

SLBC NEWS



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This weekly update is sent to members of the St Lucia Bowling Club. To contribute Club news or general bowls items of interest to Club members, please email them to the Editor, Pamela Miller – pamela.miller1@bigpond.com



[A Fond Farewell to Greg Bahlmann](#)

The Twilight Bowlers gathered last Thursday to thank Greg for his service to the Club over many years, his support for the Thursday group and to wish him well in his next step through life, moving to his new home at Tarragindi.

Following the bowls, forty-two members enjoyed the entertaining musings by John Davey and Paul Pollock followed by presenting Greg with Penfolds wine and a great cake. Greg was noticeably overwhelmed by everyone's presence, goodwill and kind words in his response.

He will be missed by all members of the St Lucia Bowling Club.
- Laurie Annan



[Walking the Rink](#)

Crossing over to play ends would appear to be an easy stroll. With a little thought, you can make things better for players on adjacent rinks and help spread the wear and tear on our grassed greens. How? Walk down the middle of your rink! Why? If you spread out wide to the sides, even though you are technically staying on your own rink, you could be forcing players who need to deliver a wide bowl on the next rink to wait while you amble along in their line of delivery. The bowls on your rink delivered from mat to jack were travelling in an arc on either side. They don't roll down the centre of the rink so, to even up the wear on the grass, walking down the middle is an obvious action so you won't be treading on the same path which the bowls take. Doing this is a win-win for everyone!

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[President's Mixed Fours](#)

The semi-finals of this competition were decided last Saturday with two very entertaining games.

The first semi saw Paul Keane, Josie Caltabiano, Roland Baudet (subbing for Tim Salway), and Craig Francis (s) defeat Frank Wark, Anne Kuhnemann (subbing for Antony Flint), Max Grey and Mark Benson (s) by 21-14. Although the result shows a healthy win for Craig's team, this was a very close game up to the 18th end when scores were 14-all with 14 of the ends being decided by one or two shots. Craig's team then managed to win seven points over the last three ends.

Laurie Annan, Pam Richardson, Graham Legg and Bruce Holwell (s) won the second semi-final defeating Shane Curran, Joanne Annan (replacing Rob Hoskin), Ken Harvey and Dicky Ng (s) 19-13. While Bruce's team led from start to finish, the highlight of this game was the high-quality bowls from Dicky who produced some lovely shots to keep his team in the game. Pam Richardson is unfortunately unavailable for the final. Yo Dodgson has agreed to rejoin Bruce's team for what should be a very close game on Saturday.

[St Lucia Dental Mixed Birdie Triples](#)

45 entrants making up 9 teams should ensure this is a great competition. Teams have been selected and the draw made. This will be available on the noticeboard and website later this week. Please have a look to see whose team you are in. I will be contacting team managers / skips later in the week.

The competition starts on Saturday 9 November and will be played over five rounds in a round-robin format. The final round will be played on Saturday 7 December.

- Graham Legg, Games Manager

Claim the Date! The [SLBC Christmas Party](#) will be held on Friday 6 December from 4:30pm. More details will be in the SLBC News soon but put that date in your diary today!

[Coaching Clinic – Information and Last Call for Players](#)

Arrangements for the Coaching Clinic with former Jackaroo, Barrie Lester, are coming together for this Sunday 3 November. Coaching will commence at 1:30 pm and run through until 4:30 pm. Please be in attendance and ready to commence at 1:30 pm. There should be ample time in the 3 hours to listen, question and put into practice the information that will be shared with you.

There are a few spots still available if you haven't registered yet. Please do register as soon as possible in order that catering numbers can be finalised for the barbeque afterwards. If you know someone who hasn't put their name down yet, please encourage them to do so as it will be beneficial to them, no matter what level of bowler they are.

Payment of \$15 which includes the coaching clinic plus the barbeque can be made prior to the event via the DJ's office on any bowling day this week. Your payment beforehand would be appreciated to lessen the workload on the day.

Our thanks to The Village at Yeronga and L J Hooker St Lucia for sponsoring this event.

I look forward to seeing you all there. - Pam Salway, Women's Captain & SLBC Administrator

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Staged biannually, at Queensland's Club Pine Rivers in November and New South Wales/Victoria border Club Moama in February, the event is designed to change people's perception of our sport.

The BPL is the Twenty20 of bowls – it's fast, it's loud, it attracts the world's best bowlers and it appeals to non-bowlers who, once upon a time, may have seen bowls in a different light.

The players have embraced the BPL format and done a terrific job entertaining the crowds at the host venues and back at home tuning into the live broadcast on Fox Sports, Kayo Sports and Sky Sport NZ.

Here's how you can watch the next event.

Bowls Premier League 20 - #BPL20

November 11-15, 2024 at Club Pine Rivers, Brisbane, QLD

- Day Sessions: From ~9am AEST (Stream live via the Bowls Australia [Facebook page](#) & [YouTube channel](#))
- Night Sessions: From 4pm AEST (Watch live via Fox Sports, [Kayo Sports](#), Sky Sport NZ and on Bowls Australia's Facebook page for international viewers)