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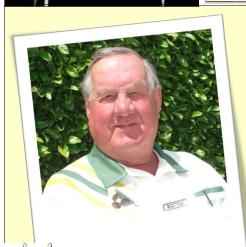


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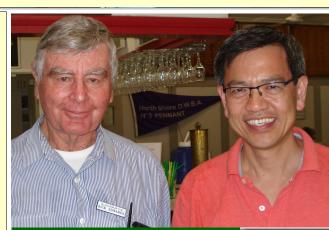
It was on for "Young and Old" at the Melbourne Cup. *Tina Hunter, Edith Cowlishaw* and *Judy Reddy*.



NEW PRESIDENT AT THE HELM WELCOME ALAN VINE Report on page 4



VALE ED. O'DONNELL Memorial page 8



Selector/Coach *Rick Edwards*, mentored *Thomas Lam* in his first game Saturday 2nd Dec.

President Alan introduced *Simonetta Sciana* who played her first game as a member Thursday 7th December.

THE FIRST BATTLE OF THE SEXES WENT TO THE MEN. Story page 10





Themed *Guys and Dolls,* the Foundation Dinner Friday 13th October, hugely entertained over 60 members. Guests mingled with finger food entertained by "Frank Sina-

tra". Then a delicious Apricot Chicken salad and vanilla dessert; and over to *Shirvo* with great trivia. *Ngoc Hau* and *Susie Meares*

crafted the anti pasto, Suzen Cleary the meal. All masterminded by Tina Hunter. BRILLIANT!





Happy New Yea



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT Dale McBean

attended by about 50 members and their partners and was very successful. Tina Hunter and her helpers did members.

organizing this social function but as usual it was "our Sue Cleary" who was there to make the show tick. See my women's and men's teams as well as having a lot of enclosing comment.

nized as being the "friendly" club on the North Shore, it advice of our coaches who are always available to help in would be good to see greater support from and more participation by our members, new and old. Tina needs help in making our social events successful and we need at least another lady and male member to assist her. Luckily John Cameron has offered his help but we would like another volunteer or two. Remember that it was the lack of volunteers that eventually led to Gordon Bowling Club's demise.

Thanks to Darren Hargreaves and his staff, our greens and grounds were maintained in excellent condition throughout the year and this has impressed both our members and visitors. The conditions were difficult with an extended cold season and lack of rain at the right time that held back the growing season.

One of the most pleasing aspects of 2017 is that we have pushed, sometimes three! admitted 27 new members during the year following the Can you imagine how many old men and women Sue has 27 last year which is something of a record and the envy dealt with over these 20 years? Always with a smile and of a lot of other clubs. This has been largely due to the the greatest of good humour. outstanding effort by Rick Edwards and the follow up coaching by both Rick and Rod Henriks. The new members were in order of their admission:

Michael Lazar	Eric Song	Kenny Bai
Jimn Lim	Richard Hensley	Ross Trivett
Marina Watson	Kath Hensley	Paul Brech
Malcolm Fisher	John Crocker	Reg Blanch
James Barnett	Ted Hinds	Columbus During
Diana Prott	Peter Bullock	Shizuko Hashimoto
Tristan Lau	Grahame South	Midori Matsuoka
Ian Webster	Alex Na	Derek Bimson
Dennis Taylor	Simonetta Sciani	Paul Carey

Please make sure you introduce yourselves to the above people and make them welcome. A number of the new players from last year are already playing in our men's and women's pennant teams and some of this year's new members are already showings signs they are going to be an asset to the club by playing very well and are likely to bolster the strength of our Grade 5 and Grade 7 pennant teams.

Last year, at the 2017 Annual General Meeting held on

October 15, we farewelled four Directors from the Board, viz. John Rothwell, Yvonne Taylor, Os Watt and long serving member and Past-President Tony Hodgson. New The end of year Directors welcomed onto the Board at our AGM were Cocktail Party (see page 11) was Louise Amos (President KWBC), Alan Vine (President KBC) Sally James and Tony Hunt who will provide some fresh ideas and wise advice for the benefit of all

a marvelous job in preparing for and I look forward to the forthcoming year 2018 and hope that we have success in the Pennant seasons for both the joyment and good bowling on the social bowling days. These functions are always good fun and as we are recog- Better bowling will happen if you listen to and follow the a friendly and unobtrusive manner.



