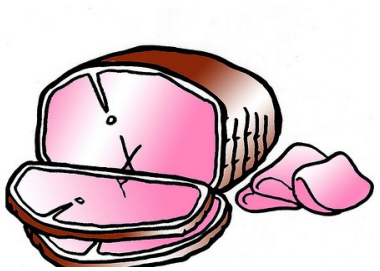
Valentine Bowling Club Co-Op

Club Newsletter

November 2017



Ham Raffles at Valentine start on

Friday 17th November

Children's Christmas Party

Sunday 26th November

11 AM

President Ted's Report

- Further notification that the children's Christmas party is to be held on Sunday 26 November 2017 commencing at 11.00 am in the grounds near the sailing club. There will be jumping castles and a water slide with Santa arriving by boat. This is free to our patrons with the exception of drinks and barbecue meals which are being provided by the Lions Club.

- Ham raffles commence on Friday 17 November 2017 with the monster ham raffle to be held on Wednesday 13 December 2017.

- Frank and Irene Landrigan who have been loyal supporters of our club for many years have recently sold their home and are moving to the Wollongong area to be close to their family. On behalf of the board we wish them well for the future.

- As previously advised either trousers or shorts are to be provided to intending pennant players and I confirm that a shirt will also be provided. It will be the responsibility of individual players to provide size details as per the notice board.

- I would like to say a huge thank you to our staff for another great Melbourne Cup day. I'm sure those who attended the club on Tuesday will agree it was a wonderful day.

- For those who are not aware our board member and past president David Bell has recently had some medical issues. On behalf of our members we wish him a speedy recovery.

Cheers,
Ted.

Lakers Low-Down

Hi there fellow Lakers, well Christmas is approaching fast which means our Christmas ham gala galas are about to start, Friday 17th November to be exact.

As you know our grass green will be down in around two weeks so get your names down fast to avoid disappointment in missing out.

Presentation night is approaching quickly, tickets will be on sale this Friday from the bowls committee on gala days or from myself in the bowls office. Cost of the tickets is $20, come and enjoy a great night and celebrate with all our club champions and participants for 2017.

That's all for now, good bowling and Go The Lakers!!!

Regards

David Govan

Bowls Manager

Valentine BC

Joking Around

An elderly Italian man went to his local church for confession.

He said, "Father, during World War 2 a beautiful woman knocked on my door and asked me to hide her from the enemy. So I hid her in my attic."

The priest replied, "That was a wonderful thing you did, my son, and you have no need to confess that."

"It's worse than that, Father. She started to repay me with sexual favours."

The priest said, "By doing that you were both in great danger. However two people together under those circumstances are greatly tempted to act that way. But if you are truly sorry for your actions, you are forgiven."

"Thank you Father. That's a great load off my mind. But I have one more question."

"And what is that?" asked the priest.

"Should I tell her the war is over?"

Women's Bowls News

VWBC congratulate Rhonda Littlewood Valentine who represented LMDWBA Region 6 , in the NSW State Singles Championship at Taren Point. Rhonda played two games to reach the semi-final and was defeated by Natasha Scott 25-11. Natasha from Raymond Terrace won the final of the singles, pairs, triples and fours. A great achievement to reach the State Championship and especially reaching the semi-finals, well done Rhonda.

Jenny Baldwin reached the semi-finals of the Pam Field Consistency. Jenny played Kath McCloughlan Marks Point in the semis where she was beaten 150-130. A mighty effort by Jenny who has only been bowling for 2 years.

The Past Presidents Consistency was hotly contested by our ladies. The Final was played in very hot conditions on the 12/10/17 and was a cliffhanger. Gwyn Garrett defeated Vicki Fletcher in a very hard fought game. Gwyn was 149 Vicki 141 going into last end. They both reached 150 and an extra end was played with both players gaining 5 shots. Gwyn won on the second extra end by 8 shots to 2. Congratulations ladies on a game which was contested to the very last bowl.

With much sadness VWBC advise of the passing of our member Helen O'Connor on Sunday the 8/10/17. Helen joined VWBC in 2006 and her quiet personality and devilish nature will be missed by all at VWBC, Euchere players, golfing friends and nursing friends.

We had 27 players attend the Riverview Carnival at North Haven commencing the 14th October. The McCarthy and Aurisch team and Bennett and Mullen team came in 3rd and 4th place on the 15th The McCarthy and Aurisch team were equal second on the 20th and were beaten by a North Haven team who were winners of the day. An enjoyable Carnival and our teams are looking forward to next year their 60th Anniversary.

