

Shoalhaven Ex-Servicemen Men's Bowling Club Report – 28th January 2018

A very humid week of bowls resulted in a struggle for all bowlers to keep their concentration. Wednesday was an overcast muggy afternoon with no breeze that created a sauna on the green. 32 players battled through 18 ends with 2 game of Social Triples and 5 games of Social Pairs. Saturday saw a humid afternoon with a light E cooling breeze. 32 players enjoyed 1 game of Mixed Social Triples and three, first round matches of the Club Four's Championship.

Wednesday 24th January the refurbished green was rolling at a slow pace.

Rink 8 held the first game of Triples. This was a hard fought game with Greg Morphett, Bert Watson and Graham Mills playing wonderful bowls to come home the winners at 19 shots to 15.

Rink 9 In the other game of triples, Les Stuart, Pat Leach and Harry Pearce had to fight hard to just hold onto the lead from a fast finishing opposition by 19 to 18 shots

Rink 10 In the first game of Pairs, Tommy Smith and Roy Cartledge were in the zone and trounced the opposition by 25 shots to 9.

Rink 11 The opposition found it tough to pick the feel of the green and were demolished by Alan Furniss and Trevor Wright by 20 to 8 shots.

Rink 12 Saw an excellent game of bowls Michael Hill and John Edwards played brilliantly to win by 17 shots to 10.

Rink 13 In a closer game, Gary Way and Alessandro Lattanzio played superb bowls in their elegant win by 20 to 15 shots.

Rink 14 The last game of the day was a beauty, Rob Ray and Dooley Gould played magnificent bowls in overcoming their opponents by 20 shots to 10.

Draw Results

1st Prize Rink 8 Greg Morphett, Bert Watson and Graham Mills

2nd Prize Rink 11 Alan Furniss and Trevor Wright

3rd Prize Rink 10 Tommy Smith and Roy Cartledge

1st Spin Rink 13 Gary Way and Alessandro Lattanzio **Not Won.**

2nd Spin Rink 14 Rob Ray and Dooley Gould **Not Won.**

Players Draw: Bert Watson

Saturday 27th January was a muggy afternoon, although the cooling Easterly breeze allowed us to complete all matches. The Green was rolling at a medium pace.

Rink 8 held the Mixed Social Triples game with Julie Buchanan, Alan Morrissey and Ray Solway starting well then loosing concentration till they finished with six shots on the last end to win the game by 19 shots to 17.

Rink 9 This held the first of our Club Four's Championship matches. In a very tight scoring match, as only 27 shots were scored in 21 ends, Les Stuart, Ian Abberley, Graham Mills and John Black triumphed over David Solomon, Tommy Smith, Alan Furniss and Eddy Lee by 15 to 12 shots.

Rink 11 The match of the week was the second Club Four's match. Gary Trautsch, Neil Miller, Alan Rose and John Edwards jumped away to a great start with a fantastic 3 and then a 1 shot end on the first two ends. Gary Way, John Newbold, Peter Smith and Alessandro Lattanzio hit back with a fantastic three of their own, to be behind by 6 shots to 9 on the 8th end. This gave them the confidence to slowly, one shot at a time, take the lead for the first time on the 14th end at 12 shots to 10. Not to be outdone. Gary, Neil, Alan and John bowled a superb set of ends to lead by 18 shots to 12 on the 19th end. Gary, John, Peter and Alessandro dug deeply and found the previous form to take the next 2 ends and be only 3 shots behind, starting the 21st end. Could they find another fantastic three to draw the match or a 4 to win? NO, a 2 by them was not enough to steal the match from the winners, Gary Trautsch, Neil Miller, Alan Rose and John Edwards by 18 shots to 17. That was a great Championship match by both teams. Thanks mates.

Rink 13 In the last championship match for the day, Steve Hollington (subbing for Rob Ray), Paul Takac, Tim McCormack and Dave Milne played outstanding bowls to defeat Michael Hill, Peter Shield, Dan Salway and Harry Pearce by 33 to 10 shots.

Draw Results

1st Prize Rink 9 Les Stuart, Ian Abberley, Graham Mills and John Black

2nd Prize Rink 11 Gary Trautsch, Neil Miller, Alan Rose and John Edwards

3rd Prize Rink 8 Julie Buchanan, Alan Morrissey and Ray Solway

Players Draw: Peter Smith

What's On

Wednesday 31 January Nominated Pairs will be played. Payment by 12.30pm

Saturday 3rd February 2nd Round Club 4's with Pennant shirt required and Mixed Social Bowls payment by 12.30pm

Social Triples at Ex-Servo's

(from left) Alan Rose, Steve Hollington, Paul Takac, Neil Miller and Joe Wright

