

SLBC NEWS



29 July 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

WINTER BDBA PENNANTS

Division 2

Another loss across all rinks for the Division 2 team who played at home against Ferny Grove.

The team of Rachel Chiang, Suzanne Jordan, Nikki Geran and Pam Salway (S) led all the way until the last end when, leading by three, Pam played a shot with the intention of either displacing the shot bowl or chipping the jack to make more shots for the Saints. It went wrong and movement on the closest Saints' bowl gave the opposition four shots. A loss for this team 17-18. It's a cruel game!

Lois Bradley's team of Terry Martin, Dicky Ng and Trevor Catt found it hard going against a deadly skip who was in excellent form. A loss of 13-26.

Craig Francis' team of Ken Harvey, Pam Richardson, Tony Burton had a difficult day against Ferny Grove whose skip played great bowls and saved them at least 15 shots on the day. Despite being outplayed and behind on the scoreboard all afternoon, the team hung in there and were remarkably one shot behind going into the last end. Unfortunately, the last end wasn't their best. No bowls in the head and dropped three shots for an overall loss of four shots. Worse news was to come – their skip isn't playing for the next two weeks and he obviously saved his best game for us! A loss of 17-21.

Next week sees the team travelling to New Farm.

- Pam Salway, Team Manager

Division 4

Division 4 went down to Merthyr 55-66 with following reports from the three skips:

Robin Town's team of Rob Hoskin, Brian Vandersee and Clive Hamlin had a close match resulting in a win 19-18. All contributed well as we went to an early lead and held it throughout. The Merthyr team came back to need three shots on the last end to draw but only managed two.

Doug Buchbach's team of Col Bertwistle, Julie Hawley and Darcy Barry had tough opposition from both the Merthyr team and a slow green. In a close game, the lead changed several times. After being down 10-14, SLBC were ahead 19-16 on the 20th end after some good bowling from skip Doug only to lose the last end to draw at 19-all.

Antony Flint skipped Paul Keane, Graham Legg and Tim Salway. Well, how things can change in one week after a good win last week! We went down 17-29 which was a long hard afternoon. Yes, numerous multiples went against us and their skip was good, very good. In short, we were outplayed as a team.

- Tim Salway, Team Manager

REMINDER – SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF SLBC MEMBERS

WEDNESDAY 29 JULY 2026 AT 11AM

Two main topics for discussion are the LED lights to be installed on the Red Green and the leasing of 15 car spaces on the top carpark near the large bins.

The meeting is open to all financial members who are asked to support these two issues as well as a motion to allow the Management Committee to pay for the project.

Currently the Management Committee has permission to outlay up to \$30 000 without the approval of members. The project is likely to cost approximately \$80 000 with \$60 000 coming from a Brisbane City Council grant.

N.B. Under the Club's Constitution, you must be present to vote as proxy votes are not accepted.

- Rob Hoskin, Secretary

WALTER TAYLOR SHIELD - 12 AUGUST (EKKA DAY)

Teams have been selected and the list appears in this issue, on the SLBC website and also the noticeboard. Some reserves are noted and are welcome to attend the afternoon as teams may be swapped around during the afternoon. Confirmation of the start time is yet to be received but it's expected the game start time will be 12 noon as per last year.

SOCIAL BOWLS - 12 AUGUST (EKKA DAY)

Social bowls will still be available on 12 August, however due to the small number of players expected because of the Walter Taylor Shield being played at West Toowong, no staff will be rostered on.

WALTER TAYLOR CHALLENGE TEAMS

Antony Flint, Tim Salway, Paul Pollock Doug Buchbach, Rob Malcolm, Erin Grey

Graham Legg, Rachel Chiang, Bev Walker Pam Richardson, Patrick Bailey, Col Bertwistle

Pam Salway, Max Grey, Ken Harvey Trevor Catt, Lloyd Edwards, Rob Hoskin

Dicky Ng, Julie Hawley, Vaughan Thomas Floaters: Paul Keane, Susan Enright, Clive Hamlin

Skips: Please remember the floaters need to play half a game in each game.

