



Club Newsletter

July 2021



Congratulations to Stan Bressington who has been a VBC member for 50 years



Jack Littlewood and Phil Means

President Ted's Report

- Peter Lynn has been appointed as our Bowls Coordinator and has commenced duties with us. Peter has been an active bowler at our club for 3 years and has been involved in bowls since the mid 1980's. He has competed at different clubs and has played at zone, state and interstate competitions. Please make yourself known to Peter and welcome him to our club.



- We have had various enquiries from some of our members along the lines that we are installing a cover over the green nearest the club. I confirm that in line with our Strategic Plan we are investigating the possibility and we have approached Peter Johnston who deals in seeking grants that may be available. The initial stage involves obtaining a Geotech Report so if you see people using machinery around our green that is what it will be about.

in the Australian Open over 60's pairs played at Broadbeach.

- Congratulations to Jack Littlewood who along with his partner Phil Means were runners up

- Members should be aware that due to COVID19, restrictions have again been introduced which includes wearing masks and being seated unless getting food or drinks so please abide by these rules. We have also stopped running the bus and cancelled raffles until further notice.

- A new menu will be introduced on 7 July 2021 as well as a revised takeaway menu.

Cheers,
Ted

Lakers Low Down

Well, my first newsletter at VBC. I have been involved in bowls since 1988. Heather and I moved to the area 3 ½ years ago. I am looking forward to working and being more involved with the Club.

The Club Major Singles was completed with Ross Lawrence defeating Ross Levido 31 – 16. Match was of high quality and played in great spirit. Ross Lawrence has now earned a spot in the Zone Champion of Champions event in coming months. Best wishes to Ross.

The Australian Open was conducted over 2 weeks at the Gold Coast. Boyd "Happy Bowler" Dumbrell, Greg Frost and Jack Littlewood all played in several events. A great experience and will be great to hear of their exploits when they return to the club. Boyd also gave up his own time to stream some high quality matches as he continues to promote the game we all love. A huge achievement from Jack Littlewood and his partner in the Over 60 Men's Pairs in making the Final going down 21 – 12. What an awesome effort. Well

played and congratulations guys.

Club Major Pairs have been delayed due to the AO with the semi finals now expected to be played 11th July. This will depend also on Zone events on same weekend.

The Zone Triples are also drawn and now will commence 10th July 2021. We have entrants in each division and look forward to seeing some great results.

We also have the club Minor Pairs and Major Triples boarded with commencing rounds expected to be played during July. Keep an eye on the board and our Facebook page for future dates.

Mrs Beetsons Butchery sponsored Men's Pairs day was conducted on 26th June. \$430 in prizes were on offer and were disbursed to 18 of the 48 players who entered. The best 8 performed sides over 2 games of 10 ends each the played off in a quick-fire 1 end shoot-out. Runners up were Bruce Boyle and Kel Wilson. Winners on the day, who enjoyed a \$50 meat voucher each, were Dennis McCarthy and

Lakers Low Down continued..

Ron Wilkins. Some fabulous bowls played by all. Big thankyou to Alan Aurisch and Greg Frith for organising a fabulous afternoon of bowls.

A reminder that we have our AGM on Saturday 17th July 2021 at

10am. Nominations for Committee and Selectors are still on the bowls board. Please put your name down if interested.

Pete Lynn

Bowls Coordinator

Women's Bowls News

VWBC held AGM on the 22nd June, 2021. President Lorraine welcomed Patron Velma McArthur, Life members, Past Presidents and 68 members with 20 absent. VWBC Committee is now... **President** Lorraine Davies, **Vice Presidents** Gwen Gould, Glenda Morgan **Secretary** Glennis Newton, **Treasurer** Anna Harris, **Delegate** Gwen Gould, **Match Committee** Jenny Brauer (Chair) Paulette Bignell, Jeanette Manning, Jan Minter, Dianne McCarthy. **Selection** Julie Scott (chair) Maxine Dunning, Joyce Sullivan, Jenny Baldwin, Susan Armstrong. **Social Committee** Collene Doherty (chair) Judy Percival, Sharon Parsons, Cheryl Lawson, Margaret Bates. **Catering** Jill Gillies (Chair) Judy White, Judy Foley,

Sandra Blow, Denise Barnett.

Velma McArthur stepped down as Patron after 12 years. Velma was a past President and has been involved in our Club for many years. Carole Thomas will now represent the Club as Patron.

Congratulations to Grade 3 Red (2019), Sue Semple, Glenda Morgan, Margaret Hobson, (sub) and Ruth Campey, (Irene Shirlow stepped in for Margaret as an original player at presentation,) received their 8 pin at Dora Creek Bowling Club, on the 7th June, 21. Eight pins are a team effort, well done team.

