

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

ST LUCIA DENTAL BIRDIE TRIPLES

We have just passed the halfway point in this competition with Round 5 having been played on Saturday.

The table sees the Wagtails on top with 8 points, having 4 wins from 5 games. The Hawks, fresh from their victory over the Wagtails on Saturday, are in second spot with 3 wins from 3 games with a game in hand.

Anything can happen over the next few games with four rounds still to go and a maximum 8 points up for grabs. The score table is on the Club's website and will be on the noticeboard this week.

– Graham Legg, Games Manager

BDBA WOMEN'S AUTUMN PENNANT SEASON

The BDBA Women's Autumn Pennant competition will begin on Friday mornings, commencing on 20 February 2026. This competition is played each week at a different host venue.

The format is sets play which results in a quicker game and adds an interesting dynamic to the competition.

Any female fully affiliated members who are interested in participating should enter their expression of interest to be considered for selection. Please register on the SLBC website on the "Register for Bowls" page (at the bottom of the page).

– Pam Salway, Bowls Captain

PHOTOS OF PRESENTATION NIGHT AT SLBC



Additional photos from the Club's Presentation Night last Friday can be seen on the SLBC Website by going through the Members Portal to Members Only Events.



REVIEW OF SLBC'S PERFORMANCE IN EXTERNAL EVENTS IN 2025

SLBC is a Force - "May the Force be With You!"

I think the Star Wars consortium would not mind my using the well-known phrase to describe our Club. During 2025, SLBC has been a 'force' to be reckoned with in events where the club has been represented. Pride and determination have made our representatives strive to do well and they did just that.

In a rough count, SLBC was represented in approximately twenty events. (This count does not include local carnival days where SLBC teams often enter). Of those twenty events, most were conducted by the Brisbane District Bowls Association (BDBA) but a couple were conducted by groups outside the Brisbane District. Of those events, below is a snapshot of the results achieved.

BDBA Division 1 Ladies Pennant	Champion
BQ Group 4 Zone Division 1 Ladies Pennant	Champion
BDBA Women's District Pairs	Champion
BDBA Senior Open Pairs	Champion
BDBA Champion of Club Women's Fours	Champion
Great Eights (Brisbane area final)	2 nd
BDBA Women's Autumn Pennant	2 nd
BDBA Winter Eights (Div 1)	2 nd
BDBA Men's Senior Pennant	3 rd
BDBA Open Pennant (Div 5)	3 rd
BDBA Women's District Fours	3 rd
BDBA Champion of Club Women's Pairs	3 rd

Note: "3rd" means played in the semifinal but lost.

"2nd" means played in the final but lost.

2025 was a GREAT year filled with successes for St Lucia Bowling Club due in no small way to players' commitment and determination. Let's not forget the Club's Selectors who were considered and thoughtful - a formula which obviously worked.

If a goal can be set for 2026, it must be....."May the Force Be with You!"

– Pam Salway, Bowls Captain

SPONSOR NEWS PAGE

Ian Thomas, SLBC Sponsorship Manager, is pleased to advise members of the latest addition to our valued sponsor group - Termite Rescue Services.

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PRAISE FOR CLANCY JAMES (BUTCHER) AT FIVEWAYS, TARINGA

My turkey for the family Thanksgiving Dinner last Thursday was a huge success. Not only was it delicious but the purchase and preparation of the fowl was first class. Clancy James defrosted it in their fridge in advance and there were no quills to be plucked from the skin, no excess “finds” in the cavity and plenty of skin left to be able to close over the stuffing. (Family recipe for that goes back generations and can be obtained by contacting the Editor.) The carved meat was so moist and our only regret was that there weren't more leftovers. Note to self – Bigger turkey for next year!

- Pamela Miller, Editor

WONDERFUL SUPPORT FROM SPONSORS

Eddie Singh and AJ from L J Hooker St Lucia were keen to donate to enable prize money to be given for 10 events. It was very appropriate that they were able to join in the celebration at the Presentation Night to be thanked by members and to assist in presenting these prizes. It was a welcome surprise for recipients to receive not only a badge but also prize money to acknowledge their achievements.

The club was also fortunate to receive a donation from the Brisbane City Council's Lord Mayor's Seniors Celebration Fund. This was put towards the Christmas Party / Presentation Night.

Councillor Penny Wolff was in attendance and thoroughly enjoyed her first Christmas dinner function for the year.

SLBC is fortunate to have such marvellous sponsors and support. We sincerely thank them.

- Pam Salway, Bowls Captain

WALK

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MIDDLE

of the

RINK

Please help our team look after the greens by spreading the wear when crossing over during an end. Don't wander to the edge of the rink which is where the bowls roll and where your slow progress can interfere with play on the next rink. **Walk down the middle of your rink!**

Captain's Corner

31 January 2026 – Merlo Coffee Cup commences. If you want to be considered for selection to play in this competition which runs until 28 March 2026, place your interest via SLBC's website "Register for Bowls".

– Pam Salway, Bowls Captain

NEW PORTABLE BAR NOW IN USE



Donated by Jimmy from our sponsor, Common Ground Brewery, the new bar is now in full operation. Being able to serve up to four alcoholic drinks and using a temprite to keep the beer cold, it has already become a favourite place for a thirst quencher.

Club Providore, Laurie Annan, is seen preparing a cold one for Clive Hamlin, one of our Monday Crew regulars who was without his constant companion, the electric hedge-trimmer, on this occasion.

- Bruce Holwell, Facilities Director
