



# Herd on the Green

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## Tweets from the Secretary

As members are aware, our world is changing daily with the impact of the **COVID-19 virus**.

Our Club has been impacted with the ceasing of all events and the suspension of the pennants season.

This also includes the postponement of our 1/2 Yearly General Meeting to a future date.

All current office bearers are to remain in place until such time as this meeting can be held.

We are certainly entering strange times. I am taking this opportunity to thank all of our members for your support and encouragement to date. We would certainly appreciate your patience during the months ahead.

We also hope that our members stay safe and adhere to the new social distancing requirements and various evolving government regulations.

In these uncertain times if ever there was evidence that our Club can revive and rebuild it is there for all to see in our membership numbers.

In October 2019 we had 197 members. 100 bowlers (7 were 1<sup>st</sup> year) and 97 social members.

In March 2020 we have 284 members. 118 bowlers (20 are 1<sup>st</sup> year) and 166 social members.

This is a 44.2% increase.

A special thanks should go to Arthur Peters for his commitment and work coaching our 1<sup>st</sup> year bowlers. *Arthur we appreciate your support.*

A big thank you must also go to all those involved in the running of our recent Quiz Night on 11th March.

Our MC Richard Fuller kept the night flowing and finishing in good time.

Congratulations to our winners who had to go down to a tiebreaker on the night. We raised just over \$1000 on the night!

A special thanks to our community who have shown their support by becoming social members.

We welcome one and all and in particular the following new members:

**Full Bowler:**

David Alexander (transfer)

**1<sup>st</sup> Year Bowlers:**

Mick O'Leary

Rod Parker

**Social:**

Gillian Angel

Lynley Biancuzzo

Ryan Boman

Gavin Bowey

Donald Brooker

Dianne Bryant

Maxine Cartwright

Nicole Chapman

Esme D'Souza

Katie Fairhall

Steve Ford

Susan Ford

Fiona Fowler

Jim Frossos

Lea-anne Frossos

Margaret Gooch

Nicholas Hart

Lee Holliday

Rodney House

Peter King

Christine Meyer

Rose Myers

Nicky Ogilvy

Karen Rogerson

Laura Seabrooke

David Seah

Satvinder Singh

Christie Stipinovic

Alison Wallace

Sue Weightman

David Vyse

We look forward to seeing you in person on the other side of this unprecedented event.

*Susan Allen, Club Secretary*



*Much more than a bowling club. The best and friendliest place to be south of the river.*

## Men's Bowls Report

My guess is the pennant bowls season will not go down in history as one of the Clubs best years. The season finished abruptly with Bowls Australia / WA calling the season to a halt (due to the restraints of COVID-19) with one game remaining on Thursday and 2 games on Saturday.

Our Thursday teams finished as follows:

- 2 White 9<sup>th</sup> / 10, 4 Red 6<sup>th</sup> / 10, 4 White 7<sup>th</sup> / 10 and 5 White 7<sup>th</sup> / 8.

Our Saturday teams were:

- 2 White last, 4 White 8<sup>th</sup> / 9 and 5 white 8<sup>th</sup> / 10.

So we will have some teams relegated.

Although the end of season dinner has been put on hold we are still working our way through who has won Bowler of the Year and other awards.

We carried out a Thursday Set Play Survey due to many comments being received throughout the season. We had 30 players respond to the survey and we received the following results:

- 21 end game for rink & aggregate points 63.3 %
- 18 end game for rink & aggregate points 26.7 %

The remainder did not indicate a preference and 1 suggested 2 x 9 sets with rink scores to determine the aggregate.