Now back to "our Sue Cleary":

By great good fortune Suzen Cleary joined KBC in 1997 when Warwick Druce, as House Manager, was undertaking a major reorganization to both improve services and reduce cost.

Suzen at first worked with two others. . .then one ..and then finally as the Canteen and Bar staff.

20 years at KBC

I think this was because Warwick quickly recognized that Sue could

do the work of two people without complaint and, if

Suzy, on behalf all of these past and present members, THANK YOU for your tolerance and dedication.

I hope all members had a pleasant festive and holiday season, that you have a happy and successful New Year and enjoy good health and good bowling during 2018.

Dale

Herbicides/ Pesticides on KBC greens



Some members have requested that we advise when these products are used on the greens. Accordingly our greenkeepers will note, on a whiteboard outside the roll up room,

when they have been applied. Generally this occurs on Mondays when the greens are rarely used.

> Tony Hunt, Greens Committee.





KWBC PRESIDENT LOUISE AMOS

I cannot believe that it is the end of another year. They say that time flies when you are having fun. I hope 2017 has been a fun year for everyone.

November and December have been relatively light on bowling activities. Instead there were quite a few luncheons. KWBC celebrated our

39th birthday on 10th October when 20+ full and social members got together for a game of bowls, a game of cards and a relaxing lunch.

We also gathered on 5th December for an early Christmas luncheon. A big thank you to *Barbara Cotton* for her usual enthusiasm with organising both events.



The love of bowling spans generations

Elizabeth Calnan and I attended the North Shore District Christmas luncheon on 4 December which was held at Warrawee Bowling Club.

We had a fun day on Saturday 2nd December at the Battle of the Sexes competition. I believe this is the first time such a event has been held at the club. There was a subtle and polite sense of competitiveness between the two sides. The men's team won the honour this time but watch out the women's team is planning a big come back soon!

KWBC has entered a Grade 3 Pennant Team for 2018. We have had 5 selection / practice sessions in December and 4 more to go in January before the first match on 6th February. Killara has elected Tuesdays and Saturdays as our playing days. For some of the players, this will be their first Pennant games. We will also be wearing our new KWBC uniform and I sure hope that this will bring us a good team spirit and bring us luck for the 2018 Pennant season.

Happy New Year

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a good bowling year for 2018.

Louise

DRESSED TO IMPRESS New Uniform



Minor Singles Final 21.12.17 Julie Dunn (21) and Susie Meares (25)



O' Reilly went to trial for armed robbery. The jury foreman came out and announced, "Not guilty." "That's grand!" shouted Reilly. "Does that mean I can keep the money?"

Murphy told Quinn that his wife was driving him to drink. Quinn thinks he's very lucky because his own wife makes him walk.

Mrs. Feeney shouted from the kitchen, "Is that you I hear spittin' in the vase on the mantle piece?"

"No," said himself, "but I'm gettin' closer all the time."



Happy New Ye



PRESIDENT Allan Vine

time for Christmas. The results are page is in this newsletter. who took part.

2017 COMPETITION WINNERS						
Gissing Consistency	John Middleton					
Men's Minor Pairs	Owen Holden, Ian Calder					
Men's Major Singles	Jozef Zazulak					
Womens Singles	Gnoc Hau					
Men's Major Pairs	Ken Hau, Dale McBean					
Mixed Pairs	Julie Dunn, Dale McBean					
Men's Triples	Ken Hau, Jozef Zazulak, Dale McBean					
Mens Minor Singles	Owen Holden					
Men's Club pairs	Tristan Lau, Rod Henriks					
Mixed Triples	Graham Dowle, Louise Amos, Gnoc Hau					
Women's Minor Singles	Susie Meares					
Men's 4'sChampionship	Tristan Lau, Ian Armstrong, Jozef Zazulak and Dale McBean					

Other events taking place include the LJ Hooker Thursday A great thank you to all those who volunteered their time Triples - very popular with visitors and we are grateful in so many ways to make this Club what it is, successfor this Sponsorship by *Phil, Noelene* and *Matthew* ful !, and a special thank you to our *Suzie*. Johnson, LJ Hooker St Ives.

The Battle of the Sexes organised by *Louise Amos* and a Happy and successful Bowls Year in 2018. was a great success. A photo report is in this newsletter. (Page 10 ed.) I am sure this will become a regular event

for the Club.

