



# The MANLY MESSENGER

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September 2020 edition



**OCTOBER**  
is Bowls Queensland's  
**COME & TRY MONTH**



**MANLY BOWLS CLUB**  
SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2020  
2PM - 5PM

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## **MEN'S DIVISION REPORT**

I would like to start to congratulate the 99% of us that are part of the club that participate and enjoy each other's company and our game of bowls. A small number recently have decided that it has being necessary to abuse the goodwill and companionship for which our past and present members have worked to make our club the envy of many in the district. I ask you all to respect each other, our rules and enjoy our facilities and our game.

We have some exciting events coming up in October, with Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> we will be running a "Come and try day" between 2 pm and 5 pm. Here is a chance to show our friends and family what they are missing out on. We are also planning to run Jack Attack© on Friday night in

October to showcase bowls and get interest and increase our bowling members.

Our Pennant teams have one more week of games before the finals, with our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> division looking like they will be in the finals, and 4<sup>th</sup> relying on results, so well done to you all.

A special thanks to Marcelle who has umpired our home pennant games.

The Men's Annual meeting will be held at the club on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 9 am. I would like to thank our current committee for their hard work and dedication in this year of trying conditions.

Murray Burdett

Men's President

## **MEN'S GAMES DIRECTOR REPORT**

Final of Club Pairs will be held on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 1.00pm between Boyd Hodges and Daryl Hammond against Shane White and Syd Bean.

Club Fours have been drawn with first round commencing Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

Open Singles have commenced and will continue over the next few months.

Nominations for Club Triples, Mixed Pairs, B Grade Singles, Veteran Singles have been called and close late September, check notice board for closing dates.

The Pennant season is drawing to conclusion with Divisions 3 ,4 ,7 all chances of playing in finals, going into last round.

The popular Thursday Super Singles continue every second week, next game on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September commencing at 6.30pm.

### **Upcoming Events –**

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October - Breakfast Pairs

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Queens Birthday Open Triples

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Police Bowls Visit

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Yellow Cabs

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Bowls Qld. – “Try a Bowl Day”

Greg Brazier - Games Director Men’s Division

## **LADIES’ GAMES DIRECTOR REPORT:**

Ladies,

Our bowling year, up to this point, has certainly proven to be one we won’t forget in a long time. I would like to say thank you sincerely to all the ladies who have been strictly adhering to the Covid 19 rules each week. Your sanitising, social distancing and overall good hygiene practices are greatly appreciated by this club. Mat disinfecting and jack cleaning are also being correctly carried out- thank you for your cooperation in this vital exercise.

Our Open Singles Championship Final was played this month with a close fought match between Lyn Gilbert and Lyn Malone with a win to Lyn Gilbert. Congratulations also to Maree Mayne who won the A Singles Final with June Turner-Smith as runner-up. Finally, the B Singles Final has also been played with Kym Szymanowski defeating June Turner-Smith in the final.

Considering our time out in lockdown this year when we missed 3 to 4 months of playing, we are still able to run our Triples Championship. Nominations close on the 29th September when the draw will be completed with the first round to start on the 6 October. Nominated dates for the Triples are Oct. 6; Oct 13th; Oct. 20th with the final to follow.

On a disappointing note, the Manly pennant ladies voted recently to abandon the current pennant season, due to the unknown with Covid 19. The possibilities of tighter restrictions, lockdowns, and the spread of the virus in certain Brisbane suburbs was definitely a major consideration for our ladies along with the fact that we were having

trouble fielding teams on some of the allocated dates. No doubt, we will be all back again next year- hopefully bigger and brighter than ever.

The Social competition between our ladies is going well with Denise Zale winning last month followed closely by Shirley See Kee.

On a personal note, may I say a truly heartfelt thank you to all the ladies and gentlemen who have supported my husband, Gary, and myself during his bout of cancer this year. Your well wishes and acts of kindness were so appreciated and as he is now in remission, is hoping to join you all on the green soon.

'til next time - good bowling.

Ladies Game Director

Kym Szymanowski

## **WAR VETS NEWS**

What a joy it was to finally be able to get back to bowling and some semblance of a normal routine. Little by little we are finding ways to do things in an almost normal way. Tea and coffee has returned to our morning routine, and Irena is again providing lunch. Little steps but all contribute to 'getting our life back', and lovely new round tablecloths will soon be part of the scene.

