

# NEWSLETTER

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## Celebrating Success: Ladies Gala Day Raises Nearly \$10,000!



We are thrilled to announce the remarkable success of our recent Ladies Gala Day, where our dedicated members came together to support a fantastic cause. Through your incredible efforts and generosity, we are proud to share that we raised nearly \$10,000 to benefit our club and its ongoing initiatives. This achievement reflects the unity, passion, and commitment of our community, showcasing what we can accomplish when we work together. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed, participated and helped make this event a resounding success. Let's continue to make a positive impact and create more memorable moments together!



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## Remembering Peter Moore

In memory of Peter Moore, a true club champion whose legacy will forever inspire us. Peter's dedication to our club was unparalleled, his passion for the sport infectious. Peter's contributions included being the club Singles Champion in 2017 and the Club treasurer 2013/2014. Peter also helped set up the clubs webpage, Facebook social media page, and contributed to the clubs strategic business development plan. His presence will be deeply missed. We honor Peter's memory by continuing to uphold the values he stood for and cherishing the moments we shared with him both on and off the greens. Rest in peace, dear friend and club champion. Your legacy lives on in our hearts





## Our President's Message John McGrath



As the Lawn Bowls Pennants Season comes to a close, I am delighted to reflect on the outstanding performance of our club. Our teams have demonstrated exceptional skill, sportsmanship, and dedication throughout the season, showcasing the true spirit of our club. I am incredibly proud of each and every member who has contributed to our success, whether on the green or behind the scenes. Your hard work and commitment have not gone unnoticed, and it has been a privilege to witness our club excel and grow stronger with each game. Let's celebrate this achievement together and look forward to continued success in the seasons to come.

## Our Synthetic Green Update

We have paid our initial deposit and signed the contract. Preparation site work is likely to commence end of May beginning of June. We will be seeking Volunteers to assist with this work. Everygreen will potentially be commencing work with their site preparation towards the end of June. Watch this space we will have more updates as things progress.



## Where we are on the Bowls WA Ladder

### Ladies Tuesday Open Gender Division 3

1st year in the competition finished 5th out of 10 teams. Held 3rd position for a good percentage of this season.

### Mens Midweek Open Gender

Div 4 finished 5th out of 10 teams played in the mid week promotional lost in the first round.

Div 5 finished 4 out of 8 teams played in the mid week promotional lost in the first round.

Div 6 finished 3 out of 6 teams

### Saturday Mens Open Gender

Div 3 finished 10th

Div 5 finished 5th out of 9 teams

### Ladies Saturday Open Gender Pennants

Div 3 finished 3rd out of 7 teams. Just missed out by 1 point from being 2nd.

84 New  
Members have  
joined the club  
between  
November 2023  
and April 2024

## Club Championships Results January - March 2024

**Women's Club Championship Pairs Winners** - Thea Brenton & Jill Hatherley  
**Runners Up** - Jackie Pringle & Christine Smith

**Women's Club Championship Pairs Plate Winners** - Marinda Ramsden & Marda Salter  
**Runners Up** - Helen Low & Dot Elder



**Christine Smith, Jackie Pringle,  
Jill Hatherley & Thea Brenton**



**Dot Elder, Helen Low,  
Marda Salter & Marinda Ramsden**

**Men's Club Championship Pairs Winners** - Terry Murphy & Duncan Pringle  
**Runners Up** - Ross Marshall & Christian Rousset

**Men's Club Championship Pairs Plate Winners** - Tony Jackson & Greg Williamson  
**Runners Up** - Russell Ruthenburg & Travis Ellison



**Christian Rousset, Ross Marshall,  
Duncan Pringle & Terry Murphy**



**Travis Ellison, Greg Williamson,  
Tony Jackson & Russell Ruthenburg**

## Club Championships Results January - March 2024

**Mixed Gender Pairs Championship Winners** - Graham & Penny Thompson  
**Runners Up** - Greg Williamson and Christine Smith

**Mixed Gender Pairs Championship Plate Winners** - Jackie & Duncan Pringle  
**Runners up** - Maree Lupica & Terry Murphy



**Greg Williamson, Christine Smith  
Graham & Penny Thompson**



**Terry Murphy, Maree Lupica  
Jackie & Duncan Pringle**

**Ladies Club Consistency Singles Winner** - Helen Low  
Runner Up Christine Smith

**Men's Club Consistency Singles Winner** - Dan Hoyne  
Runner Up Peter Vukovic



**Helen Low & Christine Smith**



**Dany Hoyne & Peter Vukovic**

## Club Championships Results January to March 2024

**Men's Club Singles Championship Winner - Bob Marrell**

Runner Up Tony Rudd

**Ladies Club Singles Championship Winner - Jackie Pringle**

Runner Up Di Macpherson



**Bob Marrell & Tony Rudd**



**Jackie Pringle & Di Macpherson**

**Men's Novice Championships Winner - Kevin O'Neill**

Runner Up Dan Hoyne

**Women's Novice Championships Winner - Marinda Ramsden**

Runner Up Penny Thompson



**Dan Hoyne & Kevin O'Neill**



**Marinda Ramsden & Penny Thompson**

## Ladies Gala Day Achievements 2024

We are incredibly proud of our Ladies team's achievements at the Ladies Gala Days, considering our team's humble beginnings just three years ago. Despite not winning any games in the past, our determined ladies showcased remarkable growth, sportsmanship, and team spirit throughout the tournament. Their perseverance and dedication have truly paid off, as they demonstrated their skills and contributed to the vibrant atmosphere of these events. We celebrate their progress and look forward to continued success in the years to come



