

LADIES BOWLS

QUEEN OF THE GREEN 2020 JUDITH JOHNSON

As our Championships and competitions had to be cancelled this year, our Queen of the Green focuses on a very special member, who has given long term service, as well as performing with distinction on the greens.

On the bottom right is a photo of Judy's first day as a member of the Ladies Bowling Club in April 1987; note the greenspace in the background. How the Banora scenery has changed since then.

In her 33 years, Judy has been a Selector, Assistant Games Director, Junior and Senior Vice President, Club President and Games Director, a position she still holds today. As well, Judy has been a National Umpire. This level of service is becoming more and more scarce so we must give credit to such members.

During Judy's playing days, which now unfortunately have ceased, she featured in many winning and runner up results. Research into Annual Reports show her as Club Singles and Consistency Champion, as well as part of winning combinations in Club Triples and Fours, President's Pairs and Senior's Fours. Some wins have been multiple ones. You would also find her name among many Pennant Teams as a valued Lead player.

Every bowls day, twice a week our Games Director and her valued Assistant Maud Tate, arrive before 7.30am, (when some of us are only thinking about getting up) to check on the greens with the greenkeepers, prepare the day's running sheet and field telephone calls from players.

During Championships and Competition times each year, the Games Director controls entries, organises the draw, sets the rink numbers and records results. In past times, she has also been in charge of tournaments such as our Koala Triples, which was held for many years and attracted players from nearby clubs as well as from interstate.

Although our club, and lawn bowls in general, have diminished in numbers, the role Judy plays still requires the same effort and attention to detail. Thank you from all members of the Twin Towns Ladies Bowling Club.

Veronica Power



Daylight Saving Time

COMMENCES ON SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER.

Some internal sporting and social clubs operate on Qld time, others NSW. Please check with the committee.

RSL SUB-BRANCH

The Sub-Branch office remains closed for all physical access until further notice, except for those with compensation or welfare appointments. Advocates are available Tuesday to Thursday 9am to 3pm Qld by appointment. All regular meetings and morning tea held in the ANZAC Room are cancelled until further notice due to NSW Government regulation regarding COVID19 and the safety of our veteran community. Office hours are Monday to Friday, 9am to 12pm Qld. Phone 07 5536 1164 or email admin@thc-rsl.org.au

Belinda McIntosh
Office Administrator

MASTERS SWIMMING

Our Birthday morning gave us all a chance to catch up with latest news and see many friends. With sadness and respect, one of our inaugural swimmers Alison Worrall passed away in August at the age of 97. Alison was an extremely popular and hardworking member of our club. She had three daughters and a son. During the Second World War, she was in the army and was the recruitment officer for women. Her husband was a Naval Commander. Alison's sports were running, swimming, cycling and skin diving. Alison was also Citizen of The Year for the Tweed area. She travelled globally skin diving with her daughters up until she was 91 years of age. She did the walk in India to honour the famous Gandhi. On her 90th birthday, she did a tandem parachute jump and loved it. The hundreds of medals she won, no doubt, are now shared with the family. I had the honour of sharing accommodation with her when we went to New Zealand to swim. A wonderful person.

Ding Dong

SENIORS SOCIAL

The lockdown has 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. We are still unable to hold meetings and book venues for outings so until things change due to the virus, we are unable to arrange any outings. Everyone stay safe and well. Phone calls Tuesday to Friday 10am to 4pm NSW. Membership Officer Dorothy Colman 07 5523 4581; Welfare Del 07 5534 4756; Tour & Social Organiser Dot 07 5590 9301.

GOLF

Firstly, the closing of the Island House means that the major social venue for golfers is no longer available. However, we encourage golfers to continue with 'after the game' socialising. This is an important part of the unwind and camaraderie process we sorely missed during total shutdown earlier this year. As a heads up, the current Constitution calls for the election of all golf executive in one year (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) and the following year, all of the golfing management (Men's, Ladies and Vets Captain and Reps). The TTSC Board has approved, in the interest of better governance, the election of President, Secretary, Men's Captain and Ladies Rep, one year and the remainder the next. The requirement for members' approval to alter the Constitution is proving difficult to facilitate with current restrictions. However, one way or another, we'll get there. Happy golfing and keep safe.

