

# **COHOTSHOT**



BAIRNSDALE GOLF-BOWLS CLUB NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2025

# 2025 - 2026 Season Opening Day



Monday September 15 was the day for our Season Opening and what a brilliant day weather-wise. We were very pleased to welcome our MP for East Gippsland, Tim Bull, to open the season and deliver the first bowl.



Bowls President John Crawford welcoming Tim, Club President Steve Mann, Manager Jeff Graham, members and visitors.



# MANAGER'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025 Jeff Graham

Hello all,

As we begin our run into the very, very, busy event season (Late October to mid-April) I'd like to take this opportunity to thank in advance the hoards of volunteers that make event a success. Too many to name, but you know who you are. Make sure you say thanks if you play in event and notice one of our members involved.



**GOLF OR BOWLS!** 

#### Meal nights are coming back

We have some great news to share......Thursday night will be Pizza and Pasta (Italian) nights at BGC. We have earmarked November 20<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> as the official launch date and we are working hard behind the scenes to ensure it's a hit. Below are some of the activities and menu items

- Authentic stone baked pizzas (traditional Italian flavours)
- House made pasta and other traditional Italian dishes
- House made Italian desserts (featured in our cake displays)
- Expanded wine list to include Italian wine varieties
- Dine in or takeaway options
- A new 9 Hole Twilight Comp between 3:00pm and 6:30pm (TBC) to coincide with the Pizza & Pasta menu (after golf on the deck)
- Live music on the deck from 5pm onwards (TBC)
- Members CASH DRAW
- Indoor putting comp or standard raffle. One or the other.

Whilst this will be mainly an employed staff affair, I do expect we will require one volunteer each night to assist with taking meals to tables. If you are in a position to assist, please let me know. If I can get 4 or 5, it will only be an every 4 - or 5 - week impost.

#### A regular job we need filled

**Golf Event Photographer**- Bev Yeates has performed this task admirably for many years and a few months back resigned (despite our best efforts) Bev has big shoes to fill, but if you enjoy photography and have some time on your hands, let me know. Typically, there is one event every 3-4 weeks that requires photos.

#### Strategic Plan update.

#### IN PROGRESS

**Clubhouse Lounge Ceiling.** UPDATE This was scheduled for July 2025 and we commenced the process at that point in time. Our pro-bono plasterer has engaged another contractor to assist and unfortunately it appears this will be a considerably bigger job than first thought (and quoted). The entire ceiling will need to be removed (rather than covered with new board). We are currently obtaining quotes.

#### MANAGER'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025 (cont.)

Change the sand in seven bunkers. Repair the drainage and change the sand in four others, fill in and grass two others. (Perform 50% of).

In accordance with our Bunker audit, we will be fully renovating the 1<sup>st</sup> hole left greenside. The 17<sup>th</sup> hole left greenside, 8<sup>th</sup> hole front right greenside. We will also replace the sand in the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole, 3<sup>rd</sup> hole x 2, 5<sup>th</sup> hole, 8<sup>th</sup> hole and 14<sup>th</sup> hole. NO UPDATE since last report.

**Perform minor renovations to the female change rooms.** Finance has approved the flooring replacement, when Wood St Style and Flooring are available, it will be replaced. UPDATE: The flooring in the cubicle has been installed. Next, we will attack the vanities and the floor directly in front of them. NO UPDATE since last month's report however some correspondence with the Wednesday committee of the allocation of funds and timing of the works has started.

#### **IF TIME PERMITS**

(Perform 50% of) Repair or reconstruct the golf course paths rated a high priority. 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>. UPDATE: Unfortunately, due to the limited staff resources on the course we will not be in a position to start the path reconstructions. UPDATE: Throughout the next 6 months we hope to catch-up on the above high priority bunker works. Unfortunately, we are back to two staff for the short term which will delay the process a month or so. UPDATE: From the week of Monday July 7<sup>th</sup> we will be back to full strength and whilst there will be a staff training period we will hopefully get to the paths over winter. UPDATE: We have engaged contractors to provide us with advice relating to the construction of a <u>permanent</u> pathway from the 18<sup>th</sup> green to the clubhouse (with a 10<sup>th</sup> tee connection) COM are currently weighing up the associated costs.

