

### **GOLF**



A group of our OBE (Over Bloody Eighty) ladies, celebrating in style

The new year and a new season are already on the go. I hope this season goes a lot better than 2022. This month sees the final of the Men's monthly medal and will be hotly contested by some twenty odd players, qualifying over the past year from all grades, battling for the one trophy. Good luck and great golf to all contenders. The Golf Club's Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Saturday 18 March at 2pm NSW, following a traditional shotgun start game at 8am NSW. The committee positions up for election are - the President, the Treasurer, the Mens Captain and the Ladies' Representative. I am aware that there are a few of the committee who will not be standing for re-election and/or retiring from their current positions early. It will be sad to lose these committee members as we work well as a team and enjoy each other's company and participation. We cannot operate if we don't fill these roles. I know we have great members

out there, who are quite capable of taking on these vacant positions and I encourage everyone to have a go. Don't let the ship sink due to apathy. As the year moves on we will be looking to our golfers for representation at district pennants, open days and events throughout the district in Mens, Ladies and Veterans tournaments. These are great opportunities to play on the other courses near and far depending on your will to have a go. We have a terrific course at Banora which surprises many a visitor. It looks good, plays well, is not difficult to walk around as it is mostly flat but has a degree of difficulty that catches us all. We are seeking new members, which is unusual for a golf club, women and men of all ages. Our fees are very reasonable and you will be made to feel most welcome. We welcome social players, corporate days, visitors, old and new members. Come on out, enjoy our facilities and some good old camaraderie. See you out there.



Denise Melling and Denise Culpitt wearing their new golf shirt

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# **RSL SUB-BRANCH**

The next monthly members meeting Monday 27 February at 12pm Qld in the ANZAC Room. The Annual General Meeting will be held Monday 27 March in Sub-Branch ANZAC Room. Morning Tea - members, partners & carers are welcome to come along to morning tea held every Thursday at 10am-12pm Qld for a laugh and a chat. Advocates, Compensation and Welfare Advocates available Tuesday - Thursday by appointment. RSL Sub-Branch office hours Monday to Friday 9am -12pm Qld. Phone 07 5536 1164 or email admin@thc-rsl.org.au

Belinda McIntosh, Office Administrator

# **SENIORS SOCIAL**

Our next general meeting is on Monday 20 February at 10am NSW (9am Qld) in the Visions Room. Selling at the meeting, two trips Monday 27 February and Monday 6 March; one to Roma Gardens in Brisbane and maybe Ipswich. Our March meeting on Monday 20 March will be our AGM, those thinking of joining the committee can see our Secretary for a nomination form. Nominations must be in by Monday 20 February. We have two trips a month and general meeting are held the third Monday of the month. Trip tickets are sold at our meetings, members need to be at the meeting to buy the tickets. Phone calls Tuesday to Friday 10am - 4pm NSW. Membership Officer Dorothy Colman, Welfare Shirley Mooney 0427 534 601 and Tour & Social Organiser Dorothy 0755 909 301.

# **SNOOKER**

After a few weeks off over Christmas and New Year Club Banora snooker kicked off 2023 by sending 5 boys to the National Junior Championships in Albury. Luke Bofinger, Odern Boyer, Adam Grunsell, Christiano De Azevedo and Cooper Thomson all performed extremely well and did our Club proud with Christiano making the U18 semi-finals and Cooper the quarter-finals. Well done to all on their performance. Special thanks to the Twin Towns Community Foundation for their sponsorship to assist. January has also seen Junior coaching start up again on Monday and Friday evenings and already we are having good turnouts. Our Tuesday and Thursday members competitions have also started back up and again are being supported extremely well. Another busy year coming up as our Club gets stronger and stronger. Happy Cueing!

### **LADIES BOWLS**

After an up and down year with the unpredictable weather and a number of the ladies having health issues it has been nice to have a break to enable health recovery. The opening of the greens of competition quality is planned for early February. We thank the green keeping team for their efforts over the break in improving the quality of the greens. Locker fees will be due on return to bowls with the fee remaining at five dollars. A committee meeting was scheduled for the 27 January to review last year and plan for the 2023 events and competitions. The Annual General Meeting will be held at Club Banora on Tuesday 7 March at 2pm NSW. A new club phone book will be printed given out at the AGM. Members please advise Veronica of any changes or additions from new members. Let us look forward to a good year of bowling.

Veronica Power, Secretary

# **RUNNERS & WALKERS**

Notice of our AGM - Thursday 2 March at 5pm Qld/6pm NSW at Twin Towns, room to be advised. Hope to see lots of our members attend. Australia Day Picnic and Awards Presentation was a great success and lots of fun was had by all. Congratulations to our Awards Recipients. It was great to be able to recommence presentations again with a year of activity to draw on. The following members received awards: Club Champion Ken Saunders, Most Improved Steve Black, Walkers Award Stephanie Flett, Club Person of the Year Tracy Moschogianis. Presentations were made to first time half marathoners, Steve Black, Angela McFarlane and Helen Wainwright. Come join us for a run or walk. We cover distances of 5 to 12km and work on increasing fitness and mental wellbeing. A great Club to make friends and enjoy a coffee after our meets. We meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6.30am NSW during the summer months at Greenmount (Opposite the Pink Hotel) and Sundays at 7am at various venues (on Facebook). New members are always welcome to come check us out for up to 3 times before joining. Enquiries to Secretary Tracy Mo 0414 590 940.

