



# Killara Bowls News

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WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING  
TO FILL YOUR  
DAZE?



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photography hints on  
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Malcolm Fisher catches a  
taxi in Washington on  
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In other news . . .



Two Indian  
junkies  
accidentally  
snorted curry  
powder  
instead of cocaine.

Both are in hospital.....  
One's in a korma..... The  
other's got a dodgy tikka.

# Corona Crisis Chronicles Week 14



Well, there is some "loosening" of the constraints which has both confined and frustrated us in a social sense but even though there is a glimmer that bowling may be permitted soon, the restrictions may well deter players and render club activity impracticable. Here is a snapshot of just some of the parameters:-

## Bowls Activity: THESE GUIDELINES HAVE NOT BEEN ADOPTED BY KBC

- Subject to the social gathering and distancing legislation/restrictions, only four people are allowed to play together and the 1.5m physical distancing rule is to be observed at all times.
- There must be one rink space (an empty rink) between each rink in use.
- A maximum of 10 persons is allowed per green at any one time. Bowling Clubs may need to have a booking system in place to facilitate. Bowling Clubs with more than one green need to ensure that compliance is achieved in respect to social gathering restrictions.
- All players are to use separate mats and jacks (or ensure that the same player on each rink places mats or places/rolls jacks).
- Other bowls equipment cannot be shared between players (e.g. bowls, cloths, measures etc).
- Disinfectant spray must be made available beside mat/jack boxes and between each use all mats and jacks must be thoroughly cleaned by players.
- Players should practice safe hygiene at all times, including washing hands for at least 20 seconds before and after bowls.
- Individuals must leave the premises immediately after conclusion of play and cleaning of equipment.
- Coaching should be limited to no more than a coach and two other people at the time and all practicing physical distancing of 1.5m during the coaching session.
- No barefoot bowls activity.

People at a higher risk of severe illness (those aged over 70 and/or those with chronic medical conditions or compromised immune systems) are encouraged to remain at home whenever possible.

I think you will now see the reason for the description of "impracticable"!

The April 30 Guidelines are on page 2.

Chairman Dale gives a status report with the very good news that *Suzen Cleary* is being supported.

See page 2,

There is other news on state and national competition although Pennants are a no go this season.

See report page 5.

Internment has stimulated a lot of creative activity by those confined to their homes and the internet is full of zany stuff. KBN has thought to channel some of member's activity into verse. Everybody has been born with at least one limerick embedded in their brain. *Now is the time to share.*

More details page 6.

There have been no Covid-19 reports in Ku-Ring-Gai in the past 2 weeks (total 69 cases overall) which is most encouraging. Never-the-less, I have the feeling that we will be *Staying in Touch* via these bulletins some time yet. Included are a few jokes which I hope give you a smile. Let's hear from you!



Thank you all for the questions we received regarding our future which were of great value. I hope the Q&A document we distributed provided the answers you needed.

During the last few months we have been required to update our accounting system and without an extraordinary amount of time and effort by long term member **Michael Prior** assisting our treasurer the very successful outcome could not have been achieved. Thank you Michael!!

Members will be pleased to also know that we have successfully obtained **JobKeeper relief** for Sue, and she will not be out of pocket whilst unable to be employed at KBC.

Meanwhile we are continuing our conversation with **Lindfield Bowling Club** with respect to the proposed merger and will keep members informed of our progress as it is made.

The other particularly important problem to solve is to get play started again. Following the receipt of a circular on 30 April titled "Joint advice from Women's Bowls NSW and Bowls NSW regarding Lawn Bowls activity" and further advice from Zone 9, a Special Board meeting was held by Zoom technology on May 1 to discuss when we might restart play. **The Board** discussed the matter at length, taking into consideration that the ultimate responsibility for any problem that might occur and for which we would not be insured **resolved** that:-

*"Taking all issues into account and the concern for our members (many of whom are at or above the age where the Government is advising them to stay at home), the Board resolved to keep players off the greens for a further 2 weeks when the matter will be reviewed. Furthermore, the JMC will, within a week prepare procedures that may be implemented when the Board decides that roll ups/practice can commence. The procedures will ensure that all of the Government and Bowls/Womens' Bowls NSW recommendations are met."*

Best wishes to you all. Dale

COVID-19 Guidelines for NSW Bowling Clubs

From Front page . . .

