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NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2022

WELCOME

Welcome to the February edition of our Newsletter. I am sure we are all hoping for a return to some semblance of normality in the year ahead.

We will continue to do all that we can to maintain our Club as a safe place to be – the safety of our members, guests and staff will continue to be of the highest priority. The Club has extended to 28th February the By-law restricting entry to only those who are able to show proof that they are fully vaccinated or those with registered Medical Contraindication Exemption.

At this stage, our Club Manager, Kevin Mund, is not allowed on Club premises until he shows his proof of vaccination or his valid medical contraindication exemption. The Board have been working on this matter with guidance from workplace relations legal experts to ensure that we do not place the Club at any risk.

COVID-19

The following Government announcement now has effect:

The NSW Government will extend current restrictions for another month as the State continues to take a measured response to managing COVID-19 with a focus on a safe return to school and restarting non-urgent elective surgery as soon as possible.

Current settings will continue from Thursday, 27 January 2022 until Sunday, 28 February 2022, including:

- Hospitality venues, including pubs, clubs, restaurants and cafes, and nightclubs must follow the one person per two square metre rule indoors;
- Masks are required in all indoor settings (except residences). Masks are strongly encouraged where you cannot maintain a safe distance from others;
- QR code check-ins are compulsory at certain premises, including hospitality venues and retail shops;
- Singing and dancing is not permitted in hospitality venues, entertainment facilities, nightclubs, indoor music festivals and indoor major recreation facilities (except for weddings, performers, instructors and students).

Please ensure that you comply with any restrictions / conditions imposed at the time as well as observing the above.

The following rules currently apply but are subject to change at any time.



- Only fully vaccinated people or those holding the approved Medical Contraindication Exemption Certificate are allowed on Club premises up to 28th February 2022 (which date is subject to change at any time).
- Everybody attending the Club MUST sign in ELECTRONICALLY using the QR codes at the entry doors and in locker rooms. If you are unable to sign in electronically yourself, you MUST go to the bar where staff will be able to check you in. This is a Government ruling and we have no option but to comply. If you are unable to sign yourself in, then you are unable to attend the club whilst it is closed. i.e. The signing in requirement also applies when the clubhouse is closed and you are outside on club property.

The ServiceNSW QR code system also has a provision for you to sign out when you leave the club.

As I have mentioned in past Newsletters, we can be audited on this at any time by any of 3 Government agencies being the police, Health NSW and Department of Liquor & Gaming. Any breach can result in substantial fines and / or closure. Our most recent check by the police was on 22^{ND} January 2022.

Please use the hand sanitizer available throughout the Club.

1.5m spacing between people is still recommended, both indoors and outside. Jacks, mats and croquet equipment is to be disinfected before and after each game. Do not handle other people's sports equipment. Cards and mah-jong along with associated items are to be sanitised using wipes provided on tables.

Indoor and balcony furniture has been spaced out to enable us to meet current spacing regulations, so please do not move chairs from one area to another!!

As we must still provide a minimum of 2 square metres per person in any room, our maximum numbers are as follows:

- 74 Main Club Hall
- 20 Bar
- 18 Annexe
- 10 Room behind folding doors
- 34 Function room

WELCOME TO CROQUET

It is with great pride and pleasure that I announce that the Warrawee Croquet Club has been selected to co-host games in the prestigious 2022 Australian Association Croquet Championships.



Depending upon the impact of COVID19 which will dictate how many local, interstate and International entries are receive, it is planned for the WCC to co-host early rounds in the Men's Singles on Saturday 12th, 13th and 14th March, with Friday the 11th set aside as a practice afternoon.





- Croquet NSW Tournament Manager David Stanton
- Croquet NSW Tournament Referee Stephen Howes
- WCC Venue Manager Robert Woog (WCC Vice President) assisted by Peter Armstrong.

A light lunch for participants and officials will be organised by Marilyn Prior (Chair WCC Social Committee) and sponsored by "Rose By Moran".

In preparation for the Championships, Lawn boundary markings and hoops will be moved one yard west, undertaken by Paul Dewar, Robert Woog and Peter Armstrong.

Malcom Kirby, Allan Ramsay and Paul Dewar will construct the second stage of the retaining wall in front of the greenkeeper's driveway on to the Highway.