The Australian Club came to Killara on 18 October. Killara was successful in a tight contest result 94 to 92 with Killara also winning 50% of the rinks.

The draw for the **Gissing competition** is up on the notice board. This should start immediately so the initial round is completed by the end of January 2018.

Our Sunday February 11th the Maccabi Club from Double Bay will be coming to Killara to once again play in this popular event. **Daphna Orbach** is the Convener of the Maccabi Club. Daphna, a frequent visitor, distinguished herself by skipping her team to win the Victorian Open Triples. Well done Daphna.

The Christmas party was a successful event once again with many friendly faces, but there were a lot of younger

ones missing this year, as it clashed with other functions. VALE - Ed O'Donnell who passed away on December The final match in our 2017 calendar 1st is sadly missed by his many friends in the Club. A was completed Saturday 23rd, just in contingent attended his funeral and a commemorative

tabulated below. Well done to all those Zone 9 Bowls Programme. The Pennant season commences later next year, Saturday 28 April and concludes with finals 22 July 2018. Last year round one was held 4th march 2017. The late start is due to the Commonwealth Games 4th April – 15th April.

> The Zone Pairs Triples and Fours will be played before the pennant season and the Zone singles to be held late July/August. Rookies Singles and pairs - October

> Mid Week Challenge much later 10th October to 5th December 2018.

> Selectors - John Middleton has accepted the invitation to become a Selector joining Michael Tsolakis and Rick Edwards.

> Sponsors - KBC has a new Sponsor Dixons Advisory Group. Thanks to Brian Perkins for negotiating this.

> <u>New Members</u> – The Club is continuing a steady flow of new members and it is good to see them on the green. There are many more that are in the pipe line receiving coaching from Rick Edwards as well.

> The drive continues for new members by encouraging visitors to the Club via Barefoot Bowls, Open Days, carnivals and weekly games such as LJ Hooker Thursday Triples.

> During October and November Ravenswood Girls School had 2 barefoot Bowls days at our Club, approx. 30 girls and fathers took part. Another event in December saw 48 Barefooters. This is all good exposure for the Club.

On behalf of the Club I wish all who read this Newsletter

Alan



Dafna Orbach, Joelen Bianchetto and Carol Fair.



CLUB HISTORIAN

Elizabeth Dokulil

CELEBRATING MILESTONES AT KBC

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Our Club marked our Centenary with Music, Luncheon, Official guests and Bowls in 2016. However, on looking back it is interesting to read how each milestone was treated.

The Club celebrated its 50th Jubilee in great style with a program extending over 10 days. It was held a year later in

April 1967 than the actual date because the greens were not in a good shape the previous year.

The program included seven days of special bowling events, a Cocktail Party, Concert and a Dinner at the Killara Golf Club. A special edition of Bowls News was published and there was a double page spread in Bowls Magazine. Earlier the Club always marked the 'Opening of the Green' after its annual clo-

sure for maintenance, with much pomp and ceremony. Flags and bunting were often flown, visiting dignitaries attended and it was a big occasion. The wives provided food for the lavish lunches, afternoon teas and dinners, but it appears from reading between the lines, *no women attended these events*, it was strictly males only. Reports of events always list in great detail exactly what was served. I wonder if it was a record so as not to repeat a menu.

On at least one occasion the Hornsby Brass Band marched down Arnold Street watched by the residents. It was a grand day.

So up and onwards towards 125 years will the Killara Bowling Club go. Killara means 'Always There' and so it shall be.

Elizabeth

Are you suffering from:

- *** KNEE PAIN**
- FOOT/ANKLE INJURIES
- SHOULDER/NECK PAIN
- **LOW BACK PAIN**
- **SPORTS INJURIES**
- **OSTEOARTHRITIS**



A cabbie picks up a nun and was staring at her. She asks him why.

"I have a question to ask, but I don't want to offend you."



"My son, when you're as old

as I am and have been a nun as long as I have, you get a chance to see and hear just about everything. I'm sure that there's nothing you could say or ask that I would find offensive."

"Well, I've always had a fantasy to have a nun kiss me."

"Ah. Well, let 's see what we can do about that.: 1) You must be single and 2) You must be Catholic."

The cabbie is very excited. "Yes, I'm single and Catholic!"

"OK. Pull into the next alley." The nun fulfills his fantasy with a kiss that left him breathless. But when they get back on the road, the cabbie starts crying.

