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# No Bias Castle Hill Bowling Club

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Hello fellow members,

Welcome to our first 'No Bias' newsletter for 2018.

Firstly, let me say thank you to all our members and guests who support our club for friendship, relaxation and bowls.

This continued support along with financial restraint from the Board and management will allow us to maintain a positive financial position providing us with the time required while negotiating major redevelopment of our club.

Our operating position to the end of January is a trading loss of \$30,000 against a loss of \$48,000 for the same period last year. However, on a cash basis (i.e. excluding depreciation and other non-cash items) the loss is only \$3,569 for the year to date.

I'm sure that everyone appreciates the time and effort required by our Development Consultants (Augusta), our Development Committee and The Board with regards to confidential negotiations around our Club's future development.

After a thorough competitive process involving approximately 30 retirement developer/operators, five interested parties have been short-listed as potential development partners for the bowling club. They are mostly large, well-funded organisations including national, high-profile entities. They are all interested in being the development partner of the club and want to develop a new bowling club and seniors' living apartment accommodation. As mentioned, complex



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development negotiations take extended periods of time to conclude and there have been added issues that have been difficult to control, such as the internal decision-making processes and changes of personnel within those organisations.

We are in the final stages of identifying a preferred partner for member approval. It must be appreciated that each of the parties are expert negotiators and rushing this last stage could diminish the value received by the Club. Therefore, the negotiations need to proceed confidentially at a careful pace and be sensibly managed. For that reason, Augusta is hesitant to predict timing except to say that conclusion of the current negotiations and identification of the preferred partner by the end of this financial year would be considered a good outcome.

It is very pleasing that our invitation to local sporting clubs for the use of our club facilities is gaining momentum. The Hills Knights Baseball Club will be calling our club their 'home plate' and last week the Hills Soccer association held their General Manager's meeting in our auditorium. Our Club's proposed initiatives were presented to them as a group and we are hopeful of some serious enquiries from the individual soccer clubs.

I would like to again thank all our valued Club sponsors for their continued support. These are our local businesses and I urge all of you to consider the goods and services that these sponsors provide and choose them whenever possible. They support us and we must support them!

Remember, it's our job to keep the doors open, it's up to you, our members and guests, to come through those doors.

Best regards, Ken Sherwood, Chairman

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# General Manager's Report

BY Shaun Povey



The President reminded me last week that I have now been at the club for a year and from my side it has been an enjoyable year. I can also now remember members names and, most importantly, what they drink.

Our first win in our drive to increase the clubs foot traffic was that Castle Hill Knights Baseball Club which are now slowly joining as members of the club. This is unfortunately as slow process due to the formalities involved.

We continue our drive and are presently speaking to several clubs including Basketball, Rugby and Football clubs. The Latest presentation was done to the Hills Football association where we were able to address the management of 30 football clubs.

Since I last communicated we have had some changes in staff. Some staff have moved on and we thank them for their service to the club. We would also like to thank the members for understanding that, at a club like ours, we will continue to have changes in our staff and for supporting

Abby, Emile, Kerry, Michael and Aaron as they strive to keep our service levels at a standard expected by our members.

The club has held several well attended events inclusive of Black Friday, Melbourne Cup, Christmas and the Dinner on the Greens. We thank all our members that attended these events and hope that those that where there support our upcoming events and encourage other members to attend.

In the next months we have Anzac Day, with its very popular bowling and 2-Up events on the day. Another, not to forget event, is our Annual Life Members day. Get in early and book yourself a spot for both o=f these enjoyable events.

Footy tipping competition starts soon so if you want to

get in on the action pay your entry fee over the bar. It is only \$ 60 to enter.

We have been fortunate to have the continued support of the majority of our sponsors and further to this welcome our latest sponsor in the form of Dr James Rohrsheim our resident Hip and Knee specialist. If you have a problem give Dr James a call. Further to this we have a couple of other prospects in the pipeline.

Our communication with our members is vitally important to ensure that everybody is aware of what is going on at the club and what is coming down the line. We hope that the current format is reaching you and ask that you please contact the office if you are not receiving the latest advertising. We hope you



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have noticed that we have updated our website and take this opportunity to thank Mark Doran for his assistance in this regard.

