



FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we begin to enter the post pennant season, it is worthwhile taking stock of the LBC's achievements over the season. Despite the unexpected loss of a few first team members just prior to the commencement of the season, Lockleys can be proud of the performance of its senior teams. Incorporating incoming members into its teams, the Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday teams have maintained our club colours, and in one case (Wed) are challenging for promotion. As happened last season, club performance was elevated after the Christmas break, with a sense of belief developing in both the potential and performance of teams working as teams. Well done! It is this belief in each other that bodes well for the future.

But we still have two important challenges in the coming months. Firstly, over the coming 4 weeks, we need to prepare to host the 2017 Australian Sides Championships from 6th to 9th April. These championships will have the best bowlers in Australia competing for their states, and in doing so, will also be vying for Australian Team selection (especially for the Commonwealth Games next April). As a club, we need your support over that 4-day period to ensure that we maintain the Lockleys reputation for hosting high profile, high performance national events.

Secondly, we begin to move into winter preparation for the 2017/18 bowls season. A particular focus in these preparations is to increase the membership of our club base. We are a volunteer club and this strong sense of community is a strong feature of our club. It is important that we invite others to become part of our community. My question to you is ... "What will you do to invite new members into our club community?"

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PENNANT STANDINGS (as at 5th March 2017)

Wednesday Pennants: (17 games played)

Division 1:

Second place with 223 points (Leaders Walkerville 230 points).

(NB. Henley in 3rd place with 218 pts)

(Semi-Finals will be played at venue of Minor Premier)

Division 3 Central:

5th place with 160 points (Leaders Glenelg 202 points)

Division 4 West (Lockleys/West Lakes)

9th place with 56 points (Leaders Somerton 186 points)

Thursday Pennants: (16 games played)

Division 1:

4th Place 112 points (Leaders Hope Valley 133 points)
(NB. Pt Noarlunga 3rd place on 115 points ... West Lakes 5th
Place on 112 points)

Division2 South:

10th place 42 points (Leaders Marion 126 points)

<u>Saturday Pennants:</u> (Minor round completed)

Division 1

6th Place and retains Division 1 for 2017/18 season

Division 4 West

3rd Place and will play Henley in knockout semi-final at Torrensville

Division 5 South

9th Place and will face relegation for 2017/18 season **Division 5 West**

8th Place and retains Division 5 for 2017/18 season.

NIGHT OWLS

The Night Owls season for 2016/17 will conclude on Wednesday March. The success of this season is due to the support club members have provided in assisting with this valuable social bowls activity within our club. Lester Todd

TAYLORS BOWLS SUPER CHALLENGE

Lockleys finished third in the Silver South division at the end of the minor round. This Sunday (5th March) we play Salisbury in the quarter final at 6.00pm at Tranmere. All the very best to our team!

Update: Our Silver team defeated Salisbury in a very tightly contested quarter final on Sunday Night March 5th.

We are now waiting to hear who we will play in the semi finals.

Ell done to all team members especially those who had to shoulder the load and control their nerves to play in the sudden death shoot outs – Well done Ash Halls, Rob Flavel and Theo Katsivas.

BEST OF THE WEST INTERCLUB

For the 18th year Lockleys, West Lakes, Grange and Holdfast Bay clubs will participate in this event. It is a popular end of season competition to enhance relationships with the western based club members.

Please note that the format this year will be 8 teams of 2 bowl triples in lieu of the Fours format previously bowled. Details for games are as follows -

 matches will be played at clubs mentioned on the following dates

Tuesday 28th March (Grange)
Tuesday 4th April (Holdfast Bay)
Thursday 6th April (West Lakes)
Tuesday 11th April (Lockleys)

- 12.30pm starting time
- \$3.00 match fee
- No umpire and no dead ends

To be involved in this very enjoyable series, please place you name on the sheet on the club noticeboard.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

<u>Club championship results from matches played Friday 17</u> February:

Men's Singles Final: Brad Jansen d Peter Phillips 25-14 Ladies Singles Final: Julie Cowling d Marlene Recchi 25-23 Open Singles Final: Theo Katsivas d Don Webb 25-16 Club Triples Final: Ellis/Cowling/Teakle d Roberts/ Ormston/ Sterai 31-19

Club Championships - March

Club Mixed pairs and Handicap Singles are up to semi-final stages and will be completed during March 2017.

Matches played Sunday 26 February

Men's Pairs Final – Flavel/Webb d Ballestrin/Sterai 30-4 Ladies Pairs Final – Nixon/Livie d Green/Recchi 15-12

NB: Mixed pairs and Handicap singles will be completed during March.

CONGRATULATIONS ASHLEY

Ashley Halls has made his way through to the final 16 in the State Singles. The finals rounds will be played during Champions Week in late April.

ENJOYABLE LOUD SHIRT SHINDIG

Around 80 members and friends danced to the music of the band *Good Company* Saturday week ago. Those who attended made comments about the music (*"We knew the words to all the songs"*) and obviously enjoyed each others' company. Plans are being talked about to plan another such evening later in winter (eg. around August). Thank you to the Social Committee for taking this event

happen.

END-OF-SEASON SHARED BBQ

After bowls last Saturday, club members enjoyed a Club BBQ with members bringing salads and desserts to share. Thank you to all who made this event happen ... Bill and

Anne Green, Bill Morris, George Szczurko, Helen and Peter Musson, Lyn Nixon and the many members who lent a hand during the evening. The sense of club spirit and community was much appreciated by all who attended.