

# SOUNDS OF THE WAVES

August/September 2021

Welcome to a combined August /September issue of the Newsletter. Because of the August Covid lockdown, we didn't have a lot to report on. However, I trust everyone survived well and are now grateful to be living in our wonderful State. Our thoughts and prayers go to our Southern counterparts that they soon will enjoy the freedom we have here.



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's good to see the club back in full swing after having gone through the COVID 19 lockdown for a couple of weeks.

The draw for the Club major triples was recently completed with only 7 teams entering the competition. So you have to ask the question as to why such a poor level of interest in what is one of our premier bowls club events. Your committee will be doing its best to encourage more players to participate in our club championships not only for the benefit of the club but also for the players themselves. You simply can't get that experience or the adrenaline rush that these events give you by playing social bowls alone. So if you are uncertain about taking on some of our stronger players make it happen as you never know where it will take you.

(Must say thank you for the Music on Tuesdays John)

## WAVES CLUB NEWS

I know that we have all been waiting to see something happen with the redevelopment of the club. Gavin has a site meeting next week following which he

expects to have a start date for the works to begin. First cab off the rank will be our car park which is expected to accommodate 45 vehicles and is being built on the vacant green. Once I have confirmation from Gavin you will receive a communication as to when the work will begin and its expected completion date.

## MEMBER SURVEY

Finally, I wanted to give you some feedback on the member survey that was conducted. We have appointed a member forum to look at your feedback and to recommend changes to the committee to better your bowls experience. It will take some time to consider and implement the changes but I hope that you will start to notice the improvements and benefits that come from this exercise.

The initial meetings have focussed on 3 areas:

**Introduction of new members -** we are looking to ensure that new members are positively welcomed into our club and are given the support that they need. To that end we will be developing a welcome pack and introduce a buddy system.

**Major club bowls events -** our major club events such as our club championships don't get the support they deserve. We want to turn this around by putting on a day that will encourage members to come along and actively participate in the events.

**Varied game formats -** our game formats for social bowls have largely limited to score and margin games. There are numerous other type events that can be introduced to help relieve the boredom of the "same old" and at the same time give our not so talented bowlers a fair go of taking home some Money beyond winning a lucky team prize

I look forward to your feedback and support.

Please take a look at this link. The most amazing exhibition of draw bowling you'll ever see.

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## PETER JOHNSON AND ED BOXALL STATE PAIRS FINALISTS

Peter Johnson and Ed Boxall became the Sunshine Coast District Men's Pairs Champions for 2021, beating fancied rivals Kawana 16-15 in a gripping final. It was a great achievement for the guys and a fantastic boost for Waves Caloundra as we start the 2021 Pennant Season!

On the same weekend Neeta Chant and Elaine Knights made it through to the semi-finals of the Ladies in another fantastic effort!



Well done also to our members who made it to Coolum to support our teams!





The support continued as Peter and Ed contested the State finals at Pine Rivers on 19th September where they did our club proud finishing Runners Up in the final. Not a bad effort for a couple of senior bowlers.



#### **FROM MENS CONVENOR**

Because of Covid lockdown, dates for our pennant season were altered. Prior arrangements caused some players to be unavailable. Therefore division 7 had to be deleted. 'B' pairs had to be cancelled.

#### **MEN'S PENNANT RESULTS**

Our division 2,3,5 and 6 pennant teams have completed 5 rounds with 2 to play.

Results for round 5; Div 2 def Mooloolaba 7 1/2 to 1 1/2, Div 3 bye, Div 5 def Yandina 8 to 1, Div 6 lost to Kawana 1 to 7.

Div 2 hold a handy lead on the table having 41 points to second placed Kawana on 29 points.

Div 3 are equal top of the ladder with Glasshouse on 35 points.

Div 5 whilst they had a good win against top team Yandina, are in fourth place with 27 points behind Yandina and Coolum 33 1/2 and Maroochy 28 1/2, but are still in the race to feature in the finals.

Div 6 are unfortunately down the list on 12 points.

The finals are on Oct 16. In each division, second will play third in the am game, the winner of that will play the top placed team pm.

#### **WOOMBYE FIESTA**



Our lovable **Liz Taylor** has shown her leadership ability with a win at Woombye with Neeta Chant, Nerida Green and Mary Needham. Congratulations!!!

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Our much loved **Betty Thompson** turned 88??? Can't be??? Have an amazing year ahead Betty. I believe **Tony** had a **BIG** birthday as well.



