

# SLBC NEWS



13 August 2025

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)

## WEDNESDAY 13 AUGUST (EKKA DAY)

**Social bowls will start at 12 noon, at the same time as the Walter Taylor Shield competition.**

All players playing on the day, whether in the WTS competition or social, should register, preferably online, before 10:30am. Those rostered on as the DJ or selector, please also note the early start time. Social bowls will follow a similar format to the WTS competition. **All games are 2-bowl triples.**

**Everyone needs to be at the club and have paid their green fees by no later than 11:30. This helps the organisers and, particularly, the DJ. Also, will members please pay their green fees and register before going for a roll up.**

## PENNANTS – OPEN DIVISION 3

The sixth round of the Division 3 Open Pennants season was played under a gloomy sky at our nearby neighbour, West Toowong. That did not stop our “stars” from shining. We won on all three rinks by a total of 58-38. The green was very slow and taking little turn which made short bowls a skip’s nightmare and resulted in low scoring games.

Craig’s team (Doug Buchbach, Bruce Holwell, Pam Richardson and Craig Francis) were always in front and, despite losing four of the last five ends, won 19-13. Everyone played great bowls when it really counted.

Warren’s team (Col Bertwistle, Brian Vandersee, Terry Martin and Warren Garnham) lost the first end but were never headed again for the remainder of their match and ran out comfortable winners by 19-12. All played well with a special mention for Terry who played so well in his first outing at this level as Third.

Pam’s team (Rachel Chiang, Darcy Barry, Nikki Geran and Pam Salway) had yet another good win. They were behind after 10 ends but played very good bowls to win 20-13. A remarkable statistic is that, although Pam’s team lost 12 ends, they only conceded 13 shots which is a great lesson for all of us to keep the opponent’s scoring to a minimum and try to get at least second shot.

Our chances of making the Finals remain alive. All we need next Saturday is to have a maximum win at home against Toombul and for Red Hill to lose against Geebung! Go the Saints!

- Craig Francis, Manager

### **PENNANTS – OPEN DIVISION 5**

The Division 5 team had a well-earned 6-point win away to Northern Suburbs on Saturday and came away with 7 of the possible 8 points. This win was particularly pleasing in that it was achieved in a very close game on carpet and came after a loss the previous week.

Lois's team of Joanne Annan, Robin Town and Lois Bradley (S) had a 23-18 victory having led from the sixth end.

Clive's team of Ken Harvey, Graham Legg and Clive Hamlin (S) had a 19-14 win in a game that saw Ken back to his best with some solid lead bowling.

Mark's team of Vaughan Thomas, Dicky Ng and Mark Benson (S) went down 14-18 in a very tight game. Although behind from the second end, Mark's team hung in there and the card shows they won four of the last six ends scoring 6 points to 3.

Well done to all bowlers for grinding out a tough win.

- Graham Legg, Team Manager

### **PENNANTS – DIVISION 6**

The good news was that it didn't rain. The bad news was that we lost on all three rinks. Ian Thomas's team of Don Anderson and Rijn Camphorst started slowly with New Farm scoring a 3 and 4 in the first four ends, then came back to be only 1 down after 12 ends but had a slump until finishing strongly with two 2s in the last two ends, finally down 16-24. Bill Mill's team of Peter Broderick and Max Grey had a similar result, being even halfway through then fading to a loss 18-22. My team with Narelle Sutton and Peter Jordan had a strong start winning 10 of the first 11 ends until the New Farm team had a few beers and got the feel of the green, resulting in our hardly scoring in the second half and a sad loss by only two shots 13-15. So, no points to us!!

- Tim Salway, Team Manager

### **BRISBANE DISTRICT LADIES FOURS MATCH AGAINST SUNSHINE COAST DISTRICT**

On Sunday, playing at Red Hill, SLBC was well represented by our team of Rachel Chiang, Pam Richardson, Nikki Geran and Pam Salway, having defeated Chermshire to win the Brisbane Champion of Club Champions Final.

It was a fantastic match! The Maroochy team, representing the Sunshine Coast district, was well warmed up after beating Pine Rivers representing the Moreton Bay District. The Maroochy team included "the Rixon sisters" who are both Maltese international bowlers, with that skill level flowing through to their second who had represented Switzerland. We witnessed some fantastic bowls with all our ladies playing top level bowls. The lead continually changed over the first 20 ends.

Going into the last end, the teams were a dead tie. Then, with three bowls left to play, our ladies were holding the shot and the match, the competitor took that shot out. Pam, then in turn, took that one out and then the final bowl played by the Maroochy skip wacked off a bowl completely out of play ricocheting off two other bowls to drive the kitty forward, not backwards, which gave them the match. Bowls can be a very exciting and fickle game!

Graham and Janet Legg along with Stephen O'Shanassy were there in support.

- Tim Salway, Interested Observer

## MEN'S B SINGLES COMPETITION & MIXED PAIRS COMPETITION

The call is now open for these competitions. To enter the Men's B Singles, please enter online. To enter the Mixed Pairs, please put your team on the list on the noticeboard.

- Graham Legg, Games Manager

## WELFARE OFFICER – Position Still Available

For many years, our Club has had a Welfare Officer but, more recently, this important position has not been filled since Ian Newsom was the Officer. Given the aging demographic of our Club, it is important that we keep in touch with our fellow members when they are injured or are not in good health.