Darren and James (ProGreen) will prepare and dress the lawn to deliver a competition speed of 12 - 14 seconds come the 11^{th} March.

KilWar Croquet Competition



Tuesday the 25th January saw the opening round of the 2022 KilWar Comp. against Killara Croquet Club.

The Golf Croquet component consisted of best of three games of Singles and Doubles played in the morning session, with singles and doubles matches of Association Croquet (AC) played in the afternoon.

The games were played in a cheerful and enthusiastic atmosphere with some individual performances from both camps shining through.

Results: Golf Croquet

Doubles: Tony Fabro & Paul Dewar 13 hoops *versus* June Goswinket & Arthur Bayles 12 hoops Games: 1 all.

Singles: Peter Armstrong. 18 hoops *versus* Doug Greening 18 hoops Games: 1:2

Results: Association Croquet

Doubles: Peter Armstrong & Maria Morton 15 hoops versus Ron Bradner & Mary Lambert 13 hoops.

Singles: Jenny Ellwood 11 hoops versus Margaret Craig 10 hoops.

Hard and evenly fought matches were played throughout the day with WCC coming out on top late in play with the smallest of margins.

Many thanks to Killara for hosting the day and for their courtesy and companionship. To the Team Captains, Rod Bradner (Killara) and Maria Morton (Warrawee), thank you for your time and effort in organising this competition.

Dates for your Diary

1 Elsie Wall Trophy AC Bronze singles Entries open: February 1. Entries close February 11. First round: February 14



- 2 WCC Club Golf Croquet Handicap Doubles Entries open: March 14. Entries close: March 25. First round: March 28. Finals round May 6.
- **3** ACA 2022 Australian Croquet Association Open Singles Championship Initial rounds conducted at Warrawee, March 12, 13 and 14
- 4 Croquet NSW Division 3 GC Championship (Handicap 9-14) Singles & Doubles Played in Canberra ACT - Entries open: March 22. Entries close: May 13 First Round May 16. Finals round May 23.
- 5 Wahroonga Village WBC & WCC promotional/recruitment Street walk March 10 and 11

Planned to coincide with the start of the Australian Championships when 200 Croquet NSW tote bags will be handed out to shoppers and café patrons.

The tote bags will contain WBC & WCC promotional material, an invitation, collapsible water bottle, club pen, and a clean kits for glasses provided by club sponsors "The Eye Piece – Wahroonga".

Volunteers to help fill the tote bags are more than welcome. The job comes with a coffee.

Would GC players keen to participate in the 2022 Division 3 Pennants season as a regular player or as a reserve please contact our Club Captain – Jenny Ellwood advising Jenny of your expression of interest jenny.ellwood1@gmail.com...Thanking you in anticipation.

WCC Membership growth continues to build with 2 new full memberships cards issued last week and a further 6 potential new members undertaking GC Introductory coaching.

What we have that makes our small unassuming club so attractive today is it has the full backing of the WBC a NSW registered club, a laser levelled manicured lawn and precise equipment that when combined sets the stage for an addictive game of strategy and skill played socially or competitively.

Peter A

President – Warrawee Croquet Club

"Croquet the thought sport "



LADIES SECTION REPORT

Happy New Year to everyone. Let us hope it is an improvement on the last one.

It is hard to believe that we have almost completed one month already.

This year is a very important milestone in our history, this being our 50th year since we were affiliated with NSW Women's Bowling Association.

To that end on the 24th February we are organising a special event celebrating the occasion.

All our members will be invited to attend, as well as District President, Sue Hamilton, and Vice President of Bowls NSW Ltd, Pam Andrich, together with other dignitaries. A very prestigious event. The day will combine bowls in the morning followed by a delicious lunch



We hope to see all our members attending

On 7th March Warrawee will be hosting the Jean McKinnon Day, a District event held yearly between North Shore DWBA and Warringah District. One in which North Shore has won many times. Another prestigious day.

We are also looking forward to our first Championship Pairs event to commence on 10th March, 2022.

Duplicate Bridge is scheduled to recommence on 4th February, so we are hoping all the enthusiastic bridge players will return.

Committee - Warrawee Women's Bowls



WWBC is celebrating a 50th anniversary on 24th Feb 2022. On this momentous day 50 years ago we were affiliated with Women's Bowls NSW.

To celebrate this occasion, we are arranging a day of bowls and lunch. Please come along and join us in celebrating this event.

