

HBC Newsletter

December 2016

Note from Ed:

Hello Honeydewers

As the year draws to a close, nothing could have ended it off any better than the Christmas Lunch last Sunday. The weather held, we had pretty much full house in numbers, the band was fantastic, and Honeydew members did not fail to place their own unique stamp on things....

Our very own Diva Dilis re-launched her career with a spirited guest vocal performance of "Proud Mary" as she ♪ rolled ♪ 'em down the river; Lorna provided backing vocals to guest vocal, accompanied by what can only be described as demure little dance sway movements (and when asked what it feels like to be the husband of such a famed performer, Hardy replied "I can't understand why it's taken so long to discover her"); Lyn did her own indomitable version of a Tina Turner private dancer show on the lapa table again; and pandemonium and mayhem broke out after Hazel mistakenly drank some non-alcoholic champagne (she is still being closely monitored for any life-threatening side effects)....

HBC has clearly made a lasting impression on the band too who immediately asked Cathy if she was going to play bass on the roof again, and who deliberately played "Mustang Sally" to draw their groupie girls back to the microphone and dance floor like last time!

One more thing left before we bid 2016 farewell; the battle of the sexes for the Men vs Women trophy on New Year's Eve. Hope to see you all there. [PS: Tom already has his secret competition twist safely hidden in his pocket...]

From the HBC Committee - May your Christmas season be a peaceful, content, and happy one; if you are travelling, enjoy your time away and take care to come home safely again; and finally, wishing you a New Year filled with all that is meaningful and all that you need.

Condolences

Our condolences to Courtenay, Cheryl & family on the passing of Cheryl's father. Our thoughts are with you.



We extend a warm Honeydew welcome to Brigid Greenway & Pam Dix. Happy bowling, ladies, lovely to see you at the Christmas lunch, and wishing you many more memorable times with us!



Calendar Changes

Please note the following changes to your calendars that were sent out:

Public Holiday Friday 16 December 2016:
Naked Chefs Breakfast - changed to Family Day Bowls with Bring & Braai.

New diary entry:

Saturday 14 January 2017, 12h30 to 13h30:
Member Feedback Session

This is not obligatory, but merely an informal and relaxed chat opportunity to invite member feedback on what's been done so far, and to receive suggestions for committee to take on board.

HBC Accolade of the Month



ORLA

To Orla, her background elves, and everyone else involved who made Christmas Lunch possible, thank you from all of us for your hard work that went into making it such a memorable success.

Ruimsig Visitors

In case you wonder why so many Ruimsig members may suddenly start arriving on our doorstep... their greens are closed for December and we have extended an invitation to their members to come and bowl with us.



Open Day Sunday 22 January 2017

Open Day is being held with the intention to gain new members for HBC and build our club. Not only is this essential to our club's survival, but also forms part of a national Bowls South Africa (BSA) drive, incorporating 1Sport4Life.

Committee is putting a lot of effort into this by placing our ad in various residential estate publications and on community forums; we have also compiled a database of people who have held functions on our premises, and are actively building relationships with them and have invited them to the day as well. But we need YOUR help too, so we ask you to please:

- ✓ Mail our ad to family, friends & work colleagues (ad attached to this mail)
- ✓ Bring at least one person with you on the day (of any race, creed, colour, or age)

We will also need volunteers to assist all our visitors when they take to the greens for the very first time. For this, more info, and any ad avenue suggestions, contact Cathy or Mary-Ann.



OPEN DAY
HONEYDEW BOWLING CLUB

Sunday 22 Jan 2017 • 08:00 • R30pp

Lawn Bowls for Beginners

Lawn Bowls is truly a sport for all ages. So if you're looking for a new interest then lawn bowls could be just the thing for you. Whether you are fiercely competitive or you're seeking a social pastime, there is a place for you at our truly welcoming and friendly club.

You don't need to bring anything with you, we supply bowls and **free coaching**. There's absolutely no obligation but we know you'll definitely want to join.

