



## To Visitors and Club Members

**Function Hall is available for hire** – Consider the Club's facilities for all your special occasions and/or business functions. For further information and booking arrangements **Ph. 3355 2048**

**Barefoot Bowls** - Play on a lazy Sunday afternoon – take off your shoes and give bowls a go. Have a great afternoon (or evening by special arrangement) for your next birthday or work event. Vacancies are available, but bookings are essential – so call now on **Ph. 3355 2048**

## WELCOME, WELCOME AND HAPPY READING

Is it really the end of the year?? Who are the smart ones that have done all of the Christmas shopping – not me – I had better get into it. What a great bowls year it has been and what a great club Gaythorne is.

**Bowls Under Lights**, each Wednesday night during November has been another great success. This has been our club's contribution to the Brisbane City Council's GOLD Program, providing activities for the 50's and overs. The number of participants varied each night but on average about 7 non-bowlers from the local community came each session and were introduced to the game of bowls on our great Gaythorne club greens. Some participants enjoyed the evening bowls so much that they are now considering joining our club to further advance their bowls skills and to enjoy our club's activities and friendship.

The 14<sup>th</sup> November was the Gaythorne Ladies Plum Pudding Bowls Day. After a lot of organising by all of the hard working ladies and with a little assistance on the day from the male members of the club, 18 teams from bowls clubs around our district and even from outside the district came to Gaythorne and had a great day. The competition on the greens was fierce but friendly. Following a great lunch, all raffle tickets were out on the tables with everyone hoping to win a prize, with the best prizes of all being the plum puddings.

Our Greenskeeper, Graham, is still intending to take out and refurbish Green No. 1. Originally, Graham was intending to undertake this task during November, but with barefoot bowlers and social bowlers still using the greens, this work has been deferred. Please talk to Graham to find out when this date will be finalised and then volunteer your services to lift a spade and push a wheel burrow for a short time early that morning, and if things go according to plan, you may be rewarded with a great breakfast afterwards. This is always a big exercise to undertake with the green being cut very short and sand being spread over the whole green. Although other greenskeepers come to assist, club members assistance is also requested and the extra hands on the shovels and wheelbarrows do make a difference in reducing the effort and time required by all. Talk to Graham to get a specific date and to advise your interest in assisting on this day.

**BAR MANAGER NEEDED URGENTLY** - For the last 12 months, Nev Brown has been the Bar Manager at Gaythorne Bowls Club. Nev has been doing a great job tending the bar and keeping all of the different drinks in stock during this time. However, just recently, due to ill health and ongoing medical treatment, Nev is no longer able to voluntarily fulfil the role of bar manager. Nev has been assisted behind the bar at various times by other club members as required and this will hopefully still be the case when a new replacement BAR MANAGER is found to continue with this role. Would you like to give this role a go – if so please approach Des or Graham to make further enquiries. To date, like many tasks in our club, the role of Bar Manager has for many years been undertaken by club members on a voluntary basis and this has been a considerable cost saving to the club. If another club member is unable to now take on this role, it may be necessary for our club executive to consider employing someone with these skills and knowledge. For our club to survive, the provision of drinks, whether alcoholic or non-alcoholic, at all club and barefoot bowls sessions is essential for bowler satisfaction and for our club to obtain much needed profits to be able to keep paying the bills. As a short term, interim measure, Des has stepped up putting on yet again another hat in this club. Whilst it is great for Des to do this, he is already

doing this or has done this in the past with other unfiled roles in the club. It will therefore be necessary for the role of BAR MANAGER to be filled as soon as possible or in the new year at the latest, either by a member voluntarily or by advertised position on a paid basis.

### Who can help????

### **GIFT VOUCHERS**

Do you have a family member or friend with a birthday or other special occasion coming up and you are having difficulty thinking of what to give them as a present. Now the answer is easy – give that special person a **Gaythorne Bowls Club GIFT VOUCHER** valued at \$40.00. The voucher entitles the holder to an afternoon or evening of barefoot bowls for 4 people (\$8.00 per person) and drinks of their choice to the value of \$8.00. The gift voucher/s can be purchased at Gaythorne Bowls Club upon request and will be current for approximately 6 months.

### **Upcoming Bowls Events**

Check the noticeboard for the latest scheduled days and times for the club's competitions  
Veterans Fours – play every Monday at different venues Starts at 10am and finishing 3.15pm.

Cost - \$20.00 and includes morning tea and lunch.

Wednesday Morning Social Mixed Bowls – All bowlers are welcome Starts at 9.30am and finishing 12noon

Cost - \$12.00

Friday Afternoon Social Mixed Bowls – All bowlers are welcome Cost - \$12.00 Starts at 1pm

### **Upcoming Activities**

December

16<sup>th</sup> Friday - Club Xmas breakup party

17<sup>th</sup> Saturday – social bowls game (mixed)

21<sup>st</sup> Wednesday – social bowls game (mixed)

31<sup>st</sup> Saturday – Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Stall

**HELPERS WANTED**

(This should be a great fund raiser for the club and MUCH BUSIER as many people will be coming to buy items to use over their Christmas holiday break)

January

4th Wednesday – social morning bowls match

### **It's Celebration Time**

Happy Birthday to:

07 Dec - Noel Liddell

07 Dec - Nev Sander

17 Dec - Adrian Webb

30 Dec - Sylvia Williamson

05 Jan - George Machen

10 Jan - Ray Peake

11 Jan - Ron Brooker

11 Jan - John Darlington

11 Jan - Glen Ritchie

### **Come Laugh With Me**

- Man who wants pretty nurse, must be patient
- Passionate kiss, like spider web, leads to undoing of fly
- Man who leaps off cliff, jumps to conclusion
- Man who runs in front of car gets tired, man who runs behind car gets exhausted
- Man who eats many prunes, gets good run for money
- War does not determine who is right, it determines who is left
- It takes many nails to build a crib, but only one screw to fill it
- Man who lives in glass house, should change clothes in basement
- Man who drives like hell is bound to get there

And finally

A lion will not cheat on his wife, but a Tiger Wood



PS. If you want to look at any of the previous newsletters for 2016 or any other details relating to Gaythorne Bowls Club, checkout our club website, as shown below.

**Want to keep in shape for bowls – then come along to the following weekly activities at our clubhouse**

- **Friday 10am – 12.30pm** Line Dancing \$7.00 / person Ph. 3351 5297

**Community Sporting Clubs Also Utilising Clubhouse**

Darts Wednesday Nights 7pm til 10pm

8 Ball Wednesday Nights 7pm til 10pm, also every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday night

**New members and first time tryers are always welcome**

Gaythorne Bowls, Sports and Community Club is very keen to support people within the local and surrounding communities by providing outdoor bowls facilities and a place for other clubs and organisations to meet and hold their own activities

If you are looking for a venue to hold your next club or business activity, either as a one-off or on a more regular basis, please contact the club on:  
Ph. No. (07) 3355 2048 or email [gbfcc@bigpond.com](mailto:gbfcc@bigpond.com)

**Club Contact Details:**

Address: 18 Prospect Road

Gaythorne, Brisbane, QLD. 4051

Phone No.: **3355 2048** for hall hire and barefoot bowls

**3855 2725** for members advising to attend social and club bowls games

Website: [www.gaythornebowlsclub.com.au](http://www.gaythornebowlsclub.com.au)