

# SLBC NEWS



20 May 2026

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](mailto:pamela.miller1@bigpond.com)

## BDBA MEN'S SENIOR PENNANT – Round 6

Last Friday, the Division 3 Men's Senior Pennants side played New Farm at Red Hill. Despite the threat of rain right up to roll up time, the weather held and the sun even poked its head out occasionally. What a relief to play on a first class green! The top green at Red Hill ran extremely well considering all the rain we had.

Craig's team (Ken Harvey, Tony Burton and Craig Francis) had a real "day out" with everyone playing very well and finishing easy winners in straight sets 12-1, 11-5.

Doug's team (Trevor Catt, Brian Vandersee and Doug Buchbach) had an interesting game. They tied the first set 7-7 and scored the first shot in the second set. Apparently, the bowls gods then decided to have some fun at their expense as they went on to lose that second set 1-16 for an overall loss.

It was then up to Darcy's team (Peter Jordan, Bruce Holwell and Darcy Barry) to save the day. Having lost the first set 4-7, they won the second set 8-4 to go to a tiebreaker. Darcy's team won the decider 1-0 with the New Farm skip missing a weighted shot on his last bowl which was the only miss he had all morning. A special welcome back to Bruce. It's great to see him on the greens again.

This win leaves us sitting fourth on the ladder just one point off third and two points off second place. As two of the teams above us must play this coming week, a win to the Saints will ensure that we achieve a spot in the coveted top three with all the advantages that gives. Next Friday, St Lucia plays its final round (before the Finals) against Everton Park at New Farm.

- Craig Francis, Team Manager

## CHAMPION OF CLUB MIXED PAIRS COMPETITION

First Round Winners –

E.Grey/M.Grey 25-12  
N.Sutton/D.Buchbach 24 -20  
L.Mackay/A.Flint 25-15  
R.Hoskin/L.Bradley 25-12  
P.Richardson/C.Francis 35-9  
S.Jordan/P.Jordan 37-4  
B.King/R. Wormwell23-17

- Darcy Barry, Games Manager

# Captain's Corner

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Coming up during the next month or two:

- **Now – SLBC Men's Triples** - The competition starts this Saturday. All players have been advised of their draw. The draw will also be placed on the noticeboard and is on the SLBC website.
- **Now – Champion of Club Mixed Pairs** competition continues with the first round games all completed. Unless rescheduled, the second round games are due to be played this Saturday. If you reschedule your game, don't forget to advise the Games Manager (Darcy Barry) and Bowls Captain (Pam Salway).
- **23 May – SLBC AGM** – The morning will begin with the Bowls Section meetings at 10 am, followed by the AGM at 10:30 am. Remember to let Rob Hoskin know or put your name on the list pinned to the noticeboard if you intend to stay for a sandwich.
- **25 May – St Lucia's "The Village Yeronga" Fours** – With a full complement of teams and great raffle prizes, it promises to be a fun day. A list of SLBC members who are in teams is on the noticeboard so you can check who you are playing with.
- **30/31 May - BDBA Men's and Women's District Pairs.** Entries for these competitions are through BowlsLink, closing 22 May. The Women's comp is at Enoggera, with the Men's comp being held at Toombul.
- **30/31 May – Australian Indoor Qld Qualifier – Men.** Being held at Club Tweed, this tournament offers players a pathway to the Australian Indoor Singles Championships to be held in August. Should be some good bowls played and it's free to watch.
- **5 June 2026 – Australian Open commences** – On the Gold Coast.
- **20 June 2026 – BDBA Men's & Women's CoCC Fours (Day 1)** – Ferny Grove for the men and Windsor for the women.
- **27/28 June 2026 – BDBA Men's & Women's CoCC Pairs** - Both at Windsor
- **4 July 2026 to mid-September (TBA) – Pennant Season** – SLBC is entered into Divisions 2, 4 and 6. The format of play is Divisions 2 and 4 are 3 rinks of 4's, with Division 6 being 3 rinks of triples. If you haven't placed your name on the list yet, please do asap so that the selectors know that you are interested in being selected.
- **5 July 2026 – BDBA Men's & Women's CoCC Singles (Day 1)** - both at Chermside
- **12 July 2026 – BDBA Men's & Women's CoCC Fours (Day 2)** – Ferny Grove for the men and Windsor for the women
- **19 & 26 July 2026 – BDBA CoCC Mixed Pairs** – Chermside
- **22 July 2026 – SLBC's Patrons Triples**
- **23 July – 2 August 2026 – Commonwealth Games – Glasgow**