I recently asked at one of our afternoon teas if there was anyone who would be prepared to take up this very important position but, to date, I have had no one contact me to offer their services.

The role of the Welfare Officer is to keep an 'ear out' regarding any member who is unable to attend the Club regularly due to an accident or an illness. A few phone calls each month by the Welfare Officer can keep the rest of the members aware of the progress of any indisposed member and when they may return to bowling.

I now cast my request to all members of the Club in hope that someone, male or female, will at least 'give it a go'. If you want to know more about the position, do not hesitate to contact me for more information. I'm sure the right person is already a member.

- Max Grey, President

## CAPTAIN'S CORNER

### Dates For Your Diary

- **"B" Singles and "Club Mixed Pairs"**- If you are an affiliated member and haven't won this competition before, or the A singles competition at this or any other club, don't forget to put your nomination in for the Men's and Women's B Singles competitions. Even if you've won a mixed pairs competition before, you can still enter the Club Mixed Pairs competition. More information is on the noticeboard. Please note that the men's competition, as a trial, will be conducted through the BowlsLink Portal.
- **13 August (Wednesday) - Walter Taylor Shield.** Preparations are done for this exciting day. Raffles, drinks and a sausage sizzle, will all be on offer. **All players in both Walter Taylor Shield and Social bowls should register on-line in the usual manner.** Social bowlers will join in all the after-game festivities.
- **12 September – Nominations close for the BDBA District Pairs & Fours both Men and Women** - *Nominations are now open* for these District Competitions. The Ladies Pairs and Men's Fours will be played at Toombul Bowls Club 20-21 September. The Men's Pairs and Ladies Fours will be played at Geebung Bowls Club 27-28 September. If you wish to nominate, please log onto your BowlsLink app and enter. You then pay at the DJ's office the \$32 per player fee. If you need assistance, please ask Pam Salway. All the information is available in BowlsLink, plus a notice is pinned on the noticeboard.
- **St Lucia Fashion Parade** – This event is in the calendar for Friday 3 October. Watch this space for more information.

### Tip of the Day

Billie Jean King: "Don't practise until you get it right. Practise until you can't get it wrong."

### FEEDBACK FROM RECENT FUNCTION – EMMANUEL COLLEGE

We received a lovely note from Emmanuel College:

*Special thanks to Paul who was amazing on the BBQ. Everyone was raving about the food being so well prepared! And to the many members who came down to help with the bowls also - that was lovely of you especially given it looked like rain. The guests who got out onto the green felt like they were receiving individual lessons and I know they all had lots of fun. So, thanks again for a lovely relaxing afternoon!*

My sincere thanks also to the 30 or so members who helped with the recent function attended by around 145 students. They ensured the students had a great time, even as showers drifted across. This was a wonderful contribution from our Club.

- Anne Kuhnemann, Functions Director

**Please continue to scroll down to the following pages for the list of pennant teams for the coming week.**

### WINTER EIGHTS DIVISION 1 – PENNANT FINAL

Our Division 1 Winter Eights Pennants side has made it into the Final against Northern Suburbs, to be played at Chermside Bowls Club on Friday 22 August 2025 commencing at 9:30am.

We have played Northern Suburbs twice this season and, although we lost both matches, each club won two rinks with the matches decided on margins. The scene is set for an eagerly anticipated decider and we are confident that we can bring home the flag.

It would great to have as many of our loyal supporters come along to cheer us to a big win.  
Go the Saints!

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### **WINTER EIGHTS FINAL – FRIDAY 22 AUGUST 2025**

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#### **Div 1 – St Lucia v Northern Suburbs at Chermside at 9.30am**

Doug Buchbach	Sau Yin (Rachel) Chiang
Lois Bradley	John (Darcy) Barry
Siu Hong (Dicky) Ng	Pamela Richardson
Craig Francis	Pamela Salway

**Manager:** Pamela Salway (0414 381 427)

**Reserve:** Mark Benson

**Note:** Please contact your Manager ASAP if you are unavailable to play.

## OPEN PENNANTS ROUND 7 – Saturday 16 August 2025

### **Div 3 – Home to Toombul at 1.00pm**

Sau Yin (Rachel) Chiang	Colin Bertwistle	Bruce Holwell
Brian Vandersee	Terence Martin	Antony Flint
Nikki Geran	Anthony Burton	Pamela Richardson
Pamela Salway	Warren Garnham	Craig Francis

**Manager:** Craig Francis (0402 154 346)

### **Div 5 – Away at Banyo at 1.00pm**

Ken Harvey	Joanne Annan	Peter Fairchild
Graham Legg	Robin Town	Siu Hong (Dicky) Ng
Clive Hamlin	Lois Bradley	Mark Benson

**Manager:** Graham Legg (0419 771 954)

### **Div 6 – Home to Ferny Grove at 1.00pm**

Peter Jordan	Anne Kuhnemann	Ian Nave
Josie Caltibiano	Max Grey	Rijn Camphorst
Timothy Salway	Bill Mills	John Stack

**Manager:** Tim Salway (0413 748 666)

### **Umpire for Div 3 – Rijn Camphorst**

### **Umpire for Div 3 – Pamela Salway**

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