

JABIRU NEWS

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OVERWHELMING SUPPORT FOR JABIRU NEWS

Welcome to the second edition of "Jabiru News".

With the release of the first edition "Jabiru News" last month, the tongues have been wagging on what a great concept a newsletter is for the club. This, and the link to it via the club's new modern internet website is sure to bring club news and results of events to more people across the area and district far more efficiently than ever before, and at a fraction of the cost. Who are the winners???? All of us as fellow club members.

Whilst I have asked for input from members, the response has been somewhat limited, with the exception of a few club persons willing to help out and add their views and/or knowledge for each edition. Rome wasn't built in a day, and neither will this newsletter. We need input from members to have newsworthy print, so send an email and have your suggestions considered. Trying to remember info after a few cool refreshing beverages simply doesn't work. For those without access to emails, a hand written note will be just as appreciated. All input is to be signed and envelope on the main notice board will get to me within 2 days .

Cheers to all, Timothy Lloyd. Editor

WHO DIDN'T GET A COPY?????

Hands up all those who did not receive an emailed copy of the Jabiru News.

Why didn't I get one, you might ask??? Simple really;... If we don't have your email Address, we cant send it now can we. Printing hard copies takes time, money and just how many do we print???. Please add your details to the club register on the bar a.s.a.p. This also very much includes all social members and non bowling members..e.g. Darties.

RENOVATIONS GOING WELL AT JABIRU HQ.

A very big thank you goes out to all those who have helped in the refurbishment of seating and shade sails around both greens. There is , in every club, the few unsung heroes who give up of their time and expertise in the interests of all club members, so that we, as a club can continue to socialize and compete at a safe and quality venue.

In the last few months, these selfless group of people have removed an old concrete walkway, laid a fresh walkway at the western end of the 2nd green and fitted out both green surrounds with new shade cloths and modern aluminium seating. Nothing was asked in return, and that's what the spirit of the club is like at Mudgeeraba. People doing their best so all may benefit. Monies for the shade cloths and seating came from a \$30,000km grant and there is more work on the horizon.

YES WE WILL NEED YOUR HELP IN EARLY NOVEMBER...

WATCH THE NOTICE BOARD FOR WAYS TO ASSIST..PLEASE

The number 2 green (closest to the footy field) will be taken out of action and given a light renovation in early November. We need any able bodied person to assist during that time.

It would be remiss of me if I didn't say a very special thank you to John and Desley Rayner for the use and expertise on the bobcat during concrete construction, without which much extra expense would have been incurred. Thank you from us all.

MEN'S PENNANT NEWS SO FAR; . . .

As pen goes to paper (or fingers to the keyboard anyway), the four men's divisions of our 2008 pennant squad have had a hard battle all season.. With such a small club, our players have doing admirably against clubs with a far larger pool of competitors from which to select. During the season, our selectors have had to make a few changes due to illnesses, unexpected unavailability to play by some members and of course decisions made , popular or not, on current playing performance. All 4 divisions have scored wins against other clubs and had a big finish.. For the non-pennant playing members of the club, here is how the men's pennant competition is scored;...

Each division has 3 rinks consisting of 4 bowlers. (12 players per game). Each game is played over 21 ends with dead ends replayed for a total of 63 score-able ends. It is the total of the club's shots that count, *not* rink wins as it has been in years gone by. The club which scores a victory gains 2 points towards the season total which is played over 11 weeks followed by a weekend of finals playoff by the top 4 scoring clubs.. The scored shots are counted as the total amount won by or loss by compared to the opposition on the day. but only come into contention when sides are on equal points coming into the finals e.g. A club , after 2 games, with 1 win and 1 loss, for a win by 20 shots and a loss by 30 shots would be scored as 2 points and -10 shots.

We are right at the pointy end of the season and the finals will be held over the weekend of October 18th and 19th. Mudgeeraba Bowls club will be the host venue the finals of divisions 4 and 7 so if you want to see pennant played at its best, check out a finals match.

MUDGEERABA LADIES PENNANT TEAM TAKES THE FLAG !!!

With the last 2 games to play, our ladies were hopeful of a placing in the 2008 pennant season. We were in 3rd position with 2 weeks remaining and wins in the last 2 remaining games were vital. The second last game gave an overall win and 2 rinks being won by the Jabiru ladies, leaving them in equal 3rd place and just 2 points behind the leader. Unfortunate losses of players during the season has made the task more challenging but with a potential 5 points up for grabs during each match, . Our ladies have proved themselves to be a true force to be reckoned with during season 2008.