On the bowls front we wish the Ladies well in their endeavors with their pennant tournament that has already started. From the men's side we hope that new competition format, based on the Australian Premier league and shown on TV, called Jack Attack is well attended and helps them advertise the game of bowls and encourages new players to join the club as playing members. You only need one Bowler per side and there is prize money to be won. If you want more information please contact Dave Bremner.

Finally, I would like to thank all for your support over the last year and please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns regarding the club.

Cheers,

Shaun



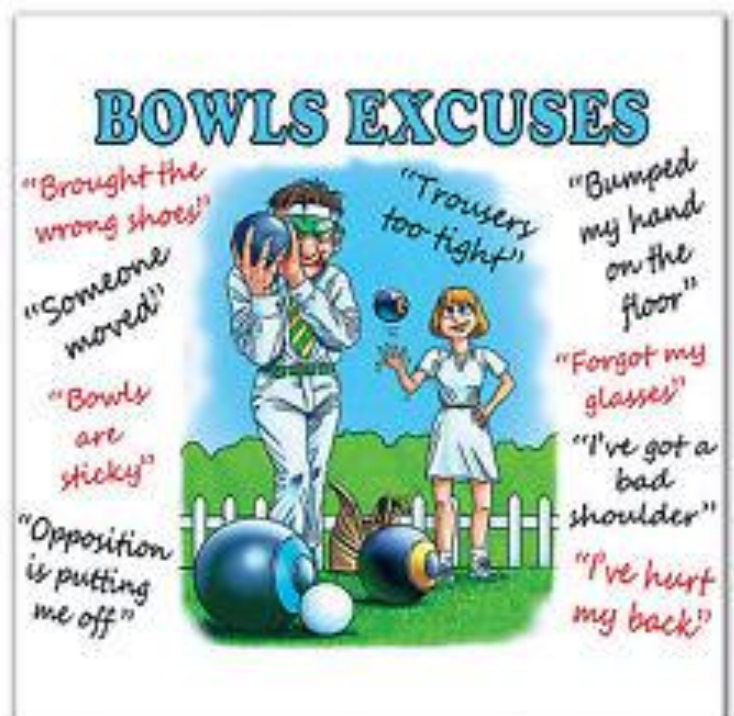
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# Men's President's Report

By Dave Bremner

27th February 2018

Since my last No Bias report, there has been a great deal happening on and off the green. My "team" have been working diligently behind the scenes to provide a suitable environment for social and competitive bowls. I thank all of them for their valued input, dedication and support. I will list their names here as these guys are the reason bowls is well run at our Club. My Executive Committee – Vince Di Falco, Joe Turner and Phil Silk. Bowls Secretary – Col Lees. Committee Chairmen – Noel Benson (Selectors), Greg Wearne (Match Committee), Dave Gilbert (Umpires), Col O'Connell (Coaches), Mike Richards (Zone 10 Delegate), Brian Forwood (Welfare). Well done and congratulations to all members of your sub committees, bowls coordinators, selectors, coaches and umpires.

In October last year, our 'mixed gold' team in the BNSW Club Challenge were successful in making the State playoffs. A great achievement. Congratulations to all players involved and to the Ladies 'Pink' team who also made it to the State playoffs.

Well done to our men's C Grade mid-week Pennant team who made it to the final but were beaten by Northmead, who were a little more consistent than our boys on the day.

The last few months of 2017 saw several Club Championships finals completed –

Mixed Fours – Joy Young, Don Wort, Clarrie White Jr and Bobbie Cochrane defeated

Keith Rowe, Lynne Graham, Maggie Rowe and Wayne Gilligan.

Minor/Major Pairs – Les Duffy and Kevin Henry defeated Ray Craven and John Leighton.

Mixed pairs – Joy Lees and Col Lees defeated Joy Young and Eddie Lowe

Graded Fours – Les Duffy, Jeff Everett, Kevin Henry and Col O'Connell defeated Geoff Fox, Graham Jones, Eddie Lowe and Noel Benson.



Congratulations to the successful teams.

The Graded Fours was a 'trial event' and was very well received with 8 teams entered, enabling players across all grades to compete with and against each other. Due to its success, Our Committee has agreed that in 2018 the Graded Fours will be a Club Championship Event, with honour board recognition. It should be a great competitive event later in the year.