**Happy birthday ladies.**



**Carole Prout and Lorna Plunkett** both enjoyed a milestone birthday.



#### **Blast from the past !**

C. Mc Donald and Team.....Manly



2005 Everton Park Invitation Triples where I was fortunate enough to play with these legends Shirley Garrett (The fun Queen) and Shirley Young. President at the time was our one and only Nerida Green. Thanks for the memory Nerida.

*This is one of the best things about being a lawn bowler. You make lifelong friends.*

#### *The Gift of Friendship*

Friendship is a priceless gift  
That can't be bought or sold,  
But its value is far greater  
Than a mountain made of gold.  
For gold is cold and lifeless,  
It cannot see nor hear,  
And in your times of trouble,  
It is powerless to cheer.  
It has no ears to listen,  
No heart to understand.  
It cannot bring you comfort  
Or reach out a helping hand.  
So when you ask God for a gift,  
Be thankful that he sends,  
Not diamonds, pearls, or riches,  
But the love of a real, true friend.



*Blessings of Joy & Gratitude*

#### **COACHING SESSIONS**

To all of those wanting to improve your bowls here is a great opportunity! Commencing Friday 27th August from 10.00 am to 11.55 am Club Coach Barry Roberts will be conducting Skill Drills and Team Games Practice. For more Information Please feel free to contact Barry on 0413 089 422

**UMPIRES CORNER**  
**LAWS OF THE SPORT OF BOWLS**  
**RINK POSSESSION**

**Q: A Player is on the mat and felt that the players not in possession of the rink were too close to the mat. What is the Law covering that?**

**A: Section 1.3 – Possession of the rink.**

12. Position of players:

12.1 In relation to the rink of play:

12.1.1 Players at the mat-end of the rink who are not delivering a bowl must stand at least 1 metre behind the mat. **Important:** Players on the mat shall be given every chance to play their bowls without interference and while they are in possession of the mat no other player should be within 1 metre of the mat.

**Q: What happens at the head-end if they are members of the team not controlling play?**

**A: 12.1.2 Players at the head-end of the rink and who are not controlling play must stand:**

12.1.2.2 Behind the jack and away from the head if they are members of the team which is not in possession of the rink.

12.1.2.3 On the surrounds of the green if the jack is in the ditch, or 12.1.2.4 Well clear of the head if it is not possible to stand on the surrounds.

**Q: Where do players of the team that are controlling the head stand?**

**A:**  
12.1.2.1 Behind the jack if they are members of the team which is in possession of the rink. 12.1.3 As soon as a bowl is delivered, a player who is controlling play from a position that is either level with or in front of the jack, must take their position as described in Law 12.1.2



**SUNDAY ROLLERS**

**Our Rollers played host to the boys from Normanby this month and extended the usual hospitality. The annual trip to Red Hill is planned for the last Sunday in November.**

**Rollers have been playing East/West of late but will be returning to North/South as the warmer weather comes in because of the necessary Shades. Could anyone please volunteer to help set up the game on a Sunday morning. Maybe for an hour or so once a month?**



Roy Palmer (whom we all know and love) has been in hospital having surgery. Hope to see you back on Skid Row real soon Roy.



**Brian & Nerida Green**  
**enjoying a**  
**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
**celebration.**

**Congratulations to you**  
**both and thank you for**

**your wonderful**  
**contributions to our Club.**

**bowls:** Mysterious and ancient game played by people old enough to know better, using balls carefully designed to go in the wrong direction.



**CALOUNDRA STARS**

Our ladies certainly know how to have a good time with our lunch dates attracting more and more members every week. This day we enjoyed many laughs at Golden Beach Tavern.



Eleanor wondering if she has ordered too much and Gay thinking the same. ???



## **PROFILE OF THE MONTH**

In this issue I had the opportunity to showcase not 1 but 2 valued members of our Club, Carol and Denis Prout. (I called in at the right for freshly made Banana cake and Coffee)



Both born in Brisbane, Carol attended Kedron State School and Denis attended Greenslopes State School. (Lorraine Willmot was in Denis's class) Anyone who is from Brisbane knows that in the day it was unusual to fraternize with the OTHER side of the river. However they each completed their education at Brisbane State High School where they met.

Both became school teachers and Carol boasts that one of our Star lady bowlers, Sue Beresford, was her pupil in grade 6. Firstly I'll let you know about Carol's early life. Always a keen sports enthusiast, Carol played softball and represented the State team in Primary School in 1954 and then in the State Senior Side in 1962. Carol also played representative sports in Cricko, Vigoro, Tennis and Golf.

Following her marriage to Denis, Carol was transferred to Charleville where she became President of the Softball

Association, a position she also held in St George.