Brent McLennan
President

MENS BOWLS

Open Triples nominations close 21 October and will commence on Saturday 24 October at 1pm NSW. Winning rink teams on Wednesday 16 September were: Skips Merv Brady and Brian Spanner. Due to COVID19 we have not been able to provide some hospitality functions. Consequently, we have rewarded members with a couple of weeks of \$2 games. We are looking for new members. Here are some basic requirements and information:

1. Be a current member of Twin Towns Services Club;
2. Join Mens Bowls, annual fee \$20. Pay at the bar;
3. Cost of play \$10 per day, includes rink fee and a raffle entry;
4. Coaching available;
5. Days of play are Wednesday mornings and afternoons and Saturday afternoons;
6. Our social club is for the recreation, socialising and enjoyment of the game.

For further information, call the Bowls Office on 07 5524 1895 Wednesdays from 8am NSW and Saturdays from 10am NSW.

M.C

BRIDGE

As lockdown continues, our club is still playing online three days a week on our usual days on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and our online players have increased giving us more members with which to play. Bridge provides both mental stimulation and social engagement. It encourages good brain health and helps to keep you physically active (once we get back to playing physically). It also helps to keep your brain active, which is one of the most important things you can do to reduce the risk of developing dementia. If you are interested in learning to play Bridge, contact Graham on 0427 242 265. We now have new premises to play in once we are able to get back to physical play which will be in Club Banora's Tennis Clubhouse, starting at our usual time of 12.15pm NSW. Happy Bridging.

Valerie

DIGGERS SWIMMING

Although we are delighted to be back in the pool and holding our Sunday morning races at Oasis Pools at Club Banora, not all restrictions have been lifted at the time of writing. As Summer fast approaches, we expect more members who either don't swim at all in Winter, or do their swimming in the ocean, to drift back to us. Although swimmers can be accommodated in the races, the requirements dictated by Covid 19 mean that results of such races can only be delivered to an audience of not more than 20. Therefore, we will reluctantly have to exclude any swimmers in excess of this number from attending any after-swim meeting. This will be on a voluntary basis and your co-operation in taking turns would be appreciated. A full print out of all these new conditions can be seen on our club noticeboard.

Bubbles

GARDEN

Sorry folks, still no news that we can hold meetings. However, this is a great opportunity to catch up on tidying the garden. Prune the shrubs as soon as they finish flowering, then they can sprout new growth freely without fear of being pruned off. Being gorgeous springtime, there are plants appearing in the shops and spots at home that need brightening up. Out with the pansies and in with the small azaleas. Put in baby ones and they will grow for next year. Your flowers will encourage hover flies. These will lay their eggs amongst nuisance insects (aphids, thrips, scale) and the lava feed on the insects. Have you seen these interesting insects around your plants? Members, do you have a gardening story to share? Our friendly club welcomes visitors and our President Maria will be the first to know the news so why not give her a call. Maria 0448 531 055.

SOCIAL GOLF

Hello everyone! Nice to still be bringing you results of our past months play as we can't be sure when it may be brought to a halt. 30 August Single Stableford: winner Woody 17pts from Will Salter 16pts. 6 September Single Stableford: winner Frank Watego 20 pts from Chris Harding 19pts. 13 September Monthly Medal: winner Steve Teague 35 nett on a count back from Will Salter 35. 20 September Single Stableford, winner Justin Hayes 19pts on a count back from Paul Dicko 19. I would like to thank all our regular guys for turning up each week - restrictions are tough! For those who haven't been able to come along, we look forward to seeing you real soon. Stay safe. Anyone out there who wants a quick 9 holes on a Sunday morning and be home by 10.30am NSW give us a go. Call Clint 0410 548 404. Happy Hitting.