Our Talented Artists displayed their art at the Lola Rose Award Exhibition at Rathmines Community Hall

Women's Bowls News continued ...

on the 21-27th June. Carol McCrohon donated the Raffle Prize "Marmong Cove" and Wendy Lesniak gave lessons on how to paint. What talent we have at Valentine Women's Bowling Club.

Due to COVID breakout in NSW the Mater Oncology Invitation Day 28/6/21 has been cancelled.

Also cancelled the LMDWBA Veterans and Delegate Day scheduled for the 30/6/21. VWBC was to host more than 100 over 75 year old members. We were looking for-

ward to hosting at our great Club.

Final of the Club Championship Pairs will be played Thursday 8th July : Carol McCrohon, Wendy Lesniak, v's Nancy Child, Gwyn Garrett.

For all who are not feeling well, we wish a speedy recovery, and look forward to catching up on the green.

Irene Robinson Communication Officer. GO VALENTINE !!!

Umpire's Report

Jack delivery and Mat Placement refresher

Should the lead in **Team A** deliver the Jack out of bounds or in the ditch, the lead of **Team B** can reposition the mat to wherever he/she wants and redeliver the jack. **Team A** then play the first bowl.

Nb: Team A must play from where Team B have placed the mat.

However, if the lead from **Team B** also delivers the jack out of bounds or in the ditch then the jack is placed on the 'T' and **Team A can then reposition the mat to their preferred position** and play the first bowl.

Refer Laws of the sport of Bowls – 3rd edition 2019 – law nos: 10.2 and 10.3

Roll Up Times on our Greens

	<u>Grass</u>	<u>Synthetic</u>
Monday	Closed	12 Noon
Tuesday	1 pm	1 pm after Ladies
Wednesday	4:30 pm	4:30 pm
Thursday	1 pm	1 pm after Ladies
Friday	1 pm	1 pm
Saturday	10 am	10 - 11 am Skills
Sunday	10 am	10 am



East West in the mornings and North South in afternoons. Saturday skills lessons are available to all bowlers. Come along and improve your bowling.



Email your buy, sell, swap, recipe, joke or other information for the next Newsletter to:
barbara.belli@optusnet.com.au



Our library cupboard which is near our snooker table is available for all our members to enjoy, so please continue to make use of this great facility.

Valentine Lions Club News

This month last year, the VBC and this Newsletter, were in Covid hibernation and whilst we have all felt and are still feeling the constraints of this terrible Pandemic, it does signify, time does not stand still and the world can move forward and deal/manage whatever 'walls' are thrown up at it's population. Hereinafter, I do promise not to mention the C word again – in this report anyway....

The Lions 1st meeting in June was a social occasion with dinner being held at Emilio's Restaurant at Warners Bay. Whilst the writer and his good wife could not attend, it was reported it was a happy occasion with good food and vino.

On the Saturday the 5th of June, our club was invited by the Valentine Medical Surgery to conduct a sausage sizzle/morning tea to coincide with their vaccination clinic. The weather was kind to us and the community of Valentine again showed their strong support with not only buying our great BBQ product but also with monetary donations – thank you so much.

Our second meeting of the month on the 16th was our official 'change over' of club President and board

members. The night was officiated by a very good friend of our club and fellow Lions International member, John Kilpatrick, who was accompanied by his wife Ellen. New President, Peter Davies and elected board members, were inducted by John and were wished all the very best in guiding our club in all matters for the next twelve months.

Our outgoing President for the last two years, Richard Taylor, sincerely thanked the board members for the last two years, both for their commitments and energy in helping him guide the club to being a strongly regarded one in the Lions community.

Richard presented Melvin Jones fellow awards (Lions International recognition) to four members for long standing contributions to the club. The recipients were our Secretary, Vicki Taylor, Treasurer, Col Edwards, Dawn Lambert, for her contributions including the club monthly Newsletter, Bob Bear for his tireless work involving fund raising for the Cervical Cancer Foundation and Chris Davies for ongoing fundraising activities such as the VBC raffle.

For their outstanding contributions to our club over many years, new

Valentine Lions Club News

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President Peter presented surprize gifts to Richard, Vicki and Col that were beautifully framed caricatures of each of themselves, by artist renown, Peter Lewis. The artist was given photos and information about each of them and the outcome is simply amazing and captures not only their individual roles in our Lions club but also, some other sporting

and lifestyle traits. Congratulations to the artist for creating such a wonderful and great keepsake for each of them.

