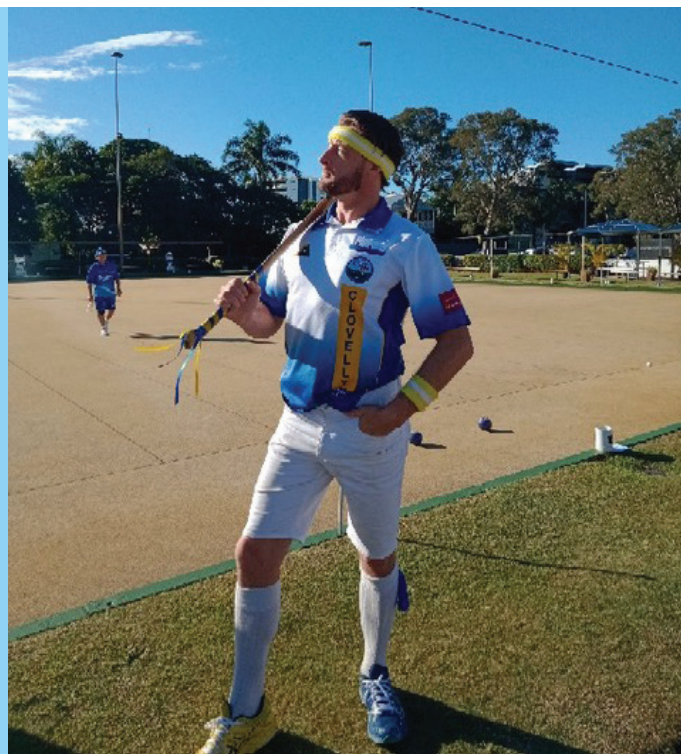
Ed was centre stage on the renown Broadbeach greens and swore he beat Aaron Wilson and Wayne Turley in his first two games but then lost the third to miss out on a count back.

Despite making a great story, the results read differently on the official version... with losses to Ben Walsh(Enoggera,QLD) 14-21, Theo Katsivas(Lockleys, SA) 13-21 and Trevor Broadbent(United Service, QLD) 8-21 put a big STOP sign on his "Road to Glory".

Aaron strutted his stuff up at Helmsvale coming out all guns blazing for the Republicans downing Ross Christie from Royal Melbourne, VIC 21-19. Unfortunately this epic battle for independence from the Crown took its toll and he went down to Craig Goldfinch(Holdfast Bay SA) 5-21 and Ray Pymble(East Maitland, NSW) 6-21.

Three days later the Clovelly lads had an opportunity to redeem themselves in the Men's Pairs. Immersing into the local culture embracing the unofficial Gold Coast Uniform of gratuitous golden bling to compliment the ever present white-on-white-on-white attire and it worked.

Clovelly was aggressive from the outset even going against recent self-inflicted suicidal pennants tradition in sending opponents into matt at the winning of the toss. This saw our warriors in yellow, blue and white get the jump notably against a local legend of Paradise Point who was apparently a bit of a big deal but turned out to be a bit of another cranky old man and also in yellow, blue and white. Picking up multiples at will and killing any ends that threatened, the foot was firming around the opponent's throats.



Then Queensland's motto of "Beautiful one day, perfect the next" was thrown out the window with a deluge of monsoonal proportions putting the greens under 4cm of water.

Time enough for a strong soft drink and a raffle to win bingo tickets and tickets to yet another raffle before games resumed and chaos consumed.

30 minutes with the radar in the red was enough for the morning matches to be called off. Chaos!

With 10 ends played this meant the scores stood with John Hrabak and Raymond Glasser having only just taken the yellow jersey from Nod and Ned.

With the puddles gone 20 minutes after the rain stopped and the greens running as good as Clovelly's #2 "The Powers That Be" changed their mind and the opening game was resumed with the later game times being put back to compensate.

The momentum had changed and despite some great bowls Clovelly went down in the final end.

The next match was another close contest with Ellis showing off all his tricks to despatch locals Philip Blank and Russell Todd by a huge margin (19-18)!

Our final game against Gary Smith and Richard Galea from Airlie Beach was an absolute cracker. Toe to toe all the way, once again it came down to the final end to pick a winner and unfortunately for Clovelly, the locals came through.

A glorious game to end a very enjoyable tournament

A mountain of support from ex-Clovelly locals Margaret and Terry Ireland and Mel Bienemann did wonders for the "Pride of Clovelly" (WHAT?!!! Maybe a bit too much poetic license used there!)





Despite great popularity warranting hoots and hollers from the ever increasing audience, unfortunately the results were not enough to have our men progress to the knock-out stage.

