
 To roll out the new year we will take a look at how we went during the first half of the season 2023-24 and pick out some highlights. 

Midweek –Wednesdays

Things have gone swimmingly for the Mid-weekers so far.

Div 3 has played 10 games, won 9 scored 753 shots against 424 with a net 329 and is in first place on the ladder.

The rink of Paul Davie, Craig Coad, David Howard & John Davis have led the field with the other two rinks not far behind. It goes to show what can happen when rinks are settle, stick together and play good bowls.

Rob Batge has played 10 and won 10 to lead the players in the division with Barry McDonald, Craig Coad, David Howard, Paul Davie, John Davis & Alan Anderson all in the top ten.

Div 4 are on top of the ladder and performing well. Nick Evans is the No 1 bowler in the division being part of 8 wins. Ian Rider, Garry Francis & David Shaddock are in the top ten bowlers. Side will need to keep performing as the other 3 teams in the four are not that far away.



*Thomas 'Tom' Bird RIP
22.4.1942 – 25.12.2023*

It was with great sadness to hear of the death of Tom, a much liked member of our club for many years. To Ann and the family we extend our sincere condolence.



Women's –Thursdays

Division 1 has had a great start to the season until a loss to Rosny Park send them out of the four. Nether-the-less they are only 6 points behind top team Sandy Bay. Several new players have joined the side this season and are going quite well. Maree Morgan (pictured) is the best performed skip so far. Julie White and Maree Careless, both leads, are in the top ten. Rhonda Rider, Teena Bennet & Christine Andrews feature in the top ten of the 2nds. Trudy Davis & Wendy Gray are in the top ten for 3rds. *Christine Andrews has done a stirring job in reporting on the Div 1 games.*

Division 2 have battled hard but are well down the ladder at this stage. A big fightback is required if they are to make the final four. Di Sweeney is the best performed of our skips.

Division 4 also are out of the four, but not that far behind, so with some good wins it is quite possible for them to climb up the ladder. Rane Oxley, Tina Howard and Brenda Pinnington are in the ten best players. Greg Wheeler has been called in because of lack of players and is in the top ten of 2nds. And Brenda Pinnington is the 2nd best of the skips.



Geoff Munro, a former member of our club, died recently.

Saturday Open

The Premier side sits in 6th spot on the ladder, and needs some good wins to force its way into the magic four. Its recent form has showed great promise and if they continue with that anything is possible. The team placements are now working well and if all bowlers get behind selector Michael Taylor and the 'Mont' we should see some good results as we tackle 2024.

Division 2: Is only 1 point outside the four and has the ability to move up the ladder. Maree Morgan is in the top ten for leads, Jamie Bowring in top ten for 2nds, Trudy Davis & Michael Dawes in top ten for 3rds. John Davis is in the top 10 for skips. Some very important games coming up.

Div 4: Someone penned them as 'Dad's Army'* but they are only 7 points behind Sandy Bay who are 3rd on the ladder. A couple of poor games has not help the cause, but this side is capable of doing much better. * Perhaps Dad's & Mum's Army.

Div 5: After a promising start the side has slipped recently and needs some urgent wins if they are to reach the four. (right) Elizabeth Downward.

Div 6: They are trying hard and having fun. Ken Broomhead (pictured) has come out of retirement to help out.



Team of the Week is Sponsored by Craig Farrell MLC, member for Derwent.
TOW from now on will go by rounds because of the way the rosters have been structured. Next week we will announce the TOW for Round 10 & 11.



The Summer member's weekly draw is sponsored by Kristie Johnston- Independent Member for Clark.
 The next draw will be on Thursday 11 January. Be there between 5.00 & 5.30 pm when the excitement starts.



New Year's resolutions:
PLENTY OF LIQUIDS



BTS Championships



We have had quite a few of our players enter the various championships.

Michael Taylor took out the men's open singles and we congratulate him.

Tom Bird's funeral was attended by a large number including quite a few from our club. It was a very fitting service.



Let's support our sponsors.

Each week we will highlight one or two of our sponsors & supporters. They fund us in different ways, so don't expect discounts at their place of business!



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Games in 2024

- Thursday 11 January Round 11
- Women's: Div 1 v Sandy Bay AWAY, Div 2 v Orford AT HOME & Div 4 v Sandy Bay AT HOME
- Saturday 13 January 2024 Round 10
- Saturday Open: Premier v Dover AT HOME, Div 2 v Taroona AWAY, Div 4 v Buckingham AWAY, Div 5 v Oatlands AT HOME & Div 6 v Sandy Bay AT HOME
- Wednesday 17 January 2024 Round 11
- Midweek: Div 3 v Orford AT HOME, Div 4 v Kingborough AT HOME
- Thursday 18 January Round 12
- Women's: Div 1 v Brighton AWAY, Div 2 v Kingborough AT HOME, Div 4 v Howrah At Home
- NB: We have a double header coming up on 20 (Sat) & 21 (Sun) January, so don't make plans other than bowls on those two days.**

**OUR RUN TO THE FINALS STARTS NOW!
 NOT JUST THE FOUR -WE WANT THE GRAND FINAL!**

Every bowl you play at practice or club championships or pennant must get 100% effort, sound judgment and thought.
 Other clubs think we are not good enough, so let's show 'em they are wrong.
 Every pennant you play in is a chance for you to deliver the knock out punch.
 The selectors have put us in a position of trust, don't let them or the club down.
 Be a team player, be confident that you have the ability to get our club back on top.
 Anon.

Barefoot Bowls is going well and we would welcome all from 10 January 2024 and the following Wednesdays 5.45 for 6.00 pm

Barefoot Bowls Still Popular!



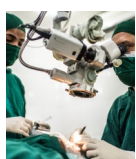
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Sick List
 Steve Davie sings-



"I can see clearly now."



Believe It or Not!

Don't be a Bozzo!

Sorry, this is your last drink tonight, Bozzo!



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