In November, The Zone 10 Presentation night was held and was again a fun night. Although Castle Hill did not feature in the awards, it is important that we have a presence at this event. I would encourage any member to come along to this night in 2018 – when I am confident Castle Hill will be receiving some accolades.



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Much administrative work also took place towards the end of last year, with the finalisation of the 2018 calendar (not an easy task with our busy club, Zone and Sate schedule), appointment of Committee chairmen and Club selectors, dress policy change, introduction of smoking policy, meetings with BA and general planning for a very busy 2018.

One of the highlight days of the year, the 'Battle of the Sexes' and Men's and Ladies Club Championships Awards Presentation took place in January. Congratulations to all our Club Champions and Runners up who received awards on this afternoon. A special mention to Kevin Henry who was successful in taking out the '2017 Men's player of the Year'. This unique event shows the great camaraderie between our Men's and Ladies Clubs.

The Australia Day mixed carnival was another fun day with 56 bowlers on the green. A big thankyou to Shane and Matt in the kitchen who provided us with a very enjoyable lunch.

Plenty of bowls (Club and Zone) have already been played in 2018. The Club Fours have been decided. Congratulations to Kevin Henry, Wayne Gilligan, Jeff Starr and Scott Dalton who defeated Andrew Eadie, Paul Thrush, Darren Garton and Paul Bryan in the final in a very close game. The Club Major Singles has been drawn and will start on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.



Kevin Henry, Darren Garton, Kyle Martinez and Paul Bryan made the final of their section of the State Fours but unfortunately were beaten in a very close game on the last end. Kevin Herbert and Graham Berry have made the final of their section in the Reserve Fours. This is a tremendous effort from these blokes, with Kevin coming in as a reserve and Graham moving up to skip. Well done gentlemen and good luck in your section final this weekend. Noel Benson and myself have made the final of our section in the Senior Fours which will also be played this weekend.

Congratulations to Kyle Martinez for being selected in the Zone 10 Under 25's side and congrats to Col Lees who has been elected as a Zone 10 Selector.

We have entered 4 teams in the Zone 10 mid-week competition, one A grade, one B grade and 2 C grades, starting on Wednesday March 14<sup>th</sup>.

We have entered 5 teams in the Saturday Pennants, grades 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7, starting on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April (interrupted by Commonwealth Games and Australian Open). External

trials will be held against Pennant Hills on Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup> grades 4, 5 and 6, and Asquith on April 7<sup>th</sup> in all grades. In house Pennant trials will be held on other Saturdays when appropriate. A pre- Pennant "gee up" will be held on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April. Teams for round 1 will be announced on this day.

I continue to encourage all prospective Pennant players to attend at least one training session per week, on Tuesday afternoons and/or Saturday mornings.

During 2018 Castle Hill - has volunteered to host a section of the Zone Singles on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March (volunteer markers will be required) - is hosting a section of the Zone 10 Jack Attack Tournament which will run on Thursday evenings for 4 weeks (March 8<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>) – is hosting a Challenge against Harbord Men's Bowling Club on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April (full day of bowls with lunch) – is hosting a "Living Choice Triples" Tournament (formally Men's turn around triples, now 2 games of triples, mixed teams allowed).

I think you'll agree from this report that we are in for an exciting and hectic 2018. I wish all bowlers well in all



their endeavours this year. I encourage you to enter events, within and outside of our Club, improve your standard of bowls and always play with pride for our great Club, Castle Hill.

I look forward to great results in 2018.

Dave Bremner  
President

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# Relay for Life Fundraiser - Bogan Bingo





# New Bistro Menu from March 2018

## The Menu

### I & S CATERING SERVICES

THURS 5-8PM | FRI 5-8:30PM | SAT 10AM-2PM 5-7:30PM  
SUN 10AM-2PM

#### LIGHT MEALS

<b>GARLIC BREAD</b>	<b>5.50</b>
<b>CHEESY BACON GARLIC BREAD</b>	<b>7.50</b>
<b>PULLED PORK SLIDERS</b>	<b>11.00</b>
With dry slaw hickory BBQ sauce and chips	
<b>SALT AND PEPPER SQUID</b>	<b>12.00</b>
Flash fried served with salad and Thai sweet chilli glaze	
<b>TEMPURA BATTERED PRAWNS</b>	<b>13.00</b>
Served with salad and smoked garlic aioli	
<b>POTATO WEDGES</b>	<b>11.50</b>
With sour cream and sweet chilli	
<b>ARMADILLO FRIES</b>	<b>12.00</b>
With bacon melted cheese sour cream and sweet chilli	
<b>CHINESE PORK AND CHIVE DUMPLINGS</b>	<b>11.00</b>
With Soy Sauce and Chinese Vinegar	