Captain's Corner

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Coming up for the rest of the year:

- **12 August 2026 (Ekka Show Day) – Walter Taylor Shield** – vs West Toowong. Teams have been selected and appear on the website and noticeboard. It is expected the game start time will be 12 noon at West Toowong Bowls Club. The format is 7 teams of triples, playing 3 games during the afternoon. You may be named as a reserve, but teams are likely to be swapped around during the afternoon so everyone is welcome. St Lucia won the shield last year so let's defend it well this year and bring it home again.
- **9 & 16 August 2026 (Sundays) – Coaching Clinic with Matt Lucas** – Both clinics are now full but a waitlist has started. You must pay for the Clinic at the DJ office or over the bar as soon as possible to secure your spot. If you are on the waitlist, don't pay, just wait for a call/email if you get a spot. Clinics start at 9.30 am, will include a light lunch, and take 3-4 hrs incl. Cost \$25
- **10-13 August 2026 - Australian Indoor Championships** - At Club Tweed. Live streaming will take place on BA's YouTube channel.
- **19 August 2026 - Open "C" Singles - Nominations close** – This open event (i.e. men and women) will commence on **2 September (Wednesday)**. Nominations will open shortly. To be eligible, members must be financial and Full members who have not won a "C", "B" or Championship Singles event in this club or any other club. To enter, please register on the SLBC website on "Register for Bowls" page.
- **15 September – Open Consistency Nominations close** – This open event (i.e. men and women) will commence on **29 September (Tuesday)**. Nominations will open later in August and close on 15 September. To be eligible, members must be financial and Full members. To enter, please watch out for the button on the SLBC website's "Register for Bowls" page.
- **21 September – 2026 – Mixed Birdie Triples – Nominations close** – This event will commence on **30 September** and all financial members are invited to participate. To enter, watch for the button on the SLBC website's "Register for Bowls" page.
- **23 September – Open "B" Singles – Nominations close** - This open event (i.e. men and women) will commence on **7 October (Wednesday)**. Nominations will open later in August, and close on 23 September. To be eligible, members must be financial and Full members who have not won a "B" or Championship Singles event in this club or any other club. To enter, watch for the button on the SLBC website's "Register for Bowls" page.
- **10 October 2026 - Mixed President's Fours** - All financial members are invited to play in this one-day event. It is a fun afternoon with prizes awarded to the winners. Watch out for the button which will appear on the SLBC website's "Register for Bowls" page.
- **26 October 2026 – SLBC Open Pairs** – This event is a one-day event sponsored by The Village Yeronga. Entries will open shortly.
- **7 November 2026 – SLBC's 2027 Champion of Club Pairs (Men and Women)** – These events will commence on Saturday 7 November. Closing date for nominations is 24 October. Entry will be via BowlsLink.

- **9-13 November 2026 - Bowls Premier League No 24 - BPL24** will be held from 9-13 November 2026 at Ocean Grove Bowling Club. It will once again be televised via Bowls Australia's YouTube Channel and Facebook.
- **14-21 November 2026 - State Champion of Club Champions** - will be held at North Mackay Bowls Club (Goosies Sport & Recreation Club) from 14-21 November 2026 with the State Pennant Finals following on 28 and 29 November 2026. This year, Bowls Queensland has introduced a 'Zone/State' playoff competition for the winners of Divisions 1, 2 and 3.
- **5 December 2026 – SLBC's 2027 Champion of Club Fours (Men and Women) –** These events will commence on Saturday 5 December. Closing date for nominations is 21 November. Entry will be via BowlsLink

- Pam Salway, Bowls Captain

PENNANTS – Round 5 – Saturday 1 August 2026

Division 2 – New Farm v St Lucia at New Farm 1.00pm

Suzanne Enright	Trevor Catt	Terry Martin
Suzanne Jordan	Pam Richardson	Stephen James
Nikki Geran	Tony Burton	Bruce Holwell
Pamela Salway (Skip)	Craig Francis (Skip)	Lois Bradley (Skip)

Manager: Pamela Salway (0414 381 427)

Division 4 – St Lucia v New Farm at St Lucia 1.00pm

Rob Hoskin	Col Bertwistle	Vaughan Thomas
Brian Vandersee	Julie Hawley	Graham Legg
Robin Town	Darcy Barry	Tim Salway
Mark Benson (Skip)	Doug Buchbach (Skip)	Antony Flint (Skip)

Umpire for Division 4: Graham Legg

Manager: Vaughan Thomas (0419 475 763)

Notes:

1. Please contact your Skip ASAP if you are unavailable to play.
2. All players are to pay their green fees in cash to their Skip prior to the start of the game.



ST LUCIA

October Open Pairs



A FUN AFTERNOON OF LAWN BOWLS!



DATE:

**Monday
26 October 2026**



TIME:

12 noon



FORMAT:

**3 games of 10 ends
or 1 hour / 3 bowl pairs**



COST:

\$60 per team

**Includes hamburgers
and nibbles after
the event.**



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***First 26 teams
accepted.***

***For more info :
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ENTRIES CLOSE:

**16 October 2026
at 5 pm**

**Get your team together and join us for
a great afternoon of bowls and fun!**