The Alan Smith Versatility was played at VBC on the shore of Lake Macquarie where Alan loved to play bowls, fish, and was a Life Member. Played over 3 nights instead of 4, as one Thursday night

Women's Bowls News continued ...

was cancelled due to rain. 12 teams of fours enjoyed competing in ladies and men's pairs, mixed fours and mixed pairs. The results were 4 teams on 8 points, therefore a count back revealed the winners. FIRST PLACE Vicki Fletcher, Peter Howell, Fran Ellis and Bill Easton. SECOND Glenda Morgan, Col Mullen, Betty Simpson, Harold Copland. THIRD. Irene Robinson, Col Edwards, Frank Landrigan, Paulette Bignell/Jenny Baldwin, FOURTH Anna Harris, Dennis McCarthy, Shirley Mander, John Derrick. Platters of food were delivered to tables after the last game and a fun time was enjoyed.

VWBC Super 10's will be played Monday the 6th November, which will be a lot of fun with teams adding up in grades to l0 or more, with only one lst grade or one 2nd grade in each team.

Melbourne cup will be celebrated at VBC Tuesday the 7th November, with lunch, music and sweeps. Hope you have a winner.

Twilight Bowls recommence Thursday the 9th November at 5pm $6 entry plus $1 for Jackpot drawn each week. Folder in the Club all welcome.

Our Next Mixed Social Club Sunday afternoon will be the 19th November commencing 1pm $6 entry. Names down at the Club for a fun afternoon Visitors welcome.

VWBA next General Meeting will be the 21st November, President Gwen would like to see as many VWBC members present to hear what has been happening at our great Club.

The Committee and VWBC would like to pass on our sincere condolences to member and past vice president, Carole and John Thomas on the loss of their daughter Lisa, and niece of our member Helen and Tony Pelosi who has passed after a long illness. Sincere sympathy from your friends at VWBC.

GOOD BOWLING and for all who are not well we wish a speedy recovery.

GO VALENTINE. Irene Robinson. Communication Officer.

Fishing Club News

October and November are traditionally our busiest months for the Fishing Club. October being the month for our Annual Presentation as well as our AGM, and November our premier weekend outing to Glenbawn Dam. Between these events we still manage to squeeze in an October fishing outing as well. 20+ members attended our October outing BBQ weigh-in with the winners for the weekend being 1st Neil Wilson, 2nd Neil Cooley & 3rd Mark Bradley

Our annual Presentation Day was held on Sunday 22 October and saw 60 adults and 8 juniors attend. Once again a great afternoon was had by all in the VBC Function Room with plenty of food, refreshments, giveaways and live music to top the afternoon off. The total prizes on offer were 28. This was spread between 19 different prizewinners. This year saw a much greater participation from the ladies and juniors/Sub-Juniors which augurs well for the club.

The winners of the different sections were:

Largest Species Winners:

Bream	Neil Wilson
Flathead	David Birt
Whiting	Neil Cooley
Tailor	Paul Subat
Mulloway	David Birt
Luderick	Dave McMorrow
Snapper	David Birt
Leatherjacket	Matt Birt
Bass	Mark Bradley
Yellowbelly	David Birt
Silver Perch	Darren Riles
Catfish	Jason Wood

Sectional Winners:

Freshwater Neil Cooley & David Birt Runner-up

Lake & Estuary David Birt & Runner-up Neil Wilson

Beach & Rock Dave McMorrow & Runner-up Alex Menil

Offshore Mark Bradley & Runner-up Steve Neaves

Ladies Champion Emma Wallace & joint Runners-up Nicole Birt & Britani Willis

Junior Champion Indianna Hardwick & Runner-up Kyle Bradley

Sub-Junior Champion

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Luke Bradley & Runner-up Ryan Wilson

Club Champion Neil Cooley & Runner-up David Birt

Our AGM was held on Tuesday 31 October 2017. All positions were open for nomination. The office bearers for 2017-2018 are:

President	Darren Riles
Secretary	Neil Cooley
Treasurer	David Birt
Weighmaster	Steve Neaves
Asst Weighmaster	Mark Bradley
Ist Aider	Mark Bradley

Our Glenbawn Dam outing will be held on 10,11 & 12 November. At this stage we have 28 names down to attend. All are looking forward to another successful weekend and there will be plenty to go into our November report.

