

Eagle Wrap February 2020 No. 28

From the President (by Sam Katsivas)

A big thank you to all the people who stepped up to work for the Club for the Men's Country Carnival – the greens preparation, the kitchen, the bar, the event organisation. By the time this goes to publication, the Women's Country Round Robin – with 150+ players each day – will also be in progress, so I'll take the opportunity to thank all the people who will have volunteered their time to help run this event as well.

Stepping up to run the catering service at short notice is no small feat, and to have done so with such success is a credit to Liz Ormston and Karen Kovaleff and the team of ladies who have stepped up to work with them; make no mistake they have done a marvellous job. I am proud of you all and I thank you for your commitment to our Club.



I would also like to publicly thank Tim Dodds for the work he is putting into our greens. Following Brad Porter is a daunting task for any greenkeeper, and Tim has freely admitted he is still learning his craft. While we acknowledge that, his dedication and commitment to this essential service are outstanding.

The Board is happy with what Tim is achieving and he will be offered the opportunity to continue if he wishes, once his 12-month contract has expired. Members should also be aware that Tim has been extremely generous to the Club in his remuneration agreement and this is a significant reason why the Club now finds itself financially more secure than it has been for a long time.

I also thank and acknowledge Geoff Ellis, who continues to amaze, notwithstanding his age, in assisting Tim significantly both on the greens and off (especially through the gardening group). I often come to the Club early in the morning and there is Geoff behind a lawnmower, sitting on a roller, lugging a wheelbarrow or having a well-deserved coffee break when he is exhausted. Geoff, I salute you and thank you for your service to our Club, as well as Darryl Cowling, who has assisted Geoff over many years.

With regard to the redevelopment, I can report that everyone at Council is back at work and an early morning meeting this week between Mayor Coxon, Bowls Australia and myself has further progressed the conversation. The Council is still dead keen to develop a centre of excellence and the next stage of proceedings will be to gather the clubs together again to determine their interest so that Council can progress to commissioning a concept drawing plan.

I ask that you continue to be patient with the Rutland Avenue works and the use of our carpark as a storage facility by Council. I'm told the works will be concluded by either the last week in February or the first week in March.

I have nothing further to report in regard to the police investigation of the matter reported

earlier, other than to say I am heartened that the few members to whom I have spoken about their undesirable behaviour, based on mis-information, have taken my message on board and have responded accordingly.

I remind all members that in order to receive respect and consideration, we must all first show respect and consideration to others. As I keep bleating on, this is one of the defining strengths of our Club. Keep up the good work.

From the Board (from the Secretary)

Presentation Night

The Presentation Night is going to be held on Thursday 2 April, most likely at the Lockleys Hotel. We're still negotiating prices/menu and will advise the details shortly.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held on Sunday 31 May, starting at 10am. Further details, including preparation and availability of the Annual Report, will be provided in due course.

Ladies Classic

Given the number of State events being held at the Club in February and March — and the associated workload on our volunteers, both in relation to the greens but also the catering and bar effort involved — we've decided to cancel the Ladies Classic, which had been scheduled for Sunday 29 March (just prior to our hosting of the Women's Country Carnival). We had only a handful of nominations at the time, so the cancellation hopefully won't have impacted others too significantly.

New members

The recent Board meeting approved membership applications from Christine Mincham (full member) and Helen Simons (social member). Please make them both very welcome.

Bowls (from Ashley Halls)

Pennants

We're approaching Round 15 of the season. The standings as at Wednesday 12 February are:

Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday
1 st side $- 2$ nd 2 nd side $- 4$ th 3 rd side $- 6$ th	1st side - 2nd $2nd side - 5th$	1^{st} side -9^{th} 2^{nd} side -9^{th} 3^{rd} side -4^{th} 4^{th} side -7^{th}

Taylor Challenge Cup

Our Gold side, in 5th position, plays on Sunday 23 February at Grange against Payneham.

Our Bronze side remains in 2nd position, even though they lost against Hawthorn on Sunday 9 February. They will be playing in the elimination finals at Edwardstown on Sunday 23 February (against Christies Beach), so please come along and support our team (or the Gold side at Grange).