"My dear child, why are you crying?" "Forgive me, but I have sinned. I lied and now I must confess. I'm married and I'm Jewish."

"That's OK. My name is Kevin and I'm going to a Halloween party."



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The Honourable Emeritus Professor Peter Baume AC

Saturday 28th October . . . PATRONS DAY 2017 A DECADE OF STEWARDSHIP

Those fortunate to bowl the last Saturday of October, were regaled with free drink and hot pastries with the compliments of our Patron *Peter Baume*. It is the 10th time he has made this traditional gesture.

Peter has an extraordinary record of service to Government, Medicine, Education, Community and this club.

Peter served in the Australian Parliament from 1974 to 1991. In the late seventies, he chaired the Senate Standing Committee on Social Welfare. During his seventeen years in parliament, he has been Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Health and Minister for Education. Famously, when Shadow Minister for the Status of Women in 1987 he crossed the floor to vote for a bill giving equal employment opportunities.

Peter held the positions of Chancellor of the Australian National University and Professor of Community Medicine at the University of New South Wales, where he also served as an honorary research associate within its Social Policy Research Centre. He has been Commissioner of the Australian Law Reform Commission, Deputy Chair of the Australian National Council on AIDS and Foundation Chair of the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority. In 2008, Peter was awarded the Companion in the General Division of the Order of Australia (AC). In 1992, he was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO). *That is but a snap shot of his day job!*

Happy New

With respect to his contribution to KBC, Peter has been a member for 32 years having joined in 1985. He is now the longest serving active member, still bowling competitively twice per week.

In the club's administration, he was chairman for three years, 2002 to 2005 before accepting the role of Patron in 2007.

Peter also contributes as an active Umpire and was confirmed by the **Australian Sports Commission** as a level 2 Umpire in 2013.

"If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue, Or walk with Kings - nor lose the common touch," Rudyard Kipling

Peter, we greatly enjoy your comradeship in the club and on the green and appreciate your support and advocacy for KBC.... and look forward to another generous platter and drink in 2018! ED.

Here is a bit of Christmas trivia I bet you did not know.

When four of Santa's elves got sick, the trainee elves did not produce toys as fast as the regular ones, and Santa began to feel the Pre-Christmas pressure.

Then, Mrs. Claus told Santa her Mother was coming to visit, which stressed Santa even more..

He went to harness the reindeer, he found that three of them were about to give birth and two others had jumped the fence and were out, Heaven knows where.

When he began to load the sleigh, one of the floorboards cracked, the toy bag fell to the ground and all the toys were scattered.

Frustrated, Santa went in the house for a glass of cider and a shot of rum.

He went to the cupboard, he discovered the elves had drunk all the cider and hidden the rum.

In his frustration, he accidentally dropped the cider jug, and it broke into hundreds of little glass pieces all over the kitchen floor.

He went to get the broom and found the mice had eaten all the straw off the end of the broom.

Just then the doorbell rang, and an irritated Santa marched to the door, yanked it open, and there stood a little angel with a great big Christmas tree.

The angel said very cheerfully, '*Merry Christmas, Santa. Isn't this a lovely day? I have a beautiful tree for you. Where would you like me to stick it?*'

And so began the tradition of the little angel on top of the Christmas tree.

Not a lot of people know this.







Happy New Year!



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Those able to attend Ed. O'Donnell's funeral heard a fulsome recounting, by his son James, of his dedication to his family, teaching and sport. Quite quickly, after joining KBC in 1992, Ed. became involved in the administration of the game; firstly umpiring and then coaching. Indeed, a good many of our current older members were coached by him to the extent that his terminology is part of Killara's vernacular: "take the change", "groove your delivery" - -that was Ed. talking.

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He was also a contributor to this newsletter. We reprint his advice in KBN#2, May 2003 as a memorial to his altruistic dedication.

WHAT WENT WRONG WITH THAT DELIVERY?

Some thoughts on taking your **stance** on the mat. As bowls is a game of graceful arcs and curves, what ef-

fect would the introduction of a circular mat have on your game? Maybe fewer of your deliveries would end up crossing the head.

With the rectangular mat placed on the centre line there are many lines you must ignore in your mind as you **focus** on the most important element of a correct stance viz. the alignment of shoulders and hips at right angles to your intended **grass line**.