The tournament as a whole, however, was a resounding success. Friendships were made (even with Taren Point affiliates). Stories were in their genesis of becoming long and tall to be repeated at many a Table of Knowledge. Past Clovelly legends were in the crowd to show their support including Mel Bienemann (Women's Singles and Pairs Champion 2016) and David Hutchins (Men's Singles RU 2017). A special thank you goes to the Clovelly Recreational Board and it's members for assisting travel arrangements through the use of the Club van donated by the late, great Bruce Hockey. Hopefully a sign of the growing attitude of the club and bowlers to stretch their tentacles and try their bowling arms in a variety of testing tournaments. Next year let's get a whole mini-bus load up to the Goldie even if just to source some fine jewellery from the house of gaud.

Words: Capt.Risky Translation: The reader.

2021 Australian Open Champions

Discipline	Winner
Men's Singles	Aaron Wilson
Women's Singles	Natasha Van Eldik
Men's Pairs	Matt Johnstone & Cody Packer
Women's Pairs	Lynsey Clarke & Kelsey Cottrell
Men's Fours	Ray Pearse, Aaron Hewson, Ben Twist & David Ferguson
Women's Fours	Sam Ferguson, Anne Johns, Lynsey Clarke & Kelsey Cottrell
Over 60s Men's Pairs	Max Jaffray & Neville Jenkins
Over 60s Women's Pairs	Maree Gibbs & Sue Brady
Under 18 Boys' Singles	Joseph Clarke
Under 18 Girls' Singles	Kate Argent-Bowden
Multi-Disability Men's Singles	Josh Thornton
Multi-Disability Women's Singles	Kim Saunders
Multi-Disability Open Pairs	Serena & Anthony Bonnell
Vision Impaired Singles	Fred McConnell

By Edward Ellis and Stewart Wright

Top: Ed with Mel Beinnaman and Dave Hutchins



Bocce News

Musical Prawn Extravaganza

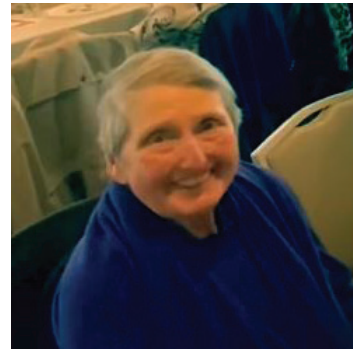
In May, the Bocce Club held a Musical Prawn Extravaganza in the Ocean Room. This wonderful event was organised by the Bocce Committee which is led by it's President Josephine Fernandez.

As well as prawns, there was *anti pasto*, *desert*, *tea* and *coffee*. We had an amazing band called **The Three Amigos** and many members enjoyed dancing to the band's music.

The afternoon passed quickly and was enjoyed by over seventy members and guests. Long standing Clovelly Bowling Club member, and world famous singer, Peter Ciani, delighted the audience with several impromptu renditions.

The afternoon was rounded off with many 'lucky door' prizes, and participants are eagerly looking forward to the next function – a Father's Day musical lunch on Friday, September 17. All welcome!

By Gary Sant



Father's

Day

Lunch

You are invited to a *musical lunch* in the Ocean Room

**Friday 17th
September
1.30pm-5.30pm**

**Bocce Members \$45.00
Non Members \$50.00**

**Please book and pay
Josephine 0452 121 269
or Gary 0414 934 695**



**Payment required by
Tuesday 7th September**

**No booking accepted
after this date.
Please do not
pay at the Bar.**

Buffet
by
Dominic's Catering

Penne con melanzane

Beef tortellini boscoala,
¼ roasted chicken Maryland with lemon & thyme

Roast veal with fresh mushrooms,
long beans & carrots

Oven roasted potatoes, Italian salad platters
bread & butter portions

Clovelly Bowling & Recreation Club



Unification Vote

MEMBERS VOTE 'YES' FOR UNIFICATION OF BOWLS NSW AND WOMEN'S BOWLS NSW

The members of New South Wales Women's Bowling Association Incorporated and Royal New South Wales Bowling Association Limited have voted to merge their two associations into one new entity, which will be known as Bowls New South Wales Limited.

In recognition of the significance of this process both associations held their Special General Meetings at the same time and location to hear the independent returning officer announce the result of the state-wide vote by members and clubs.

In the most progressive decision for the sport in NSW, the returning officer announced that the members of both Women's Bowls NSW and Bowls NSW have voted YES for unification. The Presidents on behalf of both Boards expressed great appreciation to the members, club administrators, and volunteers from across the state for the significant amount of work and positive energy that has contributed to this milestone.

