



GENERAL NEWS

- Have a suggestion or concern & want to help improve the Bowls section? Please write down your idea/concern and put in the suggestion box located by the Bowls Office.
- Australian Open entries are filling up fast. If you plan on entering and have not already, please do so ASAP or you may have to go onto the waiting list.
- Pennant shirts are on sale. Pay at the Bar.
- We have limited new "social" shirts available at \$20. They are predominantly black with green collar and shoulders. See the bowls office regarding availability - XL is the largest still in stock. Pay at Bar.
- The best way to keep up to date with what is happening at the Club is by installing TeamApp on your phone. It is the best method to inform players quickly of washouts etc.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS - view <<u>entries</u>>.

- The Graded Pairs Championship was a huge success with 26 teams! Congratulations to Lewis Welch & Cameron McClure on their 1-shot win over Peter Tofolon & Adam Troth. Other semi-finalists were Una Bell & Jenny Clark and Peter Bungate & Katie Astley. <report & results>
- <Senior Pairs> updated results after Game 2.
- <Women's Triples> The Quarter-Finals and Semi-Finals will be held on Sunday 7 April.
- Closing next:
- Play: Apr 21, 28 & May 5 Women's Fours Apr 7
- Open Novice Singles May 16 Play: June 1 & 2 **NEWSLETTERS**

<Bowls Aus.> <Bowls NSW> <Inside Bowls> <BA Coach> **UNIFICATION**

Last Saturday's Information Session was met with positivity. As a result, notifications for General meetings of the Men's and Women's Clubs to vote for the adoption of the proposed unified Constitution and By-Laws will be published. For FAQ's, as well as copies of the proposed Constitution & By-Laws <<u>click</u> here>.

COACHING NEWS

- check session information below for • Please availability. Many sessions are by appointment to ensure individuals are being catered for. Monday sessions have increased markedly - book in for a personal video analysis session.
- <Coaching Sessions> session information.

BOWLS NSW

• <Click here> to submit EOIs to be considered for the Men's & Women's U25, Over 40, Senior and State sides.

- The Bowls NSW State Championships have concluded. You can get all the Merrylands players' summary of results <here> and results from BowlsLink <here>. Our Men's Fours finished 3rd!
- Bowls NSW 2024/25 Season Calendar <<u>click here</u>>
- Women's State Carnival at Barrington Coast. < more info>

VICTORIAN OPEN

• Vikki Wilson won her Women's Singles section by defeating Sophie Kurzman, before being defeated in the post-sectional.

JUNIORS

- Katie Astley finished =3rd in the Graded Pairs.
- Sam Rich skipped his Mudgee High School team to the State Finals. He was also selected in the Western side to contest the NSWCHS State Championships!
- 8 of our Juniors travel to Warilla for the State Championships for the week starting 15 April <draws>

PENNANT

- The Zone 10 Open Pennant draw is on the noticeboard and can also be found <here>. The season is nigh. Merrylands Magic - This is Our Year!
- Do you have a plan as to what you do in the 2 trial ends? Do you simply play 2 bowls to wherever the jack is thrown? If you nail the weight with your first, have you considered drawing to the 'T' or minimum length with your second?
- Pre-Pennant practice. Greens at Merrylands and Guildford will be ready from 11am. All players in all grades should be utilising time prior to each Pennant game to roll-up with their teammates. Consider practising varying lengths and discuss tactics based on performances during this time and the conditions you are faced with.

SOCIAL BOWLS

- Tuesday & Saturday Social Bowls cards will be called at 12:30pm, and fees paid by 12:15pm.
- Easter social bowls Saturday only. No bowls Friday.

Venue	Day	Gender	Names	Cards Called	Jackpot
MBC/GBC	Tues	Men/Open	12pm	12:30pm	\$50+
Merrylands	Wed	Open	9am	9:30am	n/a
Merrylands	Thur	Ladies/Open	8:30am	9:30am	n/a
Guildford	Thur	Open	5pm	5:45pm	\$135+
Guildford	Fri	Open	9:45am	10:15am	\$245+
Merrylands	Sat	Open	12pm	12:30pm	\$192+

Upcoming Meetings - Reminder

Men's Committee - Thursday April 4th 10am Women's Committee - Thursday April 4th after social Umpires' Committee - Tuesday April 2nd after social

When ringing for bowls and the office is unattended, please leave a message after the beep, so that your name can be added to the list. MBC Bowls Office: (02) 9682 8018, GBC Bowls Office: (02) 9682 8030, Email: bowls@clubmerrylands.com.au Web: merrylandsbc.bowls.com.au/