When you step onto the mat make sure that your anchor foot is along the direction of your grass line. If your body is correctly aligned then all that remains is to take a short step forward, while bending from the waist, ensuring that your bowling arm describes an arc along that intended line, and deliver the bowl smoothly on its way to the head. If your foot is pointing along the centre line, or parallel to the sides of the mat, your bowl will probably cross the head and not do what you intended.

At the moment of delivery the bowl is much closer to the centre line of your body than most of us realise, and at that instant your chest should be stationary over your grass line. Any movement of your breastbone, to the left, right, up or down will interfere with the intended path of your bowl.

"Grooving your Stance and Delivery."

When you go out to practise your delivery do not worry about drawing to a jack. You must focus on your stance position and body action to the exclusion of everything else. You should endeavour to "groove your delivery" to bring your "margin of error" down to a square metre – quite an art.

Some points to consider in your practice session:

- 1 Step onto the mat from behind, along the chosen grass line.
- 2 Body aligned correctly to grass line; weight on balls of the feet.
- 3 Correct grip and bias on bowl.

- 4 Hold bowl out forward with your wrist below the elbow and feel the weight of the bowl.
- 5 Allow the weight of the bowl to determine the backswing. Hold the bowl higher in front of you for longer ends or on heavy greens in order to get more length.
- 6 Focus on a point on your grass line, about four metres out, and with a short step and pendulum swing deliver the bowl over this point.
- 7 Make sure that your chest is stationary at the moment of delivery, and remain down looking at the palm of your hand and your stare point during your follow through until the bowl is four metres on its way.
- 8 Step forward and stand to watch the path of your bowl.

During practice deliver four bowls on the forehand over the same 'stare' point, along the same grass line, then four similarly on the back hand. The choice of your stare point should determine the length. As your stance and your delivery become more consistent so your grouping will improve and your "margin of error" diminish.

At the end of your delivery it is important that you stay down and watch your follow through – elbow and wrist straight, palm up at about knee height and pointing along the grass line. Every time you 'grass' a bowl aspire to **"doing it better**".

In a match, when your bowl stops, the mat transfers to your opponent and you and your director must retire two metres behind the mat or jack (or onto the bank) after marking your toucher. The director can only be in the head when his/her side has possession of the mat.

Enjoy your bowling... Ed. O'Donnell

Ray O'Donnell joined the same year as Ed. - 1992.

This club has been most fortunate for the 25 years they have given to us. *Thank you to you both*.



And cheers Ed!

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The inaugural challenge, issued by President Louise, was accepted by President Alan, and the contest took place Saturday 2nd December with five rinks of fours. The

threatening weather caused the match be played without a break; and nearly all games were concluded by the time the heavens opened. The men were the victors, 90/47, winning on four rinks but the ladies on rink 9 triumphed by winning the last end in the rain. A successful and enjoyable game with a new challenge certain to be issued in 2018.



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Below is the rink 9 card and the "girls" only win on the day . . and a very exciting one. Congratulations *Judy Reddy, Susan Meares, Julie Dunn* and skip *Shizuko Hashimoto.*

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9	2	8	1	7	22				
10	1	9	-	7	23				
11	1	10	+	7	24				
12	1	11	-	7	25			-	
13	1	12	-	7	T				







"No one will win the battle of the sexes, there is too much flirting with the enemy."

Henry Kissinger































fina Talen

Tina Hunter was one of the 'squadron' of Killara ladies who invaded New Zealand for the World Masters in May last year

(KBN#56) and who has re-invigorated our women's and mixed bowling activities. Back at the club, she dazzled members with *The Big Night Out* June Club Dinner; then followed that with *Guys and Dolls* Foundation Dinner (see front page), then took us to Flemington for The *Melbourne Cup.* Phew!!

Jappy

... IN THE MEANTIME, she had been preparing for a major exhibition of her works at the Incinerator Art Space in November, which was a triumph with every painting sold. . . and a significant number of commissions for new works received.

We show here a glimpse of her talent. Congratulations Tina!













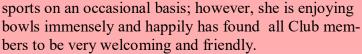
Julie's Jottings

Julie Dunn has agreed to help this Editor by contributing "snap-shots" on women new to bowling with Killara.

So ladies, when you see Julie with pad and pencil in hand, please give her 10 minutes so members can get a glimpse of your story.

