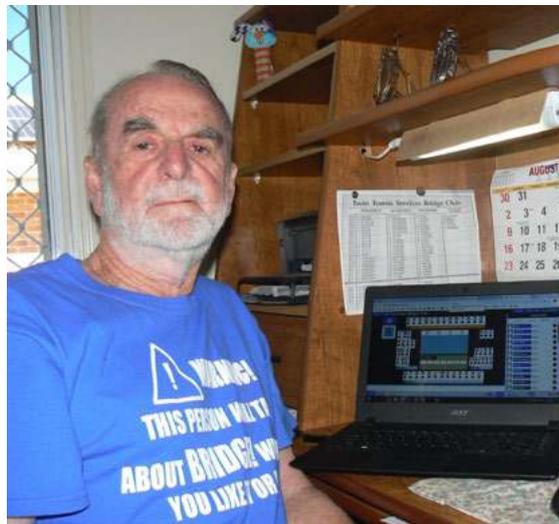


BRIDGE

Hello everyone, we'd like to share some of the happenings with our Bridge Club while COVID-19 is keeping us from face-to-face bridge. President Graham has been instrumental in keeping our bridge skills up to date by getting club members to play online. We are very grateful to Graham as it has certainly been a boon during lockdown because we are playing on our usual days which are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, starting play between 12 noon and 12.30pm.

Playing bridge in competition or learning online is quite simple if you have a computer and basic computer skills. We are prepared to come to your home and help with the basics and then continue with help and tuition afterwards online. Some of our members are also arranging social games for those who, for one reason or another, are unable to play online. Graham has also been busy seeking out a new venue for when we are able to get back to physical playing.

The Tennis Club at Club Banora has graciously allowed us to share their club house which is on ground level and much more accessible for our members. Bridge provides both mental stimulation and social engagement so if you are interested in learning to play bridge, contact Graham on 0427 242 265.



President Graham playing Bridge online

FISHING

Welcome to Twin Towns Fishing Club. We hope everybody has a great Father's Day, and due to that, we have our comp a week later. We had another great attendance for our August weigh-in and we have a new member that we will have to take seriously in future competitions.

September weigh-in will include a sausage sizzle. Our "Out of Comp Competition" is very active. Great to see so many trying for a better fish between the comps. Congratulations to our new member Mark Small for giving everybody a run for the money. The competition results for the month of August are as follows: 1st Dario Rombo with 10 x bream, 2 flathead and a whiting, a total of 4.07kg; 2nd Steve Lovegrove with 10 x bream, a total of 3.65kg; 3rd Garry Hawthorne with 8 luderick, total weight 4.1kg. Congratulations to all our members at the weigh-in.

Our club calendar is available at the reception desk or call any of the committee and we can email it out to you. It's \$15 for the year to join, on top of your TTSC membership. There are three boats available for Fishing Club members to use 7 days a week.

We fish 11 months of the year and a weigh-in comp once a month. There are no other commitments and great social atmosphere at the weigh-in BBQs at our very own club house every month. Anytime is a good time to join as the "Out of Comp Competition" is there for incentive. All welcome.

Members that fish with the catch and release method, you will be pleased to know that we are keeping up with the times. We have a length to weight ratio chart for eight of our common species caught. There are many occasions that you have caught enough fish for a feed and prefer to release the excess catch. We are having an away comp in October at Evans Head, if this COVID situation allows it to go ahead. It will be a fun weekend and we hope all are able to attend.

If you need more information, please call any of the committee. Keep fishing, tight lines for all.

Dutchy



Two Twin Towns Fishing Club's Boats, available for members

RSL SUB-BRANCH

The Sub-Branch office remains closed for all physical access until further notice, except for those with compensation or welfare appointments. The Members Social Luncheon for September is cancelled. A future date is unknown at this stage. All regular meetings and morning teas held in the ANZAC Room are cancelled until further notice due to NSW Government regulations regarding COVID-19 and the safety of our veteran community. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 9am -12pm. Advocates available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9am to 3pm. Phone 07 5536 1164 or email admin@thc-rsl.org.au

Belinda McIntosh, Office Administrator

LADIES BOWLS

We are continuing to enjoy our social games every Tuesday and Friday mornings. Anyone wishing to try our lovely game and make new friends, just come along when we're playing or from 8.30am-9.30am. New players may have up to six free lessons before joining. No obligation to join though.

