

SLBC NEWS



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This weekly update is sent to members of the St Lucia Bowling Club. To contribute Club news or general bowls items of interest to Club members, please email them to the Editor, Pamela Miller – pamela.miller1@bigpond.com

2024 SLBC CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTATIONS



2024 BDBA Ladies Fours Champions

Rachel Chiang, Lois Bradley, Pam Richardson (S), Julie Hawley



SLBC Men's A Singles Champion
SLBC Men's B Singles Champion
SLBC Men's C Singles Champion

Peter Fairchild

(with President Lloyd Edwards)



SLBC Ladies A Singles Champion

Pam Salway

(with President Lloyd Edwards)

To view the full spread of photos of the presentations, members can go to the Club website through the Members Only portal to Club Events. Thank you to Narelle Sutton for being the chief photographer, capturing the happiness of the winners.

CLUB BOWLING NEWS

St Lucia Dental Mixed Birdie Triples

The delayed third round of the Birdies was played last Saturday. The competition saw four very close games with two being decided by a single point.

The Plovers - Rachel Chiang, Josie Caltabiano and John Stack (S) - overcame a determined performance by the Owls - Ian Thomas, Tim Salway and Nikki Geran (S) - to the tune of 17-16. This game was neck and neck the whole way with the scores locked at 5-all after five ends, 10-all after 13 ends and 16-all after 20 ends. It could not have been closer.

The other one-point game was between the Finches and the Hawks. The Finches - Paul Keane, Laurie Annan and Doug Buchbach (S) - were unlucky to go down to the determined Hawks - Rob Malcolm, Suzanne Jordan and Graham Legg (S) by 20-21. Despite the Hawks' skip's efforts in converting the 20th end from 3 up to 2 down to lock the scores at 20-all, the Hawks still managed to squeak home in a very tight match. Other highlights of the game were good lead bowling by both leads and the scintillating form of Doug Buchbach over the first six ends which saw his team race to a 10-1 lead.

The surprise performance of the round was in the match between the Wrens - Paul Pollock, Narelle Sutton and Bruce Holwell (S)) and the Lorikeets - Frank Wark, Vaughan Thomas and Pam Salway (S). The Wrens, forced to make team changes due to the absence of Ken Harvey, put up a great performance to go down to the competition-leading Lorikeets by 16-19. The Wrens did well in the first half to be leading 10-8 at the break. Scores were locked at 15-all after 17 ends. The Lorikeets then powered home winning three of the last four ends.

The last game of the round was between the Wagtails - Joanne Annan, Red O'Hara and Peter Jordan (S) against the Curlews - Don Anderson, Shane Curran and Mark Benson (S). The Wagtails came out eventual winners 23-17 having led slightly throughout although scores were locked at 16-all on the 17th end. The deadlock was broken and perhaps the match was decided by the Wagtails scoring a five on the 18th end.

Well played to all bowlers and good luck in the fourth round this Saturday. The score table will be on the noticeboard later this week and on the website. Team managers, please have teams to me by Friday.

- Graham Legg, Games Manager



The SLBC Christmas Party was a great success this year with a late afternoon start and a less formal approach to dining. The air-conditioning was much appreciated too. Many thanks to our Functions Director, Anne Kuhnemann, and her team of enthusiastic helpers. You all made it a very special evening filled with the joy of the holiday season.

Painting of Paths around the Clubhouse

The BCC has advised that painting of the paths will take place on 16 and 17 December. The Club will be closed during those two days to allow completion of the work, weather permitting as usual.