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Bongaree Bowls Club Inc

NEWSLETTER No. 36

Welcome to our April Newsletter

There is some great content and photos for this quarter.

We have the updated list of our Board members and of those in important roles within our ranks on page 2.

Rod has packed a great deal into his report this issue. It will give new members an idea of some of the extra happenings in the club.

The McKenzie Mixed Fours certainly received many positive comments. I have included them all as a pat on the back for the club and all who worked so tirelessly to bring it together.

Thank you to all the contributors to this newsletter.

Any feedback about the newsletter is always welcome.

Happy bowling, Deb Colmer

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**Please continue to practice safe
COVID hygiene while at the club.**



Proudly printed by Ali King MP,
Member for Pumicestone.

Not just a year older,

but a year better.



A Very

Happy Birthday

to those with a birthday in

April, May, June.



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Chairman's Newsletter Report, April 2022



The Board of Management Annual General Meeting was held in March. I would like to welcome Ian Paterson onto the board as Vice Chairman and welcome back Gordon Pitts Club Secretary, Elna Jensen Treasurer and the Men's and Ladies Presidents Rod Curtis and Wendy Rollason.

Congratulations to Johnno Johnson on receiving Life Membership of Bongaree Bowls Club at the AGM. Johnno is a well-deserved recipient of this award.

Congratulations also go to Jen Hadley for receiving her Veterans badge, Doreen Pennery her Super Veterans badge and Arthur Hangan for receiving his Patriarch badge.

I would like to pass on to Sandra Toomy the club's condolences with the passing of her husband Denis Poulsen. Denis joined the club in 2016 and came through one of our early U3A coaching courses. He was a regular player on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Our club championships are continuing with the Ladies Pairs winners being Doreen O'Halloran and Brenda Hutchinson and the Men's pairs winners Glenn Merrin & Brett Sellars. Special congratulations to Ellen Corrick who won the Ladies Singles championship. This is a great effort as Ellen has only been in the club for 3 years and it just goes to show that it can be done with some dedication and training. There are plenty of opportunities coming up to enter into other events on the club championship calendar. Just check the notice board in the club room.

Club membership is continuing to grow. The total membership numbers at the end of March is 263. This is an increase of 33 new members since the 31st December 2021. Special thanks go to our accredited coaches and mentors for the time and effort they put into the coaching of new bowlers. I would like to welcome the new members to our club and wish them many happy years of bowling at "The Friendly Club".

Have you ever wondered where your donations to the wrong bias/swear tin go? Last year \$500 was presented to Ken Piva representing St Vincent de Paul and (BIKES) Bribie Island Kids Education Support. Bikes support students who have been identified by teachers and Chaplains who need financial support to allow them to purchase uniforms, shoes, attend school outings and many more activities.



To members who are not enjoying good health I wish you a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing you at the club in the near future.

Stay safe and healthy in 2022.

Marilyn Weston
Board Chairman



Doreen Pennery
with her Super
Veterans badge



Ladies Open Singles Championship
winner Ellen Corrick, with runner up
Marilyn Weston

Mens President's Report

Where has the year gone. Not many days till Christmas.

Vale: We remember Denis Poulsen who has passed since the last newsletter.

There have been quite a number of Men/Lady bowlers testing the menus at Caboolture Hospital due to illness and medical issues. Remember, we are no longer 20 years old nor bullet proof any more. Be mindful of your health.

Covid requirements update - the Premier has announced an easing of covid restrictions from 14 April 2022. This will mean that people who are not vaccinated may come into the club and may play bowls.

Men's AGM conducted in February. Committee listed in the Men's Section on Page 2 of this Newsletter.

Pumicestone Challenge between Bribie Island (2 Sides), Solander and Bongaree have now finished. Bongaree came a very competitive 4th and are to be congratulated for their efforts in all the 6 games against far more experienced bowlers from the other clubs.