We expect to reconstruct the pathway in the Next two months, whether it be hex grid/crushed rock, concrete, asphalt or similar remains to be determined. UPDATE: COM have approved the construction of a hex grid pathway with concrete culvert drainage from the clubhouse to the 18<sup>th</sup> green (via a new cutaway through the garden bed to the front of the 18<sup>th</sup> green (and onwards to the women's 10<sup>th</sup> tee. We expect this to commence within the month (contractor dependent for the culvert drain).

**OCTOBER** 

Club Mixed Fours Championship (3 & 4).

Until next month, play well,

Jeff Graham

#### Wed. 15 Club Novice Singles Event (1 & 2). Fri. 31 Club 21 Up Events (3 & 4). **NOVEMBER** UPCOMING Sun. 2 Club Mixed Pairs Championship (1 & 2). Sun. 9 Club Mixed Pairs Championship (3 & 4). Fri. 21 LADIES INVITATION DAY. Fri. 28 Club Minor Singles Championships (1 & 2). **DECEMBER** Fri. 5 Club Mixed Fours Championship (1 & 2). Mon. 8 Monday Triples 'Turkey Day' sponsored by Tham Dynasty Paynesville.

Fri. 12

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT—SEPTEMBER 2025

#### **Stephen Mann**

Hello to all members.

September has seen some improved weather although it has been rather windy for golf and bowls.

The Club ran an **RU OK Awareness Day** on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025

- There were events in the morning and afternoon and the Clubhouse was full for presentation.
- This day was sponsored by Your Own Way via Brad Campbell who supplied prizes for \$2,000.

A huge thanks to Brad for his work assisting mental heath which has a serious impact on so many people including golfers and bowlers.

#### **ELECTIONS**

- Nominations are open for the Committee of Management positions of President, Vice President & 1 Committee Member.
- Nomination Forms are available from the office.

Nominations close on 8th October 2025.

**ANNUAL TOURNAMENT** entry forms are available at the Pro-Shop.

**CAR PARK REPAIRS** - Work to repair the car park is expected to be completed by end of September Enjoy your Golf and Bowls during October.

Regards,

STEPHEN MANN (President)

# BOWLS PRESIDENT'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025 John Crawford

By the time you read this we will have had our AGM so congratulations to all who have taken up a position in the running of our Club. We look forward to another good year with the continual focus being on attracting new members.

Pennant training has been well attended, let's hope this puts us in a position to win a flag or two. Monday triples is well attended also with 10 to l4 teams playing and Thursdays usually have over 20 attendees. The new members are keen and progressing very well.

Please support our Club events, winning is the aim but participation in friendly competition is the real reward and for some reason the standard of bowling in competition seems to come up a notch.

All looks good for another progressive year, greens look good and the spirit in the Club is good. Let's keep our reputation of the friendliest club in the region up there. Good bowling.

#### John C.

#### BOWLS CO-ORDINATOR REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025 Joy Ryan

This will be my last report for season 24-25. During my position as Bowls Co-ordinator I have had the help and assistance from our Bowls Committee and I wish to thank them for their support.

Our first Club event for the season was the Handicap Pairs. Six teams both men and ladies played three games of ten ends. This day is quite taxing but all enjoyed the challenge.

Winners on the day were *Men*: John Crawford Eric Yeates *Ladies*: Jan Dodson Joy Ryan.

Tuesday 7th October will be the Club 21up event. This is a drawn event. If you are drawn as a bye you are expected to be a marker for the day. Here's hoping for good weather and a full field.

That's all from me. Good bowling and enjoy our great Club.







# TREASURER'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2025 David Pollard

Hello all,

Our annual audit is pretty well done and dusted! We are just waiting on the final report and then I can get the Treasurer's report done and out to you all.

Any time you would like to chat about the figures, let me know.

Bank Accounts – as of 5 October 2025

Trading Account \$353,823.29 Credit Funds
 Holding Account \$5,051.15 Credit Funds
 Term Deposit \$56,048.10 Credit Funds

The reporting period is 01.07.25 to 38.08.25.

#### **RESULTS V BUDGET**

**Income** is under by \$4,700 (no so good).

- Competition Fees, Subscription Fees are down, with some small gains in other income areas keeping the 'amount under budget' lower.
- August's trading has been significantly better than July's and we look forward to that hopefully continuing.

**Expenses** are under \$7,900 (good).

- We have made some early savings in Wages.
- Otherwise, our expenses are tracking well.