We were delighted to meet the new Twin Towns Board member, Sharon Styman and hope to see more of her in the future. Thanks to Ross O'Leary for bringing her along. I have started a DVD lending library as we won't be holding our November Fundraiser. With Netflix and Foxtel now making movies more available, not as many viewers want to buy DVDs but might like to borrow. We'll see how it goes.

Next month there will be a featured member for our annual 'Queen of the Green'. Who will it be?

Veronica Power

MASTERS SWIMMING



First birthday gathering at the pool since COVID-19

There have been no carnivals due to COVID-19 but at least our pool is open again, sticking to social distancing. Our birthday morning was not the usual feast after swimming but we did manage to have a cup of coffee or tea.

Sue has restarted timing for the endurance swims for Pat Scott Glasscock and John Scarr events. Unfortunately, because Victoria and New South Wales have opted out of doing the one-hour swim because of Covid, that endurance swim, has been cancelled for this year. We are thankful our pool is warm followed by a nice hot shower. Libby, who plans our social events, will hopefully be able to plan a picnic for us all soon — somewhere. Come and join us for fun, friendship and fitness.

Ding Dong

GOLF

From 1 September, there will be new operating hours for the Island Club House, notably, closures on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The remaining days operating hours are now shorter with the venue being open for hot and cold drinks only. Barry

Horton is steadily making progress with his hip injury and with luck, may be back in a restricted role later this month. We all wish him a quick recovery and look forward to having him back.

Well done Grant Treloar and Paul Pochodyla for a tenacious battle in the match play championships. Congratulations to Grant as our new champion after a nineteen-hole struggle. The Men's championships start this month and play over four rounds. The last round will be the top four in each grade playing on the final Saturday as the first of the afternoon groups.

Good luck and golfing to all. Yours in golf.

Brent McLennan, President

SENIORS SOCIAL

The lockdowns have certainly affected our meetings and trips. As social distancing is our main priority, this and the border closure makes it impossible to make any arrangements at this time. All we can hope for is in the near future things will ease to allow us to get together again soon.

Still unable to hold meetings and to book venues for outings, so until things change due to the virus, we have no way to be able to arrange any outings.

Everyone stay safe and well. Phone calls Tuesday to Friday 10am-4pm. Membership Officer Dorothy Colman 07 5523 4581; Welfare Del 07 5534 4756; Tour & Social Organiser Dot 07 5590 9301.

MENS BOWLS



From left, Kevin Payne, Club Singles Champion, Ces Anshaw, President and Mick Bartulovich Runner-up

Club single championships concluded on Saturday morning. Congratulations to Kevin Payne who defeated past club champion Mick Bartulovich. Most games were keenly contested with two games going down to the wire 24 a-piece. Thanks to all participants, markers, umpire and Alf and Terry for organising.

Future championships have been announced as follows: Super Vets' singles, nominations close 5 September with 16 ends being held on Saturday morning at 9.30am. The age limit has been increased, refer to the notice board.

Open pairs, nominations close 26 September, first to 25 Wednesday morning 9.30am. Open triples, nominations close 21 October, first to 25 Saturday 1pm. Wednesday afternoon triples has a jackpot prize: \$2 to enter and on occasions additional funds may be contributed. Winning team splits the jackpot. Give it a go, could be fun.

Winning rink on Saturday 22 August was John Hutchinson team, whilst losing rink was Mick Bartulovich team.

M.C.

DIGGERS SWIMMING

Since we resumed Sunday morning competition, we sometimes have more timekeepers than swimmers but that's really a good thing, as under COVID-19 regulations, we are limited to 20 people.

Sad that we've had some swimmers on the sick list - Linda is recovering from her big op and hopes to be given the all-clear shortly to resume swimming. John S has advanced from a walker to a cane following surgery after he fractured his hip in a nasty fall. He and Judy plan to drop in to catch up with members shortly. It takes a lot to keep Guy out of the water, but on doctor's orders, he's been out of the pool too.

Our national titles for winter swimmers were to be held in Orange on 12 September but of course have been cancelled along with every other swim meet scheduled for this year.