Club Competitions:

Men's Fours Winners: M. Falvey, E. Fender, F. Timmerman, A. Jensen

Runners Up: D. Meikle, N. Graham, I. Hargreaves, G. Ryan.

Beginner's Bash Winner: Bob Edwards. Runner Up: Kim Hagan



Men's Pairs Winners: Glenn Merrin & Brett Sellars (Skip)
Runners Up: Ian Virgen & Ray Horne (Skip)



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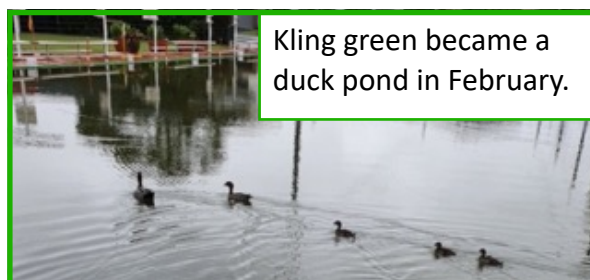
Nominations now being called for Men's Novice Singles.

On any given bowling day, the greens are what we have. Your Presidents/Selectors & Games/Greens Directors jointly make the difficult decisions when considering rinks as playable for any club competitions. This is what we are dealt with. Club Conditions of Play state: Play, Sub or Forfeit.

Two greens are back, however the greenkeeper is constantly under the challenge to keep them in playing order. Difficult times during the flooding as well as humidity, algae and moss to keep on top of. Did I mention flooding?

Sponsorship Officers Vice President Paul Spies and his Secretary Joanna Horsley doing a terrific job gathering sponsors to support our club. Paul Spies is doing a couple of weeks stay in hospital.

Brekky Bowls is ongoing each first Sunday of the Month (usually). Come along and enjoy a breakfast at 8am and a game of bowls. Numbers starting to climb again now with the weather not so hot.



Kling green became a duck pond in February.

Ernie Connelly doing the tough job of accepting your money for Raffle Tickets. Garry McCarthy always backing up with the Money Wheel, (very satisfied \$100 winners) and Joy Lambie on the Special Events Raffles. We do need your continued support with all manners of raffles.

Wednesday Bowls is back to 2 full greens of an afternoon and great to see our bowlers attendance back around the 90 mark once more. The hot/humid conditions have set some members back. Robert & his assistant Gaynor Johnson make it all work with the selecting of teams and collecting the green fees. Steve Horn our Wednesday Whip is always on hand to give assistance.

Great influx of new bowlers into the club, a lot of walk ins. This has been complemented by quite a number of the 14 nominees from the first of the year U3A sessions, who have also joined the club.

Remember, new bowlers are just that, new bowlers. Give them your assistance & support to enjoy the great game of bowls, whether it be social or club competition bowls.

Saturday morning Scroungers (April 2), under the helm of Roger Brooks, saw a record 41 players on the green.

Continuing support of odd jobs by Errol Fender & Richie Ferguson's garden party beautifying the surrounds of the greens.

Saturday social bowlers hit the 33-mark last weekend. Great effort bowlers. Lisa Sandling doing a tremendous job selecting each game.

The Club Coaches continue to do a fabulous coaching routine to put new bowlers on the green. So much to learn in such a short time and then onto the green playing bowls. They can sometimes forget things that have just recently been learnt and so too can senior bowlers forget things and you have been bowling many years.

A Club Coach Course will be conducted at Bongaree Bowls Club last week of May. Applications still being taken. Looking for senior bowlers to give back to the club and do the Club Coach course.

Your club also needs Umpires, men & ladies. There will be an Umpire's Course in April/May at Kallangur Bowls Club. See the noticeboard.

A good opportunity for experienced/senior bowlers to help the club. It spreads the load of Umpiring duties.

A Bowlers Arm, one day Course, is being held in end of May (at the end of the Club Coach Course). No cost, however you do need to register your name on the list on the noticeboards for Bowls Qld compliances. This is open to Club Coaches and any bowler wishing to take on a Bowlers Arm, or know of someone who should be using one instead of dumping their bowls or are unable to bend down to deliver their bowl.

