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President's report:

The club held a very successful Xmas Lunch, so pleasing to see so many members, family and friends enjoying the day and each other's company.

A big thanks you to Roger for the colourful table decorations and lighting which all helped to create a wonderful atmosphere.

To our Catering Crew, Eva and Kath and all who willingly helped prepare, serve and clean up afterwards, a special thank you for making it a very special Xmas lunch.

I feel that the club is on a high at the moment, so please let's keep the momentum up into the new year.

We are in the Pennant holiday break at the moment, but the greens remain open so that you can practice if you wish, or maybe arrange a social game with other members, family or friends.

We hope that you all had a very Merry Xmas, and on behalf of the executive, committee and myself, I wish you all A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Xmas is a time for family and friends and remembering absent friends.

Raise a glass to surviving another year with our sanity almost intact.

Gary Hirschausen President.

2024 Christmas Celebration:

Hello All,

Sunday 8th December 2024 saw over 70 members, family and friends celebrate the festive season at the club.

The clubrooms looked terrific. Thanks to Roger and his helpers for decorating the room and the tables.

Our wonderful catering team provided a delicious two course meal for all to enjoy and the afternoon was filled with fun and games that everyone appeared to enjoy. The competition for 'Best Christmas Inspired Hat' was hotly contested with Ellen (Baby Doll) Baker taking out the 1st Prize – even though we couldn't see her face!!

The continuing tradition of Roger's "LEFT/RIGHT" game was well received and had all in constant confusion, but having a great laugh and fun whilst listening to his instructions.

Thanks again to everyone who played a part in bringing the day together and making it a highlight on the Penfield Social Calendar.

Ian Woods

Heaps of photos of our Christmas Lunch: *(my thanks to Gary H, Chris C and Ian W for their contributions)*







Club Championships:

Hello All,

Great to see the competition is well under way and the first round of matches in both Singles and Pairs coming to a conclusion (4 more matches to be decided).

Well done to everyone who has participated regardless of the results achieved and there are some excellent match ups developing for the Quarter Finals in both competitions.

Once the dates are known for all of the Quarter Final games it would be great to see as many people out to watch and support the players as I am sure there will be some great games keenly contested.

If you are yet to finalise your First-Round game there is still time to arrange it either before the end of the year or early in the new one. If you are in this category, please make contact with your opponents and lock in a suitable time and advise me once this has happened so I can keep track of what progress is being made.

Looking forward to watching the rest of the competition unfold and good luck to everyone involved.

Regards
Ian.

(Check the club webpage for updated spreadsheets of games completed and match ups for the next round.)

Pennant information:

Wednesday Pennants restart 8th January.

Saturday Pennants restart 11th January.

Social Bowls (Scroungers):

Social Bowls will restart Tuesday 14th January.

Coach's tips:

Enjoy the festive season, but if you can, try to fit in some structured practice, and maybe a social game to keep your hand in.

Coach's comments:

I hope that these comments about upshots or drives will be of help to those new or existing members who are selected to play as a skip. It can be hard to decide on which shot to play when, as a skip, you cross over and are multiple shots down.

May I suggest that you consider the following:

- Playing an upshot with weight that you can't control may take out your only bowl/s in the head.
- If you decide to play an upshot, play on the hand that will swing the bowl out of the head rather than in. this can minimise the damage if you miss your target.
- Play a weighted shot with your first bowl only, if you miss then resist the temptation to go again.
- If your first bowl doesn't achieve a positive result then revert to the draw shot with your second, aiming to cut down shots against, or maybe draw the shot.
- If you are, or aspire to be a skip, then weighted shots should become part of your shot armoury and also a part of your weekly practice routine.

While the drive or upshot can look spectacular when it is successful, it can also lose you the game if it doesn't

Mike B

Just for a Giggle:



Can you be an umpire:

Q: Does the third in a team have to do the measuring for shot?

A: No. Law 40.4 Other Duties – states along with the normal duties mentioned in Law 40, players can carry out any other duties assigned to them by their skips as described in Law 40.1.10.

Q: If a player picks up the mat before the end has been completed, what should be done?

A: If a player picks up the mat before the end has been completed, an opposing player must replace the mat in its original position.

The Catering Crew:

The next Social Sunday will be on Feb 11th

Menu to be advised closer to the date.

Give away to a good home:

Dave and Jan Jones have a glass topped table and four chairs, in good condition, to give away. Only stipulation is that these will have to be picked up from Dave's place.

If you are interested, please call 0408822987.

Things to do:

"First I do the coffee thing, then I do the other things"

Remember:

"Your future depends on what you do today"

The Penfield Bowling Club website and facebook page:

The Penfield bowling club Website and facebook page are now up and running, but both are still a work in progress with more to add. Get online, check it out and read about the history of the club; there is also a link to BowlsLink so you can check out your teams and results.

Ian Woods webpage Editor

<https://penfield.bowls.com.au/>

Note from the editor:

If you wish to submit anything for publication in the newsletter, please get it to me as soon as you can. I start to put the newsletter together in the third week of the month ready for distribution by the first of the next month.

There is a basket alongside the house phone for members to deposit articles, pictures etc they would like included in the newsletter.

If you have any ideas for improving the newsletter, or can suggest additional topics that may be of interest to other members then please let me know.

Please contact me at:

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'Happy New Year' to you all

Thanks Mike B

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