If you would like to try your hand, please contact
Cathy on 072 383 5607

or Visit our Website for directions and more information:
honeydewbowlingclub.weebly.com

Prego Rolls will be on Sale during the day

AND REMEMBER WHAT IS POTENTIALLY IN IT FOR YOU!

Apart from helping keep HBC alive as a going concern, here is your chance to capitalise on the BSA Incentive scheme which was explained in the last newsletter. If one of your introductions joins the club, your BSA Affiliation Fees will be waived in the next financial year....

More about 1Sport4Life



Check out their website:
www.1sport4life.co.za

Please all "like"
www.facebook.com/1Sport4Life
and
www.facebook.com/BowlsSouthAfrica

The 1Sport4Life campaign is aimed at introducing non-bowlers to the sport & connecting new bowlers with their local bowling clubs.

We have already registered HBC on their website which means we are now on their search engine for when new bowlers look for a club. We can also gain further exposure for photos and events (such as Open Days) which will be shared with their followers if we use the #1sport4life hashtag in our posts. Clubs also receive a rating in terms of meeting certain criteria and we are currently a 6/10 – something we will be working hard to change.

BSA is asking all club members to visit and LIKE the Bowls SA Facebook page to give members access to important & interesting news in the national bowls arena. It will also give insight into the initiatives around the country aimed at growing our sport. Please also LIKE the 1Sport4Life campaign Facebook page. By LIKING these two pages, members will assist to grow bowls by making it more visible to the non-bowling public.

Sables Competition Corner

League

With one game left in 2016, all our Mens and Ladies teams are in wonderfully competitive positions on the league logs. Well played to all, and keep it up when we start again on 28 January 2017!

Mens Super 7s Div 3: Top of log ☺

Mens Super 7s Div 2: Lying solid 2nd to Witpoortjie

Ladies Super 7s Div 2: 1 point behind leader Ruimsig

Ladies 4s Div 1: Lying 2nd to Discovery

Ladies 4s Div 2: Also lying 2nd to Discovery!

Sables & Local Competitions

Sables Super 5's: 29 Jan, 5 & 19 Feb. Cost is R150 per team. Entries close 15 Jan.

Leases Divine Week: Monday 26 December - Friday 30 December 2016 (see poster on board)

Tower Novices: Singles knockout for Novices played at Wanderers & Italian Club (Saturday 14 Jan at 08h30 and each Saturday morning to finals on Saturday 25 Feb). Entries close 10 Jan.

HBC Competition Corner

Allen-Lewis Williams Memorial

Once again, in no time at all, Joss's tournament is already a "sold out" event! A reserve list has now been put up - so if you're hoping for a chance to play, make sure you get your name on that quickly in case there are any withdrawals.

HBC Men vs Ladies

Friday 31 December, followed by bring and braai to see the New Year in. More details will be advised.

HBC Club Championships

Our first Club Championship competitions kick off in January. Entry lists are on the board.

We want to encourage everyone to compete, especially all our new members, so please put your names down as these are drawn events and do not require you to make up your own teams.

Events: Mens Drawn Trips & Ladies Drawn Trips
Dates of Play: Sat 14, Sun 15, Sat 21, Sun 29 Jan.

HBC Website:

<http://honeydewbowlingclub.co.za> or <http://honeydewbowlingclub.weebly.com>

RBC & Harveston Challenges pics: <http://honeydewbowlingclub.weebly.com/competition-gallery.html>

Christmas Party pics (with more to come): <http://honeydewbowlingclub.weebly.com/social-gallery.html>

"Like" our HBC Facebook Page:

<https://web.facebook.com/honeydewbowling.club>

Tabs Duty Roster

DECEMBER 2016

WEDNESDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
		3	Pat W	4	Cathy
7	Tom	10	Eddie	11	Orla
14	Ted	17	June	18	Lyn
21	Ian	24	Brigitta	25	CLUB CLOSED
28	Jutta	31	Brigitta		

JANUARY 2017

WEDNESDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
4	Gerda	7	Mary-Ann	8	Jo-Jo
11	Ted	14	Eddie	15	Lyn
18	Elaine	21	Pat W	22	Chris
25	Tom	28	Peter M	29	Courtenay

... and until next year!