Your club is looking for volunteer members, men/ladies, to assist with the 2-day Men's Carnival on 11/12th June.

Keep Safe, Keep Bowling,

Cheers,

Rod Curtis



Ladies President's Report

There is always something happening at Bongaree Bowls Club. You would know this because you all look at the notice board?? The competitions are all running smoothly with the Ladies Championship Pairs having been completed, however the Fours have had to be cancelled. Thanks to Beryl the Club has managed to arrange for 4 teams to compete at Scarborough on Monday 11th April. McKenzie Challenge, what a great day, the catering team delivered a delicious meal, the craft team made sure the tables looked well presented and all involved carried out their duties with a smile.



There are a few opportunities available to further your bowls experience at present, a coaching course, an umpire course and a marking course, these are freely available to all members.

It is great to see so many players bowling at the Club, the newer players are being made feel welcome which is good to see, thanks to all of you.

The Patroness and Life Members have been invited to an afternoon tea being prepared by the Ladies Committee, on April 8th. The Fashion Parade on Saturday 9th April the Club will be buzzing with Pina Colada Fashions being modelled by our ladies, I hope you got your ticket as it is all sold out. Well done team.

Our next carnival will be The Maytime Fours on 13th May, the Catering Team will be on board again, we look forward to more surprises being created by the Craft Team as we speak.

Thank you

Wendy Rollason
Ladies President

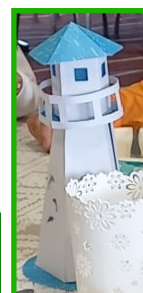


Thanks to McKenzie Aged Care who were the sponsors of a great day at Bongaree Bowls Club on Friday 18th March. Bowls Clubs from Bribie Island, Solander, Kilcoy, Kawana, Toorbul, Glasshouse and teams from Bongaree, played together for fun and friendship.



The Bongaree Catering Committee prepared a delicious lunch for 90 which was enjoyed by all.

The Bongaree Craft Group made lighthouses for the tables with a surprise inside, with the serviettes made into boats. The theme was blue and white which are the colours of the McKenzie Aged Care.



Thanks to all who made this day such a success. Wendy.

Ladies Games Director's Report

Happy new bowls year!

So far in 2022 the participants in the Ladies Championship have overcome the heat, humidity, heavy rain and the effect these conditions have had on the greens. Each round has been hard fought and the results are;



Ladies Pairs Championship

runners-up: Doreen Imelda and Pam winners: Brenda and Doreen

Ladies Singles Open Championship

winner Ellen Corrick, runner up Marilyn Weston.

Ladies Pairs Championship

winners Brenda Hutchinson and Doreen O'Halloran runners-up Imelda Valentine and Pam Walker.

Unfortunately the Ladies Championship Fours has had to be cancelled due to insufficient numbers. I

would like to thank the teams that nominated. Please keep supporting your club and I hope to see you all participating in future Bongaree Bowls Ladies Championships.

The Ladies Committee and our Catering Team ran a very successful McKenzie Challenge with excellent feedback given by visiting bowlers and club members. Umpires for the day were Life Member Doreen Pennery and Men's President Rod Curtis, thank you.

The winning team was;

Billy Moor, Di Davidson, Beryl Moor and Pam Walker (skip) each receiving \$100.

Runners-up were Glasshouse Country with Woombye 3rd.



Winners are grinners! Billy Moor, Beryl Moor, Di Davidson, Pam Walker with Louise Thornycroft from McKenzie Aged Care, Bribie Cove.

We will use a similar format for our Maytime 4s coming up on 13/5/22. Once again we need your support as registration opens soon and men are welcome to play as a lead or second.

These competitions are vital to our club, an excellent way to get to know your club members and visiting players and they keep us moving forward.