#### CLUB SAUCES

GRAVY, MUSHROOM,  
GREEN PEPPER CREAM  
SAUCE, HOLLANDAISE

#### BURGERS

<b>DOUBLE BEEF BACON CHEESE BURGER</b>	<b>18.00</b>
Double beef burger patties, bacon, onion jam and melted tasty cheese with lettuce, tomato and pickle on a brioche bun with chips	
<b>PULLED BEEF BRISKET ROLL</b>	<b>17.00</b>
Slow braised grain fed brisket served with our secret BBQ beer sauce with tempura battered onions on garlic bread with chips	

#### KIDS

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<b>CHEESE BURGER AND CHIPS</b>	<b>9.00</b>
<b>FISH AND CHIPS</b>	
<b>CHICKEN TENDERS AND CHIPS</b>	
<b>SAUSAGES AND CHIPS</b>	

#### STEAK & SCHNITZEL TOPPERS

<b>PARMIGIANA</b>	<b>2.50</b>
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>3.00</b>
<b>CAMPFIRE</b>	<b>4.00</b>
<b>SQUID</b>	<b>5.00</b>

#### CHEF'S SPECIALTY

### MAINS

<b>BLACK ANGUS SCOTCH FILLET</b>	<b>28.00</b>
300GRM GRAIN FED BLACK ANGUS SCOTCH FILLET CHAR GRILLED AND SERVED WITH CHIPS SALAD AND SAUCE	
<b>BLACK ANGUS TOP SIRLOIN</b>	<b>26.00</b>
300GRM TOP SIRLOIN CHAR GRILLED AND SERVED WITH CHIPS SALAD AND SAUCE	
<b>CUMBERLAND PORK SAUSAGES</b>	<b>16.00</b>
SAUSAGES ON MASH POTATO, ONION JAM AND GRAVY	
<b>CRUMBED LAMB CUTLETS</b>	<b>25.00</b>
CRUMBED LAMB CUTLETS SERVED WITH CHIPS, SALAD AND GRAVY	
<b>VEAL SCHNITZEL</b>	<b>20.00</b>
PAN FRIED SERVED WITH CHIPS, SALAD, LEMON AND GRAVY	
<b>CHICKEN SCHNITZEL</b>	<b>17.50</b>
PAN FRIED SERVED WITH CHIPS, SALAD AND SAUCE	
<b>THAI SALAD</b>	
LETTUCE, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, CORIANDER, ONION, MINT, PEANUTS CRISPY NOODLES AND THAI SWEET CHILLI GLAZE	
<b>BEEF</b>	<b>21.00</b>
<b>CHICKEN</b>	<b>18.00</b>
<b>BEER BATTERED FISH AND CHIPS</b>	<b>15.50</b>
BEER BATTERED BUTTER FISH DEEP FRIED AND SERVED WITH CHIPS AND SALAD	
<b>COMBINATION SQUID AND PRAWNS</b>	<b>17.50</b>
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# News from the Ladies' Club

By Di Creed – Communications Officer

February 2018

Lots happening at CHWBC with the Pennants season upon us early, due to the Commonwealth Games being held next month. Let's hope the humid weather does not continue for us! At the time of writing at the end of the second week we have certainly had some success, with every Grade winning their fourth games.....some time to go yet though. This year we have three additional opponents, Dural Country Club, Pennant Hills and West Pennant Hills due to their inclusion in Mitchell District after closure of Northern Districts. We look forward to the new challenges. GO CASTLE HILL!

The teams have been practising hard, thanks to Hazel Turner and Scott Dalton, with practice games being held at Windsor, Carlingford and home.

Since our last edition, Joy and Col Lees defeated Joy Young and Eddie Lowe in the final of the Mixed Pairs.

Joy Young defeated Joy Loh in the Consistency final, Joy Young, Don Wort, Clarrie White and Bobbie Cochrane defeated Keith Rowe, Maggie Rowe, Lynne Graham and Wayne

Gilligan in the final of the Club Mixed Fours. Congratulations all!

