



"Celebrating our past, enjoying our present, planning our future"

**December 2021**

**Editor Brian Schaefer**

Dear Members

After six fantastic months the club is in great shape financially, socially, competitively, spiritually, and physically!

We now have 11/15 of our sides in the top four of their Divisions with 4 holding top spot! This may well be a first for the HBC and is a great position to be in heading into the second half of the Pennant Season – but let's not get ahead of ourselves, there is still plenty to do. To boot, we have now had two Saturdays and one Thursday when all sides have won! Let's keep the

Club tradition rolling by shouting members a drink with the challenge being to match it in the second half of the Season with Wednesdays joining in as well!!

What I have also enjoyed over this period is the output of the Board, Task Force members, and Managers in each Standing Committee as the Club's new '**3 tier Organisation Model**' establishes, and infrastructure upgrades continue.

The great work of these Members in leadership roles educates, inspires, and focusses us to think about the game of bowls and the value of building a **welcoming bowls club**. The policies and guidelines they administer make it easy for all to access and be involved in a wide range of mutually beneficial activities and services.

So ..., a big thank you ALL for your support and willingness to be involved in our plans to continue building a progressive Club going forward with fresh ideas.

### No Jab No Play

Bowls SA Board endorsed a 'No Jab, No Play' Policy after extensive consultation. The Policy will come into effect from Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022. It makes full Covid vaccination a mandatory requirement for anyone involved in the delivery and participation of all Association pennant competitions and Bowls SA events, including State Events and training courses.

We are working to ascertain the vaccination status of ALL Members which requires sightings of your Covid-19 Certificates (digital or hard copy). The Bowls SA Policy does not include our NightHawks, Home Bowls, or Club hires. Currently the Board is considering our position in relation to mandating vaccinations for these Club activities and our policy will be released early in the New Year.

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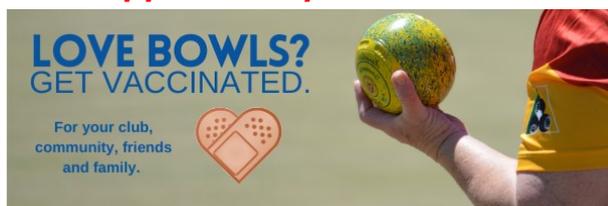
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Wishing readers a Happy  
Christms and Enjoyable New  
Year. Editor

## *From the President (cont'd)*

***HBC supports the push for all bowlers to roll up their sleeve for the Jab.***



Enjoy, relax, and energise in readiness for what is looming to be a **BIG** finish to the 2021-22 Pennant Season! I wish you the warmest season's greetings.

ONWARDS HAWKS!

*Graham Dodd PhD*

*President*



### **Some thoughts for the holiday period**

Excellence is not a gift, but a skill that takes practice. **Plato**

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit. – **Aristotle**

What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others. – **Pericles**

You will never do anything in this world without courage. It is the greatest quality of the mind next to honor.– **Aristotle**

"Quality is not an act, it is a habit."--**Aristotle**

"Do not say a little in many words, but a great deal in few." **Pythagoras**

# *Ladies President*

I went back to what I had written in the November ABUZZ and apart from some Ladder changes, we are still having good attendances at practices, and still relying on our Men to help us out in the 3<sup>rd</sup> side. So, we are still looking for Lady players. Thanks to those NightHawks who have filled in on the odd occasion. We would love to see you permanently.

We have had a tough December with all teams dropping a spot on the Ladder, but come January, I know we will be fighting to reclaim our spots. As at 16.12.21, Premier 2<sup>nd</sup>, Div 2, 8<sup>th</sup> and Div 3, 5<sup>th</sup>.

The Hawthorn Ladies had a small Christmas windup, which was celebrated post-match. Wendy brought in her home-made cheeses for all to taste. What a treat! Some of our Ladies also contributed with home-made sweets. I'm not going to name them, because I will miss someone. I wasn't on top of that. So, a THANK YOU all, for organising this. I know the Ladies and Men (fill-ins), really enjoyed it.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year and I'll see you in 2022.

*Marilyn Gerlach Ladies President*



# Events Committee

**It's been a big month for all our Volunteers, putting in a lot of hours to make our functions a success.**

## **Christmas Raffle**

We started with asking Members for donations for our Christmas Raffle, and only gave them a couple of weeks to bring them in. Malcolm Keller was then asked to organise the tickets. 1000 tickets were distributed to members and sold at the table. Di Peters once again excelled in putting the four really large raffle prizes together. A great response from Members. Thank you.