**Net Profit** (Before Depreciation) is over \$3,100 (good).

A good turn around after the last few trading months not being the best.

#### David

# Club Handicap Pairs Events

The first Club Event for the 2025-26 season was the Handicap Pairs where three games of 10 ends was played. The ladies' winners were Jan Dodson and Joy Ryan with two wins and a loss on count-back from runners-up Jill Dennison and Natasha Zosko.

The winners of the men's event were Eric Yeates and John Crawford, also on countback with two wins and a loss, from Roger Plowman and Tony Dodson.





### GREENS DIRECTOR - SEPTEMBER 2025

**Steve Beggs** 

Top green is rolling very well north - south but not so well east - west but we must bowl both ways to spread the foot traffic that creates the very obvious wear. Every grass green has the same issues that are very difficult and very expensive to remedy. We all bowl on the same green so we all face the same challenges, that's the way it is.



'WORKING BEE' Wednesday 8th October 9.30 am, lots of jobs to do to make our greens look tops for the Pennant opening. The normal jobs we have all done before - clean the shed and furniture, this requires a pressure cleaner from a member, let me know if you can provide one.

All gardens require work, cut back foliage north side of bottom green, and much more.

I have requested Craig to remove dead shrubs in the garden behind the shed; fit synthetic grass to bottom green corners from surplus product; clean seats and shades and line mark rinks.

I am sure you will see something that requires attention, if so you are welcome to fix it or talk to me about your concerns so we can address it. The more helpers we get spreads the work, so see you there.

Cheers,

Steve.

#### **PENNANT - SEPTEMBER 2025**

**Steve Beggs** 



Hi to all,

The 25/26 Pennant season is fast approaching so members who wish to represent our Club please ensure your name is on the list, as well as the 'UNAVAILABLE' list which is just as important.

The Friday and Saturday morning 'coaching drills' have been hugely successful for all. The mix of new, and experienced players, seem to enjoy the different formats and very different challenges.

As Ron Hatcher said to us all, "If each team member gets one extra shot, it means eight shots over the team will win the game."

That is the point of this training, to win a flag for Bairnsdale Golf Bowls Club.

We can do it, and we will with every member trying their best. Keep up the good work.

Steve



# **BOWLING GREENS - SEPTEMBER 2025 Craig Rimington Course Superintendent**

Both greens have been treated with multiple fungicides for ERI and BF1 – (fairway patch), greens have been fertilized, liquid inoculants applied and 1<sup>st</sup> application of wetting agent.



The bottom green renovation will take place after the Ladies' Invitational event.

Craig.



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We are always very pleased to welcome our friends from Howitt Park and Paynesville along to our special days, and Opening Day was no exception.



David Formby and Mira Faithfull.



Mandy Godwin bowling with Karen Edgell and Doreen Edwards (Howitt Park).



Mark Hemming (Paynesville).



Chris Kyle (Howitt Park) with Barry Buntine.



Jan Dodson bowling along with John Beanland, Jill Dennison, Andrew McKee (Paynesville) and Geoff Johnston.



John Beanland bowling with Mike Manning, Andrew McKee (Paynesville) and Jan Dodson.



Jill Dennison—nice pick-up Jill! Along with Mike Manning, Geoff Johnston and Jan Dodson.



Winners on the day Helen Everett, Judi Hogan, Bev and Eric Yeates. Absent (Jamie Dainty).



Runners-up Angela Boyd, Julie Beggs, Mandy Godwin and Steve Beggs.



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Pam Boucher and Ann Seville.





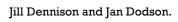
Rose Watkins bowling with Carol Crane (Paynesville).



Beanland and Geoff Johnston.



David Formby.





## Top Green Garden Bank

Exactly a year since the garden bank was planted out, and hasn't it come a long way!

To fill in some gaps, John Crawford donated some more plants and David Slater was good enough to give up an afternoon to plant them. We are very grateful for the involvement of our newer members.





## Our Very Own 'Golden Arch'





#### Blown away by the Agave Attenuata—also known as Foxtail Agave.

Have you seen this Agave variety blooming ever before? A flower this long and beautiful only occurs once in a lifetime for the Agave Foxtail. It is a species of flowering plant in the family Asparagaceae. The plant is commonly know as 'Foxtail', a name that makes reference to its development of a curved inflorescence, which is unusual among Agaves.