Lunch and Bowls \$40, Lunch Only \$30 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL! Please RSVP Heather 9488 5307 (Or add your name to the list in the Club)



MEN'S SECTION REPORT

The December *Sponsors and Fun Day* had an excellent turnout with 50 Bowlers and 17 Croquet players.

Croquet started early that day but stopped to join the bowlers for a relaxed *sausage sizzle* at 11.30am.

Fun bowls commenced at 12.30 with *Turn-around Triples* the game of the day. The Conditions of Play made sure it was a fun and relaxed day for all to enjoy.

To top off the day we had a floor show. A duet by Moonhee Kim & Kerrie Lyons, a rousing rendition of *Bowling Queen* (a parody of ABBA's Dancing Queen).



The floor show



The afternoon concluded with refreshments and the sponsors' complimentary raffle.

WOW WHAT A RAFFLE!



Thank you Marshall Chan Yahl and Brokenwood Wines.

Your sponsorship is greatly appreciated.

With the Club officially closed during the Christmas New Year period we were able, with a small group of volunteers, to schedule games on Wednesdays and Saturdays over this period.

Afternoon tea was a little different with Domino's Pizza deliveries taking centre stage.

The Club officially opened for business on Monday 9th with the Club calendar commencing Tuesday 10th.

Happy New Year to all and let's hope for a positive and healthy COVID-free 2022!

On a positive start to the year, *Australia Day Wednesday 26th* gave us an opportunity to celebrate the day and also enjoy our day of bowls. A sausage sizzle at 12 Noon was followed by a friendly social game of three bowl triples. Lucky rink prizes with a difference *(Chargrill Charlie's chicken vouchers)* and some mystery prizes were on offer.

Thank you to our sponsors of the day

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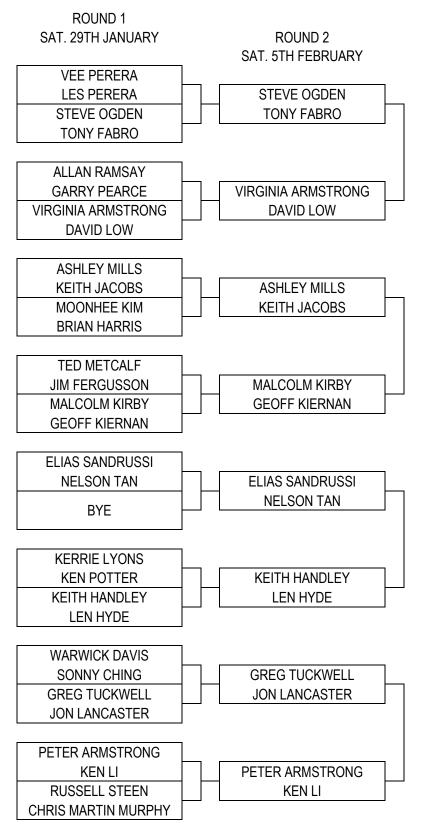
Club Championship Pairs

This is an Association Event, conducted under the auspices of Bowls NSW.

Fifteen teams entered, the largest field since records commenced. This is now an *Open Gender* event and is pleasing to see four of our lady members participating.

Round 1 was conducted on Saturday 29th February and the results are shown below.





You can follow the progress of this event, *and all events this year*, on the Club's website <u>https://warraweeclub.com.au</u>



The results of each round will be posted on our website ASAP, usually not more than 24 hours after the event.

Langker Painting Event

Wednesday 2nd February 2022

This will be the 97th running of this event, a bi-annual competition between Warrawee and Killara which has been running continuously since 1974.

The perpetual trophy is an oil painting by Sir Erik Langker, former President of Trustees of the Art Gallery of NSW. It was presented to the Club in 1974, by Club members Stewart Lamb and Arthur Salenger.