**Penny Jackson, Irene O'Neil, Jackie Pringle and Di Macpherson were the overall Winners at the Byford Ladies Gala Day Well Done Ladies - FIRST EVER GALA DAY WIN**



Jackie Pringle, Di Macpherson, Penny Jackson and Christine Smith attended the Leeming Ladies Skins Fours were ranked 11th and won \$75, first ever Ladies Fours Skins win !



Penny Thompson, Trish Whiteman, Jackie Pringle and Maree Lupica were the morning Round Winners at the Scarborough Ladies Day with an impressive +10, Trish also won the major raffle an overnight stay and a lobster boat tour , Penny won the 2nd prize raffle of \$100 gift voucher



**A big thank you to Trish Whiteman for making our Club's flags.**



## Ladies Gala Day - St Patricks Day theme

A big thank you goes out to our incredible volunteers for their outstanding efforts in making our Ladies Gala Day a tremendous success! Your hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm were instrumental in creating an unforgettable event filled with joy and laughter. The St. Patrick's Day theme added a touch of magic, and your creativity truly shined through in every aspect of the day's festivities. From decorations to activities and refreshments, everything was superbly executed, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended. Your commitment to our club and your passion for making events like these special are truly appreciated. Thank you for making our Ladies Gala Day a resounding triumph!

### Some of our Ladies Players



### Hand made items by our lovely Members



**Pot Pourri Hand made by Marinda Ramsden**



**Home made Biscotti made by Anna Gadeke and Maree Lupica**



**Microwave Handlers hand made by Trish Whiteman**



**Home made Jams made by Marda Salter**



## Ladies Gala Day - More Photos



**Our Match Committee  
Christian & Marda**



**Anna and Trish selling hamper raffles**



**Some of our Porters for the day  
Terry, Kevin, Tony Lupica and  
Tony Jackson**



**The Ladies teams enjoying their  
delicious lunch and the  
wonderful company**



**Lizzie selling Soklich Raffle tickets**



**Deb selling our vegie raffles**



**Great bowling by all participants**



**Preston Street IGA 's Renee Steenkamp (Our Major Sponsor for the event) &  
Geoff Baker MLA awarded Vic Park ladies the Best Dressed award.**

## Valentines Day Dinner



Our Valentine's dinner was a wonderful celebration of friendship, focusing on companionship rather than romantic love. Members enjoyed a relaxed and jovial atmosphere, sharing stories, laughter, and delicious food. It was a heartwarming evening where friendships were cherished and new connections were made, strengthening the bonds within our community. The spirit of togetherness and friendship truly shined bright, making it a memorable and enjoyable event for everyone involved.

**John & Julie**



**Greg & Marinda**



**Di Mac & Dot**



**Some of our lovely Guests**

**Duncan, Di and Jackie**



**Maree, Helen & Vince Di Giorgio**



## Police v Como Bowling & Recreation Club

The recent Police vs Como Bowling Club competition was a thrilling event filled with laughter and friendly competition. Both teams displayed impressive skills and sportsmanship throughout the matches. The atmosphere was lively, with spectators cheering on their favorite teams. In the end, after a series of closely contested games, the Police emerged victorious, showcasing their dedication and expertise in the sport. The event not only highlighted the passion for lawn bowling but also strengthened the bond between the police force and the local community, fostering a sense of unity and collaboration.



## True Blue Aussie Triples

Our True Blue Aussie Lawn Bowls Triples competition is an exciting event that embodies the spirit of friendly competition among our members. Everyone got into the spirit of the day and enjoyed great Australian music, a True Blue BBQ and a great day of Bowling.



**Buster & Jenny Reeves from Vic Park Bowling Club**

**Winners of the Triples Competition were Nolan Phillips, Barry Baker and Kelvin Ruffles (Kiwi Kel), they were presented with their prize by Barrie McGrath from Instant Windscreens and Tinting who sponsored the event and looks forward to many more.**



## Men's Country Week

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our volunteers who dedicated their time and effort to make the Men's Country Week Lawn Bowls event a resounding success. Your hard work in providing delicious lunches and tirelessly working throughout the day ensured that participants and spectators alike had a fantastic experience. Your contributions were invaluable in creating a welcoming and enjoyable atmosphere, showcasing our club's hospitality and teamwork. Thank you for your dedication and commitment, which played a crucial role in making this event memorable for everyone involved.

### Some of the Men's Players



**Bob, Tony & John**



### New Tables and Chairs

We are excited to announce that our new tables and chairs have arrived, adding a touch of comfort and style to our club's ambiance. These additions have been carefully selected to enhance your experience and provide a more enjoyable environment for all our members. Whether you're here for a casual gathering or a special event, we believe that the upgraded furnishings will contribute to a heightened sense of comfort and aesthetics. We look forward to seeing you enjoy these new amenities and making your time at the club even more delightful.