The arching flower stalk curves back towards the ground and sometimes features a second arch, resembling a foxtail. The Foxtail Agave produces many 'suckers' or offshoots. These offshoots increase the clumping of the foliage, resulting in thicker growth.

#### Foxtail Agave's Flowering and Reproduction

Agave attenuata is a monocarpic plant, meaning it flowers only once in its lifetime.

When it reaches maturity, typically after 10 to 15 years, it produces a tall flower spike that can reach up to 8 feet in height. The flower spike is covered in greenish-yellow flowers, which give the plant it foxtail-like appearance. The flower will slowly die back, as it puts all of its energy into producing the flower stalk. That's before it produces 'pups', or 'offsets', which are small plants growing from the base of the parent plant.

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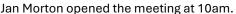
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Attendees Directors Jan Morton, Bronwyn Thwaites, Colin Smith, Graeme Hemming, David Butterworth, Shane Higgins, Peter Leslie.

Delegates and observers Jeff Amos (Yarram), John Budge (Paynesville), Veronica Deery and Margaret Hicks (Bairnsdale), Maureen Kelly (Heyfield), Kerry Binotto (West Sale), Maureen Petty and Rhonda Hall (Stratford), Nev Irish (Sale), Barry Sauer and Alan Ward (Rosedale), Karen Chenney and Bruce Kneebone (Orbost), Alan McDonald (Loch Sport), Jim Castles (Maffra), Marg Brandhoj (Lakes Entrance), Don Cameron (Bruthen), Helen Everett (Bairnsdale Golf), Nigel Plunkett (Lindenow), Chris Wain and Kieran Casey (Metung).

#### **Business**

#### Change to the GBR financial year end

Treasurer Colin Smith spoke to delegates about the issue concerning lodging the GBR 2024/25 financial statement. He explained that after the statement was lodged with CAV following the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in May, CAV advised him that the statement could not be accepted because the AGM was held before the GBR's financial year end, recorded by them as 30 June. This was despite CAV having accepted all previous financial statements since 2021/22 with a 30 April year end.

The GBR Constitution defines the financial year as the next year ending 30 June unless otherwise determined by the Board. Given past practice and CAV acceptance of previous annual statements with a 30 April year end, at its meeting on 9 August 2025 the Board confirmed the GBR's financial year as 1 May to 30 April. It subsequently proposed to CAV that this formal confirmation met the 'unless otherwise determined by the Board' requirement.

CAV advised that the recently upgraded myCAV platform could no longer accept annual statements with a so called 'invalid' AGM date, regardless of past practice. As such, it recommended that the GBR pass a resolution at a Special General Meeting (SGM) to change the rules (in this case the financial year definition in the Constitution) and lodge it in myCAV.

Colin moved, seconded by Jeff Amos, that the definition of the financial year in the Constitution: Clause 2 Definitions and interpretations, 2.1 Definitions be amended as follows:

Financial year means the year ending the next 30 April and commencing 1 May each year.

The motion was carried.

#### Financial statement

Colin presented a financial statement for the year ending 30 June, as required by CAV. He moved that the financial statement be accepted, seconded Maureen Kelly (Heyfield). The motion was carried. Jan Morton closed the meeting at 10.14am.

#### Information session

#### Pennant

Jan advised that the draws for Midweek and Weekend pennant would be on BowlsLink shortly. Clubs were reminded to mark their members as financial on BowlsLink prior to the start of the season.

#### Conditions of Play (CoP)

David Butterworth reported that the Competitions Committee was working on the Region Conditions of Play, which would include a change to the heat rule. In answer to a question from Nigel Plunkett (Lindenow), he said the club's proposal for a standard digital measuring device would be considered.

#### State events

Jan reported that venues would be allocated by the Competitions Committee and loaded into BowlsLink. Payment is required upon entering each event via the recently established payment gateway. Entries without payment will not be accepted.

#### Equal opportunity

Jan reminded clubs about their obligations to abide by the law when organising single sex events.

#### See attached Bowls Victoria pdf for details.

#### Region Sides

Bronwyn Thwaites provided an update on the 2026 Region Sides championships:

To be held in Ballarat 9-11 January 2026, same format as this year – 3 games of 21 ends over two days, first game on Friday, two on Saturday, finals on Sunday.



Expressions of Interest to be sought in October, open for two weeks. An online form will be available on the website, with a link distributed to clubs. In addition to players self-nominating, members of the Selection Committee may nominate players with potential for consideration.

