



CLUB NOWRA

2022 Annual General Meeting Bowls Report

2nd June 2022

I would like to start this report with **acknowledgement**. I do not know how I can express my gratitude enough for the help of these two members: **William (Bill) Huntriss**, catering manager & **Denis (A.B.C) Potter**, my right hand, for all the tireless hours these men have contributed this year to our Club, make all our events run smoothly.

Wow, what a year!

Sponsorship: Again, a huge thank you to all our sponsors, without all of your help it would be a lot harder making our bowls program work. I'm sure you would have noticed all the new signage around and advertisement on the T.V. I have also introduced a Monthly Mail newsletter which I send to every sponsor plus post on our face book site and Club notice board. Our sponsorship drive is going really well and still aiming for more local businesses to join our Club. I won't go into mentioning all of them, but with the help of our C.E.O Grant, we are in the middle of organizing to host a sponsor's day.

Monthly Pairs: We increased the entry fee for this event, it is self-sufficient and proving very popular by filling every month. We are starting to see more other clubs enter this event.

Tournaments: This year to date we have hosted two very successful tournaments. **8 Aside:** Last year the first year running, we had 6 teams plus two Nowra sides. This year we had 10 teams plus two Nowra sides. This event is proving to be very popular and we can only accept two more teams to fill it. **Don Bridge Pairs:** This event is full (28 Teams). We have invited the Bridge Family to attend the presentation of prizes, and hope they enjoyed the afternoon.

Club Championships: This year Bowls NSW have changed our competition calendar to the financial year calendar. Our championships will now start in July this year.

Pennants: Due to the change of the Bowls NSW calendar, pennants have not started yet for this year.

Zone: Due to the change of the Bowls NSW calendar, Zone events have not started yet for this year.

State: We have only played two events so far due to the calendar change. **BPL:** We have two teams making it through to the state play-offs: 1 (Paul Kennedy, Glen Dickson & Anthony Fisher) 2 (John Ingram, Brian Smith & Paul Goddard). **Over 40's Pairs:** Welcome our newest bowlers setting the greens on fire, John Ingram & Paul Goddard. Go get em boys. We were also the host to the grade 5 pennant finals, even with the rain dampening the area I strongly believe this to be a huge success for our club. The ladies State Carnival was also held at our club, every player was happy with our greens, staff club and the way the event was run.

Umpires: I would like to thank all our umpires for your help throughout the year. Especially Faye Potter, who always makes time to help me out with whatever is required.

Greens: The weather this year has not been kind to us, a huge thank you needs to be extended to Beau Davey our green keeper. His commitment for trying to produce the best greens in our area has not gone unnoticed by all players lucky enough to play on our greens.

Social Bowls: No change from last year. Our Friday Social is still doubling the attendance of Wednesday. We try offering different incentives, but to no prevails of boosting the attendance.

School Visitations: At current we have Shoalhaven High School attending our club every Tuesday. I think this is a great initiative to try and gain younger bowlers at our club each week to enjoy our great facilities.

Club Visitations: Jack & Billie Reid Shields: Our Ladies did not contest this for the second year running. Our men were convincing winners this year and hosted this event. Good luck next year Larrikins at Bomaderry.

Barefoot Functions: Due to weather, we had a slow start to our Christmas functions. We had a couple of cancellations but than lucky the weather changed and we were able to host the rest of the booked functions. From all function reviews, everyone had a great experience at Club Nowra enjoying our greens, meals & especially the music being played.

In conclusion, I would like to thank President Michael Mitchell, the Board and Staff, here at Club Nowra. Also, especially the unmentioned volunteers to make all of our events successful. I would also just like to add, if I have forgotten to thank anyone else, I truly apologize).

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