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# Rye BOWls Club

## Unbiased Opinion



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*Welcome to the second edition of the*  
**RBC newsletter**



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### "General News"

Welcome to 2016 at Rye Bowling Club and we hope everyone had a fabulous Christmas and Good New Year.

The annual Christmas Dinner again proved very successful in all aspects and was enjoyed by the 100 people who attended. Thanks to all who donated goodies to fill the very large basket for the raffle. The winner of the Big Raffle was TONY SCOTT. Thanks to Bob and Denise Neal and all their helpers who prepared and served up a delicious three course meal.

Many thanks to all those who sent through suggestions for the name of the Newsletter. 45 suggestions were received which made the selection process very challenging to say the least. We had a panel of 5 who finally decided upon the name "Unbiased Opinion". So thanks to Dawn Skiba who submitted the winning name, and your prize of that "valuable" bottle of bubbly is available from Maurie or Barney at the bar.

Our Presentation and Dinner will be held on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 5.00pm. All welcome.

The AGM will be held on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 3.00pm.

## "Housekeeping"

Currently David Jones is updating the email addresses for members. Members can forward their current email addresses through to David on [macandmarl@bigpond.com](mailto:macandmarl@bigpond.com) This will ensure that you receive all future news items.

I am sure we are all aware of the diligent work of John Collery in maintaining our Bowling Greens to such a high standard. John's hard work ensures we receive compliments from members and visitors alike. Well done John and keep up the good work. The annual re-coring took place in December and thanks go to Bob Neal, Brian Barrett, Ed Tomkins, Matt Blackwell, Peter Cuttriss, Bob Treloar, Ian Williams and Bill Court, who greatly assisted in the process.

Long standing and revered member Les Lewis, has completed an exhaustive study into power costs for the club. The Shire has now acknowledged the installation of panels on the club rooms. The time specified by the shire for objections regarding lease has passed. This now allows the committee to consider longer term projects which will benefit all members.

## "Barefoot Bowls"

Our 1<sup>st</sup> barefoot bowls of 2016 attracted 90 people, a club record, the theme being a Hawaiian Night. Brian & Barb Harper assisted as they hosted a Birthday party for their daughter in-law Fiona. MKR team, headed by "Gordon Ramsay", aka Bob Martin provided dinner for barefoot bowlers.

These Nights require help in tuition, organising teams, bar, cleaning up etc. Many thanks to all who help.

Due to all this hard work & making Barefoot Bowls a success, we have new and potential Bowlers with many social bookings. We also have people walking in of the street for a lesson and drinks. Through this, our Club has been successful in attracting four new Full members, Bill Genner, Matthew Dunn, Toby Woodford and Stan Perry.

Our final night of Barefoot Bowls is on St Patrick's Day 17<sup>th</sup> March. A fun night is to be expected with Prizes for best dressed Irish Bowler of the season and most improved. We will be having our own esteemed Irish Comedian for additional entertainment

For members, family and friends and new bowlers, our "Lazy Sunday Arvo's" will continue until Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2pm-4pm. Free

## "Pennant News"

With the home and away pennant season behind us, we are now focussed on the finals. Five of our six sides will be competing, whilst our sixth side missed out by the narrowest of shots!!! A great effort by all players, skippers and selectors.

### **Men have their say:-**

The matches for week one are as follows:-

Division 1 - play at West Rosebud

Division 2 - play at Rosebud Country Club

Division 3 - play at Balnarring

Division 4 - play at the Village Glen

Division 5 - play at West Rosebud

All matches commence at 1.00pm. Support from non-playing members, family and friends will be greatly appreciated, so come along as the players take up the challenge to increase the number of pennant flags. Join the winners back at the Club for a celebratory drink.

### **Ladies have their say:-**

The ladies had a great season and we have managed to get two of our teams into the final.

Semi Finals to be played Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

Division 1 - play at West Rosebud. Rye versus Balnarring

Division 3 - play at Rosebud Country Club. Rye versus Balnarring

**Good luck to everyone.**

## "Member Profile"

There are many of our Club members who we regularly chat to, however many of us don't really know of their achievements and the work that they have performed behind the scenes. Two long term and well respected members in that category are Joy and Terry Allen. Having joined the Club over 20 years ago, they both have a list of successes on the Greens, and we have listed them along with their other achievements at the Club.



### JOY ALLEN:

Best First Year Player; Club Champion 4 times; Pairs Champion 3 times; Club Proportional Winner twice; Mixed Pairs runner up; Runner-up Champion of Champions; Zone Winner in State Fours; Member of Division One Premiers 2009/2010.

Joy has also served as President, Vice President, Committee and Match Committee and Selector and level 1 Coach. In addition, Joy has found time to work behind the bar and in the kitchen for special events.

### TERRY ALLEN:

Best First Year Player; Pairs Champion 4 times; Runner-up Mixed Pairs; FBA Veteran Pairs twice Runner-up.

Terry has also served as Vice President, Committee member, Match Committee, Bowls Secretary and Pennant selector, as well as working in the Bar and being a gardener extraordinaire.

Well done Terry and Joy and many thanks from the Committee and all our members!!!

## "Joke of the Month"

### Husbands Are Husbands

A man was sitting reading his paper when his wife hit him round the head with a frying pan. "What was that for?" the man asked. The wife replied "That was for the piece of paper with the name Jenny on it I found in your pants pocket". The man then said "When I was at the races last week, Jenny was the name of the horse I bet on". The wife then apologised and went on with the housework. Three days later the man is watching TV when his wife bashes him on the head with an even bigger frying pan, knocking him unconscious. Upon gaining consciousness the man asked why she had hit him again. Wife replied "Your horse phoned".

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