I look forward to seeing you on the green, cheers

Gaynor Johnson
Ladies Games Director



BONGAREE BOWLS CLUB INC. LADIES SECTION
INVITE YOUR ATTENDANCE AT OUR

MAYTIME FOURS ON FRIDAY 13th MAY 2022

MIXED OPTIONAL FOURS (Max. 2 Men – Men to play Lead or Second)

WINNERS:	Highest Winning Margin	\$400
SECOND:	Second Highest Winning Margin	\$200
THIRD:	Third Winning Margin	\$100
TOUCHERS:	30 x \$1.00 Scratchies	\$ 30



Bongaree Bowls Veterans

April Report 2022



Bowlers

Feb	33
Mar	28
Apr	19
May	23
Jun	31
Jul	40
Aug	Covid
Sep	30
Oct	19
Nov	54
Dec	29
Jan	28

Attendance has fluctuated throughout the year, from a low of 19 to a maximum of 54 (*when we had a visit from Bribie Vets*) but we are averaging 30 players each month.

We need to encourage our fellow Bongaree bowlers to join us as most are over the age of 60.

Our current Veterans membership is 44, and would be nice if we could increase this to 60 and build our monthly numbers to 40.

Our next Veterans Days are April 11, May 9, June13, July 11.
Monday 12:30pm registration followed by a game of Club Select Triples from 1pm-4pm with a break for afternoon tea.

Finance

We finished the year with a surplus of \$108 thanks to the careful work of our Secretary/Treasurer Sandi. Our income comes from \$5 annual subs plus raffles.

We contributed:

- \$2900 in Green Fees to the Club
- Sponsorship to Ladies and Mens Carnival
- Sponsorship of January Brekky Bowls
- \$470 for our Xmas function

Committee:

At our AGM members selected a small committee for 2022 consisting of

- Colin Hodges –President
- Sandi Hodges – Secretary/Treasurer
- Bob Vonarx– Selector and Raffles

plus the ongoing support of members.

Special thanks to retiring Selector, John Cockerill for his many years of service to Bongaree Veterans, time to hand over the reins to a younger man !

Stay safe and enjoy your game.

Colin Hodges President – Bongaree Bowls Veterans

Coaching Co-ordinator's Report

Over the last 12 months approximately 46 new bowlers have joined the club.

Our "Mentoring New Bowlers Team" of Tim Carlton, Jaarpung Blundell, Carol Oates & Steve Mogan are always available to new bowlers. Seek them out when you are ready to start playing.

Stay in touch with your Coach for assistance when needed.

Best experience you can get is jumping into a game whatever day/s suit you. If you bowl once a week, you know how to play bowls.

If you bowl twice a week (including Rollups) your focus changes to get your line & length correct. Bowling three days a week, you are becoming serious and want to achieve. Even our Gun Bowlers in the club can mostly only get 50% of their bowls within 30cms of the Jack.

A good bowler would be considered having at least 75% plus accuracy.

If anyone wishes to test this out come along and do a 48-bowl test. Only a couple of bowlers in the club have been successful in getting a 75% result.

Skills/Drills continue on Thursdays at 10am. These are drills set out for you simulating scenarios that happen on the green. It is not just straight Draw to the Jack. Often it can be Draw a Positional Bowl, Drive, Conversion Shot and more.

We are running a modified Marker's Course, about 2 hours duration, on a Thursday at 10am. Put your name on the list on the noticeboards or advise me.

Markers are required for each game of Singles and is a responsibility of all players when playing Singles competitions, (except when playing a Final).

If you nominate for a Singles competition you need to have a Marker for your game. The Runner Up in a game (there are no losers) is to be prepared to be a Marker for the following game in the competition. Most experienced/senior bowlers will be open to this to assist your game.