- Pam Salway, Bowls Captain

## **MENS SENIOR PENNANTS – WEEK 7 – Friday 22 May 2026**

### **Division 3 – Away at New Farm against Everton Park at 10:00am**

#### Team 1

Ken Harvey  
Dicky Ng  
Craig Francis (Skip)

#### Team 2

Robin Town  
Trevor Catt  
Tony Burton (Skip)

#### Team 3

Peter Jordan  
Darcy Barry  
Bruce Howell (Skip)

Manager: Craig Francis (0402 154 346)

#### **Notes:**

1. Please contact the Manager ASAP if you are unavailable to play.
2. All players are to pay their green fees (\$20.00) in cash to their Skip prior to the start of the game.



Pre-loved women's Club uniform items are available at the bar.

The sizes are 8 and 10 in the shirts and 10 in the long pants.

A donation of \$25 to the Club for each item would be appreciated.

### **NAME BADGES FOR MEMBERS**

Orders are being taken for members who would like to have new badges. Perhaps you may have lost your name badge or it has been broken. The badges make it easier for all members to greet each other by name instead of relying on their memories. Send your preferred name and type of badge to the Membership Director at [membership@stluciabowls.org](mailto:membership@stluciabowls.org) The list will close on Friday 29 May.

The cost of a replacement badge is \$15 for the combination clip or \$16 for the magnetic clip. New members receive their badges free as part of their welcome to the Club when they join.



## Mini Minutes of Management Committee Meeting May 2026

- Pam Richardson thanked for the great job she did in preparing the financials for the auditor.
- Anne Kuhnemann thanked for preparing the AGM documentation for distribution.
- The AGM will be well supported with 40 attendees.
- Stronger bowling figures for Wednesdays, Saturdays and Thursdays. Tuesdays are down but a week of wet weather impacted numbers.
- Our membership sits at 200 with 90 women and 110 men.
- BCC Active & Healthy program to begin on Sunday 20 September for 7 sessions.
- There was one small function in April and seven enquiries for May with five confirmed.
- Wine glasses with marked plimsoll lines to be purchased to comply with liquor regulations.
- Our Providore team now comprises Rob Hoskin (alcohol), Pam Richardson (Costco cheese, milk, ginger beer), Bruce Holwell (soft drinks, glasses, etc), Trevor (cleaning and other supplies). This is a time-consuming role made easier when shared.
- In addition to regular cutting and rolling this month, both greens were aerated and treated with chemicals to prepare them for the colder months ahead.
- A new device that measures water content of the soil and various chemical components was purchased. It is hoped that this will assist in the overall management of the greens especially with regard to watering times and duration. This could mean savings to water costs.
- Our Sponsorship Director, Ian Thomas, has reported a new sign to replace that of Chris de Jong, our electrician. Meat for the Financial Day's lasagna has been supplied by Clancy's Gourmet Butcher at a discount. Five sponsors will attend our fundraiser.
- Bruce Holwell has been obtaining quotes to replace the bifold doors between the main room and the bar area.

- Rob Hoskin, Secretary

## ZONTA FUNDRAISER – Sunday 31 May

### **JOIN US!**

Bring family and friends to the club on Sunday 31 May from 2-5pm for a Zonta\* fundraiser.

Come and enjoy a relaxed afternoon of bowls and a Greek Souvlaki BBQ. (Paul Pollock, our beloved BBQ Chef, is expanding his repertoire!)

Adults \$45, Students \$25, Under 18's \$5.

Proceeds go to [ZIGZAG](#), supporting young women who have experienced sexual assault and homelessness.

Click on this link to book:

<https://www.trybooking.com/DKJHZ>

Contact Anne Kuhnemann \* on 0477 107594 for any queries or assistance with booking.

*\*Anne Kuhnemann is a member of Zonta International which stands for women's rights.*

Zonta focusses on issues such as ending child marriage and violence against women.