



## **MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER**

AUTUMN – my favourite season. Pennant has finished for this season, but what a finish the club had. The No1 Saturday side played in two finals games but unfortunately lost both, but what a great season they had. I was so proud of our third Tuesday team who were also in the finals. Unfortunately, they had to play Ferntree Gully at Ferntree Gully, which is always very difficult even for more experienced players. The third team was made up of many very new bowlers so that made the fact of them being in the finals a more special effort. **Well Done Eastwood!!**

**BIRTHDAYS AND WELL WISHES:** This month our birthday wishes reach out to a number of our members. They include Kath Boyd, Daryl Couch, Lyndsay Edis, Cath Sheppard, Elva Tait, Jan Webb. I'd also like to extend birthday wishes to Leo Hickleton (who was a longtime member). Leo will be 97 this month. WOW!!

Our "sickies" this month include Tracy Kennelly who is recovering from a gall bladder op. Tracy has had a tough time but is now home and her "head nurse" is taking good care of her. Fred Reid is now home after a short stay in hospital and we haven't seen Terry Bennetts for a while – he is having some medical tests.

Best wishes to everyone always.

**CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Both the ladies' pairs and men's pairs have been completed. I apologise that I couldn't attend the men's final between Greg Davis and Eric Rankin and Lindsay Allen and Alan Cain. Greg and Eric were the winners but unfortunately no photos were taken.

The ladies' final was last Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>. The winners were Suzanne Murphy and Julie Curran and the runners up were Carolyn Dick and Denise Hehir. Well done to all finalists and everyone who participated.



The mixed pairs draw has been done with the first match getting underway on Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup>.

**TOURNAMENT:** What a great job Julie and her team have done and are doing. We have 16 teams paid up for Wednesday, March 13th with 8 outside teams and 8 Eastwood teams. There is a list on the board for anyone who can help with catering

Please check and help if you can.

**OUR SPONSOR OF THE MONTH:** Carolyn has chosen the Bendigo Bank again as they are generously sponsoring our tournament. The Bendigo Bank is very supportive of the community.



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**FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH:** This social event for members, non-members, families and visitors was held on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. A good time was had by those who attended.

Perhaps this is our champion of the future!!



Our next occasion will be Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **POST PENNANT SOCIAL BOWLS:**

Tuesday: Peter Webb has organised 2-4-2 pairs games, giving everyone a chance to change positions and gain new experiences.

Saturday: Ron Hepton is going to introduce a new format to replace the points system we used to have. Keep your eyes on the board.

Thursday: Social bowls will continue as usual.

**DAD’S ARMY:** Aren’t we lucky to be able to share “this little piece of heaven”. The outlook is always interesting and beautiful no matter what the weather is doing. This week “the army” painted the surrounds of the green and updated the boundary and rink colours.

There is a plan in progress for the shelter without a roof.



**OUR BOTTLE DEPOSIT SCHEME:** Many of you will be aware we are commencing a new recycling program within the Bowls Club, taking advantage of the refundable bottle scheme.

Recently bottles accumulated over a couple of months were taken to the recycling facility. Proceeds from recycling these bottles gave us just under \$100.

If you wish to add any personal bottles they would be very appreciated.

You will also notice a new pale green bin has been placed alongside the other bins. This bin is only for recycling bottles, no other items to be placed in them.

Your support of our efforts would be greatly appreciated and alleviate the need to go through rubbish bins just to retrieve bottles.

Dad’s & Mum’s Army

## RECYCLE / REFUNDABLE BOTTLE SCHEME

**Cans / Bottles / Stubbies**

**DEPOSIT THESE IN THIS BIN ONLY**

**“NO FOOD”**

Please **do not** crush cans **OR**  
Drop bottles **to avoid** breakages  
**Thank you for your support!**

**Note: the above new label for the recycling  
bottle bin.**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

- Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> After Pennant social bowls get together was a great success.
- Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> Our tournament - 10am start
- Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> Cake stall at Bunnings
- Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> Paul Ovenden Triples
- Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> AGM 2pm

Best wishes to all  
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