

Headland Pacific Bowls Club

Newsletter July 2026



Larry Evans, Chairman

The month of June has come and gone, and we now enter the middle of winter. Really? From my observations, the weather has been anything other than winter, with too much rain, but beautiful bowls weather when the clouds clear. It really has been glorious weather for bowls when we can actually get out on the green.



We had our singles champions take on the District best in the CofC Championships at Club Kawana. Both Dorelle and Tim did us proud, with Dorelle winning the morning game, and Tim just missing a win. I was amused that Tim was constantly leaving his best bowl for last. I could sympathize with his opponent when Tim would nail his last bowl to take the end.

Following a meeting between Sunshine Coast Council representatives and your club management committee, I can now advise members that we have settled terms for a new arrangement allowing the club to continue for the next three years. The agreement will be in the form of three x one-year permits that allow us to operate. At the end of the three years, we roll over onto new permits. This system is a departure from the previous lease agreement and now falls into line with changed Council policy introduced in 2021.

We are advised that most sporting clubs on Council land will operate under this permit system when their existing leases have expired. There are a few sporting club exceptions on the Coast, but those exceptions are for specific reasons. Your committee agreed with the Council officers that the permit system proposed was in the best interests of the club over the long term.

From our operational perspective, nothing changes. What does change is that we no longer pay legal/registration fees for a proper lease. We pay an annual permit fee (similar to the rent paid previously). The Council is also looking at other fees charged to the club, with the intention to waive the fees, if possible, within their guidelines.

This matter is now concluded, and I hope that it puts members' minds at rest about our future as a bowls club on our current site. I can also completely put to rest the rumour that the Council wants our land for the Olympics. They don't.

Following my June report, I am heartened to hear that we have had volunteers offer to take on some of the roles that I listed as vacant. I thank those putting their hands up, and hope that we can fill all the roles in the coming weeks. If you have an interest in any of the roles mentioned in my previous newsletter, I ask you to please have a chat to a committee member.

From a personal perspective, my wife Donna and I would like to offer our sincere thanks to all members who have reached out after the passing of my Mum. What really showed is that we are all not just members of a bowls club - our club is like a village, and we look out for each other. Larry



Geoff Rosenthal, President

June has been a quiet month, lots of rain and Mark (Greenkeeper) not happy.

The Pennant Selectors have met and finalized our two divisions. We are aware some will not be happy, but it is the way it is.

Saturday 20th saw a large group of members attend the C of C Singles held at Kawana. The club was represented by Dorelle Comino and Tim Blatchford. Dorelle got through to the second round and Tim was narrowly defeated in the first round. Well done to both. Personally, I was pleased to see so many of our members attend and support the players.

The RSL was at the club the 8th and again on the 22nd June and had Christmas in July at our club on Monday.

I have two gentlemen learning to bowl, who are very keen players. I hope to have them play a game soon.

On Friday 26th June we had 41 teacher aides come from a local college for a bonding session and barefoot bowls. From all reports they had a great time and enjoyed the bowls.

Saturday 27th June saw the start of the mixed Fours with four team doing battle. Tim Blatchford's team defeating Gary Carlson's team 23 – 18. Peter Comino's team defeated John Schmith's team 24 – 9.

Saturday 4th July and Tim's team played Charlie Farrugia's team with Larry Evan's team playing the Comino team. Charlie Farrugia's team will play Larry Evan's team this coming Saturday.

Our ten-year lease has ended, and the Board met with SCC and we now have a three by one year lease and are still working on some details. We were also assured that the club is not making way for an Olympic venue.

The Club has been asked to host one of the mixed pairs events for the Winter Carnival on Tuesday 14th July. Both greens should be filled with local visitors and visitors from afar.

Therefore, a few of us have been busy sprucing up here and there as best we can. It is time to show the club at its very best. Helpers are always needed and much appreciated.

Geoff



Games Director Report 7 July 2026 - BOWLS ON THE GREEN

Schedule

<u>Mixed Fours</u>	<u>27/06</u>	<u>11/07</u>
<u>Pennant</u>	<u>25/07</u>	<u>20/09</u>
<u>Triples</u>	<u>17/10</u>	<u>7/11</u>

Pennant

Draw had been published, circulated and posted in Games room.

Selectors have done their work and advised their selections but will need to fine tune as they near the commencement of play.

Have given Dave Smith (Team Manager Division 6) access to Bowls link and he has posted teams.

Will need to give Larry Evans access when he is ready – Gary Carlson (or Dave Smith) will be a good person to explain what is required.

Singles Champions of Champions

Our two champions (Dorelle Comino and Tim Blatchford) represented our club at Kawana and can hold their heads high.

Dorelle won her first-round match which is always a great effort.

Tim took it all the way to his opponent and, in fact, held 2 shots to win. Unfortunately, his opponent managed to move Tim's bowl out to gain the winning shots himself.

Well done to both Dorelle and Tim.

Championship Mixed Fours

Semi Finals were played at the weekend with Charlie Farrugia's team (Peter Farrugia, Julie Daniel and Anita Hobbs) to take on Larry Evans' team (Don Blue, Joy Litfin and Ellen Woodward) next Saturday.

Winter Carnival

Getting close – 14th July

I am doing the scoring, printing the draw and players names, and making out the cards.

I should receive draw (includes team number and Skip plus rinks drawn) about 2 days in advance.

We have 11 rinks scheduled (44 players) – not sure how they know which rinks we will use?

Mark suggests that we play East/West all day moving the rink markers across at lunch time to minimise wear and tear – need volunteers to so do.

Have 10 volunteers to fill in for teams as required – only 3 ladies though.

Will spreadsheet the names and include phone numbers.

Suspect we should be ok but presume our "other" volunteers will be in club colours – maybe we should ask them to bring bowls and shoes?

Given the varied games played, perhaps be good to hand the skips a card detailing times and game conditions?

Can someone do that? I can advise how games will be played.

Ron has 2 copies of Conditions of Play – and I have another.

Bev has also provided a corflute for display.

Conditions of Play were available to all when they signed up so don't think we need to do much more.

I also need to print off a player list so when players arrive, we can mark them off whilst Gayle Clewett from District takes their money.

I am happy to help here as I will have made out cards and player list.

Great 8's

We received notification of next year's tournament from organisers.

Think we should reconsider last year's decision to not enter as quite a few people expressed interest.

We need to give our competitive members opportunities to take part in outside competitions to continue to improve their bowls.

Last year we opted for the Super 9's instead – don't think that they need to be mutually exclusive.

Suggest we decide on rules for what our club is comfortable with (assistance with entry fees and expected reimbursement from winnings) then seek expressions of interest.

Championship Triples

Next club championship event.

Scheduled to open for nominations on 28th August and close on 9th October with play commencing 17th October.

I won't be around on 9th October to assist whoever the Games Director might be.

We could close nominations earlier (I leave for NZ on 4th October) so I could hand hold the new person.

Or we could use the old software that we used to use but this doesn't record on Bowls link – don't favour that as I think that all our games should be on the same media.

Charlie

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.

Positions vacant update

- Jenny Kent has nominated as games director.
- Bev Seagg has nominated as membership co-ordinator.
- Trevor Herd has nominated as sponsorship co-ordinator
- Grant's Officer and Volunteers Co-Ordinator remain vacant

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.

RSVP ESSENTIAL

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