updated 30 April



Stage 1	Key Government Restrictions	Bowls NSW - Women's Bowls NSW Guidelines & Recommendations
<p><b>As from 2 May 2020</b></p>	<p>Federal and NSW Government advice is to suspend all social sporting activities</p> <p>NSW Office of Sport advice is that bowling greens are not explicitly ordered to be closed under NSW Public Health Orders and lawn bowls practice can be classed as exercise</p> <p>All licensed premises are closed except for sale of take away food and beverages</p> <p><b>There must be no more than two persons in any gathering</b></p> <p><b>Individuals must keep at least 1.5-metre distance between each other</b></p> <p>Individuals are only allowed to leave their household for essential criteria, Up to two adults with children are now allowed to travel to a relative/friend house</p> <p>People at high risk (aged persons) or those with pre-existing medical conditions are encouraged to stay at home where possible and take additional precautions when leaving home</p> <p>Disclaimer: Bowls NSW and Women's Bowls NSW are not experts on pandemics and therefore all Australian and NSW Government and health department information, guidelines and directives supersedes this information.</p> <p>Bowls NSW &amp; Women's Bowls NSW has released this information to inform its members as to how both associations are responding to COVID-19 and to provide recommendations as to what we believe is the best course of action for clubs and individuals.</p>	<p>Clubs may choose to allow greens to be opened at their own risk</p> <p>No social bowls or competitions allowed</p> <p>Practice/roll ups allowed under following conditions:</p> <p>Please check with your club to ascertain if greens are</p> <p>Arrive within five-mins of practice and not before</p> <p><b>Only two persons per rink — social distancing rules apply</b></p> <p>There must be at least one rink space (an empty rink) between each rink in use</p> <p>No more than 10 persons per green</p> <p>Only one person to handle mat and jack</p> <p>Bowls equipment <b>MUST NOT</b> be shared (e.g. bowls, cloths, measuring devices etc)</p> <p>Scoreboards are <b>NOT</b> to be used or should be taken away by the club (if possible)</p> <p>Individuals <b>MUST NOT</b> arrange to meet others on premises</p> <p>Persons must leave the premises immediately after practice/roll up and cleansing of all equipment</p> <p>Players should practice safe hygiene at all times, washing hands for at least 20-seconds before and after participation</p> <p>Hand sanitiser and disinfectant must be supplied at entrance to club/greens and stationed at each green in use</p> <p>Clubs may wish to implement a booking system, fee and length of practice time with staggered times if using multiple greens</p> <p>Clubs may wish to engage staff to facilitate and supervise under JobKeeper assistance program and/or volunteers</p> <p>Coaching is limited to one other person per session</p> <p>Please note that the consumption of alcohol is not allowed on licensed premises under current restrictions</p>



### Malcolm's Musings *SMALL WORLD*



I am not sure how I wound up on the programme of the 180<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the Maryland Chirurgical Society. I was surprised when my talk on Envenomation was selected to be the

Isaac Ridgeway Trimble III Memorial lecture. I looked him up to see who he was. Grandad was a Civil War General. Isaac invented the flak jacket and was boss of the Johns Hopkins Surgeons who took over a ward at RPA in World War Two. I took a photo of the placard about them and found a surgeon who was just starting then who knew him. Not with admiration. You see in their class was a lady named Francis who they were all besotted with. And he married her and took her to Baltimore. I told the story in the talk and afterwards she came up and thanked me for the tale and said I had made her homesick. Turned out she chose the speaker.

The trip was a month after "Crocodile Dundee" had hit the US and it was brought up as soon as anyone knew your origin. Seemed everyone had seen and enjoyed it. I was pretty over it when I got to DC. In those days taxis in Washington had no meters but charged so much a zone. The drivers knew where the zones were. The tourists did not, which was an opportunity for the drivers.

My driver to the Airport was pretty old and the elbows of his cardigan were pretty thin. When he found where I was from he asked "Do the names Fairlight and Harbord mean anything to you?"

I said they were suburbs. He said that when he was in Australia with 5<sup>th</sup> Bomber command\* during World War 2 they were ferries. From under his seat he took a book and got me to turn to a page with a picture of him in Australia with a chest full of medals. He only charged me for one zone.

I thanked him for coming to our aid and asked if he had heard of Crocodile Dundee. He had not.

He thought I had made a mistake when I said no change. He was worth it.

\* *Malcolm's contact with the 5th Bomber command sparked the editor's interest. See below . .*



### USAF FIFTH BOMBER COMMAND WAS AN ELEMENT OF THE US FIFTH AIRFORCE.

In 1942, with the establishment of the Southwest Pacific Area (SWPA), all

allied forces were placed under the Command of **General Douglas MacArthur**.

Air forces were led by **Lt. General George C. Kenney**, operating from Brisbane with MacArthur. Major bases in Australia were at Archerfield, Townsville and Darwin. Malcolm's friendly cabby was probably on leave in Sydney or possible on convalescence.



