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Newsletter of Aberfeldie Bowls Club Inc – Established 1910

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Pennant

With the exception of our Friday night 6 a Side team which won its way into the Spring Season Sectional Grand Final, all other teams were obviously too focussed on Saturday night's Christmas Party – because all five teams lost

Midweek Pennant

In a rare Mid-week Pennant display, both Aberfeldie 1 and Aberfeldie 2 lost - Aberfeldie 1 to Sunshine VRI, and Aberfeldie 2 lost to Princes Park.

<u>Aberfeldie 1</u>, playing away, lost to Sunshine VRI 34-38 for just 2 points. Rink results:

Endre Ra'Kosi, with Greg French & Noel Greig—19-18 in a very tight win. **Albert Considine**, with Clay Beveridge & Lorenzo Di Sipio—15-20 losing on the back of a multi shot turnaround from the opposition Skip on a concluding end.

<u>Aberfeldie 2</u> also suffered another loss, 31-37 for 1 point playing at Princes Park. Rink results:

John Grogan, with Barry Baguley & Sean Lee in a 17-17 tie.

Manny Flores, with Sam Folino & Lynn Grogan 14-20 after not being able to get into the game.

Night Pennant

We experienced a loss to Footscray Park – again losing three out of four games to take just 2 points. Rink Results:

Robin Stoddart, with Barry Baguley & Sam Folino– 8/12 & 5/9 for two losses.

Ian Ferretter, with Greg French & Vicky Walker – 12/5 & 6/7 for a win and a loss.

Friday Night Pennant

In an excellent effort, our Friday night 6 a Side team took out its Spring Season Semi-final against Moonee Valley 2, 40-14 in a comprehensive win, and now moves to the Grand Final against Fitzroy Victoria, at Home, on Friday evening. Rink Results:

Nigel Thompson, with John Pater & Paul Ives 24-8 in a dominant display. **Sean Lee**, with Stuart O'Brien & Lorenzo Di Sipio 16-6 and always in control.

Saturday Pennant

A very disappointing Round for our Saturday teams – with two bad losses. <u>Aberfeldie 1</u> – (Match report from Michael Bialczak) "After last week's great win over ladder leader, Moonee Ponds, we came back down to earth with a thud against Werribee at their home. Werribee read the conditions much better than us early on and were already 14 shots up after just 4 ends. From then on, it was very even and we were 35-49 down at the halfway point. Their lead stayed that way until Ian's and Sean's rinks had 2 ends to go and Manny's and John's rinks 4 ends to go. With Ian and Sean finishing with a flourish, the lead was cut back to 4 shots, and, though trying as hard as they could, Manny and John could not cut into their lead and we went down 72-78 overall. As luck would have it and showing that there are no easy beats in the Section, the other two sides around us, Moonee Ponds and Craigieburn lost as well. So, with one match to go before Xmas, Moonee Ponds is on 105, Aberfeldie 100, Craigieburn 93 with a gap to Werribee on 73. Our next match is against Gladstone Park who will have their tails up after beating the Ponds.

Ian Ferreter, Don Leale, Joe Engert, Paul Ives 22-18

I am sure Ian would like to win in the normal way, but for the 2nd week in a row performed a Harry Houdini act. Down 0-8, then 2-11, they fought back to be down 15-18 with 2 ends remaining. With great bowls on the head, they finished with a 3 and a 4 to grab the 2 points.

Manny Flores, Lyn Grogan, Murray Whiteway, Endre Rakosi 15-22 Started off well, then had a close tussle and was within striking distance late, before Werribee finished stronger.

Sean Lee, Wayne Harper, Lorenzo Di Sipio, Michael Bialczak 24-17

Down 1-5 early, the lead changed hands quite a few times until a 4 for us late in the game broke it open and we extended the lead on the last few ends. A special shout out goes to Wayne just for playing as he had 2 weeks of Covid and a bad chest infection and was nowhere near 100%.

John Grogan, Frank Piccolo, Sam Folino, Stuart O'Brien 11-21

Not enough bowls in the head, and when we did have chances to score on multiples, the opposition Skipper consistently took them away. The 2nd last end summed up their day. The kitty was between 2 of our bowls, one 6 inches behind it and one 3 inches in front of it. Their skipper could not even see the kitty, plays an upshot, manages to hit our front bowl away and with the momentum his bowl lands an inch away from the kitty."



Aberfeldie 2

Threw another game away playing Glenroy at Home. A 30-shot lead with just twenty Ends to play should have seen a very strong win – but alas, a 32-shot turnaround saw us go down 80-82 for just 2 points. Rink Results: **Albert Considine**, with Joe Scifo, Margaret Clark & Gabriele Forlani – 8-29 and never in the game.

Robin Stoddart, with Fred Sinclair, Barry Baguley & Greg French – 18-22 after throwing the game away on concluding ends

Warwick Robinson, with Clay Beveridge & John Pater & Bill Walshe– 34-10 and dominant for most of the game before dropping a few shots on concluding ends.

Vicky Walker, with Noel Greig, Carmen Ritter & Joe Farsaci – 20-21, on another Rink that slipped away.

Club Diary

Tuesday 13 December – Mid-week Pennant Round 9

Aberfeldie 1 V Clifton Park at Home

Aberfeldie 2 V Fawkner at Home

Friday evening 16 December – 6-a-Side Pennant Sectional Grand Final

Aberfeldie 1 V Moonee Valley 2 at Home

Saturday 17 December – Saturday Pennant Round 9

Aberfeldie 1 V Gladstone Park at Home

Aberfeldie V Moonee Ponds at Moonee Ponds

Club Christmas Party

All those who attended on Saturday evening had a most enjoyable night – with good food, good fellowship, lots of door prizes, music, and even a visit from the Big Man himself. Proceedings opened with the presentation of a Super Veterans Badge to one of our newer members, Lorenzo Di Sipio – presented by Club President Don Leale.

After a positive message from the President, including good wishes for the festive Season, Club Secretary Nigel

Thompson thanked all members – particularly the Board Members who had contributed so much to the Season and to the Christmas Party. Nigel, himself, was also acknowledged for his work in preparing the Clubrooms with its set up, decorations etc.















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