State events

As mentioned in the President's report, we've successfully hosted the Under-18 State Championships, sections of the Men's Country Carnival, and the Women's Country Round Robin, all of which have usefully showcased our Club and provided invaluable revenue from the bar and catering.



A snapshot of two of our members

Meet Darryl and Julie Cowling



Darryl was educated at Nailsworth Tech and joined the Royal Australian Air Force to become an Engineer. He spent 15 years in the Air Force, mainly at Butterworth in Malaysia.

After 15 years, he retired to become the greenkeeper at Memorial Drive Bowling Club. From there he moved onto Enfield Council to maintain parks and gardens and finally ended up using his engineering training to work with Lloyd Helicopters.

In addition to his love of bowls, Darryl enjoys listening to music and watching the Adelaide Crows.

Julie was educated at Woomera Area School and went on to do secretarial work at Adelaide Uni and SA Public Service, before finishing at the Grange Kindergarten. She has an interest in family history, assisted Vern Butler in researching *Celebrating 100 Years of Lockleys Bowling Club* and is an avid reader.

Julie and Darryl met on a blind date and married 42 years ago. They have one son, Adrian, who is a physio therapist.

In 1997, they formed a Night Owls team 'Unbiased', with friends Ian and Judith Bartlett and eventually advanced to pennants in 2001/2. They have been active volunteers since. Julie was Ladies President in 2004/5. They jointly managed the Night Owls program

for 7 years from 2005. For a few years in between, they prepared the then club magazine 'The Toucher', with Ian and Judith.

Their service continues to this day with Julie assisting with supper. Darryl is the smiling and happy roving coach on Wednesday evenings. But, more importantly, he works with Geoff Ellis to maintain our gardens and the greens. If anything needs to be done, they both pitch in.

Julie and Darryl continue to be truly amazing volunteers for our Club.

Calendar for February

Friday 14 February – Women's Country Round Robin; 4.30pm pennant practice; and Valentine's Day

Saturday 15 February – 1pm pennant games (all sides away)

Tuesday 18 February – 7pm Night Owls Wednesday 19 February – 12.30pm pennants (all sides home); 7pm Night Owls

Thursday 20 February – 9.45am pennant games (both sides home)

Friday 21 February – 12.30pm social bowls; 4.30pm pennant practice

Saturday 22 February – 1pm pennant games (all sides home)

Sunday 23 February – 6pm Lockleys' Bronze side playing in Taylor Cup Challenge elimination finals at Edwardstown; Gold side playing at Grange against Payneham

Tuesday 25 February – 7pm Night Owls Wednesday 26 February – 12.30pm pennants (all sides away); 7pm Night Owls

Thursday 27 February – 9.45am pennant games (both sides away)

Friday 28 February – 12.30pm social bowls; 4.30pm pennant practice

Saturday 29 February – 1pm pennant games (all sides away)

Calendar for March

Tuesday 3 March – 7pm Night Owls Wednesday 4 March – 12.30pm pennants (all sides home); 7pm Night Owls Thursday 5 March – 9.45am pennant games (both sides home) Friday 6 March – 12.30pm social bowls; 4.30pm pennant practice Saturday 7 March – no pennant games Tuesday 10 March – 7pm Night Owls Wednesday 11 March – 12.30pm pennants (all sides away); 7pm Night Owls

Thursday 12 March – 9.45am pennant games (both sides away)

Friday 13 March – 12.30pm social bowls; 4.30pm pennant practice

Saturday 14 March – pennant semi-finals Tuesday 17 March – 7pm Night Owls Wednesday 18 March – pennant semi-finals; 7pm Night Owls

Thursday 19 March – pennant semi-finals Friday 20 March – 12.30pm social bowls; 4.30pm pennant practice

Saturday 21 March – pennant preliminary finals

Tuesday 24 March – 7pm Night Owls (and last game for the season)

Wednesday 25 March – pennant preliminary finals; 7pm Night Owls (and last game for the season)

Thursday 26 March – pennant preliminary finals

Friday 27 March – 12.30pm social bowls; 4.30pm pennant practice Saturday 28 March – pennant grand final

Sunday 29 March – 9.30am Lockleys Ladies Classic

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Photos from the Women's Country Round Robin