



# **ELTHAM BOWLING CLUB**

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## ***Special End of Financial Year Edition***

### ***President's Report:***

As this will be my final newsletter report I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Board and all members for their great support over the past two very rewarding years as President. The Eltham Bowling Club continues to be a very viable, competitive and sociable club both on and off the greens. We continue to attract many good new people each year to a membership of willing volunteers and very competitive bowlers. The Club could not operate so well without all these people, both weekly and at all special events. On and around the greens, in the clubhouse, the kitchen, bar, social bowls days, coaching, forty/40, barefoot bowls and so on, it is a long list and we thank you all.

As always the new Board will have a few new and ongoing challenges to keep our great club moving in right direction. Including such things as car parking, professional coaching, and improving and maintaining our two very different but obviously very important bowling greens.

In saying this I would like to welcome and congratulate our new President Elect, Roslyn Camera. Roslyn has been a very good bowler, past VLBA section President and a hard working member of the club for over 24 years, and now a very popular choice as our next President. I know that Roslyn will have the full support of the new Board and all members and wish her well in the position.

I would also like to welcome our two newest members in Elaine Shaw and Bruce Irvine. Both are very experienced bowlers and also well known to many Eltham members. I am sure that all members will show Elaine and Bruce what a friendly club we are and make them very welcome.

**Noel Spargo, President EBC**

### ***Secretary's Report:***

The AGM is not that far away and we still have many committee and other portfolio vacancies to fill. **It would be great if most of these can be filled by nomination before the actual meeting. The nomination forms and box are still set up in the clubrooms to enable this.**

The positions that are still open include:

#### **1. Election of Committees.**

**1.1 Tuesday Pennant Organising Committee Member [2 needed].**

**1.2 Saturday Pennant Organising Committee [2 needed]**

**1.3 Match Committee Female [1 needed]**

**1.4 Match Committee Male [1 needed]**

**1.5 Bar Committee [3 needed]**

**1.6 Greens Committee [2 needed]**

**3. Election of Sub-Committees.**

**3.1 Catering Sub Committee [1 needed]**

**3.2 Special Events Committee [5 needed]**

**3.3 Winter Wednesday Social Bowls Sub-Committee Members [7 needed].**

**3.4 Summer Wednesday Social Bowls Sub-Committee Members [6 needed].**

**3.5 Winter Saturday Social Bowls Sub-Committee Members [2 needed].**

**3.6 Facilities Sub-Committee Members [2 needed]**

**3.7 Garden Sub-Committee [2 needed]**

**3.8 Fund Raising Committee [2 needed]**

**3.9 Recruitment and New Member Sub Committee [2 needed]**

**3.10 Twilight Bowls Sub Committee [4 needed]**

**3.11 Forty/40 Sub Committee [6 needed]**

**4. Election of Portfolio Holders.**

**4.1 Barefoot Bowls Co-ordinator [1].**

**4.2 Handbook Organising Group that includes Editor [1] and Members [2].**

**4.3 Website [1].**

**4.4 Electronic Services [1].**

**4.5 Newsletter [1].**

**4.6 Delegates [2].**

**4.7 Sponsorship [1]**

**4.8 Almoner [1]**

**5. Auditor [1]**

**Meryl Spargo, Secretary EBC**

## ***Final 2014 FORTY/40 COMPETITION:***

Another successful EBC Forty/40 Competition concluded on the 28th of March. A brief end of competition questionnaire indicated that 79% of the participants enjoyed the competition "a great deal", with a further 17% enjoying the competition "moderately". When asked if they would like to play in another Forty/40 Competition, 75% of participants answered "yes" while the other 25% answered "not sure".



At the end of the 6 week competition;

(1) The Winning Team was "Meld". The team members of Meld were new EBC members Joy Barham, Lisa Bartolo and Joe Bartolo.

(2) The Runners Up were the "Awesome Foursome". Team members were Neville Jenkin, his wife Kaye Jenkin and their friends Val and Terry Hense who were first time bowlers.