The Warrawee teams are as follows:

	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3
LEAD	Peg Fabro	Malcolm Kirby	Ken Potter
SECOND	Streve Ogden	Jim Fergusson	David Russell
SKIP	Geoff Kiernan	Ken Li	Tony Fabro
	TEAM 4	TEAM 5	TEAM 6
LEAD	Keith Handley	Moonhee Kim	Graham Lightfoot
SECOND	Brian Harris	Peter Armstrong	Warwick Davis
SKIP	Christer Bergman	John Bryan	Sonny Ching

Mid-week Triples

Round 1 of this event will be run on Wednesday 9th February. The Warrawee teams are as follows:

GRADE C - Section 3

KILLARA-CHATSWOOD V WARRAWEE AT CHATSWOOD

POSITION	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3
LEAD	Moonee Kim	Garry Pearce	Ken Potter
SECOND	John Bryan	Steve Ogden	Warwick Davis
SKIP	Malcolm Kirby	Sonny Ching	Ken Li
CONTACT	9489 2326	0401 142 882	0406 050 606
DETAILS	0411 449 811		
SIDE MANAGER	Warwick Davis		
DUTY SELECTOR	Ted Metcalf	0412 710 557	phiall@optusnet.com.au

GRADE D - Section 2

MOSMAN V WARRAWEE AT MOSMAN

POSITION	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3
LEAD	Brian Harris	Kevin Davies	Hillar Poder
SECOND	Jim Fergusson	Allan Ramsay	Les Perera
SKIP	Bill Purdy	David Russell	Peter Armstrong
CONTACT	9449 4966	9487 5028	0440 8601
DETAILS		0410 221 960	0414 408 601
SIDE MANAGER	Brian Harris		
DUTY SELECTOR	Ted Metcalf	0412 710 557	phiall@optusnet.com.au



Jacobs Creek Shield

This is an annual event conducted by St Ives Bowling Club. This will be conducted this year on Thursday 24th February. The Warrawee teams are as follows:

	PAIRS	TRIPLES	FOURS
LEAD	Jon Lancaster	Peter Armstrong	Jim Fergusson
SECOND		Warwick Davis	Malcolm Kirby
THIRD			Steve Ogden
SKIP	Sonny Ching	Ken Li	John Bryan

Committee - Warrawee Men's Bowls

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Our next door neighbour, Knox Grammar School, has always been avaricious in the real estate market.

In recent years, they have pounced on any nearby property that has come onto the market and has acquired several of them. They have not necessarily had an immediate use for these properties but added them to their "land bank", until a future use became apparent.

In 2007, they set their sights on our Bowling Club.

They offered us a one-for-one swap - our bowling club for a piece of their Gillespie Field in Bangalla Street, Warrawee.

Knox would pay all costs associated with setting up new greens, clubhouse, car parking etc.

This appealed to the Board at the time and architect and Club member Gordon Fuller drew up preliminary plans, setting out our requirements. The plans included the following:

- Four full-sized greens
- A single level clubhouse (larger than the one we currently have)
- Parking for 231 cars, <u>under the greens</u>
- A lift to take members to the clubhouse level.

These plans are attached.

However, there were a number of obstacles in the way, not the least being the cost to Knox. The project was rumoured to cost around \$12 million. Knox decided that our club property was not worth that much to them and walked away from the project.

In a later conversation I had with their Principal John Weekes, he hinted at plans they had prepared for our property. They included several tennis courts and spectator areas. They planned to establish a Championship Tennis Centre, the first on the North Shore, capable of hosting national and international events.





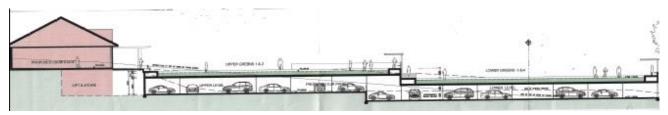
CAR PARKING LEVEL





UPPER LEVEL





SECTION



PERSPECTIVE

Imagine what might have been. In the long term, with the establishment of the child care centre, I think we are better off where we are.

Híllar

Secretary – Warrawee Bowling Club

CONCLUSION FOR THE MONTH

After almost 15 years of commuting to the Club from Castle Hill, Brian and Moonhee have sold their Castle Hill property and will be moving into a new unit on Fox Valley Road.

Our new unit was due to be completed in late February, but is running about 3 months late. The tenants have recently vacated the Club's Cottage (their business relocated to Queensland and was awaiting the border reopening), so Brian and Moonhee are moving in there in the coming days.



I would like to emphasise that this is a normal tenancy arrangement through the Club's letting agent and at the same rent as paid by the vacating tenants.

A reminder that our NEW club website address is:- <u>https://warraweeclub.com.au</u>

Catch up with news as it happens.

Stay safe and stay well.

Brian H



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