Bubbles

GARDEN

Hello to all gardeners. We are having a great opportunity to keep up to date with gardening projects during COVID-19 restrictions, well that's one way to look at it. Bunnings lets us click and collect which must be a boon to many.

Planting grevilleas would be a good idea. They have been so colourful during the Tweed wintertime and in turn, the birds have been colourful and very active. They have a great time darting amongst the grevillea blooms, that's another thing to keep us entertained while we have a cuppa.

Everyone will be missing the talks, raffles, the morning tea and socialising but we look forward to hearing what everyone has been doing. Maria will be the first to know the news so why not give her a call.

President Maria, 0448 531 055.

TENNIS

Social tennis is progressing well at this stage especially on Sunday mornings from 8am to 11.30am. Everybody is keeping to the COVID-19 regulations and like many organisations, we are adhering to hand sanitising, social distancing and recording name and phone details.

Our Vice President, John Evans, resigned recently for personal reasons. Twin Towns Management thanked him for his support of the Tennis Club. On behalf of the Committee and the Tennis Club Members, we too thank John for his contribution, dedication, skills and help over the past four years.

With the warmer weather just around the corner, anyone (young, old or in between) who is interested in playing social or competitive tennis, needs to come and meet with members at the courts to find out what a great social club Banora Tennis Club is. For enquiries contact Stephanie on 0409 270 126.

Kerry

SNOOKER

Our Tuesday and Thursday night competitions are maintaining strong support despite being limited to 10 players. The following are results for August: Tuesday 4/8 winner Bryne Smith, runner-up Christiano de Azevedo. Thursday 6/8 winner Des Turner, runner-up Joe Caridi. Tuesday 11/8 winner Rod Ross, runner-up Christiano de Azevedo. Thursday 13/8 winner Joe Caridi, runner-up Rod Ross. Tuesday 18/8 winner Brian Exley, runner-up Nev Robinson. Thursday 20/8 winner Joe Caridi, runner-up Steve Nestdale.

Our Wednesday evening teams event has resumed with one match per week instead of three to ensure we stay within room limits. There has been considerable interest shown in the upcoming Eamonn Duff Tournament in October with approximately 60 entries being received. The committee will keep all members appraised as to how and when this event is to be run.

In closing thank you to all our members for continuing to adhere to the COVID directions.

Paul Thomas, Committee Member

RUNNERS & WALKERS

We have started back but only meeting and running/walking on the Queensland side of the border. It is great to see old faces again and interact with long-time friends. Our program is on our Facebook page and website up until DST begins.

We are following a strict COVID safety plan and maintaining social distancing. We are a friendly group of runners and walkers and new members are always welcome. We meet three times a week and cater for all ages and levels of fitness. Come run or walk with us for up to three times before you need to commit. We also enjoy social interaction outside the meets.

Check us out on Facebook or our [website](#). For enquiries contact our Secretary Tracy Mo 0414 590 940.

TRIATHLON

The Triathlon Club is committed to a COVID-19 Safety Plan for the return to weekly races from Saturday 26 September. All participants must be financial members of both Twin Towns Services Club and the Triathlon Club as non-financial members will not be permitted to race after one visit.

The race will begin with a series of wave starts at 6am, 6.15am, 6.25am and 6.35am. All participants must pre-register online to be eligible to race. To comply with social distancing there will be no mingling inside the pool compound or post-race presentations. Instead information will be shared via social media and email. As we near our start date there will be more detailed information on the Facebook page or the [website](#)

SOCIAL GOLF

Latest results: 2 August Single Stableford winner Rob Sheppard 18 pts from runner-up Dave Kammer; 9 August first round of champs, best on the day was Paul Dickson 65 nett a great start and round; 16 August round two and final round, winner and Club Champ for 2020 Wayne (Woody) Woodford. Final results, A grade gross Woody, nett Paul Dicko; B Grade gross Rick Downes, nett Will Salter; C Grade gross Dave Kammer, nett Steve Teague. Congrats to all that played. Monthly Medal on 23 August was won by President Graeme (Porky) Veivers.

Hope Everyone is staying well with all that is going on and thanks to all our members for understanding our responsibility to protecting each other. Happy hitting.

Dunny