The Christmas Ham was donated by one of our sponsors, Cimarosti Bros.

## **Probus Christmas Lunch 6<sup>th</sup> December**

This was the second year that we catered for the Unley Probus Club's Lunch. While this was taken on by the Events Committee, there were 12 club members who helped on the day who don't belong to the Events Committee.

The 74 attendees were provided with a three course meal, which consisted of an Entrée of three finger bites, followed by the main course of hot turkey and vegetables. The Dessert was a choice of Christmas pudding or individual pavlova. Tea, coffee and Christmas cake finished the afternoon. Just ask Brian, I think they enjoyed their Christmas Lunch.

## **17<sup>th</sup> December Hawthorn Bowling Club Annual Christmas Dinner- Sponsored by Hollards**

Our Christmas Dinner was held on the last Friday night before Christmas. 84 Attendees were served a meal of three cold Christmas meats with salads, followed by a choice of Christmas pudding or trifle. Our members and their partners also received a packet of Christmas Rum Balls, made by Penny McTaggart and Rocky Road made by Trish Cook.

Father Christmas turned up around 8 o'clock to the delight of Doddy's granddaughter. Once she received her present, Father Christmas then canvassed the room asking our players what they wanted for Christmas. Good Luck guys with some of those wishes. You need to be realistic, but I'm sure Father Christmas will sort it.

We were entertained by Mitcham City Brass, which consisted of 20 Band members, playing a variety of Christmas songs. Thanks to Steve Packer, our member and Conductor of the band for organising the band to play at the Hawthorn Bowling Club Christmas Dinner.

A Big Thank You to Graham Dodd, Di and Jen Peters, Chris and Malcolm Keller, Trudy and Simon Howard, Leanne and Rick Owens, Peter Brook-Smith, Ethel Paull, Sue Bell, John Shaw, Colin Byrne, Rob Geelan, Trish Cook, Penny McTaggart, Bill Tonkin and anyone else I may have missed, for making the Christmas Dinner a great night.

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# Events Committee

## **BUT I'm not finished:**

### **There are many hours volunteered by our Members making Sandwiches**

For the month of December, which was three Wednesdays and two Saturdays, our Volunteers made 63 loaves of sandwiches that equate to 661 sandwiches (Please note, that our normal month is four Wednesday and four Saturdays; just imagine how many sandwiches that is!). These Volunteers come from the ranks of the Pennant teams as rostered.

We thank Bakers Delight for the support that they give us, ensuring that we have fresh bread for sandwiches.

On behalf of the Events Committee I wish all our Members, Pennant, Night Hawks, Home and Social Bowlers, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you all in 2022.

### **HAWTHORN BOWLING CLUB CHRISTMAS FOODBANK DRIVE**

Once again we did a Christmas FOODBANK drive, and asked our Pennant, Night Hawks, Home Bowlers and Social Members for non perishable food, to donate to Foodbank Christies Beach Hub, where I volunteer, to support those families that are struggling coming up to Christmas.

I only gave our members eight days to donate, but what a fantastic response we got!

**We collected a whopping 280.87 KG. This equates to 560 meals**

I had to borrow my daughters big 4 wheel drive to deliver the food donations to the Christies Beach Hub. They were overwhelmed with the amount, and very thankful.

Once again thank you all for your support of FOODBANK, which is one of Hawthorn Bowling Club 's designated charities. You did well!



Chief Elf with helpers



Making the evening run smoothly



Mitcham City Brass



Enjoying the evening



Hawthorn Bowling Club  
Inc Est. 1912

### Christmas Raffle Winners

- 1<sup>st</sup> Brian Harmer
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Maureen White
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Barb Gilbert
- 4<sup>th</sup> Malcolm Keller

HOLLARDS

Raffle Winner

Greg McGregor

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# FINDEX Nighthawks



Nine consecutive weeks of bowling has been a first for a number of years for both Tuesday and Wednesday nights – no weather interruptions or Covid restrictions. This season has seen a record number of people playing which is just fantastic – provides a great atmosphere and a good sense of fun, while developing a love of bowls.

Great to see pennant players out there on Tuesday and Wednesday nights as well, helping their friends and just having a good time.

