

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

SLBC OPEN C SINGLES 2026

Round 2 of the C Singles was played on Wednesday.

Trevor Catt defeated Narelle Sutton 25-10.

Bev Walker defeated Antony Flint 25-23.

Congratulations to both Bev and Trevor on advancing to the final.

- Darcy Barry, Games Manager

PRESIDENT'S FOURS

Saturday morning started out looking a little glum with grey skies but, by the time the President's Fours competition started at 12:30pm, the sky had turned blue and the sun was out.

This annual event, which converted in 2025 from a series to a one-day event, was well supported with eight teams of four. The teams were club selected and the scorecards randomly chosen by each team skip. This led to a competitive afternoon filled with lots of good-humoured banter around the rinks.

Following two games of 10 ends by each team and, after the scores were counted, two teams had won both games. Achieving a two-game win with a margin of plus 12, the team of Anthony Flint (skip), Ken Harvey, Rijn Camphorst and Bev Walker were close contenders to take out the day. However, a two-game win with a margin of plus 22, the team of Pam Salway (skip), Stephen James, Julie Hawley and Wendy Hoskin, took out the title for 2026 and gratefully received the prize presented by Club President Max Grey.



INDIVIDUAL TRAINING SESSIONS with MATT LUCAS

Recently, five St Lucia members (Anne Kuhnemann, Graham Legg, Craig Francis, Doug Buchbach and I) booked in with Bowls Coach Matt Lucas for individual coaching/mentoring sessions. Matt travelled up from Helensvale to St Lucia for the day and we all had an individual hour session with him. The response from all has been very positive, leaving some of us wanting to rebook with him again.

Overall, the point I'm making is, if you thought you need some new assistance or direction with your bowls skills, then this is a great way to do that. As for me, my game has improved, not overnight but, each time I play and practice, I can see progress. I will rebook with Matt in the near future.

So, if you have a question about the training sessions, please feel free to ask any of us for further feedback. Happy bowling to you all 😊

- Antony Flint

SLBC ANNUAL FASHION PARADE

The Fashion Parade held last Friday was a success thanks to the efforts of many dedicated contributors. Wendy Hoskin's creativity shone through in her striking table decorations, artfully combining fruit and flowers, even carrying the lemon theme into her dress. Wendy is a teacher of the Japanese art of Ikebana, Sogetsu School. She was asked to tell us about the flower arrangements and gave new meaning to the phrase "If life gives you lemons, make lemonade." (Or cumquats, make jam!)



Catering was expertly managed by Gillian Gilbert, Ann Burton, Marj Johnson and Barbara Dent under the capable leadership of Bev King. A hardworking clean-up team of Leslee Mackay, Margaret Miller, Lois Bradley and Lyndell Town ensured everything was spotless after lunch.

This year's parade featured two new models, Anita Bolton and Roz Henzell, who joined experienced participants Anne Kuhnemann, Lois Porter and me to showcase the Portofino outfits. More photos of the parade can be seen on the SLBC website under Members Events. Raffle sales were handled efficiently by Coralie Ellis and Lyndell Town with prizes generously donated by Pamela Miller, Annette Hall, Lyndell Town, Toni Johnson, Bev King and Club sponsors, Forages and Fruity Capers. Pam Salway served as MC for the day and was lucky enough to win the \$50 voucher from Portofino.

Another great day happily enjoyed by all!

- Ros Mortensen

Captain's Corner

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

-Coming up for the rest of the year :