Start times (game starts)

- 1.30 pm 33 %
- 1.15 pm 20 %
- 1.00 pm 16.7 %

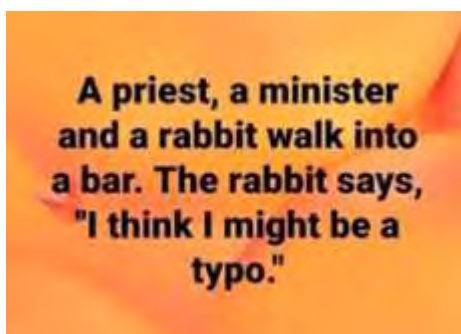
The remainder were for 1.45 pm start with one exception suggesting 9.30 am.

Finally, 7 players (23 %) indicated they would not play if the set play continues in its current form. My intention is to write to Bowls WA with a summary of our results.

The total Club membership has now reached nearly 290 which is a great as at some point in 2019 it was only 150.

## Reminder to Members - for when we return to normality...

We have had some damage to greens with members having a roll up on Mondays. Just a reminder the greens are watered on Monday and should not be played on. The greens have the equivalent of 40 mm rain on them on the Monday and thus this is why they are closed.



Arthur Peters, Men's Bowls President

## Men's Pairs Championship and Plate Finals



MPBC Champion Pair Winners - Harry & Alan



MPBC Plate Winners - Arthur & John

### FINALS RESULT

Congratulations to the winners of the Championship and Plate Finals held on Friday 28th February.

Close games both, well fought to the end.

#### Championship

Harry Booth and Alan McGill defeated  
Peter Mundy (standing in for Keith Robertson) and Kevin Swan

#### Plate

Arthur Peters and John Wood defeated  
Geoff Pinkus and Greg Samson

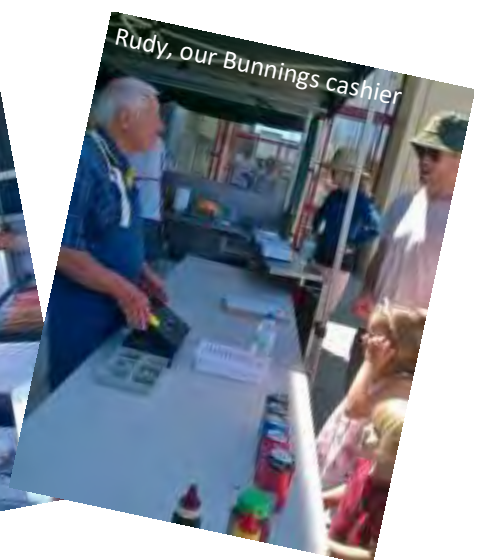
Congratulations to the winners, commiserations to the runners up.

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## Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

This was held on Sunday, February 9 2020. It was a really great whole Club effort with \$1310 profit to the Club. Thank you goes to: John Wood, Peter Johnson, Alan Westle, Darryl Lopes, Tony Gooch, Hedley Bond, John O'Brien, Rudy Busch, Geoff Thorn, Dot Melkus, Ursula Byatt, Jana Fuller, Terry Ridley, Margaret Kermode, Bill & Susan Allen, Arthur Peters, Gerda Lindeman, Nola Critchley and Murray Sutherland.

Well done to all.



### Plastic Cups Reminder

Members, a reminder that the supply of plastic cups at the water fountains has been discontinued. We will use current supplies but once exhausted we will not be ordering any more. We encourage the use of personal water bottles or containers.

## Ladies President Report

The Ladies Valentine's Gala Day was held on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February with 26 teams entered. This day had been rescheduled from December when the forecast had been for a 42 degree day.

How lucky!! were we to get another really hot day, however after lunch as the temperature rose to 40 degrees we decided to stop play after 3 ends and instead of paying out a "pm round" winner we paid a 3<sup>rd</sup> prize. Thornlie won the day with Leeming 2<sup>nd</sup> and another Thornlie team 3<sup>rd</sup> and the "am round" going to a Leeming/Composite team.

Despite the heat again, everyone enjoyed the day and the ladies excelled themselves once again with their salads. The total profit for the day was just over \$2,100 plus the raffles and produce sold after the cancelled date in December, of \$963, bringing the total raised for the Club of nearly \$3,000.