The outcome was commended by the President of Women's Bowls NSW, Pam Andrich, who expressed her appreciation to those in attendance and bowlers across the state. "The merger provides the foundation for success and a long-term sustainable and vibrant administration," commented Pam Andrich.

Matthew Goodwin, President of Bowls New South Wales, further endorsed this sentiment. "This merger is the first step in securing the long-term future of our sport in NSW, it is now vital that the new board move forward and act on the issues that are important to our bowling community."

The new entity, Bowls New South Wales Limited, will commence operations from 31 May 2021, and the first appointed Board has met for the first time to set the wheels of progress in motion. Immediately after the historic YES vote for unification the new Board set upon delivering the vision for a new entity.

"We will lead and enable the growth, success and sustainability of the sport for all current and future bowlers in NSW."

At the Board meeting Matthew Goodwin was duly elected the new Chair, and will be supported by Pam Andrich as Deputy Chair.

Bowls New South Wales looks forward to continuing to work collaboratively with our members and partners to deliver positive outcomes for every community where bowls is played.

Source: <https://www.womensbowlsnsw.org/2021/05/31/members-vote-yes-for-unification-of-bowls-nsw-and-womens-bowls-nsw/>

Note: Member vote may be conducted by show of hands
Proforma to be used if secret ballot required



BNSW Club Voting Paper Proforma
Individual Member Ballot Paper
Unification of Bowls NSW and Women's Bowls NSW

BOWLS
NEW SOUTH WALES

The following is moved as a Special Resolution:

A. THAT the constitution of the Royal NSW Bowling Association Limited (RNSWBA) be amended and replaced with the Constitution attached to this notice and marked with the letter "A".



Place a CROSS [X] in one of the boxes below to indicate your vote

	
FOR	AGAINST

If the special resolution is approved, the following is moved as an Ordinary Resolution:

B. THAT the boards of RNSWBA and the New Bowls Entity be authorised to take all necessary steps to effect the above resolution.

Place a CROSS [X] in one of the boxes below to indicate your vote

	
FOR	AGAINST



The Womens' Club Voting 23rd May 2021

Anzac Day 2021



ANZAC Day Speech

Lest We Forget?

We hear that phrase so much. We are constantly reminded that we mustn't forget the many wars Australia has taken part in.

But why?

How is it even relevant to me?

I'm a middle aged woman who has never been to war, or really had anything to do with war.

But the truth is, I am what I am today, because of society's commitment to not forgetting.

How has war played a part in who I am, and how I live my life?

Well, my grandfather Harold Cottee trained for two years in Lismore to fight in the Great War. I have a sepia photograph of him in his uniform. He was ready for action in October 1918 - but the Armistice was signed just two weeks later and he didn't sail.

What if he had gone? Would I be here?

He went on to become a successful business man and coincidentally financially supported the orphanage where my other grandfather (who was much younger) spent his teenage years.

At the orphanage my grandpa, Harry Hodge, became an apprentice printer. At the outbreak of WW2 he was ineligible to enlist because he was an 'essential worker' teaching printing at the Sydney Morning Herald.

What if he had gone? Would I be here?

My great uncle, Bert Collingwood, was posted to New Guinea where he saw some stuff.



Grandpa Harold



Great Uncle Bert

He was older than most of the other soldiers and educated. They called him 'Pop'. He was a cook but he also used to write letters home for the soldiers who were illiterate, for the fit and wounded.

He fortunately came home and later instilled in me a great appreciation of art, architecture, literature and learning. He taught me to see the beauty in life. He is part of who I am today.

What if he hadn't come home?

My father-in-law, Gordon Freed, was a young ground crewman in the British Airforce. He used to anxiously wait for the return of the pilots he helped to take off. Many didn't come home. He carried the pain of that until he died.

My mother-in-law, Helen Freed, was a child in London during the war. In 1940 she and her sister were travelling to board the SS City of Benares to be evacuated with a large group of children to Canada. A bombing raid in London meant they were late for the boat and missed it.

Three days later the ship was torpedoed and only 13 children survived. What if she hadn't been late?

If any one of my family had died the reality of this moment, now, would be entirely different. We are all accidents of circumstance really. Yet here we all are.

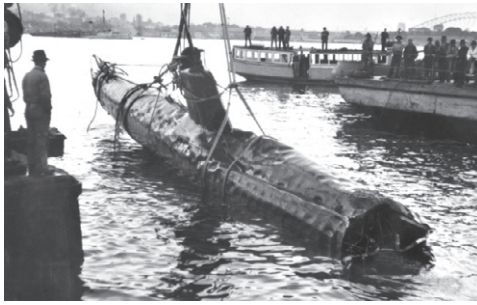
Thousands of Australians died at war - and what about all the people who were never born to be here today? Who lost their chance to live and share our beautiful country?



