

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

PENNANTS ARE OPEN COMPETITIONS IN 2024

WE NEED **FULL** MEMBERS (LADIES and MEN) TO PLEASE REGISTER THEIR INTEREST FOR PLAYING PENNANTS IN 2024.

Midweek Competition (previously Ladies) and Saturday Competition (previously Men)

- **MIDWEEK - Mainly Tuesday mornings** 2 July to 2 August
- **SATURDAYS** 6 July to 31 August

Please notify your interest to **LOIS BRADLEY 0468306090** or **PETER JORDAN 0418770105** or print your name on **LISTS AT CLUB** (open on weekends) **as soon as possible**. We don't have much time to work out gradings and teams.

- Lois Bradley and Peter Jordan, Selectors for Pennants

MEN'S SECTION

Men's A Singles Championship

These games have been deferred due to the BCC construction and Club closure and will now commence on Saturday 8 June. Please refer to the Members Only portal on the SLBC website for the draw.

- Graham Legg, Games Manager

Division 3 Men's Senior Pennants

It was a hard day on a very fast carpet at Northern Suburbs. St Lucia came away with the maximum six points to ensure our place in the final. Craig Francis (S), Terry Martin and Ken Harvey won both sets, 24-10. Dicky Ng (S) with Rob Hoskin and Robin Town lost the first set 4-11 then won the second 11-4 taking them to a tiebreaker end which they won by two shots. Doug Buchbach (S), Bruce Holwell and Vaughan Thomas won the first set 11-9 then lost the second 7-10 but held on to win the tiebreaker end by one shot.

St Lucia will play Toombul in the Division 3 Men's Senior Pennant Final on Friday at Red Hill Bowls Club. Supporters are welcome to come along to watch.

- Vaughan Thomas and Bruce Holwell, Team Managers

Temporary Closures due to BCC Accessibility Construction Work

The St Lucia Bowling Club, both clubhouse and greens, will be closed to members to allow the Brisbane City Council to work on improving the disability access around our grounds. From Monday 3 June, there will be no bowls on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (sessions moved to Sunday afternoon as below) but normal bowls will be played on Saturday 8 June.

The Thursday Twilight Bowls session will be held on Sundays during the construction. Registration is between 2:00pm and 2:30pm with bowls commencing at 3:00pm, followed by drinks and a BBQ.

Enoggera welcomes SLBC members to join their normal bowls days on Wednesdays. All our members are eligible to play bowls at other Clubs as Visitors. Check their websites and phone at the times suggested, telling them that you are a member of SLBC. You will be welcomed to play.

As updates on the progress of the BCC works become available, SLBC members will be notified.

Is It Possible to be Too Quick to Play?

Yes! While we should always be ready with bowl in hand, prepared to step onto the mat, the bowl delivered by your opponent should have stopped and be at rest on the green before you deliver your bowl.

Your opponent does have possession of the rink while their bowl is running up the green until it stops at which time you take possession of the rink on the mat to deliver your bowl.

The first time someone delivers their bowl while the opponent's bowl is still running, the umpire should warn the player while the player's skip is present. If it happens again, the umpire must declare the player's bowl dead.

Once the player's bowl has been declared dead, if that bowl has disturbed the head, the opposing skip or singles opponent must choose whether to replace the head, leave the head as altered or declare the end dead.

The full explanation can be found in the *Laws of the Sport of Bowls*, Rule 13 on p.27. You can purchase a copy at the bar.

Laws of the Sport of Bowls

There are rules in place for every sport and we enjoy games more when we understand some of the rules. This is also true for bowls. The *Laws of the Sport of Bowls* is not just the tightly guarded wisdom of umpires but all players are entitled to have at least a passable knowledge of those that apply to our sport rather than believing some of the misguided interpretations that can be shared around on a social basis.

Where can they be found? These books are on sale in the bar for \$10, available to everyone. Read the little book, underline what you see as interesting, absorb those that you can use during the game and, if you have any questions, talk to an umpire. You'll find that your enjoyment of the sport will improve. You will be a better team member and club player by knowing what is expected of you when playing bowls.

At the very least, you'll find some gems and perhaps the perfect cure for insomnia 😊