(3) The "Best Round 4 to Round 6 Team" was "Trevinder". The four "youngish" male member's only previous bowling experience was participating in two Barefoot Bowls sessions at our club. They named their team after a racehorse in which they have a small interest.

A March Edition of the Bowls Victoria magazine, "The Shot", has an article on a new National bowls game called "Jack Attack". "Jack Attack" is also aimed at non or new bowlers and seems to incorporate some aspects the Forty/40 game. In future "Jack Attack" may replace Forty/40, it is difficult to tell from the article.

The Organising Group thanks Noel Spargo and Lorna Sparke for their work behind the bar during the Forty/40 Competition.

***Leon Sinnott, on behalf of the Forty/40 Organising Group: Di Debney, Maureen Luke, Zoe Sinnott, Kaye Taylor, Graham Climas, John Elliott and Steven Spargo.***

## ***Match Committee:***

All Championship events have been completed for the 2013 – 2014 Season.

Women's Century Handicap won by Ros Camera runner up Cath Andrew.

Mixed Triples championship Won by Ron Stafford, Di Debney and Sue Arnott.

Mixed Pairs Championship won by David Oliver and Pam Flett.

Novice Singles Championship won by Neville Jenkin



Top left: Mixed Pairs winners David Oliver and Pam Flett.

Top Right: Mixed Triples winners Sue Arnott, Ron Stafford and Di Debney.

Left: The wonderful meals for the Diamond Valley Shield competition being prepared by Riekie Sloggett, Jan McDermott and Christine Guest.



The Diamond Valley Shield was a good day with a very enjoyable lunch provided by Jan McDermott, Chris Guest, Di Debney and Riekie Sloggett.

Winning Club – Montmorency, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hurstbridge, 3<sup>rd</sup> Diamond Creek, 4<sup>th</sup> Eltham.



The Match Committee are pleased that all championships have been played this season. There are many new names in the winner's list, some first time winners, and some new members to the club and novice bowler Pam Flett only several months playing bowls and winning in the Mixed Pairs.

Club championship games are a great experience for improving your game and enjoying different competition formats. Thank you to all those who entered.

Great Effort to all the finalists. Congratulations to the winners.

*Ros Camera – Convenor, Graeme Abblitt, Cath Andrew, Gary Marshall, Frank Camera*

## ***Wednesday Winter Social Bowls:***

Wednesday Winter Social Bowls for the 14/15 season starts on Wednesday 7th May. Members wishing to bowl should place their name on one of the lists at the Clubrooms OR phone the Club between 9.00 am and 9.45 am on Wednesday. Visitors are also welcome. Bowling starts at 10.30 am. One game is held before lunch. A second game is held after lunch and finishes at approximately 2.15 pm.

The cost will be similar to last year, \$8. This cost covers the green fee, a light lunch and entry into the raffle. The Winter Levy, for those who choose to pay it, covers the first \$5 of the cost.

Dress is Mufti.

*Leon Sinnott, for the Winter Wednesday Social Bowls Committee*

## ***Saturday Winter Social Bowls:***

Saturday Winter Social Bowls for the 2014/15 season starts on Saturday 17th May 2014. Members wishing to bowl should place their names on the sheets provided at the club or ring the club between 11:00AM and 11:45 AM on the Saturday.

Bowling starts at 12:30PM, there will be two games with a break for afternoon tea and we usually finish at about 4:00PM.

The fee for the day's bowling will be \$6, or \$1 for those who have paid the winter levy, which covers green fees, prizes and the afternoon tea. Visiting bowlers are also very welcome to come along and participate as well. Dress is casual and the weather is usually quite fine for bowls ☺.

***Winter Saturday Social Bowls Committee***

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### ***Quote of the month:***

The difference between a smart man and a wise man is that a smart man knows what to say, a wise man knows whether or not to say it.

*Anonymous*

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