Grandpa Harry, Grandma Dot & Dad



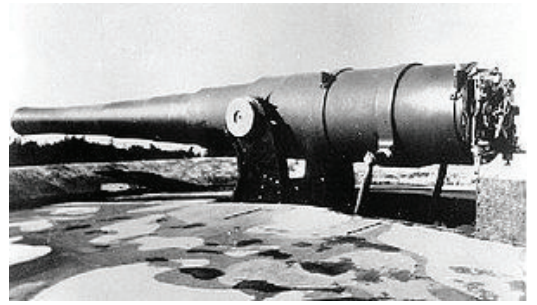
SS City of Benares



Attack on Sydney



Bondi Beach fortified



Hydro-Pneumatic gun

We stand here in front of our Club which is the hub of so much happiness and community.

How does this Club relate to war?

It was established in 1947, just two years after the end of WW2, by a visionary named John Burrows.

He was a local in this area and an alderman at Randwick Council.

He would have seen with his own eyes Bondi Beach enmeshed with military fortifications in the "*form of iron stakes, barbed concertina wire, concrete tank traps and wire coils*"* to prevent attack from sea - right here.

He may have heard the explosions on the night Sydney Harbour was attacked by enemy miniature submarines.

He would have known that school children, including my mother, had been taught to wear gas masks and hide under their desks in case of attack.

Just over there was one of three 9.2 inch Hydro-Pneumatic guns pointed out to sea to protect the coast.

There would have been men walking around in uniform, food would have been rationed, and there would have been the constant fear of bad news from overseas about loved ones.

When WW2 began, Australia had a population of just over 7 million. Casualties from that war totaled over 72,000. One Australian in every hundred died or were injured. And that's not including the poor mental state many were in when they returned home.

How scary would that have been?
We think COVID is awful?

So what did John Burrows do? I believe that he decided to create a place where people could gather, play bowls in the sunshine and most importantly - to heal.

Perhaps his vision was to create a peaceful environment for soldiers, their families and anyone who had had to deal with the stress of being at war.

He didn't want us to forget though - and we know that because he put the gun right in the centre of our logo to constantly remind us to remember.

He wanted us to congregate and create peace through our thoughts, words and deeds so that our actions would honour those who fought for our freedom and create a future of peace for our children.

In life we all have the power to create good and bad. We are the sum total of all that has gone before us and all that we choose to do in our lifetime.

That is why we must not forget. Not only to remember those who made the ultimate, heroic sacrifice but to make sure we never let it happen again.

As the solemn, sad notes of the Last Post evokes emotion in us all, let us emulate John Burrows and become powerful instruments of peace.

Lest we forget.

By Kimberley Freed

**Shelling of Bondi, Waverley Library*



John Burrows



Building our Club House



Playing bowls in the sunshine

In Memoriam

VALE Helen Sawyer

12th May 1926 - 13th May 2021

Late of 26 Shackel Ave, Clovelly, NSW
Membership No. 407
Since 1986

Helen was Treasurer of CWBC from 1989 to 2013 where she kept meticulous records of the finances of this sub-club, and was proud to present her report to the Women's AGM each year.

Helen will be remembered in particular for her weekly attendance on Tuesday, Ladies Day, always happy and smiling, perfect uniform, every strand of hair in place, and welcoming the socialising

following the day's competitions.

Adored wife of Malcolm. Much loved mother of Greg & Linda. Cherished mother-in-law of Sandra & Tino. Nan of Nikki, Emma, Georgia, Casey & Caleb. Nan Nan of Annabelle, Daisy, Ruby & Jack. Beloved sister-in-law of Lois. Much loved by all who knew her.

By John Duffy



A collection of fond moments including Helen's 90th birthday with Gwen



Community

Memorial to John Burrows

Randwick Council is planning an upgrade to Burrows Park and we have suggested some type of acknowledgment to our first President, John Burrows, after whom the park was named. The proposal has been approved and we await further developments!



Our Foundation President, J.F. Burrows

Membership Renewal Reminder

Dear Members, it's that time of year again! Please be reminded that you can pay for your Membership Renewal at the bar or by direct debit to: Clovelly BC BSB 633 000 Account 118 508 654. Postal forms have been sent to your home and prompt payments would be appreciated.



It's great to be a member!

Live Music

On Sunday 20th July Lachlan Jacques played at our Club to rave reviews! On Sunday 25th July The Go Luckies! returned and thrilled the crowd!