Accommodation has been booked at the Victoriana Motor Inn, the same venue as this year.

**Umpiring** 

Bronwyn presented the report from Umpiring Coordinator, Chris Sherrin, noting:

The assessment team recently finalised assessments for three new national umpires and re-assessment of two current umpires. All successfully passed the assessment process and are now qualified to officiate at events within the Region.

Next month the team will focus on reassessment of existing umpires as part of their professional development and to ensure umpires maintain the standards required and adapt to any changes in rules or officiating techniques.

The assessment team seeks feedback that will improve the facilitation of umpire training.

Strategic Plan

Bronwyn briefed delegates on the GBR 2025/28 Strategic Plan, highlighting:

work started in August at a preliminary workshop facilitated by Bowls Victoria (BV) Southern Regional Manager Mark Coleman a draft has been prepared for discussion by the Board at its meeting following the information session the draft includes an overview of region activities since being established formally in July 2021 in addition to vision, mission and values statements, the draft plan proposes several strategic priorities and initiatives to support them.

#### Other business

BV meeting with clubs

Mark Coleman reminded clubs about the meeting with BV, to be held at West Sale BC on Wednesday 8 October. BV representatives will be President Pat Schram, CEO Tony Sherwill, Matt Ottobre who will do a BowlsLink presentation, Geoff Reitschel, and himself. Issues to be discussed include women in bowls, governance, selection and volunteering.

#### From the floor

Coaching

Nigel Plunkett encouraged clubs to submit names for BV coaching courses and to contact him for more information/assistance.

Geckos

Nigel advised on an operational change to the Geckos/ junior development squad. Instead of running training at Bairnsdale BC two Saturdays a month, he and junior coach Wendy Campbell undertake sessions for juniors by request at individual clubs in partnership with their coaches. Interested clubs can request a session by emailing gippslandbr@gmail.com.

Acknowledgements

Jan acknowledged the following achievements:

Ayla Romanin, Bairnsdale, for selection in the Victorian U-18 squad to play in the nationals; former Lakes Entrance bowler Julie Simpson for selection in the State Over 60s Women's Team and Kirstie White, Stratford, for selection in the Victorian Development Squad.

She also congratulated Maffra and Paynesville bowling clubs for the development of their greens.

Other issues

Alan McDonald (Loch Sport) queried what would happen if during a pennant game, team members who are CFA volunteers were called out to an incident (referred to Competitions Committee).

Kieran Casey (Metung) said the grounds had been improved following replacement of the hedge by a new fence.

Kerry Binotto (West Sale) said the shed destroyed by fire was being replaced.

Nigel Plunkett advised that negotiations are continuing with the shire on replacement of the club's green damaged in January. In the meantime, the green was playable.

#### Close of information session

Jan closed the information session at 10.50am, thanking delegates for their attendance and comments.

#### **Next scheduled information session**

23 February 2026, Maffra Bowls Club

#### **Gippsland Region Board summary**



The Gippsland Region Board met on Monday 22 September following the Special General Meeting. The following is a summary of matters discussed, and decisions made.

#### Strategic Plan

The Board discussed and approved the draft of the 2025/26 Strategic Plan, subject to a minor amendment. The final document will be produced in an attractive and accessible pdf format and distributed to clubs for dissemination to their members.

#### Governance

The Board approved an amendment to the Regulations, specifically Appendices A and B Terms of Reference for the Competitions and Region Sides Selection Committees respectively. Under Role and Responsibilities for each committee, the following new clause has been inserted:

Members must maintain confidentiality about Committee deliberations and not speak outside the meetings unless authorised to do so. A breach will result in a first and final warning in writing; any subsequent breach will result in dismissal.

#### **Finance**

Treasurer Colin Smith reported that to date, six clubs have paid their 2025/26 capitation fees.

Clubs are reminded that the closing date for payment is 26 September.

#### **Region Sides**

The Board approved the online nomination form for the 2026 Men's and Women's Region Sides. The form will be published on the website on 10 October, and nominations will be open for two weeks.

Bronwyn Thwaites and Colin Smith were reappointed as Sides Managers.

#### Junior development

The Board appointed Peter Leslie to the junior development portfolio. In this role, Peter will work closely with Nigel Plunkett (Gippsland Geckos) and Bowls Victoria Southern Regional Manager, Mark Coleman.