## **BRIDGE**

The Bridge Club AGM will be held on Monday 6 March at the Club Banora Tennis Clubhouse at 11am NSW. All members are invited to attend. As we had a lot of absentees over the Christmas period and Bridge was suspended over the New Year, however everybody was anxious to return and we had a good roll up for our first game and we are hoping for a better year health wise. Bridge is played on a Monday and Friday at Club Banora Tennis Clubhouse commencing at 12.15pm NSW, please be seated 15 minutes prior to start to allow the Director of the day to determine the movement for play. For partners on the day contact Jan on 0421 330 721. Happy Bridging.

Valerie

## **GARDEN**

How about finding a particularly shady spot in your garden and giving it some special attention? Create a shady rockery. Dig the spot till its weed free and add some grit. You may need to add potting mix to create a mound, then tuck in some interesting rocks leaving pockets for your plants. Now an excuse to visit the nursery for some shade loving plants. Adjust the rocks to suit your plant arrangement then press the pot into the soil firming soil around it. Gently extract pot. Fill hole with water. Gently squeeze out the plant from the pot and pop root ball neatly into the hole. Water again then regularly till area is established. Our next meeting will be held on 7 February at 10am NSW. Visitors welcome. The Annual General Meeting will be Tuesday 7 March, when Club Banora Officials attend followed by special morning tea. Further enquiries to President Maria 0448 531 055.

### **MENS BOWLS**

Mens bowls have not been happening for a number of weeks while the bowling greens have been undergoing maintenance and refurbishment. Bowls are expected to be able to resume on Wednesday mornings and Saturday afternoons in early February. The AGM for Twin Towns Men's Bowls Club is tentatively scheduled to be held at Club Banora on Monday 13 March.

### **EUCHRE & 500**

Our games are held in the screened off dining area at Club Banora at 7pm NSW and usually finish around 9.15pm NSW. Fees to play are \$3 members and \$4 non-members. Holiday makers and new residents to the area are welcome to come along and join our friendly group of players. There are prizes for placegetters as well as a Lucky Door prize every week. We are having a complimentary dinner for our members at Club Banora on Sunday 19 February; meals will start being served from 6.30pm NSW however, members can come from 6pm NSW to socialise and have a drink beforehand. Our AGM will be held at Club Banora on Thursday 16 March at 6.30pm NSW, which will be followed by our Euchre Card games. Although our Club is currently called Euchre & 500 we are no longer playing 500, due to not enough players being interested in playing on Tuesday nights. Therefore, it will be proposed at the AGM that our Club name will be changed to just Twin Towns Euchre Club.

Joker Judy

## **DIGGERS SWIMMING**

Having our pool closed down was a devastating blow, so we are grateful to the Southport Sharks for granting our request to come swim with them and an average of 10 of our swimmers have been taking advantage of the opportunity. We have been missing our swimming of course, but also the camaraderie that we had enjoyed in the 54-year history of our Club. Thank you to Freda whose condition prevents her swimming, but travelled up just to help out with timekeeping. On Saturday 4 February, we have around 11 swimmers travelling down to compete in the Ballina carnival, results next edition. The Nationals are being held in Sydney on Saturday 18 March, please contact Brent if you wish to compete. Members having the expense of entering the swims and attending the presentation dinner, may be eligible for some financial assistance.

**Bubbles** 

# **FISHING**

Welcome to Twin Towns Fishing Club. Do you like fishing? Do you like to socialise? Well, we have the club for you. The aim of our club is to provide a social forum where people interested in recreational fishing, but not necessarily Anglers, can meet and exchange their ideas and knowledge of fishing. We have a comp every month so anytime is a good time to come along, socialise and see what has been caught for the weekend. All welcome. Just a quick reminder, our AGM is coming up in March, and we need a President. Please think about the position. Well what a great start to the year, for once we had a lovely weekend for fishing. The tides were quite large, and not many fish caught; 1st to Steve Lovegrove, with a bream and 2 nice trevally, one weighing 3.1kg, 2nd goes to Garry Hawthorne with 5 luderick. The Out of Comp Comp so far has no entries, so get out there and see what you can do. Keep fishing, tight lines for all.

Dutchy

# **TENNIS**

Glad to hear that so many people were inspired by the Australian Summer Season of Tennis. Some of us were lucky enough to attend events or watched it on television. Hope to see you at Club Banora Tennis Club to show off skills you learnt or practise ones you saw! Tuesday Ladies Competition has just begun for the year. If you are new to the Tweed come along to Club Banora to watch and find out further details. Our AGM will be held on Wednesday 15 March at 7pm NSW in the Tennis Clubhouse. Nominations close soon. New ideas and people are always welcome. Join us after the meeting for a meal at the Slice and Fork restaurant. Our Annual Golf Day this year will be held on Sunday 26 March. We will begin with a pizza lunch at Club Banora followed by a social, fun day of golf. All standards are welcome.

Kerry