B24 Liberator and Crew Townville

*Now here is something for Malcolm.*

Gen. Kenney was promoted in 1945 as Commander of Far East Air Forces (FEAF) which included the 5th, 7th and 13th air forces. Then quickly in 1946, he became the first commander of the newly formed **Strategic Air Command (SAC)** responsible for two of the three components of U.S's strategic nuclear strike forces. However, he



was relieved of this command in 1948 as he had become too political. **He retired from the air force and became a cab driver in Washington!!**



Port Moresby 1942, Gen. MacArthur, Gen. Thomas Blamey and Gen. Kenney

Not true! He became Commander of the Air University until his retirement 1951. He died in 1977 and therefore missed seeing Crocodile Dundee (1986).



Photography Hints  
Jan Glover AAPS

# MONOCHROME

Old black and white or sepia photos tend to evoke a feeling of nostalgia in all of us. That is because they generally existed in a time before colour photos became popular -a VERY long time ago! Now we constantly see brightly coloured, highly saturated photos, their colours often distracting from the real message of the photograph.

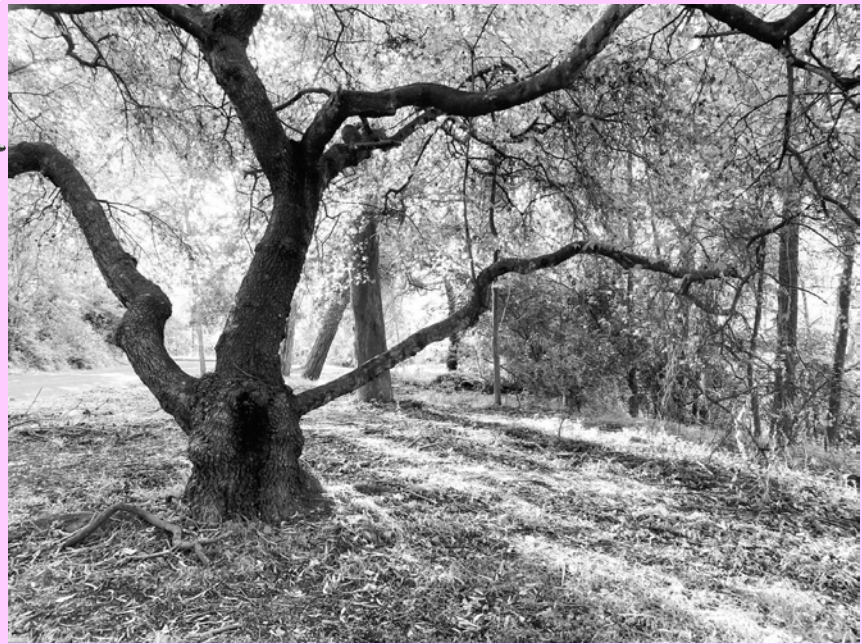
So if you are in need of a bit of nostalgia, why not experiment by converting some of your colour images to monochrome.

If you don't have photo editing software such as Photoshop, Lightroom or Nik Silver Efex, then Snapseed is an excellent and very easy to use app for the iPad and phone. In fact I do most of my monochrome conversions (and other fun things) using this app. With Snapseed there are a lot of options to optimise your photo in the Black and White option. Increasing brightness and contrast are a good place to start or try one of the colour filters. The filters will change different tones in your image, infrared is usually the most dramatic. The Noir option also offers some interesting effects with split toning.

The Photos app on your computer should also give the option to convert to monochrome – just open the photo and click Edit and look down the options. Experiment by making some adjustments to brightness and contrast, but don't be tempted to go to extremes and risk losing the details.

Some good advice:

*“.....convert images to black and white when the light, form, or texture in the scene is more compelling than the hues of the subject matter. Black and white is a good choice when the colour in a photo serves only as a distraction from the message you want the image to convey.”*



Here is an example (taken recently on an afternoon walk in Gordon) where monochrome conversion works best because the light and form are (to my mind) more important than the colour in the scene.

Questions and comments are welcome. Contact me via my website at: [jangloverphotography.zenfolio.com](http://jangloverphotography.zenfolio.com) or phone 0419 256 038



WHEN YOU'RE DEAD,  
YOU DON'T KNOW  
YOU'RE DEAD. THE PAIN  
IS ONLY FELT BY  
OTHERS.  
  
THE SAME THING  
HAPPENS WHEN  
YOU'RE STUPID.

MY HUSBAND AND I  
DECIDED WE DON'T WANT  
TO HAVE CHILDREN.  
  
WE WILL BE TELLING THEM  
TONIGHT AT DINNER.





From front page . . .

**Tony Gale** passes on the latest from Zone 9. When saying latest, all of this could change at anytime. Nothing is in concrete.

