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Message from the President

Welcome to the 23/24 Bowls Season. We have been very busy during the Winter and we now boast new carpet throughout the Clubhouse and a refurbished kitchen with new benchtops, a new oven and cooktop and a bright paint job. Many thanks to all who contributed in preparation, electrical work and cleaning up. Special mention to Graeme Evans who was successful in obtaining a State Govt. grant for over 60% of the cost. Our success in gaining grants is the envy of many Hills clubs.

A welcome to those who have joined us for this year. Please introduce yourselves to our new members and make them feel at home. We hope you enjoy your time at Hahndorf.

We already have several bookings from Social Groups to use our excellent facilities during the Summer. Please consider volunteering to help at these functions. We need helpers to set up and pack away bowls, helping novice bowlers, manning the BBQ, or working at the bar. Don't leave it to the same ones every time.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone an enjoyable, happy, and successful Bowls season.

Website

Hahndorf Bowling Club: hahndorf.bowls.com.au

Hills Bowling Association: hillsba.com.au

Bowls South Australia: bowlssa.com.au



Coaches Corner: Michael Wheal

As the pennant bowls season for 2023-24 gets underway, here are a few points to remember.

The old saying *practice makes perfect* applies to our game as much as to any other endeavour. There are organized practice sessions at the club on Tuesdays and Fridays between 4:00pm and 6:00pm. For those unable to attend at those times the drills for the week will be posted outside on the wall facing the green.

The most important skill for most of us is drawing to the jack whether on the centre line or displaced to the side or into the ditch: most practice activities concentrate on this.

Occasionally it is necessary to deliver a bowl which will displace the jack or another bowl, a shot which requires the line or weight to be changed from a draw bowl. It is worth practicing enough to know what you need to do for such a shot.

Whilst no doubt your skipper and rink mates will be able to give you all the advice you need to perform with perfection, it is best to engage in self-analysis and when necessary, ask someone you believe can give you the assistance you need. From time to time your skipper might ask you to practice some particular aspect of your bowling. The sheet entitled *Why has your Bowl finished in a place you did not intend?* gives some advice on improving your delivery action.

Skippers should ensure that their comments and directions are instructive and constructive: bowlers can usually see that their bowl needed more grass or less weight but might not be aware, for example, that their step was not along their delivery line or was too long.

All bowlers need to be aware that some rules have changed or have been reinforced.

In particular:

- Laws 37, 38 Don't touch one of your team's or your opponents' bowls whilst it is in course as this allows the opposing director complete freedom in positioning the offended bowl, restoring the jack and any bowls it displaced by the bowl after you touched it or in declaring the end dead. Let a bowl headed for the ditch complete its course.
- Laws 12, 13 You have possession of the mat once your opponent's bowl completes its course and a toucher has been marked and dead bowls removed. Until then stay off the mat unless you want your bowl declared dead and any disturbance it has caused to the head restored by the opposing director. Whilst your opponents have possession you are required to be still silent, away from the mat or head and to do nothing likely to distract the bowler on the mat.
- Law 37 If a bowl from an adjacent rink is likely to disturb the head on your rink it is best to stop it and return it to the deliverer if it had been on the correct bias or otherwise, have it put on the bank. You are still permitted to lift and replace bowls to allow the bowl to continue its course.
- Law 29 If a bowler plays out of turn and subsequently, the opponent delivers a bowl then play will continue in that (otherwise incorrect) order.

What did you get up to during the off-season?



New Members

We have new members and new pennant players for the 2023 – 2024 season:

- Beth Young - previously played at Mount Barker BC
- Mark Schutt - previously played at Mount Barker BC
- Ray Chopping – Night and Social Bowler Hahndorf BC
- Glen McGough - previously played at Summerton BC (and Hahndorf BC)
- Don Bishop - previously played at Myponga BC
- Trevor Luke (Social member)– previously played at Uraidla Bowling Club

When you see them at the club, please introduce yourself and make them feel welcome.

2023 - 2024 Pennant Season Selectors

- Chairman of Selectors: Chris Rowe
- Division 1: Geoff Deeble and Rick Babidge
- Division 2 and 3: Ray Rattray and Chis Button

High Tea and fashion parade

Last year's high tea and fashion parade event run by the Hahndorf Community Association was such a success that this year we ran a collaborative event which was so well supported and again a sellout. Last year we challenged the men to make the event an open gender event and our club members did not disappoint us. Geoff and Tim ran the bar while Richard, Bill and Brian sat back relaxed and enjoyed the event and the delicious food. Thank you to all our club members that helped with food preparation, set up, and clean up, it really was a great day and showcased our beautifully renovated clubrooms to our visitors. Thank you especially to Gail Vort-Ronald, for organising the event and the delicious food.

