

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- Soup & Sandwich lunch is on 14 June (see over)
 The AGM will be held on Sunday 18 June at 2.00 pm. Nomination forms for committees are out in the clubrooms.
- 3 The Ausmas Dinner will be held on 22 July– 6.30 for 7.00 pm. We require a minimum of 60 people, so please fill in the list in due course.

RIP Colin Balmer 2/7/1931— 16/5/2023

Colin (pictured) was a member of Claremont Bowls Club back in the 1990's & 2000's. His wife, Jocelyn, was the first and only female President of our Club (2002-2005). Colin was responsible for preparing the club's constitution in the 1990's. He was part of Division 4 that won the southern premiership in 2006-07.



To Jocelyn and the family we extend our condolence.

Shrouded in the History of Bowls!!

Lawn bowls' origins can be traced right back to the ancient Egyptians. Archaeological findings support the theory that a game with biased stone balls was played almost 7000 years ago. Their version had sticks as targets, and would be played in the dirt instead of on grass.

A version of the game – much closer to what we would understand to be bowls – was played by another great civilisation – in ancient Rome. This version was to become modern-day bocce. It is believed that the Romans brought this game to the rest of Europe, with several countries adapting the rules creating their open version. This includes boules in France and of course lawn bowls in Great Britain.

Why do they call it a jack in bowls?

Casting of stones translates in Latin as "jactu lapidum" and was a game in which rounded stones were thrown at or bowled towards a target object and so some are persuaded that the modern word 'Jack' derives originally from this term.

A Quick Trip Around Australia



(above & right) Darwin Bowls Club has recently installed a new covered artificial green.



No cost available.



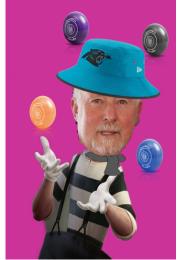
(left) New Farm Bowls Club, 969 Brunswick St, New Farm QLD 4005, look like they could do with some improvements to this green.

(left) Claremont Bowls Club in Perth, West Australia have this banner to advertise barefoot bowls. They must have lights over the green or powerful torches!!



1864 11 March. This day the Melbourne Bowling Club was founded by John Campbell, obtaining a lease of land at "Chapel Street" (sic) from Mr. Sayce, for a period of ten years of the annual rental of Twenty Pounds, payable half yearly on 11 September and 11 March each year. (First entry in the records in the handwriting of John Campbell). Thus making Melbourne the oldest bowling club in Australia.



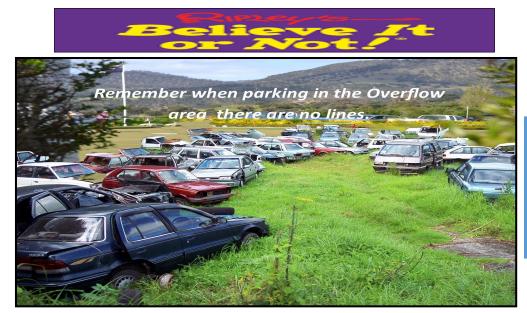


John has to juggle work & bowls



Now is a good time to talk to your friends/family etc. about joining our bowls club in readiness for season 2023-2024.

Invite them to the Soup & Sandwich lunch, the AGM as an observer, the Ausmas Dinner or later to barefoot bowls.



Winter members Weekly Draw

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Draw No 4 of 18/5/23—**Grady H**elmich who was not present. This week amount is \$100.00

Found the following on the Facebook page of David Triffett: -

"Started playing winter bowls comp at Cosgrove bowls club yesterday with the kids -Xavier - lead, Jaylah - two, Sebastian -three & my self as skip all wearing our Claremont Bowls (& Community) Club Inc. uniform representing the club. It was a bit of a slow start for us but coming away with the win 28 / 15 the kids played very well carried dad again lol. So very proud of the kids how they conducted themselves and the way they are bowling. Big shout out to Claremont Bowls (& Community) Club all members what you all have done for our three kids."



Cosgrove Park Bowls Club- L'ton & Xavier Triffett.

NB:

There may not be a Drawshot for next week due to circumstances, but we will be back soon.

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