

BATEAU BAY MEN'S BOWLING CLUB

2016-2017
ANNUAL REPORT



BATEAU BAY MEN'S BOWLING CLUB 2016-2017 COMMITTEE



OFFICE BEARERS 2016-2017

PRESIDENT:

Preston Reynolds

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Les Mackie

JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Michael Peck

TREASURER:

Gary Langham

SECRETARY:

Paul Hannagan

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Ray Peck, Gary Cassar, Bob Moore



Committee Chairpersons

MATCH – CHAIRMAN: Dean Wilson

MATCH COMMITTEE: Ray Peck, Tony Jones

SELECTORS – CHAIRMAN: Denis Baker

**SELECTORS COMMITTEE: Denis Baker, Kevin Russell,
Jeff Kellie, Paul McKenzie,
Garry Burns**

CHAIRMAN OF UMPIRES: Tony Hegyi

ZONE DELEGATES: Preston Reynolds, Michael Peck

COACHES – CHAIRMAN: Gary Langham

TOURNAMENTS: Dean Wilson, Tony Jones, Ray Peck

WELFARE OFFICER: Les Mackie

RETURNING OFFICER: Tom Roach

Web Master: Geoff Graham

In house Promotions: Ken Studdert



PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2017

Another year gone and I would like to think a very good one. Being the new kid on the block I found it a very steep learning curve.

We started selecting selectors, a good initiation to the committee. Then the calendar was put together. Michael and Ray put a lot of work into it for a great result. A lot of work was needed changing the Rules & By-Laws. This work was started well before my time as President. All references to the bowls co-ordinator had to be removed and some changes had to be made to bring the Rules & By-Laws up to date with the needs of the members and changing times. All the committee has done a great job starting with Les Mackie senior vice president doing raffles and welfare (to his own detriment) and much more. Michael Peck junior vice president not only producing the calendar but organising leaflets for tournaments and whatever else is required. He also spends Wednesday mornings in the bowls office organising teams and printing cards with a little help from Sam Neogy. Gary Langham is our treasurer looking after the finances, dealing with the Wyong Group trying to balance the ledger and does a lot more, working in the office helping with organisation of bowls and every Saturday during pennant season helping Kevin Tresize with the cards and managers folders, great job Gaz.

Paul Hannagan, well he is the secretary but a lot more. If I tried to list the things he does in this club I would need a whole lot more paper. As well as the work, he does he is the liaison officer with Cameron Grentnell and the Wyong Group. Not sure how that happened but it works so why change it.

Then there are those people in committee you can't do without. Ray Peck, Gary Cassar and Bob Moore. Besides the input they have come up with ideas and decision making. They put their hand up every time there is work to be done. It may be cooking the BBQ's, painting, cleaning or selling raffle tickets. In Gary Cassar's case organising Thursday night twilight bowls I cannot think of enough superlatives for the volunteers that put in when and where ever they were needed, ladies helping the men and the men helping the ladies. A united club is beneficial to all the members and leads to more harmony and prosperity throughout. The best example of this was The Jack Patemans Mixed Graded Triples, again everybody putting in, 42 teams



entered, (A full House) with a number of teams waiting for a chance to enter. There is no reason why we can't emulate this effort with every tournament in the future all working together.

I must thank Denis Baker and the selection committee for their work making decisions on the number of sides entered for pennants and the selection of teams for pennants, a very difficult job and often the work put in is not appreciated by some. Working with zone and state representatives, moving players around to suitable positions to get the best results takes a good knowledge of the players, a lot of thought and I would imagine a few sleepless nights.

I would also like to thank Dean Wilson and the match committee for their work, organising championships, helping with tournaments, sending results to the web men, Geoff Graham and Ken Studdert and trying to juggle games around zone commitments and of course mother nature.

Next is Tony Hegyi and his team of umpires they do a great job, put in a lot of time and without which we would not be able to run championships, tournaments or pennant games.

I can't forget Nevil Brown. He works in the bowls office Tuesday, Friday and Saturday without complaint doing a great job and has been for many years.