Blue Bell Boutique in Hahndorf again ran the fashion parade and this year Val Deeble starred as one of the models.



The Grant Story : Graham Evans

Over the past eight years, our club has been successful in receiving grants to support a variety of projects, large or small, from Federal and State Government Departments, Mt Barker Council, and the Rotary Club of Mt Baker. Our Club's committee is required to provide the Mt Barker Council an annual Business Plan, signed off by committee and council. The Business plan includes forward planning of major projects and specific needs of the club into the future. Such items as the replacement of our green, the upgrade of the kitchen, floor coverings, etc. were part of that plan.

Each plan contains the estimated cost of the project and any possible grants that may be available at any specific time. The most important part of the plan is that it provides stable financial planning when any suitable grant is offered.

Each grant has four levels of programming.

1. Committee approval to proceed with a grant application.

Do we meet the Guidelines of the grant? If yes, then....

Quotations requested from appropriate supplier/s.

Timing of grant and supply.

Consideration to possible interruption to club facilities.

Other financial support – e.g., Council, sponsors, members.

2. The grant application.

Quotations formalised within the required timeframe.

Milestones (timetable) formalised.

Letters of support requested – these come from local Federal and State MPs, local Government Member, Bowls SA, Hills Bowls Association, local businesses, and associations, plus night and/or social bowlers.

Where the application is with a Federal or State Government Department, a formal request for support from the Mt Barker Council is generally requested. Over the past eight years Council has supported our grant applications within excess of \$80,000.

Complete the grant application within the guideline's timeframe.

3. Grant Application Approval.

Committee accepts the offer to proceed.

Suppliers notified.

Milestones amended to suit supply timelines.

Project managed to completion.

4. Grant Acquitted.

Final documents, photos, accounts provided to the grant supplier for sign off that the work has been completed as per the grant application and approval.

Over the past eight years, we have completed grant projects to the value of in excess of \$335,000 and received grants in excess of \$170,000. Grants are an invaluable asset to maintain our club in good order and condition.

Our Sponsorships: Graham Evans

Sponsorships play a large part of our financial security by providing support for our Club's future. Support comes in different packages, with sponsors offering:

1. financial support,
2. financial support and vouchers,
3. vouchers, or
4. products.

Sponsorship is provided as three different packages:

1. signage aside the green, atop a scoreboard and inside the clubhouse,
2. signage aside the green, and inside the clubhouse, or
3. signage inside the clubhouse.

Each sponsors' logo is located on the carousel on the front page of our website and on the dedicated sponsor's page plus both logos are linked to their website. They have the opportunity to provide any brochures etc., for display in the clubhouse. Some sponsors provide extra support in their Naming Rights to the various club championships.

Sponsors receive an annual proposal letter requesting their continued support. It is pleasing that we have had excellent support from practically all our sponsors, some over fifteen years or more. The value of their sponsorships is in excess of \$12,000 per year.

It is absolutely important we continue to support our sponsors wherever possible and thank them for their support. It makes it so much easier for them to agree without hesitation.

Added, their support assists to reduce the overall financial requirement for each grant. It also helps maintain your membership subscriptions!

Don't forget – tell them where you are from and thank them!

Rule Book Quiz: Geoff Deeble

1. What is the ruling if a lead delivers a bowl before delivering the jack?

Answer – next newsletter edition



Social News – Val Deeble



Christmas Dinner

Friday 8th December

Price: \$30 / Person

6.30pm

RSVP by Monday 4th Dec.

Names on the board.

All Players, members, friends, and family welcome.



Quiz Master: Tony Stevens

Friday 19th January 2024

7pm for 7.30pm

Hahndorf Bowling Club

Table of 8, \$80 / Table

Lucky Door Prize and a Prize for the winning team

Contact Val Deeble for Bookings:

0429 692 168



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BEERENBERG AUSTRALIA DAY OPEN MEDLEY

Friday January 26th 2024

Game: 4s of 12 ends
3 bowl pairs, 2 x 8
4s of 12 ends

Time: 9.30 am registration for 10 am start

Cost: \$100 per team – Includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea

Dress: Bowls attire

All entries to Val Deeble
Phone: 0429 692 168
Email: hahndorfbcb@gmail.com

Sponsor



Cheers to a fabulous,
positive, and successful
bowling season.