Keep safe everyone,

Cheers,

Rod Curtis



Bongaree Craft Group

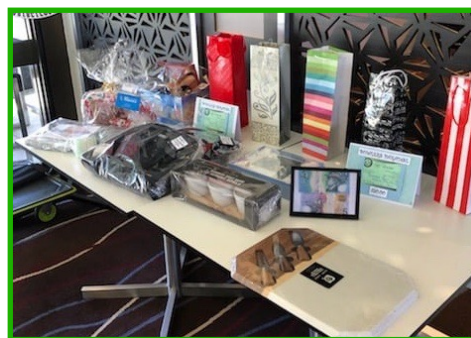
Hi everyone, just an update on the Bongaree craft group and how we are going. We have a nice little social group who are enjoying meeting once a week in the Curves room on Thursday mornings 9-11am. There is a lot of chatter over a cuppa as we show off our craft skills and swap ideas.

We are putting our skills to good use and making items in readiness for our craft stall at the up-coming Maytime Fours Event on Friday May 13th. We will be there early with many items such as sets of bowls covers, scorecard holders, BBQ serviette holders, sets of BBQ serviette-cutlery holders and matching coasters. There will also be badge pin ties for the ladies, tea towel ring holders, pin cushions, small table baskets for lollies etc, bookmarks, Christmas placemats and more! We would love you to support our craft group as the money raised will sponsor this years "Committee Challenge" in October, our goal is to raise the \$400 prize money.

We also help out the Ladies Committee by making table decorations for events and wrapping raffle prizes, some of which we donate. Ladies you are welcome to come along and join us, give us some ideas or volunteer some time to make items at home. Donations of materials are greatly appreciated.

We'll see you soon at the "Maytime Fours" Craft Stall.

Bongaree Ladies Craft Group



Bongaree Catering Team

This year Janice Mason, Sue Francis, Di Smith, Yuki King and myself, Gail Parker, formed a catering team to provide quality meals at affordable prices for events on the ladies' calendar for 2022. We are happy to volunteer our time to support our club.

We liaise with the Ladies Committee, discuss the budget and what meal would best suit the event. We purchase food items locally, supporting Bribie businesses, and we serve up a delicious meal.

As a group we decided it is more hygienic to use biodegradable plates. It also saves us a lot of time, as we know it takes a lot of work preparing the meal and cleaning up afterwards.

We had our first event, the McKenzie Challenge, on Friday 18th March. This went very well and the feed back we received was extremely positive. Thank you everyone who attended and took the time to pass on your feedback. A big thank you to Tracey who filled in for us at short notice, Tracey is a new member and keen to be involved in our club.

We look forward to providing you with more delicious meals.

Bongaree Ladies Catering Team

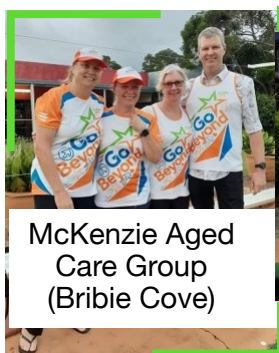
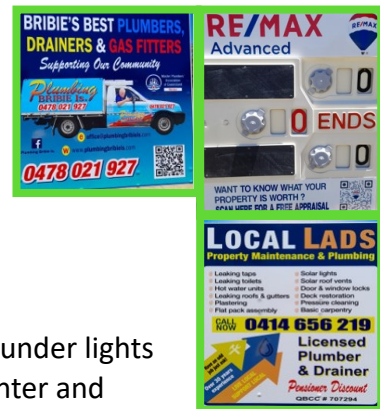


From our Sponsorship Team

Joanna Horsley and Paul Spies

February and March have been busy months for the sponsorship team. New sponsors have taken up the offer of signage which has been installed on the greens. Plumbing Bribie Island, REMAX Advanced and Local Lads have sponsored bright colourful drink stands, scoreboards and signage.