Bateau Bay Men's and Ladies Bowling Club contributed substantially with time, labour and finances to the update and enhancement of facilities around the greens such as shades, the BBQ area and Honour Board. Working with the Wyong Group was very satisfying as we were prepared to contribute because our members were prepared to put in.

We have some people leaving the committee this year for various reasons. I wish them well and I am sure we will see them around the club.

I have enjoyed my time as President and would like to continue doing so. I thank everybody for their input and helping me work my way through the whole process. I believe we have had a good year and I am looking forward to working with the new people that are elected, providing of course I am still here.

Regards

Preston Reynolds



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Special thanks to all our members for supporting the Committee by attending on a regular basis Championship events and social bowls. I take great pride in the number of players who participated in this year's Pennant Season. I would like to thank the Selectors on the fine job they did and hope that they will continue to work for the best interests of our great club.

Years roll by, and I am still enjoying working for you our members, and love the social participation of our members. A very special thanks to all our volunteers who make life easier.

I would like to thank The Committee for their work over the past 12 months, and look forward to seeing which members will take our next Committee to greater heights for our members. To those Committee members who will not be standing for the coming elections, stay well and enjoy your bowls.

I made a comment last year regarding our club in a presentation speech at one of our tournaments, I now wish to firmly state that our Club is the best on the CENTRAL COAST.

Paul Hannagan

Secretary Bateau Bay Men's Bowling Club.

VOLUNTEERS REPORT

In our Club we are blessed with many members who volunteer for the many tasks that are needed to run the Club smoothly during the year. Your support regarding Pennant Managers, B.B.Q. helpers and general support on many other items is appreciated by the Committee. A special thanks to the Ladies who worked well with us over the past year. We look forward to another prosperous year and once again thank you to all.

Paul Hannagan

Secretary.



TREASURERS REPORT

01/07/2016 – 30/06/2017

FINANCIAL REPORT – 01/07/16 – 30/06/17 – GARY LANGHAM TREASURER

Another successful year from a 'bowlers on greens' and a financial perspective.

We invested in creating a new and modern Honour Board system, replacing and adding new shades (southern side green 3) as well as tidying up and cleaning our BBQ facilities. We are continuing to work on the BBQ area. Our touch screen Honour Board and the shade costs were shared with our Ladies Club.

Once again, your committee endeavoured to return to yourselves a healthy portion of your expenditure (green fees and raffles), via increased rink prizes, free games, substantial raffle prizes and a couple of bonus give-aways. I am sure this trend will carry on under the new committee.

Continued support from our sponsors (Creightons, Neu-Solutions, Shelly Beach Mechanical, Adrian's Removals, Brebner Legal and Wyong Rugby League Club) have enabled us to continue to provide healthy prize money for tournaments as well as championships and our presentation night.

We continue to work closely with Wyong Accounts to improve our reporting and banking practices, given we have around 12 income and 14 expense accounts.

We welcomed 20 new members and 2 junior members to our Club over the past year.

To you our members and bowlers I extend my thanks for your ongoing support (around 200 – 250 bowlers per week), which is a significant effort – especially when compared to other clubs.

Gary Langham – Treasurer.

YTD INCOME -	142,128	
YTD EXPENSES		92960
YTD PROFIT	49,168	



WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT

Bateau Bay Men's Bowls Annual Welfare Report

2017 has been an eventful year health wise at our club sadly seeing the passing of some very popular men's bowlers.

Since November 2016 we have lost the following members.

- November 2016 Sinon Maloney,
- January 2017 Ivan Wymark, and Dave Henderson
- February 2017 Allan Ferris and Ian Brady
- June 2017 Alan Humphries and Frank Pogson,
- August 2017 Fred Shanahan.
- September 2017 Dick Foster a long time member of our Club.

During the year we also had a lot of bowlers with a number health issues, maybe I shouldn't do this but I'll just name a few.