LIVE MUSIC

Clovelly Bowling Club

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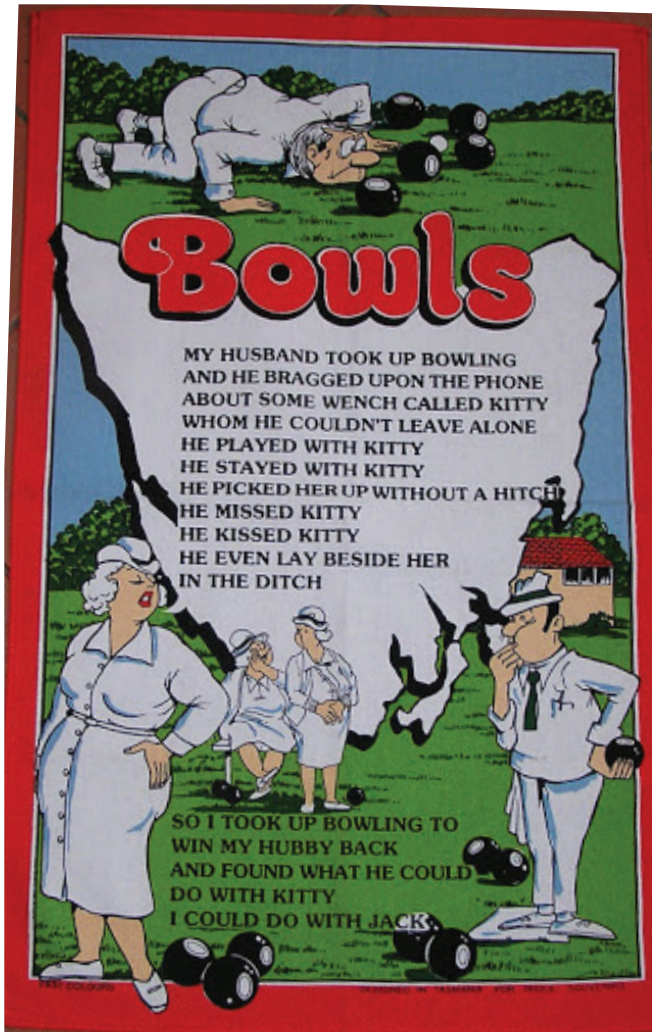
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**Download your voucher today and
you will be entitled to a fun
game of bowls & a meat pie
or sausage roll!**

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Bowls Jokes



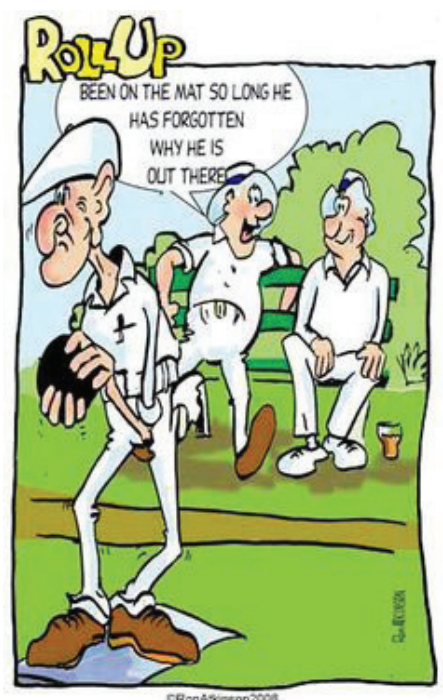
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From the Past



Sir Francis Drake - OK, does anyone else think looks like our club?

Oh Henry...

The oldest known bowling green, in Southampton, England, dates at least to 1299, although other greens claim to be older. Henry VIII, himself a bowler, in 1511 banned the sport among the lower classes and levied a fee of 100 pounds on any private bowling green to ensure that only the wealthy could play.



The history of lawn bowls, in one form or another, reaches well back into antiquity in various parts of the world. Stone Age excavations have confirmed that some sort of game was played with rounded rocks which were rolled or bowled to a peg or other marker.

Historical evidence of bowls-like games have been found in the cultures of the Ancient Egyptians, the Aztecs, the early Polynesians, and various North American aboriginal cultures.

There are records of organized lawn bowls being played as far back as the 12th century in Great Britain. The bowls used in these early days were merely rounded, without bias.

The bias was not introduced until 1522 due entirely (it is claimed), to the accidental breaking of a bowl by Charles Brandon, Duke of Suffolk whereby he rushed indoors and

sawed off an ornamental ball from a banister. Accordingly, one part was flat and it took a curving direction at the end of its run, instead of continuing on a straight line.





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