**STATE AND NATIONAL COMPETITIONS**

*Today's news from Bowls Australia is that they have modified their Australian Championships, what are now called 'The Nationals', which were to be held in the first two weeks of October.*

*BA has cancelled the 2020 Open and Seniors National Sides Championships as well as the National Under-18 Championships.*

*They have retained the 2020 Australian Championships in Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours and CoCC events but these have been postponed, possibly to be now held in the first week of December.*

*This really means that the focus of competitive bowls when (or if) it returns will be Championships and NOT Pennants as Clubs and then Zones will be required to produce their appropriate winners in these Championship events.*



It is with great sadness that I have to mention the loss of a few further local businesses around town.

The bra manufacturer has gone bust. The specialist in submersibles has gone under. The manufacturer of food blenders has gone into liquidation.

A dog kennel has had to call in the retrievers. The Heinz factory has been canned as they couldn't ketchup with orders. The suppliers of paper for origami enthusiasts has folded. The tarmac laying company has reached the end of the road.

The baker has run out of dough. The clock manufacturer has had to wind down and gone cuckoo.

The Chinese has been taken away. The shoe shop has had to put their foot down and given their staff the boot.

The laundrette has been taken to the cleaners! The pet shop has gone to the dogs. The butcher's had the chop.

The green-grocer is in a vegetative state.

The venetian blind shop has closed, so it's curtains for us all. The wall paper shop has taken a pasting. The florists are now pushing up the daisies. The fish' n chip shop has been battered. The milkman's lost his bottle and finally, the bread man is toast. Other than that, we are OK.



**WILL WE EVER SEE THIS AGAIN?**



# LIMERICK CHALLENGE



OK. Everyone knows a limerick and most have composed one, two or more. So let's share a few that can be printed in the polite and modest pages of this journal. *Perhaps that will be the biggest challenge!*

Here is a starter:-

*The limerick packs laughs anatomical  
Into space that is quite economical  
But the good ones I've seen  
So seldom are clean  
And the clean ones so seldom are comical.*

Topical?

*In China, there was a teen  
With tastes like you've never seen  
He ate a bat  
And soon after that  
Gave the world Covid-19*

Or just clever. .

*There once was a runner named Dwight,  
Who could speed even faster than light.  
He set out one day,  
In a relative way  
And returned on the previous night.*

Have a go!

So let's have your contribution. There is no prizes; only the prestige of being published and the admiration of your colleagues. Entries by email, details are on the masthead.

PS Any other verse would be equally welcome!



The Lord of the Manor was experiencing some financial difficulties. He went to his good wife and in all sincerity explained their current financial position.

With that he said - "Darling, if you could learn how to cook, just a few different meals,

then we could sack the kitchen staff of three people. Also, if you could learn how to make a bed and clean a little we could put off 4 of our 5 cleaning staff. You would still have some assistance, and if you could do some washing and ironing then that would also save a considerable sum of money.

His Lordship's wife agreed and also added a further suggestion. "Darling, I have an additional suggestion - if you could learn how to make mad passionate love then we could also sack the Chauffeur, the Gardener and the pool boy!!

Two female teachers took a group of students from grades 1, 2 and 3 for a field trip to Flemington Racecourse. When it was time to take the children to the 'bathroom', it was decided that the girls would go with one teacher and the boys would go with the other.



The teacher assigned to the boys was waiting outside the men's toilet when one of the boys came out and told her that none of them could reach the urinal. Having no choice, she went inside, helped the little boys with their pants and began hoisting them up one by one, holding on to their 'wee-wees' to direct the flow away from their clothes and shake them dry. As she lifted one boy up, she couldn't help but notice that he was unusually well endowed.

Trying not to show that she was staring at his equipment the teacher said, 'You must be in Grade 3?' 'No ma'am', he replied. 'I'm riding Black Caviar in the next race, but I really appreciate your help.'

## ARE YOU MORAL?

This test has only one question, but it's a very important one. By giving an honest answer, you will discover where you stand morally. The test features an unlikely and completely fictional situation in which you will have to make a decision

### THE SITUATION:

You are in Palm Beach with chaos all around you caused by a hurricane. There is a flood of biblical proportions. You are a photojournalist working for a major newspaper, and you're caught in the middle of this epic disaster. The situation is nearly hopeless. You're trying to shoot career-making photos.

### THE TEST:

Suddenly you see a man in the water. He is fighting for his life trying not to be taken down with the debris. You move closer. Somehow this man looks like...WOW --- it's Donald Trump. At the same time you realize the raging waters are about to take him under forever.

### YOU HAVE TWO OPTIONS:

You can save the life of Donald Trump, OR you can shoot a dramatic Pulitzer-Prize-winning photo, documenting the last minute of one of the world's most powerful and hated men.

### YOUR DECISION:

OK. Here's the question, and please give an honest answer:

Would you:

- (A) select high contrast color film, or
- (B) go with the classic simplicity of black and white?

Please reread Jan Glover's article on page 4.