**Tuesday night:** Both the Burglars and the Eagles were undefeated, but the Burglars managed to take home the 'mugs'.

**Wednesday night:** Plan B were consistent over the last few weeks to take out the trophy from the Harvey Ball Bangers.

| Tuesday Night Top 10 |     | Wednesday Night Top 10 |     |
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The season couldn't run without the assistance of the volunteers in the Club. A huge thank you to Ian Brown, Rob Geelen, Graeme Turner, Trish Cook, Jock Jarrett, John Shaw, Terry Onto, Leanne Owen, Di Peters, the money coordinators (Adrian, Murray, Brian, Jens, Anne, Ken), bar staff (Rick, Leanne, John J, Brian C, Michael L, Ethel, Marilyn, Simon) and of course the BBQers.

Thank you to our sponsors – FINDEX, Tanner Real Estate, Torrens Arms, Wine Direct, Cimarosti Bros, Capri Cinema

**Teresa Hanel Chair Recreation**

**NightHawks Director**

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# FINDEX Nighthawks

The Burglars



Singing in the Rain



Plan B



Harvey Ball Bangers



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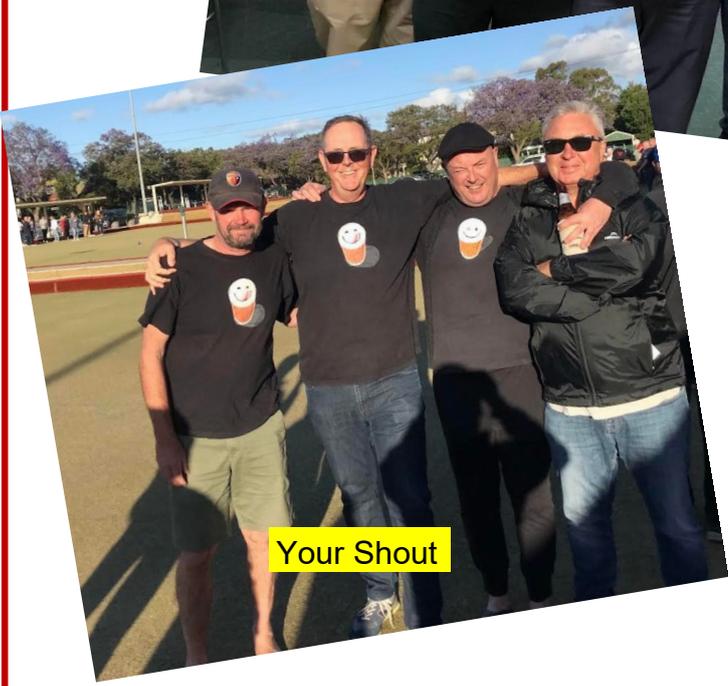
Big Bias & the Black Pointers



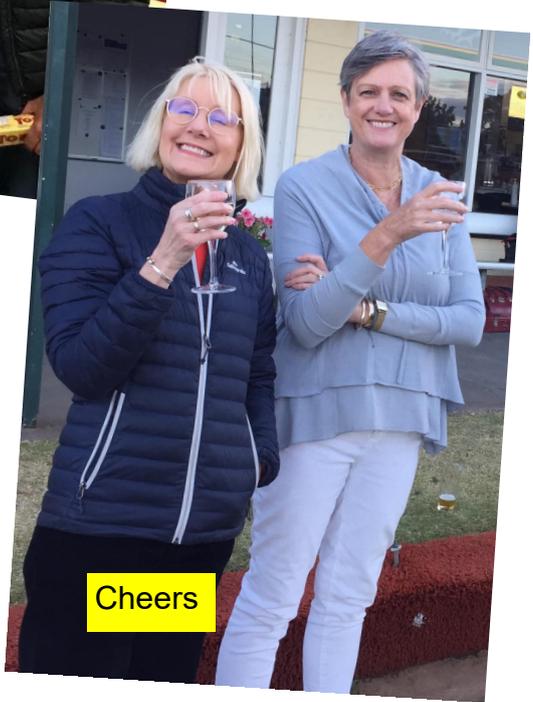
Raewyn & Sandra



Eagles



Your Shout



Cheers

## Battle of the Nights.

Thirty three teams came out to play on December 15 for the final night before Christmas. It was a great night where teams played two games of 6 ends. Wednesday night teams scored 185 points to Tuesday teams 157 .

Winner of the night was The Young Ones and the 'Tanner Encouragement' winners were: Bowl-them-under and the Hijackers.

Thanks to Graeme Turner, Murray Evans, John Jasson, John Shaw, David Jones and Graham Rosser for helping out on the night.

And to Rick and Leanne Owen for helping take note of the Covid certificates.

