



West Melton Bowling Club Newsletter

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Results:

Malvern Singles

Malvern ladies & men's singles were played last weekend. There were 22 entries for the men & 6 for the ladies.

From the West Melton entries Bill Paekau and Jude Morgan qualified for the post section on Sunday. Bill played in the quarter final, but lost his game. Jude won her semifinal and played in the final against Bronwyn Hamilton. It was a very close game and the score was 20 all going into the last end. Bronwyn won the last end & Jude was runner up.

Congratulations to all players who entered. They had to cope with difficult conditions including constant rain, on the Saturday of the competition.

Green Issues

Roye Daniel, Board member i/c our Green reports:

1. Owing to the present hot weather we have changed the watering regime for the bowling green. We have minimised the overhead sprinkler cycles and will now be flooding the green on what will probably be a regular basis of twice per week.

Depending on the weather flooding may be done after evening or social bowls. This is likely to leave water remaining on the surface the next morning. If you have a

game scheduled for early morning please check the website for the green condition and reschedule your game if necessary.

2. We are trying to locate the Club's fertiliser spreader. This is rubber tyred with a hopper on top and the spinner in between. If it is parked in the corner of a member's garden shed we would appreciate its return (no questions asked) as we are presently using a borrowed spreader.

Coming events:

February			
Wed 7th	6pm	Mens Club night – Pairs	
Thur 8th	1.30pm	Club Mixed Roll up	
	6pm	Under 5's Pairs R2	See board for teams & venues
	6pm	Social Target Bowls	
Sat 10th	9am	AC Eights R 3	See board for info
	9am	Under 3's Fours R3	See board for info
	1pm	Super Pairs R 5+6	See board for details
Sun 11th	9am	WM Sixes – all day event	
Mon 12th	6pm	Coaching with Ron McNicholl	
Tues 13th	6pm	Over 60s Sevens R 4	See board for details

Spud Day

Norm Dunlop confirms the Spud (Potato) weigh-in day & prize-giving will be on **Saturday 2nd March** immediately following the Super Pairs comp on that day. A meal of fish & chips (\$5/head) will follow the prize-giving.

Sponsorship of cheese for men & womens club nights

Angela Collier, an active WMBC member, is a real estate agent with **Tall Poppy Real Estate**. She has agreed to fund & prepare the cheese to go with the cracker biscuits on Tuesday & Wednesday club nights after play has been completed.

Do consider giving Anj a call (021 121 3575) if you would like an appraisal of your property or have any related queries.

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Grippe

Grippe has been unavailable in New Zealand for the last 6 months. It is made in Australia and shipments to NZ have restarted recently. We have an order for 2 boxes with the Bowls Canterbury Shop. I will advise members when we are selling it again.

Bowls Etiquette:

Etiquette simply means displaying good sportsmanship based on the traditions of the game. Applying common sense goes a long way to displaying good sportsmanship.

Here's a guide to some of the finer points of lawn bowls etiquette:

1. Be on time for any game (social, club competition or interclub event) that you have agreed to play in
2. Switch off your mobile phone or other electronic devices before commencing a game
3. Be aware of the fundamental rules of the game and conditions of play for the event being played
4. Always greet your opponent with a friendly handshake at the start of a game
5. Hand your opponent the mat and jack at the start of play
6. Commend good bowls and acknowledge your own fluky or lucky bowls. It is considered poor sportsmanship to cheer opposition bowls going into the ditch, out of bounds or knocking one of your bowls towards the jack
7. Show respect for your opponents and teammates by not disturbing them while they are on the mat and by standing still at the head end when someone is about to bowl.
8. Avoid disturbing players on other rinks by not walking onto their rink or making excessive noise
9. All players should assist in kicking back the bowls at the completion of an end
10. If the Umpire is called to measure, all bowlers should retreat from the head and not disturb him
11. At the completion of a game the graceful loser should congratulate the modest winner with a handshake and share a drink with them in the clubhouse
12. Bowls is a very inclusive sport, be sure to treat all opponents with the same amount of respect that you would wish to be treated

For more details, information & club bowls cancellations - go to the WMBC website www.westmeltonbowlingclub.com

For cancellations of interclub bowling due to weather conditions; Bowls Canterbury Info Line 03 3512225 or the Bowls Canterbury Facebook page.

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