Our Thursday night raffles continue to be strongly supported and we again thank all patrons for buying raffle tickets with all funds raised being distributed to local charities.

That's all folk's - stay warm – The Silver – Grey Fox.

Snooker Club News



The first Snooker Club Competition for 2021 is now completed. The Doubles final match was won by Peter Smith and Paul Subat. The Singles final was won by Paul Birt. Congratulations to all the winners.

The Snooker Club's night at the Newcastle Trots on 2nd July, 2021 is in doubt owing to the current Covid restrictions. As soon as we hear from the Newcastle Harness Racing Club, we will advise members of the decision.

Also owing to the current Covid restrictions, our usual Wednesday Night raffle will not be held, until further notice.

Helen Hickey Secretary.

Did You Know ...

- Each purchase of coffee is registered on your membership card and after buying 10 cups your 11th cup will be FREE
- You can put cash onto your membership card and use it like a Debit card at the bar and bistro. This saves time at the bar, and also saves getting a pocket full of coins. And you ensure you get the membership discount on your purchases too!



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Fishing Club News

Our May outing was held on the weekend of 14, 15 & 16th. The outing was a quiet affair with only 4 seniors and 1 sub-junior making it onto the score board.

Winners for the weekend were:

- 1st Cameron Perks 42pts
- 2nd Dave McMorrow 31pts
- 3rd John Donkin 16pts
- Sub Junior: Oliver Mould 11pts

Our June outing was held on the long weekend of the 11, 12, 13 & 14th. We had 8 seniors, 1 junior and 3 sub-junior angler's weigh in for the weekend.

Winners for the weekend were:

- 1st David Kemp 20pts
- 2nd Neil Cooley 22pts
- Junior: Zac Mawson 25pts
- 3rd Dave McMorrow 6pts
- Sub-Junior: Oliver Mould 20pts

The next dedicated outing is on the weekend of 9, 10 & 11th July. The competition is heating up and the Top Five comp is full of fish, with only three holes left for leather

jacket. So all members are encouraged to get out and have a fish.

There's still plenty of opportunities to knock a few of those Top Five fish off their perch, as did the Birt's on their annual Woolli trip leading up to the June outing. They caught some crackn' snapper with Mitch boating his PB at 9.545kg. Check out our Facebook page to see some great photos.

Now that our outing BBQs are back on all members are welcome to join us back at the Club on Sunday for the weigh in.

The fishing year runs from 1/10/2020 to 30/9/2021 with memberships now due. We are always chasing new members and any interested people can contact either

Darren Riles ph. 0439241061,
Mark Bradley ph. 0414555693,
or David Birt ph. 0427228438

if they need information on how to sign up and go about participating.

The Fishing Club also has a closed

Fishing Club News continued ...

Facebook page. To see what's happening in the Club and what catches members are getting you can go to: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2033190670245312/>

Yours

Mark Bradley VBCFC Secretary



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Weekly Activities At Valentine Bowling Club

Monday : Euchre Club meets 6:00pm \$2 entry. New members welcome

Tuesday :Ladies Gala 9:30 am

Trivia on Tuesday evenings, starting at 6:30 pm. Come and join the fun.

Wednesday : Men's Gala Mufti 9:30 am start and 1:00 pm start.

Happy Hour 4:00 pm til 5:30 pm.

Texas Holdem Poker. Register at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm.

Snooker Club Raffle sales from 6:00 pm drawn at 7:00 pm

Courtesy Bus runs 3:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Membership draw is between 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm

Thursday:Ladies Gala 9:30 am

Texas Holdem Poker. Register at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm.

5:00 pm Twilight Bowls - mixed, mufti, during daylight saving.

Valentine Lions Club raffle tickets on sale 5:30 pm. Drawn at 7:00 pm.

Courtesy Bus runs 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm

Friday:Men's Gala. Mufti. 9:30 am

Texas Holdem Poker. Register at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm.

Raffle tickets for our Social Golf and Fishing Clubs on alternate Fridays go on sale from 6:00 pm.

Membership draw is between 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm

Courtesy Bus runs 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm

Saturday : Men's Gala 1:00 pm start. Uniform

Texas Holdem Poker. Register at 6:00 pm and games start at 6:30 pm

Courtesy Bus runs 3:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Sunday : Meat raffle starts from

5:00 pm drawn at 6:00 pm

Membership draw is after the raffle

Courtesy Bus runs 3:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Our Courtesy Bus phone number is 0423 456 225

Club Phone No. : 4946 7232

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Ladies Club Website: valentine.bowls.com.au