

## EUCHRE



The Euchre Club was formed in the early 1990's. At that time, games were played upstairs at Club Banora and there were well over 70 players every week.

We played 500 on Tuesday nights and Euchre on Thursday nights. Pat and Nev Lesina started the Club along with Maureen Lowe.

Unfortunately, since that time our numbers have dwindled due to the fact that we had many elderly players and some of those did not wish to drive at night.

Our 500 Club ceased operating about two years ago due to low numbers of interested players.

Our Euchre Club has a happy group of members and we have up to 18 players each week. We have a committee of seven which consists of Jim Creek - President, Barbara Lewis - Secretary, Pat Lesina - Vice President, Nev Lesina - Treasurer, as well as Committee members Elaine Denman, Judy Kenny and Jo Hortle.

During the year we have two barbeques, a Christmas in July dinner, as well as the main Christmas dinner with all being free to members.

Our Euchre is held every Thursday night at 7pm NSW year-round in the screened off dining area at Club Banora. Fees to play are \$3 members and \$4 non-members. There are prizes for 1st and 2nd as well as a Lucky Door Prize.

Holidaymakers and new residents to the area are most welcome to come along and join our happy group. If you come about 15 minutes before our starting time you can have a few practice hands with our players.

For the month of August four of our players tied for 1st place: Elaine Denman, Judy Kenny, Tom Bennett and Graeme Quinn.

Although our group of players is much smaller than in previous years, we all enjoy each other's company and hope to continue our card club for many years to come.



Back row, from left, Judy Kenny, Barbara Lewis, Jim Creek (President), Jo Hortle and Elaine Denman; front row Pat Lesina and Nev Lesina

## RSL SUB-BRANCH

The next member's monthly meeting will be held on Monday 30 October at 12pm Qld in the ANZAC Room at the Sub-Branch. Remembrance Day: Service of Remembrance in Chris Cunningham Park Tweed Heads, Saturday 11 November at 10.50am NSW; Wreath Laying Service in Queen Elizabeth II Park Coolangatta 10.50am Qld. Remembrance Day Luncheon 12pm Qld at Twin Towns for Sub-Branch Members and partners or carer. Call the office for details. Morning tea is held every Thursday from 10am to 12pm Qld. Come in for cake, coffee, a chat and a laugh. Veterans, partners and carers welcome. Transport into the Sub-Branch can be provided. Call the office to arrange. Library is open on Thursdays. Please check our website [www.thc-rsl.org.au](http://www.thc-rsl.org.au) for the latest information. RSL Sub-Branch office hours Monday to Friday 9am-12pm Qld. Phone 07 5536 1164 or email [admin@thc-rsl.org.au](mailto:admin@thc-rsl.org.au)

Belinda McIntosh, Office Administrator

## MENS BOWLS

Twin Towns Mens Bowls held their family sponsors Open Day on the 20 August. It was a great success and well-supported by the sponsors and bowlers. Special thanks to Lina from Twin Towns Promotions who put together gift bags for the kids which were very well received. A big thanks to the Chairman, Brian Brown, and other Directors who attended on the day. Lunch was provided and the Sponsors Trophy was played on the day. Mens Bowls Pairs Championship has been played and the winners were Garry Millard and Mark Baxter, runners-up Bill Bellair and Rae McLean. Congratulations to all. Bowls Open Day is on Sunday 8 October at 10.30am NSW on the greens at Club Banora. Come along meet new friends and enjoy the day. Morning tea will be provided. Enjoy playing bowls.

Rosco



Pairs Champions, Mark Baxter and Gary Millard

## BRIDGE

Our travelling Bridge players are on their way back to our shores after their three-month round the world cruise. I'm sure they have many stories to tell. Also, our other Director and his wife are also due to return, no doubt with their travel tales. In September we had a lot of birthdays in the Club which we celebrated in various ways. To all who are not keeping well, we wish you a speedy recovery. Bridge is played on Mondays and Fridays 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 John on 0433 972 940. Happy Bridging.

Valerie

## LADIES BOWLS

Well, not much to report for October. Club competitions will be finishing up with the President's Pairs, and possibly Star of the Green. At the September Committee meeting on the last Friday of the month, we review our Club's bylaws. Pennant surveys should all be back with me asap so I can send our replies to the GCTDLBA. Not a lot of luck sourcing our green pants so a decision will be made on this. Christmas lunch has been discussed and venues narrowed down. It looks like a very nice decision will be made and booked early. Our most recent event was the Julie Johnston Gala Day last month in memory of a brave and admired Past President. The day's play was open to all bowlers, as Julie would have wanted it, and consisted of 2 games of 9 ends with a variable format devised by our Games Director, Carolyn. The winners of the coveted trophy generously donated by Marion Munzone was the team of Janice Deecke, Veronica Power and Beverley Morris.



Gala Day winners Janice Deecke, Veronica Power and Beverley Morris

## SENIORS SOCIAL

Our next general meeting will be held on Monday 16 October at 10am NSW in the Visions Room. Selling at the meeting will be tickets to a picnic lunch at Crams Farm Picnic Grounds on Monday 23 October; also selling is a trip to the Queensland Museum on Monday 6 November. The following general meeting will be held Monday 20 November. Phone calls Tuesday to Friday 10am to 4pm NSW. Membership Officer Dorothy Colman 0434 278 397; Welfare Marie Holmes 0417 602 368; Tour & Social Organiser Dorothy 07 5590 9301.

## FISHING

Welcome to Twin Towns Fishing Club. Do you like fishing? Do you like socialising? Well, we have a Club that would suit 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. We need a President and a Secretary so please think about the position. Last month we had Mark Small take out the comp with some nice flathead, trevally and mangrove jack; 2nd was John Newell with a nice catch of Luderick; 3rd was Garry Hawthorne weighing in some lovely flathead. The Out of Comp Comp has five entries, so get out there and see what you can do. Keep fishing, tight lines for all. Enquiries call Ferdi on 0414 812 907.