Our fishing year runs from 1/10 to 30/9 with memberships now due. We are always chasing new members and any interested people can contact either Darren Riles ph 0439241061, Neil Cooley ph 0421168349 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 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/

Roll Up Times on our Greens

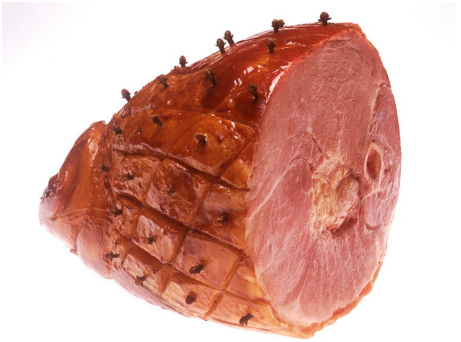
	Grass	Synthetic
Monday	Closed	12 Noon
Tuesday	1 pm	1 pm after Ladies
Wednesday	4:30 pm	4:30 pm
Thursday	1 pm	1 pm after Ladies
Friday	1 pm	1 pm
Saturday	10 am	10 - 11 am Skills
Sunday	10 am	10 am

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

Christmas Ham Raffles at Valentine Bowling Club

Begin on Friday 17th November

There will be hams and meat trays available



Children's Christmas Party

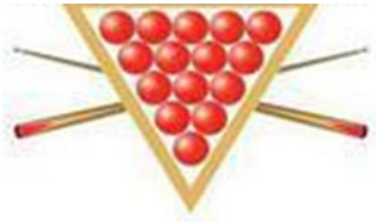
Sunday 26th November from 11 am

Water slide, jumping castle, Santa arrives by boat

Bbq and drinks available

ABC's for over 60's
A for arthritis
B for bad back
C is for chest pains. Perhaps cardiac?
D is for dental decay and decline
E is for eyesight—can't read that top line
F is for fissures and fluid retention
G is for gas (which I'd rather not mention)
H high blood pressure (I'd rather have low)
I for incisions with scars you can show.
J is for joints, that now fail to flex
L for libido—what happened to sex?
Wait! I forgot about K!
K is for my knees that crack when they're bent
(Please forgive me, my Memory ain't worth a cent)
N for neurosis, pinched nerves and stiff neck
O is for osteo—and all bones that crack
P for prescriptions, I have quite a few
Give me another pill; I'll be good as new!
Q is for queasiness, fatal or flu?
R is for reflux—one meal turns into two
S is for sleepless nights, counting my fears
T for tinnitus—I hear bells in my ears
U is for urinary: difficulties with flow
V is for vertigo, that's 'dizzy' you know
W is worry, now what's going 'round?
X if for X-ray and what might be found.
Y for another year I've left behind
Z is for zest that I still have my mind
Have survived all the symptoms my body's deployed,
And kept twenty six doctors gainfully employed!

Snooker Club



The 2017 Doubles Snooker Competition was won by John Kalverla and Dave Miller – congratulations to you both, well done. The final of the Mens Singles competition is being played on Wednesday 8th November, 2017 between Darren Jones and Barry Parton – good luck guys. We will now hold the presentation to the winners at our Christmas function, which is to be held on Sunday 10th December, 2017 at 12.00 noon.

A reminder to everyone that the Snooker Club holds its raffles on Wednesday nights, we have 12 meat prizes and the Members Badge draw is done immediately after our raffle is completed.

Helen Hickey

Secretary.

ART EXHIBITION AT BELMONT CITI CENTRE

The Newcastle Art Society have their exhibition on again

It started on **30th October to 12th November.**

Beautiful original art by local artists.

Finanace Director Report

I am pleased to report that the Club's YTD Profit at the end of September was $92K compared to last year's loss of $(42) K.

This has enabled us to continue to pay back the bank loan at an accelerated rate, the outstanding amount being $580K at the time of writing.

Your Board and Management are confident that the positive results will continue.

Colin Taylor
Finance Director

Lockers Available

There are still a few lockers available for the ladies and men bowlers.

If you would like to keep your bowls at the club please see Keith Pugsley or Barbara Bell.

There is a yearly fee of $3

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Valentine Lions Club News

The last two months of the year are now upon us (ok, just simple mathematics!) and our social calendars are filling up and life becomes busier but don't we just love it! For one thing, this means we Lions start including delicious hams in our Thursday night raffles (from 23/11).

The Lions Club sponsored Community Day at the Valentine Heated Pools complex held on the 15th October was a successful event with a combined collection of over $5,000 being taken on the day and after expenses, there will be around $3500 to be presented to the Valentine Hydrotherapy Pools Inc. and the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation. The weather conditions prior to the opening time was looking very suspiciously bad however, after many threatening words by Lions members, the weather improved dramatically and many families arrived to enjoy all the activities and displays available. The Valentine School Band presented a number of great pieces of music and Mr Music, Mike Kinsella was again on hand to provide terrific amplified music to add to the atmosphere. The Breakaway Dancers troupe provided some great dancing routines and the local members of the Valentine Martial Arts group, representing Polletts Martial Arts Newcastle, provided a powerful demonstration of what their sport is all about. Local Aussie Race Cars champion driver, Charlotte Poynting, was on hand with her racing vehicle to speak to those interested (and there were many!) in her car and also a display of numerous championship trophies achieved to date by her plus information on upcoming races on the Gold Coast and in Newcastle's inaugural 500 Super Cars street racing event in November that she is obviously looking forward to very much. The Aussie Race Cars (small purpose built race cars) owner/drivers compete in racing prior to the main Super Cars 500 event/s. These cars maybe small but

Lions Club News continued...

travel at well over 200 km's an hour!