#### **Next meeting**

Monday 13 October at Maffra BC.

#### **Bronwyn Thwaites**

#### **GBR Secretary**

#### Pennant Attire Guidelines

For our newer Pennant players, with the new season about to begin we all need to be aware of the dress requirements. Make sure you have your Club Stickers on all your bowls.

#### **National Merchandising Program**

The National Merchandising Program (NMP) enhances the image of bowls in Australia by ensuring attire consistency for

**Pennant, Championship Events** and **Other Tournaments as specified.** Licensed manufacturers, endorsed by Bowls Australia (BA), can produce compliant garments featuring the NMP logo, maintaining product quality, variety, and affordability.

 The BA Logo Policy outlines attire requirements, which all BA Licensed Manufacturers are across and will work with individuals and clubs to meet their uniform needs.

#### **Upper Body Attire**

Upper body apparel is classified as (but not limited to):

- all shirts (including sleeve, sleeveless, collar and collarless)
- Tops
- Jackets/jumpers
- Vests
- Knitwear
- Rainwear

All upper body apparel, regardless if it is teamwear or non-teamwear, must be produced by a Bowls Australia licensed manufacturer and must have the NMP logo and the licensed manufacturer logo in the approved location on the garment.

#### Lower Body Attire

Lower body apparel is classified as (but not limited to):

- Pants
- Trousers (belt, elastic or draw string waist)
- Pedal pushers
- Culottes
- Shorts
- Skirts skorts
- Slack suits/skirt suits
- leggings

All upper body apparel, regardless if it is teamwear or non-teamwear, must be produced by a Bowls Australia licensed manufacturer and must have the NMP logo and the licensed manufacturer logo in the approved location on the garment.

#### Socks

When socks are worn with trousers, the NMP Logo is optional.

When socks are worn with pedal pushers, culottes, shorts, skirts, skorts etc. the NMP Logo must appear on the top area of the sock.

When anklet socks are worn with pedal pushers, culottes, shorts, skirts, skorts etc. the NMP Logo placement is optional, socks not displaying the NMP Logo must be blank.

Socks with the NMP Logo can be any colour, as long as the NMP Logo is balanced in its appearance.

#### Headwear

Headwear is classified as broad brimmed hats, caps, bucket hats, visors and knitted hats.

The NMP Logo placement on Headwear is mandatory in Pennant, Championship Events and Other Tournaments.

The NMP Logo must appear on the front or side of all headwear.

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Please note broad brimmed hats with a hat band are excluded and do not require the NMP Logo.



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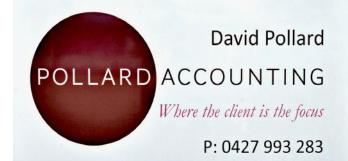




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Games: Wizard - Scotch Rummy - 500 –Various others Instruction will be available for all comers.







# **Every Friday**

12.30 Lunch - please order ahead

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## Would you like to know the history of the raffle 'bats'?

It is a fun game and takes no time to run; quicker than any other raffle.

Ours has been going since 2004 and was introduced to our Club by Norm Stone.

Norm first saw it being played at the Mareeba Bowling Club in Brisbane in 1956.

He later set it up in the Murwillumbah at the Sugar Mill Club and Condong Bowling Club.

Frozen chickens had just come onto the market and were used as the prizes.

It was so popular people would hold their bat and pay to go again. They would go through a dozen chickens each day; it helped to build the clubrooms at that club.

The Joker is a good buy! Take the Joker from each set and you could win both prizes—there are two Jokers in the pack. Good luck!



# DO YOU KNOW THE LAWS OF THE SPORT OF BOWLS?

Q/ The jack is in the ditch.

A running bowl strikes a toucher on the green sending the toucher into the ditch where it comes into contact with the jack, which bounces out of the ditch and onto the green.

Should the jack be allowed to remain in its new position?

A/ Yes. The jack rebounded as a result of contact with a live bowl, therefore the jack should be played to in the usual manner.

Law 21 Rebounding jack The end will continue if:

21.1 when the jack is at rest on the rink, it is driven against the face of the bank and rebounds onto the rink of play; or

21.2 when the jack is at rest in the ditch, it is moved by a toucher and this takes it back onto the rink.

#### WHERE'S WALLY?

Can you find Wally?
He is in this edition
somewhere.
This is where he
was in August.



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