## Teresa Hanel Chair Recreation

## NightHawks Director



The Bowled & the Beautiful



Silvio & Marg



Christmas on the 19<sup>th</sup>



Couchrunners



# Home Bowls

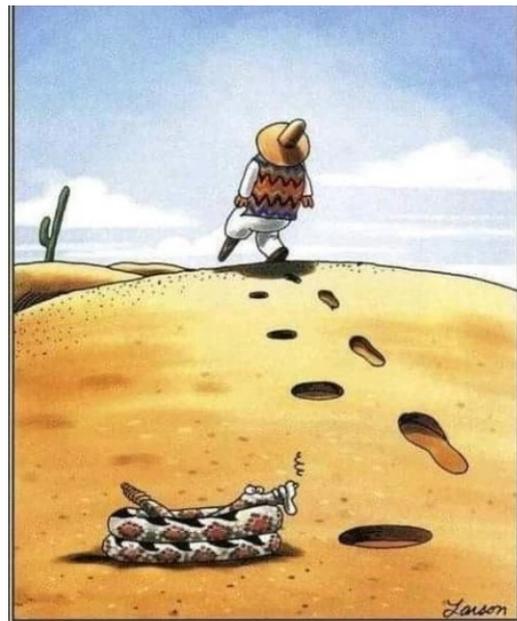
What a great per-Xmas season we've had, 10 rounds, 45 players, many of whom have joined as members, average attendance 22. Casual attendance is our major point of difference, no one feels obligated to be there every single week.

Really nice to see a bigger turn-out of existing members on their rotation or who've decided to continue at the club in a less rigorous capacity.

Congratulations to John Liebelt and Penny McTaggart, our pre-Xmas champions, 14 and 12 5 points respectively. Many thanks to our Advisory Group, Cheryl Forbes, Penny McTaggart, John Rundle and Bruce Golding, for their valuable assistance, very much appreciated.

Our post-Xmas season commences on Sat January 8

*Graeme Alder, Home Bowls Manager*



# Notable Achievements

## Hawthorn Bowling Club Inc Est 1912

# Seafood Classic

Sunday

10<sup>th</sup> April 2022



Registration includes

**COOKED BREAKFAST** at 8.30am

**SEAFOOD LUNCH** with salads & table wines + Sweets

Coffee/Tea, and Nibbles after



GAMES begin at 9.45am

Cosmo Medley

\$2000 Prize money  
Plus Novelty Prizes

Cost: \$140 per team. Dress: Neat casual or club uniform

**Early registration advised** Entries close Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> March

Phone: Gary Mickan 0476 166 601 or Graham Rosser 8277 7605

OR Email [g\\_mickan@optusnet.com.au](mailto:g_mickan@optusnet.com.au) or PO Box 42 Mitcham Square Shopping Centre SA 5062

## Taylor Bowls

Silver South have won 2 games out of 4 & are top of the Premiership table.

Bronze South have won 1 out of 2 games & are 4th on the Premiership table.

## Club Championships

Games are progressing well. The Men's Club Championship Singles is at the semi-final stage.

Semi-Finals are Darren Niblett versus Doug Richards & Steve Packer versus Michael Lodge.

Our annual tournament the, well known and sought after, 'Seafood Classic' is in 2022, on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. It is advisable to register early, to secure your spot. For many years we have had a 'full house' of 44 teams.

