

NEWS FROM AROUND THE GREENS

Hi everybody, I'm back!! After 5 months off work on maternity leave it's nice to get back in to the swing of things in the bowls department. Thanks to everyone for your congratulations and warm welcomes and a big thanks to Anthony for doing a fantastic job filling my role of bowls coordinator while I was away. Anthony will still be involved in the bowls office as he starts to learn the ropes of the games director role over the coming months.

Shane White, Jayden Christie & Tahlia Camilleri competed in the Queensland Junior Championships which were held at Capalaba from the 2nd – 8th April. All 3 of our juniors represented our club fantastically with Shane and Jayden teaming together to win the State Junior pairs, Shane and his team of Gold Coasters also won the State Junior Fours, and then Shane finished a tremendous week of bowls by taking out the State Junior Singles crown by defeating Australian U18 Singles Champion Jacob Nelson. After the week long campaign, the state selectors announced the Queensland Junior Squad for 2016 with both Shane White and Jayden Christie being selected in the squad of 14.

Seven of our Hawks players represented Queensland at the Australian Sides Championships which were held in Canberra from the 31st March – 3rd April – Pam Rowe, Lynsey Clarke, Mark Casey, Brett Wilkie, Nathan Rice, Mark Thatcher and Braiden Leese. Results didn't go all Queensland's way with the women finishing in 4th spot and the men finishing in 5th. The men's event was won by Victoria and the women's event by NSW. During this event Mark Thatcher notched up 100 interstate caps for Queensland while Mark Casey announced his retirement from State bowls due to work and family reasons.

Our club premier 7's campaign was completed in early April with five of our teams qualifying for finals action after completion of the home and away season. Unfortunately we were unable to win a flag this year with some cliff-hanger matches and some challenging conditions experienced at the Bramble Bay Bowls Club. Well done to all players for representing the Hawks so well over the year, I'm sure you all enjoyed your time in this great competition. Finals results below —

- Div 3 Team 1 – Lost 3/0 to South Acacia in the Top 16 Playoff
- Div 3 Team 2 – Lost 2/1 to Ipswich City in the Semi Final
- Div 5 Team 1 – Lost 3/0 to Mermaid Beach in the Semi Final
- Div 5 Team 2 – Lost 3/0 to South Tweed in the Semi Final
- Div 5 60+ Team – Lost 3/0 to Brighton in the Final

The final of our men's club fours was held on the 9th of April with two crackerjack sides putting on an extremely entertaining and high quality match. After 20 ends neither side could be separated with scores locked at 20 all. After 4 killed ends the final and winning shot of the match went to Anthony Kiepe's team of Geoff Gray, Braiden Leese and

Anthony Fantini. Gallant in defeat were the runners up of Brad Clarke, Mark Thatcher, Nathan Rice and Adam White. All the best to our team as they represent Club Helensvale later in the year at the Champion of Champions playoffs.

The men's open singles & pairs championships are down to the pointy end. Mark Casey is our first Grand Finalist in the singles after defeating Josh Farnsworth in his semi final 25-19. Mark will play the winner of semi final number 2 between Brett Wilkie and Nathan Rice. Mark will be busy again in the second of his club championships finals in the pairs, this time teaming up with Jayden Christie. They will play Chris Mitchell and Larry Pointon with dates for these matches yet to be announced. Keep your eyes and ears out around the club for notices once a date is set.

Our Men's B Singles championship is down to the semi final stage with Luke Wilson to play Snake Phillips and Gary Hanna to play Steve Sail. The Men's Senior Pairs title will be a battle between Barry Holmes/Geoff O'Meagher and Bob Edwards/Stan Sheldon. These will be some tremendous games, good luck and all the best in your quests for a 2016 club championship trophy.

The ladies open triples championship is also at Grand Final stage. Sure to be a fantastic match between these two teams—Rosemary Starky, Cheryl Hutchinson and Bev Perkins will take on June Buckenham, Judy Gillett and Joy Green. Good luck ladies and may the best team win!

On Sunday 24th April, we saw the inaugural Anzac Bowls Challenge Day take place. With 126 players taking to the greens for this event, spearheaded and driven by Barry Holmes, it was a fantastic success. On the eve of Anzac day it was wonderful to see so many of our club members support this day, dressed in their traditional Australian or 'the rest' colours. With all funds and proceeds raised from this day going to the Mates 4 Mates Returned Soldiers charity, our members and club can be so proud with \$5000 raised from the day!!! The winners on the day were Team Australia. A big congratulations to everyone for your participation and support and to Barry, Pat, Alan, the ladies on the raffle and all involved in the running and organising of the day—well done to you. What a fantastic donation we can now provide to this very worthy cause.

This coming month we will see more club champions for 2016 crowned, the Queensland State Championships will take place at clubs around the coast, as will the District Sides Championships. There are various tournaments on with many of our Club Helensvale players getting out and about representing us in these events. Good luck to everyone in your competitions, Go Hawks!

Lynsey Clarke
BOWLS COORDINATOR



PREMIER 7'S FINALS ACTION



CLUB HELENSVALE PHOTO GALLERY



(Photos clockwise from top left) Mark Thatcher 100 Games for QLD; Lynsey Clarke meets 2018 Comm Games Mascot Borobi; Winners from Anzac Challenge Day; Best Dressed Aussie Craig Holmes; QLD Open State Team for 2016; QLD Junior State Squad for 2016.