- **29 SEPTEMBER – OPEN CONSISTENCY–**
This open event commences. The draw will be available on the website and Noticeboard.
- **7 OCTOBER – OPEN “B” SINGLES –**
Nominations will close on 23 September. To be eligible, members must be financial and Full members who have not won a “B” or Championship Singles event in this club or any other club. To enter, please use the button on the SLBC website’s “Register for Bowls” page.
- **23 & 30 OCTOBER 2026 – BDBA SENIOR FOURS –** being played at Windsor. Entries are open via BowlsLink. Entries close 16 Oct
- **24 & 31 OCTOBER 2026 – BDBA MEN’S & WOMEN’S SINGLES –** being played at Chermside. Entries are open now via BowlsLink and close 16 Oct
- **26 OCTOBER 2026 – SLBC OPEN PAIRS –**
This event is a one-day sponsored by The Village Yeronga. Entries are filling up. Entries from other clubs are accepted. Please contact Pam Salway on admin@stluciabowls.org if you wish to enter a team.
- **26 OCTOBER 2026 - SCOTTISH INTERNATIONAL OPEN -** takes place from October 26 to October 29, 2026, at the West Lothian Indoor Bowling Club. Watch the action on YouTube.
- **6 NOVEMBER 2026 – The Village Yeronga Triples Day** - A Tri Series competition between 3 bowls clubs - Corinda, Graceville and St Lucia, sponsored by The Village Yeronga will be held at The Village Yeronga. An 8 person representative squad will be selected soon to play, but all club members are welcome to attend to enjoy the hospitality of The Village Yeronga. More info later.
- **7-8 NOVEMBER 2026 – BDBA OPEN NOVICE SINGLES –** being played at Enoggera. Entries are open via BowlsLink – close 30 October.

- **7 NOVEMBER 2026 – SLBC’S 2027 CHAMPION OF CLUB PAIRS (MEN AND WOMEN) –** These events will commence on Saturday 7th November. Closing date for nominations is 24 October. Entries are open via BowlsLink. Simply scan the

Scan here for Men



Scan here for Women



relevant QR code -

- **9-13 NOVEMBER 2026 - BOWLS PREMIER LEAGUE NO 24 -** BPL24 will be held from 9-13 November 2026 at Ocean Grove Bowling Club. It will once again be televised via Bowls Australia’s YouTube Channel and Facebook.
 - **14-21 NOVEMBER 2026 - STATE CHAMPION OF CLUB CHAMPIONS -** will be held at North Mackay Bowls Club (Goosies Sport & Recreation Club) from 14 to 21 November 2026, with the State Pennant Finals following on 28 and 29 November 2026. This year Bowls Queensland have introduced a ‘Zone/State’ play off competition for the winners of Divisions 1, 2 and 3.
 - **27 NOVEMBER 2026 – SLBC’S PRESENTATION NIGHT / CHRISTMAS PARTY –** save the date. Celebrations kick off from 4 pm.
 - **5 DECEMBER 2026 – SLBC’S 2027 CHAMPION OF CLUB FOURS (MEN AND WOMEN) -** These events will commence on Saturday 5 December. Closing date for nominations is 21 November. Entries are open via BowlsLink. Simply scan the relevant QR code.
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- **7-10 DECEMBER 2026 – ULTIMATE BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIPS –** from Deer Park Bowls Club. Watch via YouTube
 - **8-24 JANUARY 2027 - THE AMBASSADOR CRUISE LINE WORLD INDOOR BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIPS -** will take place at Potters Resorts Hopton-on-Sea. Watch on YouTube.

MINI MINUTES - MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 2026

- BinCoin is organizing an operator to service our containers.
- Active and Healthy Living sessions have begun with volunteers handling the coaching.
- Tim confirmed an application for 'Senior's Celebration' to be used for Xmas function.
- Parking notice created for the issue of illegal parking to be placed under windscreens.
- 83 female and 99 male members at our club.
- A statement will be included in the template 'Welcome Letter' to new members which advises volunteer expectations and that a Team Captain will reach out to them in future regarding an event requiring volunteers from the Club.
- With the upcoming installation of the LED lights on the Red Green, it was suggested that we establish a working group of proactive and enthusiastic members to explore innovative opportunities for bowling and social activities that could be offered to both our members and the broader community.
- There were four functions in August, including a large St John's College function for 210 students.
- There are four functions in September including the Duchesne Fundraiser with up to 200 students in early October. Enquiries for end of year functions appear strong.
- As we have passed the first milestone of the Lighting Agreement with the BCC, \$40 000 will be deposited into our account before the end of September. The project is to start the first week in October.
- Flowers to be sent to Elsie Speight, our Club Patron who turned 96 last Monday. Elsie is unwell now and has been in STARS at the RBWH for the last fortnight.



FREE

 **Active & Healthy Activity**
**COME AND TRY
LAWN BOWLS**

Held Over 30 August
Seven Sundays... 06, 13 & 20 September
10:30am to 12:00noon 11, 18 & 25 October

Bookings essential...
Text: 0419 475 763
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