Anne Rands

Anne saw advertising for the Club Open Day in late 2016 and started playing bowls at the beginning of 2017. After some coaching by **Gof Bowles,** Anne is now is playing 2 to 3 times weekly and is also training with all of the KWBC pennants hopefuls on a Tuesday morning. Anne has played tennis and golf previously and still continues with those



Anne grew up in Auckland, New Zealand and moved to Sydney in 1986. Prior to retirement she was an English and French language teacher at both High Schools and TAFE Colleges. Anne is married to **David**, a Rotarian, and they have 2 sons, 2 daughters and 8 grandchildren all living in Sydney and keeping them very busy. The Rands live just across the railway bridge in Marian street, Killara.

Simonetta Sciani

Simonetta has very recently joined the Club and is enjoying her bowls. She is coached by *Rick Edwards* and is showing great potential as a lady bowler, having previously played tennis. Simonetta was introduced to the Club via the writer and is also a friend of *John Cameron*.



Simonetta, Julie and John were all neighbours in and around Clanville Road, Roseville, some years ago and Simonetta, with husband *John*, hosted many a social gathering for locals. Their Christmas drinks were quite a highlight of the festive season.

Simonetta grew up in Queensland and has had a career as a registered nurse. She is now working part time as an immunisation nurse for some of local Councils. Around

work and family commitments, Simonetta is hoping to play bowls when she can on Wednesdays and Thursdays.





Glancing up while reading the paper the husband said to his wife, "*How are you going to vote in the same sex marriage poll*?"

She said, "I am going to vote no. I don't believe in sex in marriage."

She paused and said, "*I can feel a headache com-ing on*."



Dear God, My prayer for 2018 is for a fat bank account and a thin body. Please don't mix these up like you did last year. AMEN!

An elderly man lay dying in his bed in the outback. While suffering the agonies of impending death, he suddenly smelled the aroma of his favourite scones wafting up the stairs.

He gathered his remaining strength, and lifted himself from the bed. Leaning on the wall, he slowly made his way out of the bedroom, and with even greater effort, gripping the railing with both hands, he crawled downstairs.

With laboured breath, he leaned against the door-frame, gazing into the kitchen. Were it not for death's agony, he would have thought himself already in heaven, for there, spread out upon the kitchen table were literally hundreds of his favourite scones.

Was it heaven? Or was it one final act of love from his devoted Irish wife of sixty years, seeing to it that he left this world a happy man?

Mustering one great final effort, he threw himself towards the table, landing on his knees in rumpled posture. His aged and withered hand trembled towards a scone at the edge of the table,

when it was suddenly smacked by his wife with a wooden

spoon

' Back off ' she said, ' they're for the funeral.



Happy New Year to All . Julie



Happy New Ye

From Bruce York Saturday 4th November ...

Having been in the unfortunate position of being on rollup and having to tell people there was no bowls today it was decided by those 8 remaining and keen to do something to have a game of indoor bowls with the **Jack Attack*** bowls at the Club. We cleared the central area of chairs and tables and had great fun as these photos show:-



Jr. Jack Attack, introduced by **Bowls Australia**, is designed to enable school children to participate in an engaging format, which is both fun and inclusive.



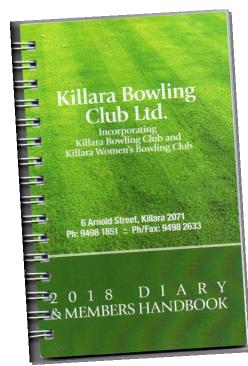
Importantly, it can be conducted on a range of surfaces including greens, carpets, concrete, wooden floors and just about anything else that is flat, eliminating the restrictions of requiring a bowling green to introduce new audiences to the sport. Having identified the limitations of children using fullsize bowls that have been designed for adults, the Jr. Jack Attack initiative comes in the form of a kit that includes a carry bag, 32 light-weight rubber bowls, eight jacks, 50 cones, a target score mat, eight stepping mats and activity cards.



More details is available at *http://www.bowls.com.au/Get* -*Involved/Juniors-Kids/Jr-Jack-Attack*



The Kit at KBC was donated to the club as a generous parting gift by retiring President *Julie Halliday*. Thank you Julie, it provides us with the opportunity to "grow the game " as well as amuse rain thwarted members!!



THE 2018 DIARY AND MEMBER'S HANDBOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE CLUB.