Our teams of Kevin Henry, Joy and Col Lees, Lesley Henry, Noel Benson and Bobbie Cochrane and Belen Avanzado, Ann Gilbert (sub for Judy Day) Florence Lee, Jennifer Clift, Isabel Speirs and Chris Oz (sub for Evelyn Brien) travelled to the Shoalhaven area for the State playoffs of the NSW Club Challenge, unfortunately no final prize, but a great experience.

The ladies' Christmas party was a great success with grateful representatives from the Salvation Army Dural leaving with hampers donated by the ladies.



It was great to see our article and photo regarding the donations appearing in the ladies' bowls on-line edition of "The Roll Up". As usual a great lunch was provided by the ladies, with fun games and bowls for all.

Pink Day to raise funds for cancer research was held mid December with \$545 raised on the day. Thanks to the 19 men for joining us on this fun day and looking resplendent in their pink finery.

The annual "Battle of the Sexes" and Presentation Day was great fun and congratulations to the



*Our Ladies with donations to the Salvation Army at our Christmas Party*



men. Come on girls - we can do this next year! All the champions of 2017 were awarded their prizes and congratulations to all.

Bowlers of the Year - Ladies Club - Joy Young. Men's Club Kevin Henry

Major Singles: Lan Lim

Pairs: Joy Young, Bobbie Cochrane

Triples: Joy Young, Lan Lim, Bobbie Cochrane

Fours: Joy Young, Jenny Mann, Lan Lim, Bobbie Cochrane

Minor Singles: Ann Gilbert

Consistency: Joy Young

Several teams represented Castle Hill in the District Senior Fours at The Hills and our team of Belen Avanzado, Lynne Graham, Kim Bremner and Jackie Jones made it to the final



*Australia Day winners*

but were defeated by the Dural team. Great effort girls.

2018 Australia Day was a great day and won by Bob Spicer, Joy Loh, Jenny Mann and Kevin Henry.

Our 2018 Major Singles are underway -

We are now down to the semi-finals which is Marion Binet v

Ursula Killnow and Lan Lim v Florence Lee

These games will be played after Pennants for these ladies and the dates are as follows

Semi-Final is Tuesday 20-3-18 and the Final is Thursday 22-3-18. This whole schedule depends on wet weather during Pennants.



*Ladies Champions - Ann Gilbert, Bobbie Cochrane, Jenny Mann, Joy Young, Lan Lim*

Great fun and bowls were enjoyed down at Warilla early February with 46 making the annual pilgrimage for the week with games at Windang, Oak Flats, Kiama and Warilla clubs. Congratulations to the men in retaining the Warilla Battle of the Sexes trophy on the indoor rinks by one game. Thanks to the Manns and Henrys for organising, and to Jan Kurtz and co. for the BBQ catering!

Our thoughts are with those of our members who are dealing with some serious health conditions and we hope to see them back bowling with us soon.

Welcome to our new members - we welcome you and wish you many happy years at CHWBC!

Good bowling

Di Creed - Communications Officer

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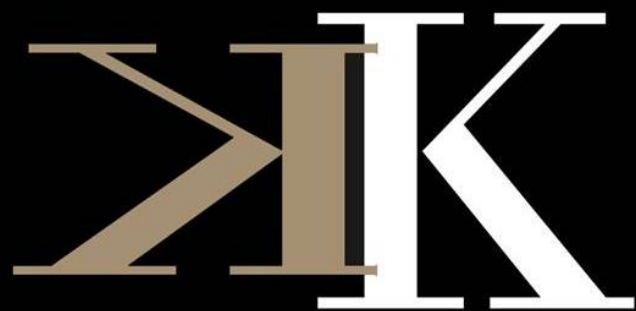
**14<sup>th</sup> March**

Our Grade 1 Pennants team is poised to take out the flag this year...official word should be announced shortly, but at this stage they are looking pretty good.

Our other Grades are playing on valiantly - no flags on the horizon though, but well done

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# Fun at the Club



*Sandy Roberts 40<sup>th</sup> drinks at the club – butter wouldn't melt in their mouths*



*Jayne's farewell drinks – we miss you!*



*Tunnellers cruise weekend started at the Bowlo*



*Beauty and the Beast*



*Punters Club end of year party*



*Punters Club end of year party*



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