

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

CLUB BOWLING NEWS

Saturday Open Pennant Competition

Division 4 Final against West Toowong

Our SLBC team lost the Final by just seven shots but what a comeback on a very fast green at Windsor!

Lois' team kept us in the hunt throughout the afternoon. After six ends, her team was leading 11-0 while the other rinks were down 1-11 and 1-19. After twelve ends, we were only eight shots behind thanks mainly to Lois' team continuing to dominate, leading 18-2.

By the 17th end, the West Toowong players were getting a little nervous as their lead had been cut to three. This turnaround came because of Peter's team fighting back to being only one behind, 17-18. However, our momentum faltered over the last four ends for SLBC to lose overall by seven.

It was a valiant effort in oppressive heat and playing on a green running much faster than we are used to at home. Thank you to all the players who contributed to our being in the Final in 2024.

- Peter Jordan, Tean Manager

Mixed Pairs Competition

Four second round games were played last week.

Peter and Suzanne Jordan got off to an absolute flyer leading Julie Hawley and Clive Hamlin 17-1 after six ends and 23-5 after 11 ends. The tea break may have changed the momentum as the remaining ten ends saw a great comeback with Julie and Clive scoring 10 points to their opposition's 5, including seven points over the last four ends. Eventually, Peter and Suzanne's strong start got them home 28-20.

The match between Yo Dodgson and Fulvio Toniotti and Erin and Max Grey was a very close game throughout. Scores were locked at six each after six ends with Yo and Fulvio pulling ahead 17-11 after 11 ends. Erin and Max then scored five in two ends to be one point behind after 13 ends. From there, no more than three points separated the teams before Erin and Max finished strongly winning three of the last four ends to run out winners 27-20. They will face Peter and Suzanne Jordan in the semi-final next week.

Narelle Sutton and Graham Legg battled bravely but, in the end, were no match for the consistent, quality bowls of Rachel Chiang and Dicky Ng, going down 33-7. Rachel and Dicky bowled well throughout the game and both played wonderful shots on the few occasions their opposition looked like winning an end. Rachel's ever-present orange bowls were again a feature of the game. One statistic from which Narelle and Graham can take some solace is that 15 of the 21 ends were scores of one or two. The other statistic is that they only won four ends!

Tim and Pam Salway may have decided they don't want to win this competition the easy way, having advanced in a last end decider for the second week in a row. Pam Richardson and Stephen O'Shanassy pushed them all the way, leading 6-5 after eight ends, only to go down 17-19, having been tied at 17-all after 20 ends. Interestingly, both teams strung together four consecutive winning ends, Tim and Pam winning 10 points over ends 9 to 12 and Pam and Stephen responding by winning six points over ends 17 to 20. Tim and Pam now take on Rachel and Dicky in what should be a blockbuster semi-final.

Men's Triples Competition

The call for this competition has now closed and the draw will be on the noticeboard and website this week. Competition starts on Saturday 14 September so please check to see when your game is on. Good luck to all teams!

- Graham Legg, Games Manager



Brisbane District Bowls Association Inc.
Ladies Division

Congratulations to Pam Salway and Pam Richardson on their selection to represent Brisbane District in the Moreton Bay Challenge held at Ferny Grove on Sunday 15 September. This is Pam Richardson's debut wearing the District colours. We wish both bowlers well in this event!

Women's Consistency Competition

On Tuesday, Pam Richardson defeated Lois Bradley in the St Lucia Ladies Consistency Competition in a very close and hard-fought match. Both players were pleased with their performance. Pam will now play Margaret Miller in the semifinal before the winner meets Ros Mortensen in the final.

- Linda Bird, Women's Games Manager

Around the Clubhouse

Our Clubhouse will be closed on Friday 6 September as the veranda is being sanded and painted.

The contractor has advised that the veranda can be walked on the following day, Saturday. Maintenance to our veranda is done every second year and is essential for the upkeep of our premises.

- Bruce Holwell, Facilities Director

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