Shoalhaven Ex-Servicemen Men's Bowling Club Report – 17th December 2017

One word describes the weather this week, HOT. On Wednesday, the hot weather and fast green resulted in some close games with bowlers finishing the four games of Social Pairs and one of Triples. Saturday was given over to the Men's Bowling Club 2017 Presentation Day.

Wednesday 13th December unlucky for some although the fast green was a pleasure to play on.

Rink 2 held the first game of Pairs. This was as close as a game can be. John O'Dell and Alessandro Lattanzio won on an end count of 11 to 10 after being tied at 19 shots all.

Rink 3 Bert Watson and John Black were just too skilled on the day, winning by 29 to 15 shots.

Rink 4 witnessed Gary Thurston and Graham Mills playing magnificent bowls to devastate their opposition by 20 shots to 12.

Rink 5 This was the match of the week. Both teams had a solid start by winning an end each. Gary Way and Bert Madge then found their length and moved themselves into the lead with a fabulous four to be 8 to 2 by the 5 end. Allan Furniss and Roy Cartledge played some spectacular bowls to be 6/8 on the 8th end but Gary and Bert would not be denied. A fantastic three had them surging ahead only to see Allan and Roy respond with a fabulous 4 to move within a shot of the lead. Gary and Bert again gained the upper hand and extended their lead to 16 shots to 13 by the 16th end. Allan and Roy dug deeply and clawed their way back, one shot at a time, to level the score on the penultimate end at 17 all. Who would hold their concentration best on the last end? Gary Way and Bert Madge played an outstanding bowls to win the end and the game by one shot, 18/17. What a great game!

Rink 6 In one of the best display of bowls I've seen, Matthew Rosina and Ian Abberley played a flawless game to annihilate their opposition by 37 shots to 3.

Rink 7 In the only game of Triples, Steve Hollington (welcome back), David Solomon and John Edwards played at their very best and trounced their opponents by 15 to 8 shots.

Draw Results

1st Prize Rink 4 Gary Thurston and Graham Mills

2nd Prize Rink 6 Matthew Rosina and Ian Abberley

3rd Prize Rink 5 Gary Way and Bert Madge

1st Spin Rink 5 Gary Way and Bert Madge Not Won.

2nd Spin Rink 5 Gary Way and Bert Madge Not Won.

Saturday 16th December was our Club Presentation Day for 2017. A great morning was had by all.

Fours Runners Up; Ray Solway Gary Thurston, Ian Abberley and Steve Holden. Fours Winners; Greg Morphett, Gary Trautsch, John O'Dell and Harry Pearce.

Triples Runners Up; Gary Trautsch, Ken Taket and Alessandro Lattanzio. Triples Winners; Tommy Smith, Mick Edwards and John Edwards.

Minor Pairs Runners Up; Gary Way and Ray Solway. Minor Pairs Winners; Peter Smith and John Edwards.

Major/Minor Pairs Runners Up; Ian Abberley and Harry Pearce. Minor/Major Pairs Winners; Gary Thurston and Ray Solway.

Major Pairs Runners Up; Darryl Goodger and Bert Madge. Major Pairs Winners; John Newbold and Tim McCormack.

Minor Singles Runner Up; Tim McCormack. Minor Singles Winner; Ray Solway.

Major Singles Runner Up; Gary Thurston. Major Singles Winne; Tim McCormack Clubman of the Year; Greg Morphett

Most Improved Player; Gary Way.

President's Award; Gary Trautsch.

Player of the Year; Tim McCormack

What's On

Wednesday 20th December. Social Bowls payment by 12.30pm
Saturday 23rd December Mixed Social Bowls payment by 12.30pm
Last Wednesday of the Month 27th December Nominated Pairs competition

2017 Club Player of the Year, Tim McCormack

(from left) Eddy Lee (Club President) and Tim McCormack