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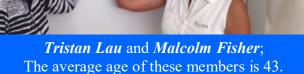
January 2018 Killara Bowls News Happy Ne

Jo and David Warren will be moving to Orbost, Victoria in 2018. David, a member since 2009, has made a great contribution to our Centenary refurbishment and will be missed by our top Pennant side. Jo has been Suzen's 'go to' whenever she was absent or needed assistance in catering. David: Mexicans are not that bad. We will miss you both.



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2017 Mixed triples winners *Graham Dowle*, *Louise Amos* and *Ngoc Hau*.



A big city lawyer went duck hunting in rural Tasmania. He shot and dropped a bird, but it fell into a farmer's field on the other side of a fence. As the lawyer was climbing over the fence, an elderly farmer drove up on his tractor



and asked what he was doing.

The litigator responded, "I shot a duck and it fell in this field, and I'm just going over to retrieve it." The old farmer replied, "This is my property, and you are not coming over."

The indignant lawyer said, "Listen, I'm one of the best trial attorneys in Australia and, if you don't let me get that duck, I'll sue you and take everything you own."

The old farmer smiled and said, "*Apparently, you don't know how we settle disputes in Tasmania. We settle small disagreements like this with the 'Tasmanian Three Kick Rule'.*"

The lawyer asked, "What's the Tasmanian Three Kick Rule'?"

The farmer replied, "Well, because the dispute occurs on

my land, first I kick you three times and then you kick me three times and so on back and forth until someone gives up."

The attorney quickly thought about this rule and decided that he could easily take the old codger. So he agreed to abide by the local custom.

The old farmer slowly climbed down from the tractor and walked up to the attorney. His first kick planted the toe of his heavy steel toed work boot into the lawyer's groin and dropped him to his knees. His second kick to the midriff sent the lawyer's last meal gushing from his mouth. The barrister was on all fours when the farmer's third kick to his rear-end sent him face-first into a fresh cow pie.

The lawyer summoned every bit of his will and managed to get to his

Feet. Wiping his face with the arm of his jacket, he said, "*Okay, you old coot. Now it's my turn,*

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The old farmer smiled and said, "*Nah*, , *I give up. You can have the duck.*"



An air traffic control tower suddenly lost communication with a small twin-engine aircraft!

A moment later the tower land

line rang and was answered by



one of the controllers! The passenger riding with the pilot, who lost communications, was on a cellular phone!

He yelled:

"Mayday, mayday! The pilot had an instant and fatal heart attack! I grabbed his cell phone out of his pocket and he had told me before we took off he had the tower on his speed dial memory! I am flying upside down at 18,000 feet and travelling at 180 mph! Mayday, mayday!"

The controller in the tower immediately put him on speaker phone, and replied:

"Calm down, we acknowledge you and we'll guide you down after a few questions! The first thing is not to panic! Remain calm!"

He began his series of questions:

Tower: "How do you know you are travelling at 18,000 feet?"

Aircraft: "I can see that it reads 18,000 feet on the altimeter dial in front of me!"

Tower: "Okay, that's good, remain calm! How do you know you're travelling at 180 mph?"

Aircraft: "I can see that it reads 180 mph on the airspeed dial in front of me!"

Tower: "Okay, this is great so far, but it's heavily overcast! So how do you know you're flying upside down?"

Aircraft: "Because the s--t in my pants is running out of my shirt collar!!"

My friend Tom was a single guy living at home with his father and working in the family business

He knew that he would inherit a fortune once his sickly father died.

Tom wanted two things:

• To learn how to invest his inheritance.

• To find a wife to share his fortune.

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One evening at an investment meeting, he spotted the most beautiful woman he had ever seen. Her natural beauty took his breath away.

"I may look like just an ordinary man," he said to her, "but in just a few years, my father will die, and I'll inherit 20 million dollars."

Impressed, the woman obtained his business card.

Two weeks later, she became his stepmother.

Women are so much better at estate planning than men! John Brodie

At a wedding ceremony the pastor asked 'if anyone had anything to say concerning the union of the bride and groom, speak now or forever hold their peace'.

The moment of utter silence was broken by a young woman carrying a child. She stood up and started walking slowly towards the pastor.

Everything quickly turned to chaos. The bride threw the bouquet and burst out crying. Then slowly the groom's mother fainted.



mother fainted. The Best men started giving each other looks and wondering how best to help save the situation.

The pastor asked the woman, "Can you tell us, why you came forward. What do you have to say?"

There was absolute silence in the church.

The woman replied, "I'm sorry but we can't hear at the back."