With such a small number of ladies bowling members, there is just the 1 division entered in this years ladies pennant series. Perhaps next year we could have 2 divisions. All it takes are willing bowlers. The ladies pennant is scored differently to their male counterparts competition With 5 potential points on offer for each round but no finals rounds played.

It is scored on the season total, not a last minute dash to the line. Consistency paid off and the 2008 pennant flag came home to Mudgeeraba. We collectively congratulate the ladies and hope for more flags in years to come. WELL DONE !!!

JULE EDWARDS TAKES OUT HANDICAP TITLE

Congratulations to Julie Edwards for taking out the 2008 Ladies Handicap singles.

Julie has only been bowling for around a year and plays off a handicap of 8 shots. The last 2 rounds played by Julie, were played on Sunday September 28th against Lorraine Krause in a morning game and against Judy Mansbridge in the afternoon event which saw many, many great shots played by all of the playing Ladies on the day.

I was fortunate enough to witness parts of the Sunday games and I can report that the draw shots by all ladies were superb, and the weighted " get out of gaol free " shots were on the money as well.

No doubt, Julie and all of the competitors had a very enjoyable competition, played , as always in an atmosphere of friendship and sportsmanship. Well done to all who took part.

NEW WEBSITE UP AND RUNNING AT JABIRU H.Q.

Welcome to the age of information technology . As of September 25th, we now have our own web site up and running for all to see, with links to different sections and even a copy of each newsletter as it is made available..

No doubt there has been a vast amount of effort gone into the planning and design of such an undertaking. Lets all give a standing ovation to Nev Rasmussen for his great efforts and achievements in this endeavor to date. Be it known to all, that from here-on-in, Nev shall be known as " Incy Wincy"

our very own web designer. Cheers Nev and thanks.

Checkout www.mudgeerababowlsclub.com

GOLD COAST DARTS ASSOCIATION LIVES HERE

That's right folks, Many of you will be unaware that every Tuesday and Thursday evenings our club is filled with the sounds of laughter and merriment from our dart throwing club members and their guests from far and wide. The Gold Coast Darts Association is based here and are a very big part of our club indeed. Each and every member is a member of the Mudgeeraba Bowls Club inc. and have a great social and competition environment, upstairs on a Tuesday and Both upstairs and downstairs on a Thursday, with games being just \$5.00 for an evenings set of games.

Tuesday night is social night with all welcome to enjoy the fun and maybe even win the prize money which is taken out each week by the winners. For those more seriously competitive, Thursday nights is the 4 person teams event, again with prize money up for grabs and a season points scoring system. Trophies, prize money and inter and intra club championships and tournaments are also on offer.. Whilst the serious side of the club is in the middle of a season, Player registrations for next year are very welcome indeed so come along, have a look , a cool refreshing beverage or 2, and a chinwag. This part of our club has been, and continues to be, going well in competitions, social activities and they cook a good BBQ too. Call in and see Lynne or Brian for details.

Start time for both evenings is 7pm so being here at 6.30 will give you plenty of time to settle in and enjoy the fun. Good darts guys and Gals with special thanks to Richard Trinder for your input.

*A year ahead of
combined efforts and
co-operation in 2008.*

"GO JABIRUS"



**Your club....
your say....
simple really.**

PARKING, SMOKING AND SIGNING IN;... ARE YOU DOING YOUR BIT???

PARKING

We have members and visitors with physical disabilities which makes their lives just that little bit easier by being able to park in the designated Handicap car parks .

To those people who heed the signs, and don't park in the disabled area...Thank you.

To those who ignore the sign, please remember that stubbornness is not legally considered to be a disability. While I still have your attention, please also leave the reserved car parks in front of the locker room to those for which they are reserved. Those people aren't paid to help run the club, and a reserved car park is just a small thank you for their efforts. Please respect the signage and find another car park.(we have plenty). The entrance to the clubhouse is also an " Emergency Vehicle" area for rapid response and easy access to ambulances, police, paramedics etc. Please do not compromise the safety of fellow club persons and guests by obstructing the entrance. Big Painted lines are your first clue of where not to park.

SMOKING AREAS AND SIGNING IN.

