

Shoalhaven Ex-Servicemen Men's Bowling Club Report – 22nd July 2018

A week of nice sunny days but blustery freezing winds made accurate bowling difficult. Wednesday saw 32 players enjoying a clear, cold day with chilling Westerly winds. Five games of Social Pairs were contested with two games of Social Triples. Our midyear ham draw was also conducted. Saturday witnessed our Ladies and Men's Mixed Pairs Tournament in cool, windy conditions. 16 teams battled it out over 3 matches of 11 ends. A moth-watering BBQ before the last match helped everyone to thaw out. One game of Social Pairs was also contested.

Wednesday 18th July a cold, sunny afternoon with a biting Westerly wind. The fast paced greens ran smoothly. We entertained visitor M Stevens.

Rink 2 saw our first Triples game where M. Stevens, Mick Fernie and Terry Wright used all their considerable skill to win by 16 shots to 12.

Rink 3 another Triples game saw Matthew Rosina, Pat Leach and Graham Mills slaughter their opposition.

Rink 4 witnessed the game of the week. Phill Rimmer and Gary Tearle started with a fantastic three. Alan Morrissey and Neil Miller replied the best way possible and won by two and then one shot to be 3 all at the 3rd end. This equally magnificent bowling went on all afternoon. We watched in awe as the game progressed with 5 all on the 5th, 7 all on the 9th and 12 all on the 17th. No one would give an inch. Each end was such a fierce tussle. On the 19th end, Phill and Gary had the largest break of the game at 16 to 12 but Alan and Neil would not be denied and responded with a fantastic 3 to leave them only one shot in arrears going into the last end. Would their nerves hold for them to tie the game or would Phill and Gary do what they had done all afternoon and hold onto that lead? A terrific two by Alan Morrissey and Neil Miller gave them the lead and the game by 17 to 16 shots. We all cheered with relief after such a grand battle.

Rink 5 was our second game of Pairs, Graeme Price and John Mac had a great win as they annihilated their opponents by 21 shots to 8.

Rink 6 Allan Furniss and Peter Smith combined well and played outstanding bowls to win by 28 to 15 shots.

Rink 9 in a more even game, John Newbold and Mick Edwards played superb bowls to win by 23 shots to 18.

Rink 10 Tommy Smith and Alessandro Lattanzio played impeccable bowls to overwhelm their opposition by 22 to 18 shots.

Draw Results

Ham Draw: Bert Watson

Players Draw: John Newbold

1st Draw Rink 4 Alan Morrissey and Neil Miller

2nd Draw Rink 5 Graeme Price and John Mac

3rd Draw Rink 6 Allan Furniss and Peter Smith

1st Spin Rink 10 Tommy Smith and Alessandro Lattanzio **Not won.**

Saturday 21st was another cold, sunny day with a freezing blustery wind. Thanks to the Green Keepers for preparing the Greens perfectly for a 9am start to the Mixed Pairs Tournament. Thanks also to all the members who helped with the organisation, succulent lunch and implementation of such a wonderful day of bowls. Congratulations to all participants.

1st Place \$100 Betty and Graham Mills

2nd Place \$60 Pat and John Black

3rd Place \$40 Kathy Douglas and her brother Gary Thurston

4th Place \$30 Francis Carrett and Dave Milne

5th Place \$20 Denice Prentice and Ray Solway

Entry Fee back to all other participants

What's On

Monday 23rd July Mixed Pennants and SCDBA meeting

Wednesday 25th July Social bowls payment by 12.30pm. Club Triples draw for Saturday

Saturday 28st July Social bowls payment by 12.30pm. 1st round of the Club Triples Championship.