



To Visitors and Club Members

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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

Apologies from your editor for being a little late in providing this April newsletter. All good intentions and too many interests make the time slip away very fast.

It’s hard to believe it’s Easter time already. No doubt many club members are away on holidays or visiting family and friends.

The Annual General Meeting held on 5th March was well attended and went fairly smoothly. The club positions were declared vacant and election of office bearers proceeded with the following persons elected for 2017. Congratulations and hope you enjoy the coming year in your new/re-elected positions ensuring Gaythorne Bowls Club goes from strength to strength.

Chairperson	Graham Hodges	Secretary	George Zahra
Treasurer	John Langworthy	Greens Director	Graham Hodges
Providor	Glen Ritchie	Games Director	Noel Liddell
Building Director	Glen Ritchie	Promotions Officer	Kevin Hass
Art Union Director	Vacant	Men’s President	Glen Ritchie
Ladies President	Lee Gorton	Mens BDBA Del.	John Darlington
Ladies BDBA Del.	Lee Gorton	Bar Manager	Des Gardner
Auditor	Cowlshaw & Co.		
Hon. Solicitor	C. Bridge		

Since the above election of the 2017 office bearers, George Zahra has advised that, for health reasons, he will unfortunately not be able to now take on the duties of club Secretary, as he had initially envisaged he would do. George apologizes for this and hopes that someone else in the club will step up to take on this Secretary role for 2017. In the interim, Des Gardner has taken on this role again in a temporary capacity. As Des explained at the annual general meeting, he has been a man of many hats in the club during 2015 and 2016 and now needs to step back from some of these roles and requires someone else to take on the secretary position in the very near future. It should be noted, that if a person does not take on this role and if Des is no longer able to continue temporarily fulfilling this role, this CLUB COULD CLOSE.

The Mad March Discount Nights were unfortunately a failure for the club. The idea was great in that barefoot bowlers could come with up to 5 friends on any of the Tuesday nights during March and bowl for 2 hours from 6pm to 8pm. The 1st person was to bowl for free and the friends were to bowl at half price ie. \$4.00 each. However, not one enquiry or booking was received, so this will probably not be initiated again next year. These nights were intended to promote bowls at our club and to also express our club’s appreciation and give something back to the many barefoot bowlers who have played at Gaythorne Bowls Club in recent years.

On a brighter note, the Wednesday evening “Learn to Bowl Under Lights” sessions in the Brisbane City Council’s GOLD Program were again a great success. Participants advised that they came after reading

the information about these sessions in the BCC's GOLD program booklet, the Seniors Newspaper and after reading notices of these sessions in the North-West News. I would like to thank Ian Foster for coming each Wednesday night to help supervise the participants and also to George Machen who I called on one Wednesday evening at short notice as I found myself double booked for that evening. Please check the notice board for details of participants now wishing to join our club. The GOLD Program evening bowls will hopefully be held again in October, pending approval and inclusion in the forthcoming schedule of events for the GOLD program presently being prepared by BCC.

The cooler nights are fast approaching and evening bowls will no longer be an option for our members. However, after winter, could I request club members to again reconsider playing socially in the cool of the evening under lights. I have heard the GOLD program participants say to me many, many times over the 3 GOLD program events since February last year, why don't the club members bowl of an evening – it is so much cooler and pleasant in the evenings. Food for thought.

Your club's management committee is progressing discussions with a caterer to utilise the club's kitchen facilities. It is understood that the caterer is now required to arrange for an independent food auditor to inspect the kitchen – just another process in a line of many. At the same time negotiations are underway to have an agreement prepared and signed by the caterer and the club.

Also, have you looked at the back landing and the kitchen lately. John Brown has dusted off the cobwebs from his paint brush and applied his painting skills to these areas with such skill and enthusiasm that he is now making these areas look fantastic. Who needs the make-over shows on TV when we have John Brown doing such a marvellous job improving the appearance of our club. Also, I should mention that for some time now John has also been working behind the scenes in the office assisting our Treasurer, John Langworthy with the various computer entries and other activities, etc. required to balance the books and keep the club afloat.

GIFT VOUCHERS - \$20.00 Purchase Price but provides \$40.00 VALUE for voucher holder

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 \$40.00 GIFT VOUCHER** - valued at \$40.00, but with only a \$20.00 purchase price. 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

- 25 April - Anzac Day Bowls afternoon
- 21 May - RSL O.B. Patron's Day
- 22 May - Veterans Fours at Gaythorne
- 27/28 May - Murgon Bowls Event at Gaythorne

It's Celebration Time

Happy Birthday to:

- 15 April - Les Penhaligan
- 15 April - Ray Skilbeck
- 16 April - Owen Ryan
- 20 April - Brett Scarffe
- 21 April - Des Gardner
- 30 April - Nev Brown

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 2nd 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 gbscc@bigpond.com

Club Contact Details:

Address: 18 Prospect Road

Gaythorne, Brisbane, QLD. 4051

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

Website: www.gaythornebowlsclub.com.au

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