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Newsletter of Aberfeldie Bowls Club Inc – Established 1910

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Mid-week Pennant Round 2

Yesterday saw Round 2 of Mid-week Pennant completed. Aberfeldie 1, playing at Hoppers, suffered a 5 shot loss (42-47) to Hoppers 2 for 2 points.

Aberfeldie 2 played a great game at Home to defeat Clifton Park 2 (52-24) by 28 shots – and took all 14 points. Rink Results:

Aberfeldie 1

Manny Flores, with Norm Draper & Sam Folino – 14-32 let down badly by a lead totally dominated by his Hoppers opponent – and then lost 11 shots on the last two ends.

John Grogan, with Noel Greig & Sean Lee – 28-15 in a game where we were on top early and met every challenge.

Aberfeldie 2

Gabe Forlani with George Pater & Joe Scifo– 23-15 made a strong start and never let the opposition into the game.

Murray Whiteway, with Carmen Ritter & Graham Leydin – 29-9 after a slow start, came home like a train, winning the last nine ends

Next week, 9 October:

Aberfeldie 1 V Buckley Park 3 at Home

Aberfeldie 2 V Hoppers Crossing 3 at Hoppers

Saturday Pennant - It's underway this Saturday:

Saturday Pennant Round 1 – Saturday 6 October

- Aberfeldie 1 V West Coburg at Home
- Aberfeldie 2 V Moonee Ponds at Moonee Ponds

An Important Message from the Chair of our Saturday Pennant Selection Panel

Aberfeldie Bowls Club is in a very unusual position.....we have BANKERS!!

This week we have 5 players unavailable and 9 players as Bankers. The Selection Committee therefore found themselves in a rare, perplexing and difficult position. Our solution was to check availability as usual. We looked at who was unavailable in the next week or two and decided that we would select those players.

The final step was to give as many new players to the club a game as possible.

Our commitment to playing members is that you will play at least three weeks out of four. Moreover, if you are not playing this week you are guaranteed to be playing next week.

In order to give Bankers the opportunity to play, I have been in touch with Princes Park Bowls Club.

As you know we have a close relationship with that club. They find themselves in a position that we are used to, being short of Pennant players. If you are a Banker, and are interested in helping out Princes Park, please let me know, and I will coordinate with them for you.

I trust that all members understand the healthy position that we are in currently regarding our player numbers. Please be assured that the Selection Committee is attempting to balance the success of both Pennant sides, as well as maximising the opportunities to play for all players at our club. When you see the selected sides you will notice that players that have been regulars in the Division 4 side are Bankers this week. We have made the decision that there will be Bankers from all level of players at the club, and that this burden will not just fall on players usually from the Division 7 side.

Should you have any questions or queries I am your first point of contact. If you are not happy with my response, you are quite welcome to then contact the Players Advocate and then the other members of the Committee.

We are looking forward to another successful season, andGo Abers!

Ian Ferretter
Chair Selection Committee
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Aberfeldie All Stars (AAA)

As we reported last week, it's on again this year!! Everyone who participated then will tell you what a great series it was!!

Full details, including the 4 relevant dates, are now displayed in the clubrooms, so make sure you pay the matter your full attention. (For those of our members who struggle with the concept of moving clockwise, you may need a little assistance in absorbing everything.)

There is some skill involved, a bit of bowls, some luck, some food - and lots of fun. Bring some friends; it's a great introduction to our Club.

It's in your interest to understand how the program operates and how you are involved.

First event of the **AAA Season** is on Thursday 25 October.

Any questions, please see Graham Leydin – and a big “thank you” to Graham for the work he has already put in.

Please Help the Selectors

Selectors have an unenviable task. One small way that everyone can help is to **ensure that any game for which you are not available is clearly indicated on the relevant sheet on the Club Noticeboard** – there is one for Saturday Pennant and another for Mid-week Pennant. **Please do the right thing.**

Club Sponsorship

All members are asked to have a think about potential Club sponsors. If you have a prospect, please speak to Treasurer Joan Chamberlain in the first instance.

Club Calendar

6 October – Saturday Pennant Round 1
8 October – Board Meeting at 7.30pm
9 October – Mid-week Pennant Round 3
13 October – Saturday Pennant Round 2
16 October- Mid-week Pennant Round 4
25 October- Aberfeldie All Stars 2018 Round 1
12 November – Board Meeting at 7.30pm
1December – Board Meeting at 7.30pm

Oldest Bowls Club in the World

Previous editions have told you something of the Southampton (Old) Bowling Club (Circa 1299 and still going strong).

Another first for the Club is a unique competition first introduced in 1776 and continued annually ever since. The winner is presented with a Silver Medal, but in 1875, to commemorate the centenary of the event, the winner was given a Gold Medal.

The competition is different to the normal rules of bowls in that play is not confined to defined rinks but can be played in any direction within the green. For the first round, the Senior Knight present places the mat and paces out the first end to be played to a fixed jack. For subsequent rounds, the mat can be placed anywhere within the green that the Senior Knight considers appropriate.

The jack has a flat bottom and is placed upon a 1776 penny. If the jack is dislodged it is replaced on the penny, the measure is then taken to the centre of the bowl where it comes to rest. If a bowl looks likely to finish close to the jack, the Knights crowd around the jack so that its final resting place is obscured from the bowler.

The winner of the end is the player whose bowl is nearest the penny. The winner is awarded one point unless he has 2 bowls nearer the jack than anyone else. To be appointed to the Knighthood, the winner has to be awarded 7 points, and games can take several days of playing. The winner receives a Silver Medal, is given the title of “Sir” and is addressed as such within the Club. Once knighted, morning dress is worn!!!!

Wouldn't Manuel love to win that one so that he could always be referred to as “Sir”!!!

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