Well done ladies and thank you to everyone who donated their time and produce on the day. The club room looked great - all decked out in hearts and flowers.

### Ladies Pennant Teams

The Mount Pleasant ladies have been playing a combined side with South Perth and have had a thoroughly enjoyable season. Division 2 plays under the name of Mount Pleasant and 3<sup>rd</sup> Division as Mount Pleasant/South Perth. Both clubs have gelled well and would like to continue next year for the 2020/21 season.

The Tuesday pennant season concluded on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March with Division 2 finishing 7<sup>th</sup> out of 10 on the ladder and Division 3 finishing 6<sup>th</sup> out of 7 on the ladder. However if good times, great bowling and companionship counts - we are on top! Our Saturday side finished 7<sup>th</sup> out of 8.

Thank you to all our players and especially our new bowlers who have often been thrown in the deep end and had to learn very quickly. Great effort ladies!! Well done coach - Arthur Peters and our Selection Committee.

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South Perth and ourselves celebrated the end of the 2019/20 season with a BYO shared lunch on Tuesday after the final game with much mirth and merriment and determination to do it all over again next season!!!!

*Jana Fuller, Ladies Bowls President*



Ladies Gala Day Luncheon



Ladies Gala Day Raffle Sellers

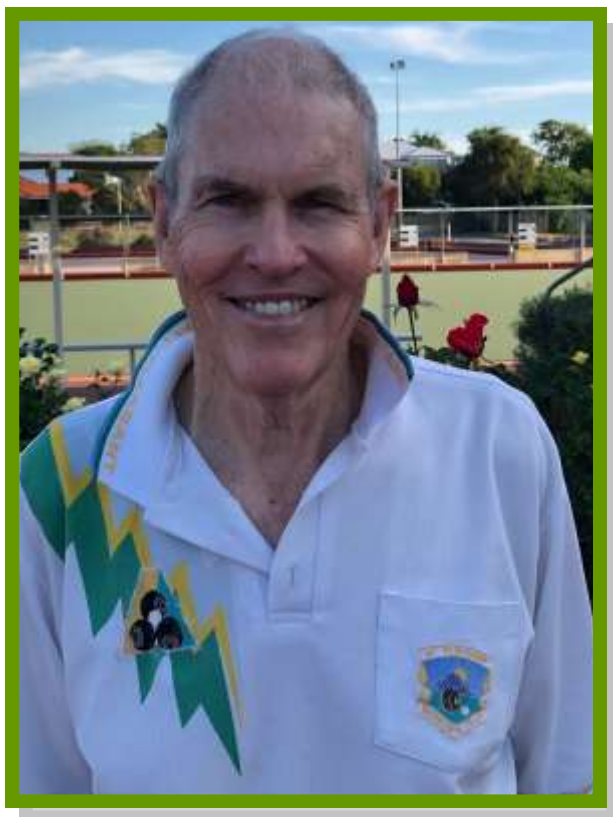


Ladies Gala Day 1st Prize Winners

## Men's Single Champion

Interestingly enough, Geoff Pinkus and Arthur Peters contested this same event in 2019, the results back then was Arthur as the winner with Geoff the runner up.

In 2020 the result is the reverse with Geoff the winner and Arthur the runner up. Nice to see them taking turns!



**Winner**  
**Men's Singles Champion**  
**Geoff Pinkus**



**Winner**  
**Men's Novice Singles**  
**John Mueller**

## Men's Novice Singles Champion

The competition this year was contested between John Wood, Peter Purves and John Mueller, with each player playing each other. Each player had a win each over the 3 games. Under the rules of determination, John Mueller was declared the winner. Congratulations to John.

## Women's Novice Singles Champion

The competition this year was contested between Pandora Court, Margaret Kermode, Sue Lowe and Cheryl Smith who played in a round robin competition to determine the Women's Novice Champion.