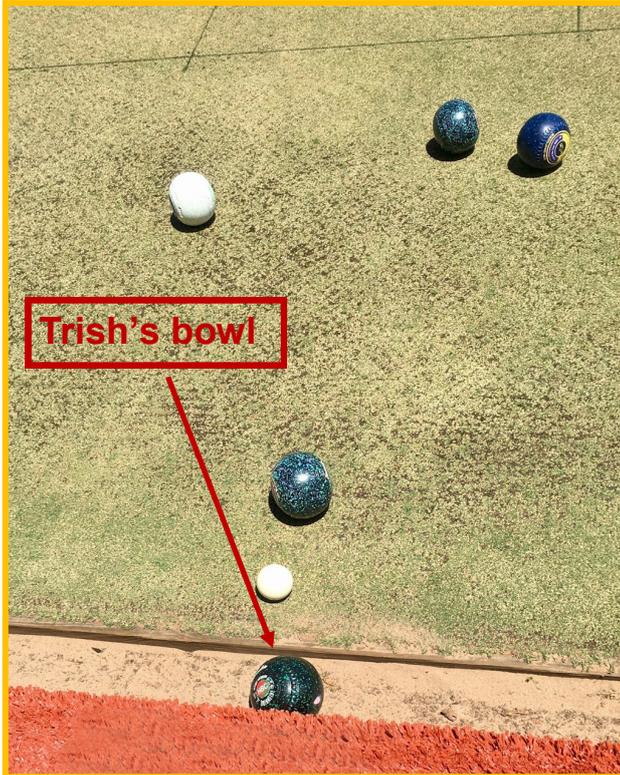
*Gary Mickan Director of Seafood Day.*



## Notable Achievements

### Trish Cook's precision bowling.

The lead's bowl has pushed the jack near to the ditch, his bowl staying on the rink. Trish playing second decides that she can add to the potential score, steadies herself, lines up her aiming point and with calm consideration delivers the bowl. Bowling to the ditch holds no fear for her. The trajectory is correct, but the bowl is running a bit fast. No matter, the trajectory is such that her bowl just clips the jack and falls into the ditch. Another counter. Well done Trish!



### A comfortable winning margin

'Wednesday 8th December HBC Premier pennant team headed to Toorak / Burnside who are always tough to beat on their home ground. Their Wednesday team has several 'permit' players from the country regions to strengthen their ranks.

Steve Packer and Manny Vlachos got off to a great start on their rink leading by 20 to 1 half way through the game. Steve and Manny, being very generous & feeling sorry for the opposition, relented and allowed Toorak to quintuple their score.

The **final margin was 42 to 5.** (Hawthorn won 20 ends and Toorak 5 ends). Great work Manny & Steve - love your work!

The HBC Premier team had an emphatic win and now have moved up into third position on the Wednesday Premier ladder.'

### The 'Third Man'

# Christmas Windup HBC Ladies style

To celebrate, but also to wind down after completing the first half of the Ladies Pennant season, the ladies, and gentlemen who assisted the third side, met for a drink, a chat and to feast on the delicacies that they all brought. Wendy again brought along a number of her cheeses. Cheese platters and other treats were placed on each table and then the merriment and chatter began, lauding great bowls and lamenting the few that always have a mind of their own and do the wrong thing, obviously because of the wind or the green. A great time was had by all participants and players will return in 2022 with renewed vigour and enthusiasm.

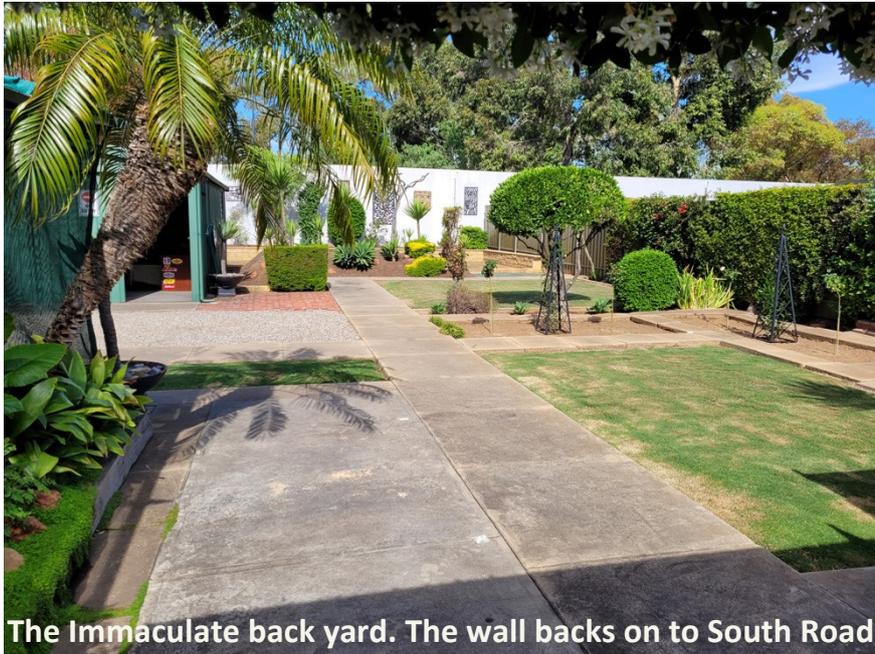


# Beautiful One Day, Gone the next

WHO Is that SHY, QUIET, MIS-UNDERSTOOD little Member that TRIES to Bowl @ HAWTHORN BOWLING CLUB....? ? ?

He just had a Major "Throat" operation. NOW he is having to MOVE from his MODEST little HOME to make way for T2D South Road expansion at GLANDORE.....!!!!

I think his name is : CHRIS HIERN



The Immaculate back yard. The wall backs on to South Road



The steep steps leading down to the secret cellar will disappear.

HBC Members wish Chris all the best with his negotiations and move

The fernery and fishpond will go!