Dunny.

TRIATHLON

After an unplanned early end to the 2019/20 triathlon season in March, it was great to welcome old and new members when our races recommenced on 26 September. We are following a strict Covid plan and are adhering to social distancing at all times. The introduction of wave starts, which limits the number of participants in the pool at any one time, has been introduced this season. To be eligible to race, participants are reminded to enter online by Thursday evening each week. No race day registrations will be permitted. Also, to be eligible to race, you must be a financial member of both Twin Towns Services Club and the Triathlon Club. For more detailed information go the Facebook Page or the website www.twintownstriathlon.org.au

TENNIS

Social and competitive tennis for juniors and seniors continues during Covid 19 under different circumstances. On Sunday 18 October at 12 noon NSW. The Tennis Club is coming together for a social get-together. This will be an opportunity to catch up with tennis members that you may not have seen for a while. We will be gathering at the Slice and Fork Restaurant at Club Banora. There will be a \$10 subsidy that will go towards your meal. Drinks can be bought from the bar. Please read the noticeboard for upcoming events. Our Annual Social Golf Day is coming up in November, which is just around the corner. Further details will be advised on the board. It is always a fun day and one that you should not miss, whether you play golf regularly or not. Come along and join us.

Kerry

RUNNERS & WALKERS

We are operating on DST from 4 October for Summertime. All meets are in NSW Times – Tuesdays 7pm, Thursdays 6.30am at Greenmount Beach front (opposite Pink Hotel) and Sundays 7am. Our new Sunday program is on our website and Facebook page and covers the month of October only. We are still meeting on the Queensland side of the border and keeping our meets coastal now that the weather is warming up. 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 ttsrunnersandwalkers.org. For enquiries contact our Secretary Tracy Mo – 0414 590 940.

SNOOKER

Regular Tuesday and Thursday competitions are receiving strong support. Winners of the main Comp were: Rod Ross, George Johnson, Des Turner, Dean Keune and Joe Caridi. Runners-up were: Chris De Azevedo, Steve Nestdale, Jayden Edwards, Tia Smith and Ray Gocke. The consolation comp was won by Mark Johnson, Des Turner, George Johnson, Chris Azevedo and Des Turner. Runners up were George Johnson, Tod Tewson, Nev Robinson x 2 and Mark Johnson. As can be seen from the results, it would appear that crafty George Johnson has hit form. He is one to watch in the near future. The Eamonn Duff Championship draw will be done soon. There has been considerable interest shown in this event with 72 entries received. The draw for the George Hendrickson competition has been placed on the notice board. All entrants are asked to ensure all matches are completed within the specified timeframe. For any Twin Towns members that may have an interest in joining the Snooker club, please feel free to come along for the Tuesday or Thursday night events. You'll be presently surprised at the warm welcoming atmosphere!

Paul Thomas, Committee Member

FISHING

Welcome to the Fishing Club. September is gone and Christmas goods are in the shops. The Competition results for September's weigh-in as follows:

1st Ferdi Van De Wetering with 7 x luderick weighing a total of 3.6kg; 2nd Steve Lovegrove with 6 x bream weighing a total of 2.4kg; 3rd Garry Hawthorne with 7 luderick weighing a total of 3.6kg. (These fish were weighed using our length to weight ratio scale). We have a length to weight ratio chart for eight of our common species caught allowing catch and release on the competition days. Our club calendar is available for any interested fishos who would like to join - \$15 for the year and there are three club boats available for member use, seven days a week. We fish 11 months of the year and have a weigh-in comp once a month. There are NO other commitments. Great social atmosphere at the weigh in BBQs, which are held at our very own club house every month. Just come along on our weigh-in day, socialise and see what has been caught for the weekend. All welcome. For more information, please call the membership desk. Keep fishing, tight lines for all.

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