The games were hard fought with some excellent bowling by all.

Congratulations to our winner Margaret Kermode.



**Runner up - Cheryl Smith**



**Winner - Margaret Kermode**

## Some good advice on the COVID-19 pandemic - stay safe!

- ⇒ The virus is not a living organism, but a protein molecule (DNA) covered by a protective layer of lipid (fat), which, when absorbed by the cells of the ocular, nasal or buccal mucosa, changes their genetic code. (mutation) and convert them into aggressor and multiplier cells.
- ⇒ Since the virus is not a living organism but a protein molecule, it is not killed, but decays on its own. The disintegration time depends on the temperature, humidity and type of material where it lies.
- ⇒ The virus is very fragile; the only thing that protects it is a thin outer layer of fat. That is why any soap or detergent is the best remedy, because the foam CUTS the FAT (that is why you have to rub so much: for 20 seconds or more, to make a lot of foam). By dissolving the fat layer, the protein molecule disperses and breaks down on its own.
- ⇒ HEAT melts fat; this is why it is so good to use water above 25 degrees Celsius for washing hands, clothes and everything. In addition, hot water makes more foam and that makes it even more useful.
- ⇒ Alcohol or any mixture with alcohol over 65% DISSOLVES ANY FAT, especially the external lipid layer of the virus.
- ⇒ Any mix with 1 part bleach and 5 parts water directly dissolves the protein, breaks it down from the inside.
- ⇒ Oxygenated water helps long after soap, alcohol and chlorine, because peroxide dissolves the virus protein, but you have to use it pure and it hurts your skin.
- ⇒ NO BACTERICIDE SERVES. The virus is not a living organism like bacteria; they cannot kill what is not alive with antibiotics, but quickly disintegrate its structure with everything said.
- ⇒ NEVER shake used or unused clothing, sheets or cloth. While it is glued to a porous surface, it is very inert and disintegrates only between 3 hours (fabric and porous), 4 hours (Silver, copper and gold because it is naturally antiseptic; and wood, because it removes all the moisture and does not let it peel off and disintegrates). ), 24 hours (cardboard), 42 hours (metal) and 72 hours (plastic). But if you shake it or use a feather duster, the virus molecules float in the air for up to 3 hours, and can lodge in your nose.
- ⇒ The virus molecules remain very stable in external cold, or artificial as air conditioners in houses and cars. They also need moisture to stay stable, and especially darkness. Therefore, dehumidified, dry, warm and bright environments will degrade it faster.
- ⇒ UV LIGHT on any object that may contain it breaks down the virus protein. For example, to disinfect and reuse a mask is perfect. Be careful, it also breaks down collagen (which is protein) in the skin, eventually causing wrinkles and skin cancer.
- ⇒ The virus CANNOT go through healthy skin.
- ⇒ Vinegar is NOT useful because it does not break down the protective layer of fat.
- ⇒ NO SPIRITS, NOR VODKA, serve. The strongest vodka is 40% alcohol, and you need 65%.
- ⇒ LISTERINE IF IT SERVES! It is 65% alcohol.
- ⇒ The more confined the space, the more concentration of the virus there can be. The more open or naturally ventilated, the less.
- ⇒ This is super said, but you have to wash your hands before and after touching mucosa, food, locks, knobs, switches, remote control, cell phone, watches, computers, desks, TV, etc. And when using the bathroom.
- ⇒ You have to HUMIDIFY HANDS DRY from so much washing them, because the molecules can hide in the micro cracks. The thicker the moisturizer, the better.
- ⇒ Also keep your NAILS SHORT so that the virus does not hide there.

*Source: an email to staff at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Maryland. USA.*



## From the Raffle Guys

We would like to thank all the members for their in support our wine Raffles, and to let you know that we have raised \$3000 for the club, well done to all !

*All the best, Gerry & Ian*