- Paul Fitzjames suffered a stroke at the club and is still struggling with his health.
- Bobby Ferris had a fall and broke his leg which resulted in a prolonged stay in hospital happily, Bob is on the road to recovery.
- Alex Chatillon has been battling health issues for most of 2017 hopefully things are on the improve for Alex.
- Peter Merriman has been in and out of hospital for a great deal of this year but it's nice to see him back bowling.
- John Woods has had to stop bowling due to ongoing health issues. As I said earlier maybe I shouldn't start naming names as I'm sure there are many more bowlers who have been battling health issues throughout the year, so on behalf of all the men bowlers at Bateau Bay we wish you better health for the upcoming year.

Regards Les Mackie
Welfare Officer



Zone Delegate's Report 2016/2017

All Zone meetings were attended by M.Peck, or P.Reynolds.

The Zone has made some Great new initiatives and changes this year to help promote bowls on the Central Coast.

A lot of time and effort has been put into introducing a new "Strategic Plan" to help get Clubs more involved and better equipped for recruitment.

Free entry to new bowlers and their teams in Zone Championships was introduced to get more bowlers involved.

Have-a-Go pairs, another Great success with introducing 150 new people to Lawn Bowls.

A Great day was had by all at Volunteers Day hosted by The Greens Bowling Club, which was attended by BBMBC Volunteer of The Year, Ken Studdert and his team.

Barry Watkins from Cabramatta was elected as Bowls NSW new President.

Reg Richardson has resigned from Chairman of Zone Match Committee after many years of service; Gary Ellis from Wyong is now in that role.

The new format for mid-week Pennants, Super 9's seems to be accepted quite well by Clubs.

Congratulations to Woy Woy Grade 7's for going on to win the State Flag after beating our Grade 7's in the Zone Final.

Another successful year with 3 Zone 15 juniors being selected at State level. Paul Wesche from Munmorah has taken over from Russell Johnson as The Zone Junior Manager. Zone 15 also successfully taking out the Pat Geary Shield this year.

Overall another a Great Year for Bowls Central Coast, so Well-Done Zone Executives Well Done Zone 15.

Michael Peck .



MATCH COMMITTEE

Results of Club Championships

Major Singles

Winner: Norm Williams
Runner-Up: Greg Cott

Minor Singles

Winner: Paul Kofoed
Runner-Up: Dean Wilson

Major Pairs

Winners: Greg Larkin, Glen Mathieson
Runners-Up: Norm Williams, Gary Merton

Minor Pairs

Winners: Peter Starkey, Peter Mak
Runners-Up: Glen Shields, Dennis Bartlet

Major Triples

Winners: Craig Ward, Barry Ward, Peter Ward
Runners-Up: Warren Power, Ryan Wood, Ray McDarmont.

Major Fours

Winners: Garry Cassar, Paul Hannagan, Tony Hegyi, Ken Studdert
Runners-Up: Glen Shields, Norm Latta, Kevin Russell, Ray McDarmont.

Graded Triples

Winners: Paul Francis, Les Mackie, Gary Langham
Runners-Up: Warren Power, Paul Kofoed, Jeff Kellie

Mixed Pairs

Winners: Gloria Scofield, Paul Hannagan
Runners-Up: Tony Jones, Karen Jones.

Mixed Fours

Winners: T.B.A.
Runners-Up: T.B.A.

**BATEAU BAY MENS BOWLS CLUB T.B.A.
BOWLER OF THE YEAR 2017**



UMPIRE'S REPORT 2016-2017

As usual the Umpire's in our Club have performed to a very high standard at the various events that they have had to officiate at. These being Club Championships, Pennants and Zone events held at this Club. A total to 320 hrs are volunteered by umpires each year to accommodate these events which could not be run without the time that these persons give so freely.

I am happy to say that the workload is spread between the 14 men umpires and the Lady Umpires who supported us throughout the Pennant season.

We welcome 2 new umpires, Craig Ward, Alan Webber and on a sad note we say farewell to Rod MASTERMAN who has retired.

Your current list of Men Umpires is; Gary CASSAR, Greg COTT, Geoff COURTNEY, Les MACKIE, Gordon MURRAY, Steve POTTER, Peter SALTER, John SCHMIDT, Bill STEPHENSON, Ken STUDDERT, Craig WARD, Alan WEBBER and Dean WILSON

My Thanks to all for their contribution to running events within the club. Without their help event could not be run.