Some members and guests are still flirting with trouble for our club by smoking in non " DOSA" areas of the club. This leads to other visiting club members also breaking the rules and we don't need the fines when the smoking, gaming and liquor licensing inspectors arrive, They have targeted Tugun, Burleigh and Robina recently

So it wont be long till we are checked. (What's the bet they don't phone up for an appointment.)

PLAYERS SOUGHT FOR SUPER CHALLENGE 2009

There is now an " expressions of interest" list on the main notice board for all those interested in the 2009 Super Challenge competition. I am advised that the teams will be chosen of not only **ability**, but also **reliability** and **compatibility**.

The competition starts in January, and while not being run by Gold Coast- Tweed District Bowls Association, the more proficient at the game of lawn bowls will no doubt be tossing their collective hats into the squared circle. If you want to have a go, and can commit to each and every game, have a think about it, then put your name up.

We may not have the best 20 lawn bowlers on the coast, but we have the best club spirit and mateship.

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THINGS TO DO,
PLACES TO GO

ASK THE UMPIRE

DECIDING THE NUMBER OF SHOTS; *LAW 40*

40.1 The process of deciding the number of shots should not start until the last bowl required to be played in an end has come to rest, or 30 seconds after, if either skip or opponent in singles asks for this 30 second period (e.g. to see if a bowls lying at an angle will fall of its own accord within that time)

40.2 If asked for a 30 second period, no bowl should be secured (propped up) in that period.

40.3 No measuring will be allowed before the process of deciding the shots has begun (see 40.1)

40.4 All measuring shall be made between the *nearest* part of the jack or bowl. (including stickers)

40.5 When measuring between a jack in the ditch and a bowl on the green, or a jack on the green and a bowl in the ditch, the measurement should be carried out using a flexible or string measure whenever possible.

40.6 dp 1 If a bowl is likely to fall during measure-either opponent can use the best available means to secure its position

40.6 dp2 If a bowl to be measured is resting on another bowl which is interfering with the measurement in any way, any player should use the best means available to secure that bowls position and remove the other bowl.

40.6 dp3 If a bowl falls of its own accord, it should be left in its new position while deciding the number of shots scored continues and all shots agreed before the bowl fell will count

40.6 dp4 If a "bowl" is displaced by equipment being used during measuring, law 28.4 will apply ;. And if "a jack" is displaced by the equipment being used to measure, law 33.4 will apply.

Thanks to Bob Jones...Umpire # 3983 for your input. Next Edition... laws 28.4 and 33.4

SUPER 5'S – ONE OF A KIND ON THE COAST

Did you know, that the Sunday Super 5's is the only platform on the coast for 1st time bowlers to have a go in an actual formatted game? " Whilst " barefoot bowls" happens at some other venues, no other club has the morning organized so that a brand new bowler is paired up with an experienced bowler and shown the concept of playing an organized e game, with all materials supplied, a points scoring system and tucker afterwards.

Yes, it is not creams and etiquette. Yes it isn't serious bowls.

Know what it is people???

Its like a big Kindergarten for grown ups. This is the first taste of the game for lots of people to try the sport. If they like it, great, they are signed up and get proper coaching at the sport by people qualified to do so. It is also a place to try new things.. e.g. a lead learning how to read a head can't do it during pennant. That person can try it on a Sunday in a relaxed, friendly group with music playing and a good time being had.

So next time you hear " Super 5's, think " Birth place for our next generation of bowlers.

Super 5's is played on Sunday mornings with the start time now of 9am and turning up no later than 8.30. Bookings are preferred and new bowlers must leave a contact phone number. Most take a little while to grasp the concept of even numbers for games but given time, we all learn, cheers, Tim

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR OUR CLUB

EVERY WEEK...LUCKY LOTTO NUMBERS \$2.00 PER NUMBER

PERMANENT NUMBERS AND ONCE OF NUMBERS AVAILABLE AT THE BAR

JACKPOT JOKER EVERY FRIDAY 6PM..JACKPOTS IF NOT WON-NOW 900.00 !!!

October 9th.....Ladies B singles round 1

October 25th.....Pennant fun day...watch out skips !!!!!

October 27th.....Ladies 3 bowl and 2 bowls triples competition

October 28th & February 17th Rotary club "Barefoot bowls nights"

November 1st.... Men's triples...round 1

November 1st.....Men's Pennant best and fairest award evening

November 3rd...Pre- Melbourne cup day evening sweeps draw and Calcutta evening