4 months before their marriage, After 3 years teaching at Mt Gravatt Primary School, Denis was transferred to Wyandra. (In those days Teachers were given Country appointments early in their careers to get teachers out there) Denis crossed to High School teaching when the Grade 8s progressed from Primary education to High School. Future promotions and transfers saw a tour of Queensland for the Prout family which consisted of 2 sons and a daughter, firstly to Nashville in Brisbane and then to Innisfail as Deputy Principal. After that, another 4 years at Nashville before being appointed inaugural Principal of a new High School in St George for 4 years, after which, he served at Holland Park High then Lockyer District in Gatton before his final 7 years at Caloundra High School. Katrina Curley was one his students there.



### **Bowls years**

After being keen Golfers, and still Teaching, both Carol and Denis turned to Lawn Bowls in 1990, joining the Caloundra Bowls Club. Although still working, they enjoyed social bowls every Sunday afternoon and Monday nights with Competition Bowls Tuesday nights, both being members of the successful Night Pennant team. Denis played weekend Pennant while Carol pursued her golf on Saturdays. After his retirement in 1995 Denis held the position of Junior Vice President, Senior Vice President and ultimately

President of the Caloundra Bowls Club. He became the Clubs' treasurer which involved 6am poker machine clearances three mornings a week. He was elected Chairman in 2000 during which a major reconstruction of the Club was undertaken. After a year off for travelling, Denis was re-elected Chairman for a further 3 years. Denis was awarded Life Membership by the members for his efforts. Other credits are Umpire, Coach and Games Director. Whilst holding this position Denis introduced the very successful Caloundra City Bowls Carnival. He represented the Club in Premier League, Super Challenge and Great eights plus winning 3 Pennant Flags with a South East Queensland Division 3 WINNER!!! Denis hopes to return to Wednesday afternoon bowls after upcoming surgery for a knee replacement.

Carol also has a prestigious Bowls Career, winning many titles after relinquishing her golf interests. She is an enthusiastic and valued member of our Club, with 4 Division 1 winning teams. Carol was selected in Sunshine Coast Ladies District Sides representative teams for the first 6 years of the competition then retired to become the Manager and Selector of the Sides.



The highlight of Carol's Bowling

career was being named District Player of the Year in 2012. Carol was also an umpire for 20 years and is a Past President of Caloundra Bowls Club. Carol is ALWAYS ready to stand in for our Pennant teams for which we are so grateful.

As well as Bowls, Carol and Denis enjoy Gardening, Fishing trips and Caravan getaways. I remember Carol telling me about going to Young and picking cherries. Made my mouth water

for cherries. 

I must add that Carol is still sending them down well on the green, although she modestly claims "I'm not bowling well anymore" We disagree!!

I could go on for pages about these two Champions. Please take the time to talk to them about their years at Caloundra Bowls Club. Their knowledge is endless.

**LADIES CLUB NEWS**  
**Upcoming Events**

**October 23rd Mixed Seafood Fours (members only)**



**Minor Pairs White Rose) Monday October 11th & 12th.**



**Christmas Fours Monday, November 29th.**



**LADIES PENNANT RESULTS**

Another Pennant season done and dusted and although we didn't bring home any flags this year, we learned much about our newer players and realise the potential of each one, both through ability and

team play. In hindsight (which makes us all so much smarter) we didn't take into consideration the fine line we cut to field 5 Divisions.

Although unavoidable, many players were unavailable each week and we had to call on extras who hadn't wanted to play pennant. To these ladies we are extremely grateful for making the effort. Look out for us in 2022. Thank you to all the players, reserves and Managers for their Club commitment. You're all STARS



**SPIRIT**

Strength and courage aren't always measured in medals and victories. They are measured in the struggles they overcome. The strongest people aren't always the people who win, they are the people who don't give up when they lose.

**OUR PENNANT TEAMS 2021**



**Players not in Photos.**



**My first year playing pennant Don't you love the fashion? Dress had to be 4 inches below the back of the knee.**

Our lady **President Neeta Chant**, had much pleasure marking the final of the ladies "B" Singles which was won by Betty Backhouse. Betty

defeated Elaine Knights in a well contested game. Congratulation to all.



Congratulations to all who participated in these events. We look forward to the future with these rising STARS.



Triples final



Winners, Carole McDonald, Anne Hawkins and Elaine Knights



Runners-up, Jan Heywood, Mary Darcy and Robyn Lewty.



**When you're HOT you're HOT.**

After winning the B singles final in the morning, **Betty Backhouse** was required to team up with Carol Burrows to contest the B Pairs final in the afternoon. Again Betty and Carol were victorious against their opposition Robyn Lewty and Margaret Hardy.



As always our appreciation goes out to our

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Thank you Brian Swan for your

in putting this on the website for me.