Tony Hegyi
Chairperson

PENNANT REPORT 2017

Grade 7(3) – undefeated 1st place Section Winner and Zone Runner Up.

The only undefeated Bateau Bay side, in any Grade, in the past five years.

97 points out of a possible 100 points. (Each Rink won 9 out of 10 games).

Neil McKay, Brad Gaunson, David Gray, Tom Roach.

Glenn Shields, James Spano, Andrew McKay, Ray Peck.

Sam Neogy, John Davidson, Paul Kofoed, Michael Peck.

Grade 7(2) – 1st place Section Winner and six wins best results by a 7(2) side in the past five years.

Harley Cohen, Adrian Dunn, Arthur Barker, Nev Perry.

Greg Healey, David McCann, Doug Wilson, Rick Greener.

John Lindsay, Barry Beavis, Jim Fraser, Peter Starkey.



Grade 4 – Undefeated Rink of Ron Young (Skip), Tony Hegyi (3rd), Geoff Courtney (2nd *played 6 games), Ken Mounter (2nd *played 4 games), Barry Lucas (Lead) - 9 wins and 1 draw. An outstanding result in a very tough Section.

EIGHT PINS

Grade 7(2) Round One versus Diggers

Peter Starkey (Skip), Jim Fraser (3rd), Barry Beavis (2nd), John Lindsay (lead)

Grade 7(3) Zone Final versus Woy Woy

Michael Peck (Skip), Paul Kofoed (3rd), John Davidson (2nd), Sam Neogy (Lead)

CENTURY SCORES

Two sides broke 100 shots in a game.

Grade Seven (2) – Round One versus Diggers 114-28.

Grade Seven (3) – Round Two versus Halekulani 112-35.

Grade 2 - 3rd place best finish in past five years in that Grade.

Grade 3 - 3rd place best finish in five years in the Grade.

Grade 6 – 2nd place best result in this Grade since 2014.

We won 40 games in 2017 (59% of games played).

2016 24 (36%), 2015 27 (34%), 2014 31 (34%), 2013 29 (34%).

We lost 28 games in 2017 (41% of games played).

2016 39 (60%), 2015 49 (61%), 2014 57 (63%), 2013 57 (66%)

Comments, considerations and acknowledgements.

We started a process of change in 2016 and continued that process of change in 2017. The old saying about it taking time to turn the Queen Mary around was always going to apply to turning our Pennant fortunes around.

That process (plan) must continue in 2018.

Significantly we have considerably increased our **WINS** to **40 (59%)** of games played in 2017. In the four preceding seasons we have had 34%-36%.

At the same time, we have considerably reduced our **LOSSES** to **28 (41%)** of games played. In the four-preceding season we have had 60% - 66% each year.

We welcomed nine new Pennant players to Bateau Bay from other Clubs, with those players all making significant contributions to our Club.

They are Ray McDarmont, Barry Ward, Craig Ward, Alan Webber, Michael Tonkin, Neil McKay, Andrew McKay, Arthur Barker and Cyril Williams.



We also saw seven players competing in their first season of Pennants.

They are Warren Butler, Steve Mackie, James Spano, Brad Gaunson, Greg Healey, David McCann and Warren Power, with four of those players being members of Section winning sides.

We took the step to move 18 more players into lower Grades in 2017, with that following 38 players moved into lower Grades in 2016.

That action over the past two seasons was necessary to reposition players into Grades closer to where they should have been playing. The results overall this season validate those moves, particularly in Grades 6 and 7.

Jeff Kellie (Selector and Grade 2 Skip) deserves credit and thanks for:

* Organising and hosting Friday evening skills sessions prior to the start of the 2017 season. Those skill sessions had a significant, positive impact on many players. It didn't matter what Grade players came from – they were all encouraged and supported by Jeff.

* Jeff also co-ordinated a full mid-week game for the Seven (2) side before an important game at Mingara. Three days later the Seven (2)'s had an 8½ - 1½ victory on the synthetic green. That win was crucial in securing the Section win for this side.

As in 2016 we had over 80 players take part in drill session and video session prior to the start of the season. Thank you to each one of those players.

