



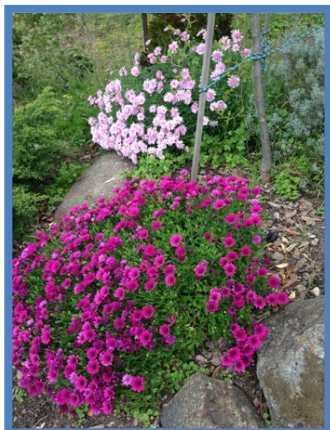
ELTHAM BOWLING CLUB

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You can always tell when spring is HERE!



The flowers are out in abundance.

The blue-tongues are out of hibernation and enjoying the sun.



New lines appear on the grass.



And the uniforms come out of mothballed drawers and onto the greens.....

***Yes... it's
PENNANT
TIME!***



Let's make this another great year for the Eltham Bowling Club.

***Personal improvement in all aspects of the game should be everyone's aim.
Make use of all our wonderful coaches and practise, practise, practise....***

***Respect the team selections and your fellow players, be positive
and play as a team.***

***Always play to enjoy the game and play to win; there is
nothing more enjoyable in a competition than that winning
feeling!***

President's Report:

Bowls Victoria has been requested to provide extra information from members and clubs in order to **further support our applications to gain exemption for gender-based club events and state championships.**

The Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) will decide soon **whether we can continue** to run gender-based club events and state championships in Victoria.

The survey information we receive from you, our members and clubs, is vital in Bowls Victoria's bid to ensure we provide the views of our members in seeking to gain these exceptions and exemptions.

Responses to **these surveys online will cease on Sunday 11 October 2015** and hard copy responses must be provided to Bowls Victoria by Friday 9 October 2015. Everybody is asked to help the Bowls Victoria application by filling out the following on line survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/gender-based-events-survey>

Saturday and Midweek Pennant Duty teams:

I would like to ask that players in the duty rinks please complete the tasks required especially at the end of the days play.

- ☐ Locking the toilets, umpires box and the north gates.
- ☐ Taking the flag down and returning it to the cupboard in the telephone room
- ☐ Hooking up the scoops
- ☐ Putting used cups and bottles in the rubbish bin
- ☐ The kitchen should be clean and tidy with all tea and coffee preparations etc put away.

If these jobs are forgotten the task falls on those who already have plenty of regular duties to attend to. Thank you for your consideration.

Ros Camera, President EBC

A word from our Secretary:

Please welcome our newest members - Beverley Irvine (Bruce's wife) and Marion Harris (Bob's wife) have joined up as Social Non-Bowling members and Paul Siostrom has joined as a new bowler. Bev came along with Bruce most days and helped the Saturday Winter Bowls Committee set up the tables and food. Please make them all feel very welcome to our club when you meet them.

There will again be a "lucky" member draw after Saturday Pennant at 6p.m., with a prize of \$50.00 (non-accumulative) to the winner. You must be in attendance to be eligible to win the prize and there will be up to 5 draws to try and bring up a winner. We will also continue with the Post Pennant Savouries at a charge of \$2.00 for 4 pieces, with the profit covering the lucky draw if there is no sponsor found to cover this cost.

Meryl Spargo, Secretary EBC.

Opening Day 2015 – 2016



It wasn't the kindest weather on opening day this year but we still managed to make it a good one.

Picture on the left shows all of the five most influential women in Nillumbik in attendance.

The next is of part of the crowd on the day prior to going out for the official opening. In the background you can just make out Riekie, Chris and Edna who once again did a great job with the afternoon tea for the day.



As is the custom, once the new season is officially declared it is the honour of the two current club champions to share the start of play. Here Iris Azzopardi has rolled the first jack and Wayne Burn is about to put the first bowl down.

For many years now Jenny Macklin, MP for Jagga Jagga, has presented the Jenny Macklin encouragement awards for the two members who have shown, by great dedication and



application, to have improved their bowling significantly in the past season. This year's

awards went to Lisa Bartolo, who received hers on the day, and Graeme Dudley, who was not able to attend but has since been presented with his award.



