

Shoalhaven Ex-Servicemen Men's Bowling Club Report – 24th December 2017

I think the expected temperatures kept most players in the air conditioning. On Wednesday, the humid weather was cooled by a fluky breeze and bowlers enjoyed the three games of Social Pairs and two of Triples. Saturday was a clear hot day that had the bowlers sweltering on the green. Three games of Mixed Social Triples were played.

Wednesday 20th December the fast green was a pleasure to play on.

Rink 1 held the first game of Triples. This was a hard fought game with Matthew Rosina, Bert Watson and Bert Madge playing wonderful bowls to come home the winners at 23 shots to 16.

Rink 2 Another game of triples with Greg Morphett, Less Stuart and Ray Solway just getting home from a fast finishing opposition by 22 to 20 shots.

Rink 3 witnessed John O'Dell and John Edwards playing magnificent bowls to devastate their opposition by 20 shots to 13.

Rink 4 This was the match of the week. Both teams had a solid start when they each won an end by 5 shots. Joe Wright and Dooley Gould (welcome back Dooley) then found their concentration and played some sublime bowls including another fabulous five and some fantastic threes to be leading by 17 to 6 on the 8th end. Could they lose the game from that position? Tommy Smith and Alessandro Lattanzio dug deeply into their bag of tricks and slowly clawed their way back 2 shots at a time. Joe and Dooley offered some opposition but Tommy and Alessandro would not be denied. A fantastic three had them at 19 to 22 on the 20th end. Could they sustain this long run and win the game? Close but no apple pie! A fantastic 3 had them tie the game at 22 shots all. Could they continue the onslaught? YES, another fabulous 3 by Tommy Smith and Alessandro Lattanzio won them the end and the game by 25 to 22 shots. What a comeback!

Rink 5 In the last game of pairs, David Solomon and Roy Cartledge played at their very best and trounced their opponents by 28 shots to 15.

Draw Results

1st Prize Rink 4 Tommy Smith and Alessandro Lattanzio

2nd Prize Rink 1 Matthew Rosina, Bert Watson and Bert Madge

3rd Prize Rink 2 Greg Morphett, Less Stuart and Ray Solway

1st Spin Rink 5 David Solomon and Roy Cartledge **Not Won.**

2nd Spin Rink 4 Tommy Smith and Alessandro Lattanzio **WON.**

Saturday 23rd December was a stinker of an afternoon. The Green was rolling at a fast pace.

Rink 2 witnessed Steve Hollington, Ray Solway and Peter Smith play outstanding bowls to come from behind and crush their opponents by 23 to 14 shots.

Rink 3 saw a very tough struggle win Matthew Rosina, John Newbold and Tim McCormack emerging winners by 23 shots to 19.

Rink 4 was another superb game with both teams showing us splendid bowls and tying at 13 all. John O'Dell, Allan Rose and Dave Milne (welcome back Dave) won on a count back by 11 ends to 7.

Draw Results

1st Prize Rink 3 Matthew Rosina, John Newbold and Tim McCormack

2nd Prize Rink 4 John O'Dell, Allan Rose and Dave Milne

3rd Prize Rink 2 Steve Hollington, Ray Solway and Peter Smith

What's On

Wednesday 27th December. Nominated Pairs competition payment by 12.30pm

Saturday 30th December Mixed Social Bowls payment by 12.30pm

A very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year to All.

2017 Singles Champion of the Year, Tim McCormack