We had a target of one Section win in 2016 and we achieved that. Our target was to improve on that in 2017 and we had two Section winners and a Zone Runner Up. The platform is there to improve again in 2018.

Selectors **Jeff Kellie**, **Chris Thurlow**, **Gary Burns** and **Paul McKenzie** all worked hard at doing the best they could prior to and during the 2017 season. (Add to them, 2016 Selectors **Kevin Russell**, **Norm Latta** and **Ian Baker** (dec) who also played a significant part in the turnaround over the past two seasons).

Selecting is not a perfect science and different opinions (within and outside the Committee) will always form part of the selection process. Fair criticism and questioning should always be welcomed and considered and it was this season. Thankfully there were very few times of unfair or unreasonable whinging this season.

Thank you to the members of the Bowls Committee and in particular thank you Preston Reynolds, Michael Peck, Paul Hannagan, Ray Peck, Rick Greener and Craig Ward for your support and encouragement this season.

Thank you to the best Team Managers and Umpires on the Coast. Your support and skills are greatly appreciated. Your great humour and love of our game was always on show – thank you. May you all be available again next season.



Thank you to the Reserve players who responded each time we needed players, your contribution to Pennants was something we couldn't survive without.

Thank you, Gary Langham, Kevin Trezise, Paul McKenzie and Nev Brown for providing all the Bowls Office support prior to, during and after each Pennant day.

So, bring on 2018. The Pennant players of Bateau Bay have the potential to achieve even more than we have done in 2017.

2017 Zone Pennant Finals

Grade 7

We were blessed in the 2017 season to be represented by many players, spread throughout all our Grades, who displayed a strong sense of commitment to our Club and their fellow players.

That wonderful spirit of competition and camaraderie was never more evident than it was in the **Grade Seven (2)** and **Grade Seven (3)** sides all season.

Those two sides included four players in their first ever season of Pennants and three other players who had come to Bateau from other Clubs.

Four of the six Skips weren't Skips the previous year and five of the six Thirds weren't Thirds last year. But you would never have known that. They all played like experienced veterans and played together as true team mates.

The Leads and Seconds included some older heads and some excited young pups who end after end set up winning Heads.

No wonder these two sides shone all season. There were no reports of antagonism, or complaint, or selfish pride getting in the way of the game. No – what was on show all season was good humour, friendship and support for one another.

The bulk of these two sides were regulars at preseason training. They organised their own practice games and most were regularly practicing on the greens. The result saw an outstanding season for all the players.

On Saturday and Sunday of the Finals at Halikulani the renowned supporters *'The Bateau Bay Rooters'* turned out in big numbers to support two sides who had earned that support. Over 120 Rooters crammed around the Greens to support the Seven (2)'s and Seven (3)'s on Saturday and close to 130 Rooters were there again on Sunday to support the Seven (3)'s in the Final.

We may not have won a Pennant, but there are more ways to win than just on a scoreboard.

The players secured the respect and admiration of every Bateau Bay Club member. We are proud of every single player who represented Bateau Bay Bowling Club in the Grade 7 Finals. We are also very appreciative of the chance to all gather and cheer for our players and our Club.



Thank you to the players and the Side Managers (Liz Cohen and Mary Peck), and thank you to all the supporters. It was a great weekend to be a member of the Bateau Bay Bowling Club.

DENIS BAKER,
CHAIRMAN OF SELECTORS

RENOVATIONS TABLE 2016-2017 BATEAU BAY GREENS

GREENS WILL BE RENOVATED Starting on 11TH. October 2016. It is our endeavour to have 2 greens available during the restoration of all our greens during the next 4 months. Weather is a most important factor in this period.

COACHES REPORT G. LANGHAM

1/9/2016– 30/9/2017

Another successful and satisfying year for club coaches. The team have taught the 'basics' to another 15 new bowlers – including 6 ladies and 2 juniors. Many of these bowlers are out on the greens and enjoying themselves through playing our game and making new acquaintances. Several hours have also been spent with our experienced bowlers to 'sort out' an issue or 2.

On behalf of our club we welcome you all to the Bateau Bay Bowling club and wish you well with your bowls irrespective of at what level you play.