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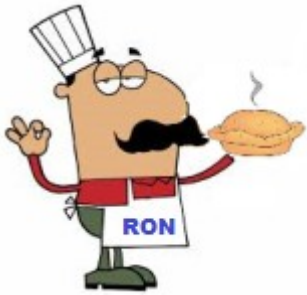
Match Committee Notice:

Notice from Yarra Region:

I'm writing to advise that entries for a number of region events close at your club on **Tuesday 29 September 2015**. These include men's and ladies' pairs, and men's and ladies' over 60 singles and pairs. The entry form and conditions of play should be on display in your clubrooms.

If you are interested please see John Baker asap.

Saturday Pennant Notices:



SATURDAY PENNANT PRE-SEASON PIE NIGHT AND TEAMS ANNOUNCEMENT

This Thursday, 1st October at 6.00 p.m.

Your Selection Committee is planning to hold a Pie Night after training/practice on the Thursday before the first Pennant match.

The night will be as follows:

6.00 p.m. Pies will be served.

Address from our Club Coach, Terry Bain, on the upcoming season.

Selection Committee guidelines regarding the make-up of the sides.

Announcement of sides for Round 1

The Pie Night will conclude by 8.00 p.m.

Reminder:

The first Saturday pennant game for the 2015/16 season is scheduled for **SUNDAY 4TH October** (the day following the AFL Grand Final and the first day of Daylight Saving)

Ron Stafford, Saturday Pennant Selection Committee Coordinator



Farewell to John and Lorna Sparke:

The evening of Thursday 27th August this year was one of mixed emotions at the club. We were all very sad to farewell John and Lorna from the club which has been all the better for the 12 years that they have been fantastic members. But also happy for Lorna and John that they had found a wonderful place for their retirement, for Lorna's health and for the proximity to their respective families in NSW. The Ulladulla Bowls club is all the more richer for their move north and we will miss them and their contributions to both the social and bowling aspects at Eltham.



Pictures from the top: John and Lorna with their farewell gift from the Club, a lovely watercolour original by Gayle Marshall.

At left, president Ros presents the pair with certificates of achievement for the 12 years at the club, and the picture below shows part of the crowd gathering at the club for the farewell.



Club Raffle:



We are holding another special Raffle this pennant season with some great prizes:



Pennant Season Special Raffle

1st prize: New set of Henselite DreamlineXG bowls.

2nd prize: Gayle Marshall watercolour original

3rd prize: Double Pass Village Gold Class Cinemas

Tickets are just \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Drawn Saturday February 27th 2016 at EBC Clubroom, 6PM

All winners notified

Spotted at the Eltham Village Shopping Centre recently:



Dapper gentleman and social bowler extraordinaire, Ron Lawrence, doing his bit for Legacy Week in the Mall outside Coles.

And speaking of **Social Bowls:**

Summer Social Bowls is up and running with so far an average of about 30 bowlers each Wednesday. This number should improve somewhat once the weather warms up.

Bruce and the team are at the club each Wednesday from 11:00 onwards to arrange the days bowling. All interested people can either call in to the club and put their names on the lists provided (both inside and outside the clubrooms) or call the club on 94394404 from 11:00 onwards each Wednesday. Visiting bowlers are also welcome.



There are still a few tickets left for the first Musical Extravaganza at the Club:

The Eltham Bowling Club Presents

A fantastic Night of Entertainment

Rock around the World

With Dave Allen and Ronnie Soul playing 50's, 60's and 70's rock and roll music as well as a fantastic live show in two sessions totalling more than 160 minutes. Lots of dance time included if you wish. Bring your partners and friends for a great time, set up your own table if you wish or join other members and friends on the night.



Bring your own light supper. Tea and coffee will be provided and the bar will be open.

Great music and lots of laughs guaranteed.

When: Saturday 10th October 7pm to 11pm. \$20 per person. Contact Jan McDermott for available tickets.

Check the following video clip for a taste of what you will be seeing and hearing:

<http://rockaroundtheworld.com.au/video/>

Quote of the Month:

Nobody cares how much you know, until they know how much you care.

[Theodore Roosevelt](#)

The next Newsletter will be due in October 2015. Please send any items of interest to frankc@aanet.com.au