

Headland Pacific Bowls Club



Chairman – Larry Evans

Hello everyone. My report is going to be a bit different this month, as Donna and I were away for a lot of April. I do know we had another successful Bunnings sausage sizzle and bingo afternoon. Both great earners for the club, so hopefully they continue.

I'm going to take this opportunity to start talking about the ideas that I will be focussing on as chairman. Financial considerations have always got to be at the pinnacle of our plans and thoughts. However, there are other elements of the Headland Pacific club identity that I will be bringing to the fore, which hopefully will lead to a better club for all.

Most club members would not be aware that we recently hosted a small memorial service on the green for a deceased past member. For privacy reasons I won't mention names. We were approached by the wife of the past member, asking if we could hold a memorial at the club as it was her husbands' wish. I had the privilege of working with the lady to plan a suitable service. It was decided to plant a bush in the garden as a living memorial, and club members can see the bush in the north-west corner of the top green.

When working on the details of the service, I asked the lady why her husband wanted a memorial at our club. Without hesitation she said "He loved his bowlo". This gentleman loved our club so much he wanted to have his memory formalised at the club forever.

This is the kind of sentiment that I want everyone to feel towards our club. I want all our members to say "I love my bowlo". Our club provides more than just a place to bowl. I see our club as a place to provide friendship, camaraderie, and connectivity to our members. I am certainly heartened to see the level of social connections at the club, but we can always do more. We all need to do what we can to facilitate these relationships to the Headland Pacific club.

Our deceased past member chose to be remembered in a place that obviously meant the world to him. If we can foster those kinds of emotions in all our members, our club won't just survive, we will thrive.

FUNDRAISING Events

Trivia afternoons are held at the Clubhouse on the 1st Tuesday of each Month @ 1:30. A list will be in the games room or phone Paul **0422812430** to enter.

Bingo afternoons are to be held at the Clubhouse on the 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 1pm for a 1:30 start. The next one will be **19 May. RSVP ESSENTIAL contact** Dawn (club bar) : 5211 0090

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

The sausage sizzles at Bunnings are our major fundraiser!

The next sausage sizzle will be **Friday 22 May** and another planned **Tuesday 02 June**. **We need volunteers!** So please consider if you can spare some time, even if it is for a few hours, it will be appreciated and spread the load. Name sheets are on the board.



Schedules (in progress and upcoming)

Singles	16/05	6/06
Mixed Fours	20/06	11/07
Pennant	25/07	20/09
Triples	17/10	7/11

Pennant Selectors

Selectors have been chosen, congratulations to:
Tim Blatchford, Anne Le Claire and Geoff Rosenthal.

They have had a first meeting and, I believe, roughed out two teams. Bit hard as we don't know which Divisions we will be playing in. We requested 2 teams in Divisions 5 and 8.

March Newsletter

I provided a piece on Rules and Etiquette for the March newsletter **and again in April**.

Sadly, the same people are doing the same things. One bowler suggested that I take some photos as one member had chosen not to change their ways. And, not just one.
Not sure what the answer is?

Champion of Champions Pairs

Have nominated:

- Joy Bentley and Anita Hobbs and
- Tim Blatchford and Kevin Moore

Games get under way at Waves on Saturday 30th May.

Club Names on Bowlslink

At the Fours C of C's at Tewantin Noosa, many people were dismayed that the teams did not have any club recorded which made it less interesting to follow.

I asked Julie to follow up with District but sadly no response – very poor!

Subsequently Bev followed it up and as least got a response. Wasn't all that encouraging though as it was thrown back to BowlsLink.

Games Director Position

Jenny Kent has expressed some interest although has not committed. Julie and I met with Jenny yesterday. Joy Litfin sat in with me to do the Singles draws on Saturday and got a taste of the process which will be valuable to help out a new Games Director. Joy is a very willing worker who is of great help to a Games Director. I don't believe that she wants the role herself but is a very good resource with lots of knowledge.

Ladies "Pennant"

Got a lukewarm response to request for interest. 7 a side and we had 4 replies – believe we need at least 9 Ladies in all to cover for emergencies. Julie has written to all Ladies again.

Singles

Draw has been done and is up on BowlsLink Results Portal for all to view.

Julie has circulated with links to each draw – I have also given step by step instructions on how to access. I think that it is important that people get comfortable with BowlsLink as it will be used more and more.

I would advocate that people next year do their own entry in competitions – at present we don't allow that and it is centrally managed.

It is true that we don't need to run all our championships through BowlsLink – only those that go on to District and higher.

Not my call, given I will be giving up the role, but I think that it makes sense to run all through Bowlslink so that all our years' games and results are captured in one spot that everyone can access. Be happy to discuss.

Commences next Saturday and Sunday with final on 6th June.

No play on 30th May due to Pairs Champions of Champions.

8 Ladies and 15 Men nominated.

Charlie



Geoff Rosenthal President

A relatively quiet past month. It seems to be that time of year when we see people going away on trips which means numbers across the week have been down.

We had a small group from a ward at Buderim Private Hospital enjoy some barefoot bowls, they commented on how good the greens looked.

We also had a big group (50) from Maroochy Surf Club for an afternoon of barefoot bowls and a BBQ. Thank you to the small group of helpers, Dennis Hartley, Joy Litfin, Les Derry/BBQ and Wendy Payne/Catering and Geoff Rosenthal.

The Club Singles get underway this Saturday and Sunday if we can find enough markers.

RSL was here last Monday and will be back again next week. Two of our ladies, Anita Hobbs and Pat Schmith joined in and had an enjoyable morning. **This is open to all our members to join in with the RSL group on Mondays.**

The Champion of Champion's Pairs will be held at The Waves Caloundra on Saturday – 30 May. We hope some people make the effort to go and support our teams.

The noticeboard out the front is paying off as we have had a number of enquiries and bookings for the venue.

The Trivia is not going so well for numbers but the Bingo is growing in numbers and there is talk that if Trivia folds they might increase the Bingo to twice a month.

Headland Pacific Bowls Club Ladies 4s Fiesta 2026

The FIESTA will be held on Wednesday 14 October 2026. Three (3) games of 12 ends. We have a total Prize Pool - \$1,800 – Subject to number of teams entered. Entry Fee: \$140. Nominations and payment close 07 October.

Lutheran Services will again sponsor the event.

Joy Liftin is our organiser, a flyer will be posted on the club website and distributed to all Clubs.

Heat Policy

Bowls Queensland (BQ) is the peak body for the sport of lawn bowls in Queensland. It was formed in 2004 following the full unification of the Royal Queensland Bowls Association and the Queensland Ladies Bowls Association.

Bowls Queensland is managed by a board elected by the membership. It is the board's responsibility to set policies for the management of the sport in Queensland.

This Policy was reviewed and reformatted in January 2026 to align with the Bowls Australia Policy. It was endorsed by the Board on 28th April 2026 and will be posted on our website and a copy is on the noticeboard at the Club.



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