With Trevor Chalklin joining the club in September we have 7 active coaches. I have included our 2 newest – Steve Potter and Sid Tonkin who will graduate in early October. I take this opportunity of thanking all our Coaches and Bowls Committee for their time and effort over the last 12 months and I wish all bowlers an enjoyable and successful year.

Gary Langham

THE BATEAU BAY MEN'S BOWLING CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES OCTOBER 2016

1. Declare the Meeting Open



- Welcome to Members
- Life Members N.Post and P.Cummins

2. Number Present: 66.

3. Apologies: - Wyong Group Representative.

4. G.Larkin, T.Hegy, L.Burns, M.Burns,J.Anderson,D.Bartlett.

5. BEREAVEMENTS

- Members, could you please be upstanding for a minute's silence to Honour those departed Members during the past 12 Months. These members are mentioned in the Welfare Officers Report of the Annual Report.
Thank You.

6. The minutes for 2015 – 16. Copies have been provided. I ask a Motion that they be confirmed.

Moved: K. Owen. Seconded P.Rogers.

All in Favour Carried.

Any Business arising out of the Minutes: - Nil.

Moved that the minutes be adopted.

P.Reynolds and seconded W.Mellish.

7. We will now move onto the 2016-2017 Annual Reports. This includes

- a. Presidents
- b. Secretary's
- c. Treasurer
- d. Coaches
- e. Greens
- f. Welfare

8. Are there any question regarding these Reports?

1. N.Post requested summary accounts income and expenses.

It was explained by G.Langham Treasurer that we were still having problems with the Wyong Group accounts people and once this is resolved a copy will be placed on the notice boards Monthly.



I move that the reports be adopted

Moved R.Vetter Seconded G.Cassar.
All in Favour Carried.

9. We now move onto the Elections of the Bowls Committee – I declare all Positions Vacant and invite the Returning Officer – Tom Roach to take the chair/mike to give the results of the Election;

- A. President – P.Reynolds
- B. Secretary – Paul Hannagan
- C. Treasurer—Gary Langham
- D. Senior Vice President- Les Mackie
- E. Vice President – M.Peck

Committee Men (3)

(A) Ray Peck (B) B.Moore. (C) G.Cassar

10. The Chairman resumes the Chair thanking the Returning Officer and his assistants and congratulates the successful candidates and thanks all those who nominated. He thanked the past Committee for their work efforts during the past year. A special mention to L. Mackie the Welfare Officer for his excellent work during the year.
11. The president announced the selectors for next year who will be: Chairperson D.Baker. Committee will be J.Kellie, P.McKenzie G.Burns ,K.Russell.
12. The Match Committee D.Wilson, R.Peck, T.Jones.

GENERAL BUSINESS: -

- (1) M. Peck thanked all the volunteers for their contribution on many events through the year. Special thanks for those who worked on the Wyong Group weekend it



was a smashing success. He also thanked the coaching staff and umpires for their work as well.

M.Peck commented about the Web site and the bowls office, that we might not get it right all the time but we are improving in this area. Michael also thanked the web master G. Graham and K. Studdert for their work on web and A.P.T. set up.

(2) L.Crane commented on the dwindling numbers on Saturday bowls, and asked if there was a way to increase numbers through different games on this day.

P. Reynolds commented that members are already playing three days a week during the week and tend to have a day off on Saturdays. L. Mackie mentioned that we have changed some special event days from Mondays to Saturdays.

(3) Tom Roach returning moved that the ballot papers for the last election be destroyed.

Moved. N.Post Seconded. K. Owen

(4) P. Cummins regarding increases in committee notice as to increases has been now updated in by-laws and a notice will be placed in the bowls office a.s.a.p.

Moved N.Post Seconded. P. Hannagan.

(5) W.Mellish commented on buddy day and asked how many new bowlers we get out of this day. R.Peck commented that over the period of this day each year new membership has been very good.

There being no further general business President Preston Reynolds declared the meeting closed at 10.51a.m. The next A.G.M. would be held on Saturday 21st.October 2017 at 9.45a.m.



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