### Bar Floor Refurbished

We are proud to announce the installation of our upgraded behind-the-bar floor, prioritising the safety and well-being of our valued bar staff. This new flooring is designed to provide a secure and stable surface, reducing the risk of slips and falls in the fast-paced environment behind the bar. Our commitment to creating a safe workplace for our team is paramount, and this upgrade reflects our dedication to their welfare. With this improved flooring, our bar staff can focus on delivering exceptional service with confidence, knowing that their work environment promotes safety and comfort. Cheers to a safer and more efficient behind-the-bar experience for all!



### Unbiased Bowls

The silence hung suspended  
It was the last bowl of the day  
And everything depended  
On our skipper yet to play  
He gazed upon the verdant green  
His eyes were focused tight  
On a sphere that could just be seen  
The 'Kitty' shining white  
He took his place upon the mat  
At the angle that he wanted  
So rigidly he stood there, that  
It looked like he was planted  
He eyed the flag up on the mast  
And weighed the wind a blowing  
He called experience from the past  
To guide where the bowl was going  
He firmly held his bowl in hand  
His eyes they were unblinking  
None could tell what he had planned  
Or just what he was thinking  
Then slowly down his body went  
His bowl arm was at the ready  
To neither side his torso leant  
He was so sure and steady  
Then gracefully his arm went out  
He knew how he would bowl it  
"Wrong bias there!", then came the shout  
Wouldn't ya bloody know it!  
Here is a little message  
Make it a golden rule  
Always check your bias  
And you won't be a fool!

## AFL Leader board Footy Tipping Ladder - Round 3



### LEADERS

Wookkii 21

Gocats 21

Jake McGrath 21



## Club Members Milestones

Celebrating Di Macpherson's 70th birthday



Proud Grandparents Irene & Kevin O'Neill celebrating the birth of their second grandson baby Lyle



## SOME OF OUR CHASE THE ACE CONSOLATION WINNERS



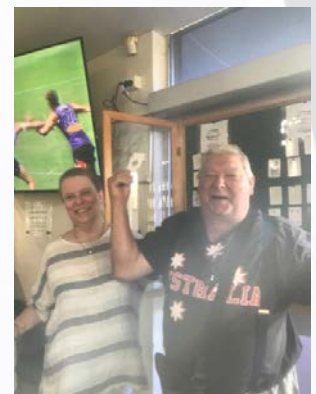
Helen and Travis



Jaan and Club Member



Jaan and Janette



Jaan and Terry

### Social Bowls Calendar & Bar Open Hours

Como Bowling and Recreation Club Inc  
99 Hensman st South Perth

# WE ARE OPEN

**SOCIAL BOWLS**  
FROM 12.30PM EVERY  
TUESDAY, THURSDAY  
AND SATURDAY



**BAR**

MONDAY	- 4PM TO 7PM
TUESDAY	- 12PM TO 7PM
WEDNESDAY	- 4PM TO 7PM
THURSDAY	- 12PM TO 7PM
FRIDAY	- 2PM TO 8PM
SATURDAY	- 12PM TO 7PM
SUNDAY	- 3PM TO 7PM

### Bingo Commencing - 1st May 7pm to 10pm

## COMO BOWLING & RECREATION CLUB

INVITE YOU TO OUR BINGO NIGHT  
WEDNESDAY 1ST MAY  
7PM TO 10PM



**BAR OPEN**

Get ready to shout "BINGO!" at this fun-filled event. Our very own Bingo caller will guide you through multiple rounds of the classic game, and there will be plenty of opportunities to win.

**BINGO! BYO SNACKS**

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### Sunday Roasts commencing in association with The Store Espresso

We will be commencing Sunday Roasts from April 28th for Lunch, bookings essential, menu will be emailed out in weekly email.



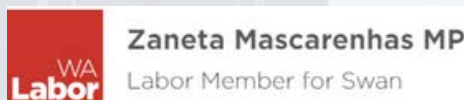
the  
**store**  
espresso

## Thank you to our Sponsors

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our esteemed lawn bowls sponsors for their unwavering support and commitment to our community. Your generous contributions have played a pivotal role in enabling us to maintain and enhance our facilities, organize competitive events, and foster a thriving environment for our passionate bowlers. Your belief in our mission and dedication to the sport of lawn bowls have not only elevated the quality of our programs but have also contributed to the overall growth and success of our club. It is through your valuable partnership that we are able to create memorable experiences and opportunities for our members. Thank you for being a vital part of our journey, and we look forward to continuing this successful collaboration for years to come.

### Geoff Baker MLA

Geoff Baker is the Labor Member for South Perth in the WA Legislative Assembly.



**We welcome new sponsors, please contact our club secretary Helen Low via email [comobowls@gmail.com](mailto:comobowls@gmail.com) today for more information**

**We would like to extend our gratitude to Penny Thompson for her dedication in preparing this newsletter, we encourage all our members to share their thoughts and feedback with our Executive Committee.**