Our Lions club member Bob Bear and his very talented craft jewellery maker wife, Carolyn, are having a 'Do Drop In' for 'Aspire 4 Kylie' Ovarian Cancer Research fund raiser at their home (35 Andrew Rd Valentine) from Friday 17th November (2pm to 6pm) to Sunday 19th (10.am to 4pm on Saturday and Sunday) so please call in and buy some beautiful jewellery (Xmas is around the corner!) – and enjoy a cuppa with fresh scones provided by the Lions.

The twilight bowlers have recommenced their 'roll up' for this daylight savings period and we are happy to say they have already featured well in the winning prize tickets drawing.

Thank you again for your ongoing support

Our club has been approached by the VBC Board to provide BBQ food for the Club's annual children's Xmas party on Sunday 26th November (held adjacent to the club premises on the lake foreshore) so we look forward to participating to help make this event a happy one for all.

The 2017 Melbourne Cup is being held on Tuesday 7th November and the VBC will again be holding their Melbourne Cup luncheon to help participants enjoy this iconic Aussie Racing Day. All the best if you are having a punt and I say, go the horsee with the nicest looking tail!!

Until the December report – the silver grey fox.

Email your buy, sell, swap, recipe, joke or other information for the next Newsletter to:
barbara.bell1@optusnet.com.au

VALENTINE B.C.
SOCIAL GOLF CLUB

Hi to all members.

The Valentine Bowling Club social golf club has had a very busy year with the fixtures at all the different golf courses we have played at.

We would like to thank the parent club for their support throughout the year and club facilities.

The year comes to an end next month and would like to thank

Ben Chard (President)

Darryl Jones (treasurer)

Phil Northey (captain and handicapper)

Peter Papst (assistant treasurer)

Richard Royal (committee)

Dave Hull (red man) Cec Kearny (inspector cluso) and other members for assisting in the

BBQ at the presentations.

Finally our sponsors ONE AGENCY for their association and help with the club.

And also Rod Conry/Darren Grainger and Richard Royal for their organizing of the Grahame Sargent 4 day Golf tour at Katoomba.

Thanking all concerned

Greg Sullivan (meggs)

Secretary.

Valentine Bowling Club - Social Golf Club

Waratah Golf Club - 15th October 2017

Event — **Club Championship Stroke 5th Round LRIT**

ONE AGENCY EASTLAKES

Golf Mart all we sell is the price

Starters: 53

'A' Grade: 20 — **'B' Grade: 21** — **'C' Grade: 12**

New Members:

	Macca Mug	Golf-Mart Voucher	Mug
		Ray Hinton	Stuart Green

Individual Results

	'A' Grade		'B' Grade		'C' Grade
1st	Gary Morgan 67 C/B	1st	Ray Hinton 61	1st	Stuart Green 66
2nd	Nick Korotkich 67 C/B	2nd	Brad Anstess 66	2nd	Adam Fairleigh 68 C/B
3rd	Dean Robertson 71 C/B	3rd	Richard Royle 68 C/B	3rd	Russel Cusack 68 C/B

Team Results

1st	
2nd	
3rd	
4th	

Indivudual Efforts — **3 x Golf Ball Prizes**

	Par 3 Nearest to Pin	Par 4 2nd Shot Nearest to Pin
'A'	Chad Pickford	Mick Cashman
'B'	Clint Hibberd	Jim Watson
'C'	Bruce Skaines	Nil
	Longest Drive	**Longest Drive with an Iron**
'A'	Blake Whiteman	
'B'	Brendon Radford	
'C'	Adam Fairleigh	

Weekly Activities At Valentine Bowling Club

Monday : Euchre Club meets every Monday night at 6:30 pm. $2 entry fee. Come along and join in. 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 Galas Mufti 9:30 am start and 1:00 pm start.

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

Texas Holdem Poker. Registration is at 6:00 pm and the games start at 7:00 pm.

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

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

Courtesy Bus runs 4:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Thursday:Ladies Gala 9:30 am
Texas Holdem Poker. Registration is at 6:00 pm and the games start at 7:00 pm.

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

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

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

Friday: Men's Gala. Mufti. 9:00 am

Texas Holdem Poker. Registration is at 6:00 pm and the games start at 7:00 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 10:00 pm

Saturday : Men's Gala 1:00 pm start. Uniform or creams to be worn.

Texas Holdem Poker. Registration is at 6:00 pm and the games start at 7:00 pm

Courtesy Bus runs 3:30 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 8:00 pm

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Our Courtesy Bus phone number is 0423 456 225

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