On Friday 11th March the club hosted a Sponsor's Barefoot Challenge played under lights in the evening. Starting with a sausage sizzle the games produced much laughter and camaraderie. The teams came from:



McKenzie Aged Care Group (Bribie Cove)



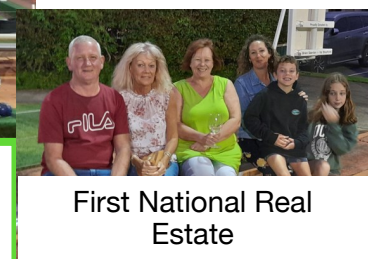
Traditional Funerals



Harcourts Bribie Island



Walk Without Pain Podiatrists



First National Real Estate

The evening concluded with a fun raffle and thanks all around.



It all starts with people

On Friday 18th March McKenzie Aged Care sponsored the McKenzie Mixed Fours with teams coming from other clubs joining in the fun. Louise Thornycroft, Sales Manager at Bribie Cove was on hand to give out the prize money and answer any questions regarding the facility. Take home info packs were also available.

Upcoming events include the Fashion Parade by Pina Colada on Saturday 9th April and Maytime Fours sponsored by Remax Advanced and Martin Jonkers Motors Morayfield.



Bongaree Bowls Club

Affiliated with Bribie Sports Club

Invites you to our Fashion Show at

54 Toorbul Street Bongaree, April 9 2022 at 1.00 pm

For more information: Phone the Club between 10am & 11.30 am Tuesday and Friday on 34080005 or Carolyn Merritt: 0400 846 995

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incl. a glass of Wine or Bubbly on arrival & afternoon Tea

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Monthly Sponsors Draw

To participate, place your named receipt in the entry box from one of our sponsors below to win a monthly prize. Good luck!

Feb-Mar-Apr '22

ACCOMMODATION

Bribie Waterways Motel

AUTO/MECHANICAL

Martin Jonkers Motors

Morayfield

Torque Honda – Nth Lakes

Island Auto Repair

All Terrain RVs & Caravan

Repairs

Wilkies Auto Centre

Granttech Auto & Marine

Services

Bribie Island Bike & Mower

Repair Shop

First Avenue Tyre

Mechanical AMPOL

TJM Mechanical

Bribie Island Car Detailing

Ultratune Bribie Island

ACCOUNTING/SOLICITORS

Wallace Davies Solicitors

Files & Stibbe Lawyers

FOOD/CATERING

Aussie Meats & Seafood

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Simply Good

Wrights Fruit Barn

Golden Circle Morayfield

FUNERALS

Traditional Funerals

HAIR & BEAUTY

Beauty Retreat

Mode

Tara Cheers Mobile Hairdresser

HOUSEHOLD

Mitre 10 Browns Hardware

Sandy's Sheet Service

Bribie Storage

Pumicestone Plumbing

Bribie Island Curtains & Verticals

Allround Tree Services

M&A Canvas

Local Lads

Irelands Flooring Solutions

Yes We Can Test & Tag and

Smoke Alarms

Plumbing Bribie Island

JEWELLERY/FASHION

Flair Jewellery

Pina Colada

LIFESTYLE/MEDICAL

Bribie Island Physiotherapy &

Lifestyle Gym

Podiatrist: Walk Without Pain

Specsavers Bribie Island

Moreton Eye Group – North

Lakes

Audika

Bribie Island Chiropractic

Bribie I Skin Cancer Clinic

POOLS

Poolwerx Bribie Island

PHARMACY

Bongaree Pharmacy

Priceline Pharmacy

Star Discount Chemist

Community Pharmacy Bongaree

REAL ESTATE

Richardson & Wrench

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Wilson & Co

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Remax Advanced

SIGNS

Bribie Island Signs

Unit Plaques & Trophies

SPORTS

Bowlers Paradise

Leading Edge Sports – Clontarf

Island Bait, Tackle & Bikes

Lawn Bowls 2 U

STATIONERY

Nextra Bribie Island

Bribie Island Office & Stationery

Supplies

TRANSPORT

Bribie Island Coaches

Flight Centre

Recent winners of the draw include
Sandy Hodges and Bob Vonarx.