While our regular monthly bus trips were all canned, we are looking at a luxury bus trip to Yeppoon and surrounds, including the Town of 1770, and a couple of games of bowls. This is being scheduled for Mid/Late November this year. May even be open to some non-Vets if space provides. Interested parties would be wise to register with the War Vets committee ASAP.

Meanwhile, let's keep moving on, do your sanitizing and distancing, and remember we all have a 99.6% chance of NOT being affected by a virus.

Odile Anderson

## **FISHING CLUB**

Hello all, the weather played the game for our last comp and we had fantastic numbers weighed-in. Jake was the overall senior division winner weighing-in a fantastic mixed bag of fish including a 6.3kg Morwong a 1.2kg Tuskfish and a 1.1 kg Mackerel to name but a few.

Mick Lawson was a very close runner up weighing- in a nice mixed bag including a 1.4kg tailor a 1kg Flathead and a 935gm Snapper. Cooper was the only junior to weigh-in for this comp taking out the division with a nice 525gm Moses Perch.

Last month Ian Reed managed to land the biggest Flathead I've ever seen caught in our local creeks, the monster wasn't weighed but it was 79cm in length (see pic attached). Flathead this size are predominately female breeders and this big girl was released back into the water without harm.

Speaking of monsters Mick Irwin managed to break his own club record for Cod (which we thought would never get broken) last month whilst fishing offshore rainbow beach. Mick managed to land a MASSIVE 19.37kg specimen (see pic attached), can't wait to see if he can better this record somewhere down the track.

Well done to these two keen anglers as always persistence does pay off, these guys are always out chasing fish at every opportunity that they get presented with. Several members are heading up to Burrum

Heads for a week of fishing next month, hopefully we will have some great pics to share in our next newsletter.

Till next time tight lines

Regards BSFC Inc







## HUMOUR AND VERSE

Robert Dilworth sent this one in:

A senior citizen drove his brand new Holden Senator out of the dealership. Taking off down the road, he pushed it to 120 kph, enjoying the power of the car. "Amazing," he thought as he flew down the M1, pushing the pedal even more.

Looking in his rear view mirror, he saw a highway patrol car, blue lights flashing and siren blaring. He floored it to 140 kph, then 180kph, then suddenly he thought,

"What am I doing? I'm too old for this!"

Pulled over to await the copper's arrival. Pulling in behind him, the copper got out of his vehicle and walked up to the car. He looked at his watch, then said,

"Sir, my shift ends in 30 minutes. Today is Friday. If you can give me a new reason for speeding – a reason I've never before heard – I'll let you go.."

The old gentleman paused...

"Thirty three years ago, my wife ran off with a policeman, I thought you were bringing her back."

Have a good day, Sir," replied the copper.

[ED. This one is from Lance Ballment. He must be thinking about getting old.]

Lying around, pondering the problems of the world, I realized that at my age I don't really give a rat's arse anymore.

If walking is good for your health, the postman would be immortal.

A whale swims all day, only eats fish, and drinks water, but is still fat.

A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years, while a tortoise doesn't run and does mostly nothing, yet it lives for 150 years. And they tell us to exercise? I don't think so.

Now that I'm older, here's what I've discovered:

1. I started out with nothing, and i still have most of it.
2. My wild oats are mostly enjoyed with prunes and All-Bran.
3. Funny, I don't remember being absent-minded.
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5. If all is not lost, then where the heck is it?
6. It was a whole lot easier to get older than it was to get wiser.
7. Some days, you're the top dog, some days you're the hydrant.
8. I wish the buck really did stop here, i sure could use a few of them.
9. Kids in the backseat cause accidents.
10. Accidents in the back seat cause kids.
11. It is hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.
12. The world only beats a path to your door when you're in the bathroom.
13. If god wanted me to touch my toes, he'd have put them on my knees.
14. When I'm finally holding all the right cards, everyone wants to play chess.
15. It is not hard to meet expenses . . . They're everywhere.
16. The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth.
17. These days, I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter. . . I go somewhere to get something, and then wonder what I'm "here after".
18. Funny, I don't remember being absent-minded.
19. It is a lot better to be seen than viewed.
20. Have I sent this message to you before???...or did I get it from you?



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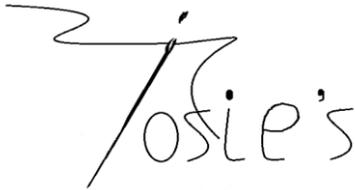
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