Dutchy

## RUNNERS & WALKERS

September was another busy month and attendance was strong. The runners are continuing their program of sprint training on Tuesday and hills on Thursdays. The walkers do a flat walk along the coast on Tuesdays and take on the hills on Thursdays. Sundays have been varied from running on the NR Rail Trail (Stokers Siding to the Tunnel) to alongside the beautiful Tweed River from Riverland Café. October will see us walk/run along the coast with options to swim and cooldown afterwards. Check out the Sunday program on our Facebook page. Tired of walking or running on your own? Want to join like-minded people? Then why not come join us for a run or walk. We cover distances of 5 to 15km and work on increasing fitness and mental wellbeing. It's a great Club to make friends and enjoy a coffee after our meets. Note new times for DST. We meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6.30am NSW/5.30am Qld at Greenmount opposite the Pink Hotel and Sundays 7am NSW/6am Qld at various venues. New members are always welcome to come check us out for up to three times before joining. Enquiries to Secretary Tracy Mo on 0414 590 940.

## DIGGERS SWIMMING

We have been requested to set our annual membership fees. Our circumstances being as they are, Diggers Swimming Club is dropping to \$5 per person, payable now. If you have not responded to Brent regarding your availability for our upcoming lunch, please do so. We are having a free meal with complimentary drinks from 12pm NSW on Sunday 15 October at Club Banora. Please note this is for current paid up members only and does not include partners. A list of current members is available from acting Secretary Brent. You are not required to bring a raffle prize. There's no choice of meal other than roast beef. Vegetarian and gluten-free meals will consist of a vegetable plate without meat. Please let Brent know if you're happy with the roast beef or require a vegetable plate.

*Bubbles*

## TENNIS

We are looking forward to our next Trivia night at the Tennis Clubhouse in October. You are welcome to join us so please get in touch with Stephanie to give your name if you are interested. An enjoyable afternoon was spent recently. After sharing lunch at Club Banora, some of our tennis club players experienced the joy of playing lawn bowls. Lots of fun was had by all. Remember, we are always keen to meet new tennis players so come along on a Sunday morning from 8am to 11.30am NSW and enjoy some good tennis and the friendship of some lovely people.

## GOLF

The Veteran's Championships were played in September. Congratulations to David Von Itzstein, 2023 Veteran's Champion; B grade went to Ross Telfer; C grade to John Mason. Nett results were A grade Jeff Trichter; B grade Allan Corke; C grade Merv Evans. Well done to Captain, Dave Harrod, who gets things done and keeps it running "like a well-oiled machine" with 'red o'clock' at days end. The Men's Championships are still in play at time of writing, with Gary Dowding giving them all something to catch in A grade but good tussles in the other two divisions. A full update in next month's issue. As of this month, all tee times for Men's competitions will require booking in advance. Times will be open generally ten days prior to the event. Green's renovations are currently scheduled for the last week in November. See you out there.

*Brent McLennan (Pres)*

## GARDEN

Members enjoyed a fun morning tea at Coral's magical garden, a place of not only interesting plants but also enchanting handywork. Thank you, Coral and organising committee. Warm weather has made for colourful gardens to admire. Grevilleas are an amazing mass of flowers attracting honey-seeking birds and hoverflies are entertaining to watch. Their eggs are laid amongst aphid, thrips and scale where the lava can feast on these nuisances. A quick way to attract hover flies is to plant a few marigolds. Bright happy flowers. At this time, a lot of your potted plants need repotting or at least fertilising. Sprinkle some slow-release fertiliser in the pot before the plants for roots quick access. Happiness is in the garden. Diary: next meeting is Tuesday 3 October, then Tuesday 14 November (due to Melbourne Cup on 7 November). Enquiries to President Maria 0448 531 055 or [email mariaharry111@gmail.com](mailto:mariaharry111@gmail.com)

## SNOOKER

September has been another busy month. We started by opening entries for our biggest tournament of the year, the Eamon Duff Handicap. Through the work of our sponsors and the Committee, 57 entries were received from as far away as Gympie and Port Macquarie. We have had all of our tables re clothed and they are now running beautifully. The Qld Minors' Championship was held in Brisbane and our #1 player Paul Norris came out the winner of this event in a very strong field. Well done, Paul. The Far North Coast Snooker doubles championship was also played out in Ballina. On a great day of play, Club Banora young guns Cooper Thomson and Chris De Azevedo got the bikkies. Well done to both boys, who continue to improve and represent our Club extremely well. Finally, our Club Championships are progressing well and getting to the pointy end with all grades at the quarter final stage with some great matches still to be played. Until November happy cueing!



Doubles winners, Chris De Azevedo and Cooper Thomson with FNCSA secretary Des Turner

## SOCIAL GOLF

On the 27 August, we had a Single Stableford match with a 4 ball (inc) and our winner with 23 points was Steve Salter. Runner-up was Woody with 19 points. The winners of the 4 ball were Steve Salter and Clint Dunn with 40 points. 3 September was a Monthly Medal round and our winner with 30 nett playing off 14 was Chris Harding and runner-up honours went to Frank Watego with 32 nett on a countback. 10 September was a Single Stableford match and winner on the day was Wazza with 20 points and runner-up was our newest and youngest member Zeke with 19 points. 17 September was another Single Stableford match and winner was Woody with 20 points and runner-up went to Pete Maybury with 10 points. Looking forward to the month ahead it brings us an 18-hole 2-man Ambrose and an away trip to Murwillumbah. Hit 'em long and straight!

*Will*