NORTH GOLD COAST RSL SUB-BRANCH

(Now meeting at Club Helensvale)
All correspondence to:
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Sub Branch activities: Please note your diaries with the following details:

Upcoming events:

2016 Committee Meeting Dates (0930)

18 June (moved forward due to State Congress end June)
27 August
29 October

2016 General Meeting Dates (0930)

28 May (AGM and GM) (Annual Luncheon at Club Helensvale)
30 July
24 September
26 November

2016 Annual Dinner

19 November (Date claimer)

Check out this young local from Helensvale:

<https://www.facebook.com/rachelbostockmusic/videos/995826637176091/>

AGM

The Sub Branch AGM is on Saturday 28th May at Club Helensvale. Nomination forms to the Secretary by 13th May 2016.

Upper Coomera Centre Exercise Physiology

Introducing a new veterans' hydrotherapy and exercise rehabilitation at the brand new Upper Coomera Community Centre. Eligible Veterans may be entitled to full services for no charge. We offer exercise rehabilitation for injury, pain or illness. We provide fitness, balance and flexibility programs that can be completed both on site and in the privacy of your own home. We offer hydrotherapy programs in the heated pool on site, perfect for back pain, severe injury or to exercise in a pain free environment.

We are located at the Corner of Reserve Road and Abrahams Road, Upper Coomera.

To discuss your eligibility for free services or to have a chat and find out more, please call Harnee Dove (Accredited Exercise Physiologist and Exercise Scientist) on 0434 284 287.

Veteran Health Assistance

Ms Donna Howard Exercise and Neuro Physiologist from Allied Health Performance Medical is available to assist the veterans and in support of DVA programs. To have a chat and find out more, please call Donna (Accredited Exercise and Neuro Physiologist) on 0410196907 or at her business Shop 3/320 Olsen Ave Parkwood 07 55631689.

Active Body Conditioning - Exercise Physiologists

P. 0401 857 859 E. info@activebodyconditioning.com.au
Active Body Conditioning values the importance of self-management, personalised care and excellent service. ABC believes exercise is the cornerstone of care and we are constantly familiarising ourselves with the most up to date approach to exercise management and testing.

Recognition

The Sub Branch would like to recognise the generous and on-going support for its fundraising activities by Club Helensvale members.

Service News Papers on line:

RAN:

http://digital.realviewtechnologies.com/default.aspx?xml=defencenews_navy.xml

Army:

http://digital.realviewtechnologies.com/default.aspx?xml=defencenews_army.xml

RAAF:

http://digital.realviewtechnologies.com/default.aspx?xml=defencenews_airforce.xml

New Zealand Defence Force

<http://www.nzdf.mil.nz/>

RSL National President news letters

<http://www.rsl.org.au/News/National-Presidents-Messages>

RSL Queensland State Chairman's news letters

<http://www.rslqld.org/media/>

MEET ANTHONY KIEPE

Age: 38

Nickname: Chookie

Family: Wife Kellie, Kids Emma,

Georgie, Kuga + Nate

Bowls history: Been playing 23

years. Australian Cap #126, 48

International games. 314

Queensland appearances.

Helensvale Hawks bowler and

employee since 2007



Work History:

1998 - 2002 Mermaid Beach

Greenkeeper Apprentice

2002 - 2007 Club Pine Rivers

Duty Manager

2007 - 2015 Club Helensvale

Gaming Attendant

2015 < Club Helensvale

Bowls Department Employee



Over the next couple of months you will be seeing a lot more of Anthony in the bowls arena of our club as he joins our returning Bowls Coordinator Lynsey Clarke in the bowls office in a permanent capacity as he takes on and learns the ropes involved with the role of Club Games Director.

Anthony will be in the Games office every week day and, with the assistance of Lynsey and our valuable games office volunteers, be responsible for organising and running our daily club social bowls and club competitions.

For those members that are yet to meet 'Chookie' don't forget to introduce yourself next time you're in the bowls office.

BOWLS COACHING

Thursday mornings from 9.00am or by appointment

Bob Hill 5573 2776 Brenda Walker 5573 7273
Ron Wallace 5556 0046 Cameron Wilson 0452421961
Brett Wilkie 0427965169 Jim Merrick 0429371695
Nathan Rice 0415750512 Lynsey Clarke 0401643958

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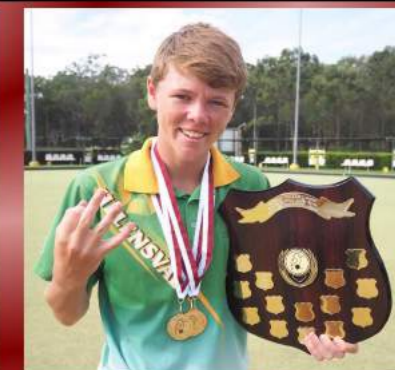
SHANE WHITE + JAYDEN CHRISTIE



PAIRS GOLD



FOURS GOLD



SINGLES GOLD

FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK



Graham Brittain

2016 Queensland Junior Squad.

There are a few championship games coming up, good luck to those playing in the Men's Open Singles & Pairs, Men's B Singles, and Ladies Open Triples.

Mother's Day is just around the corner and we will be celebrating mums here at the club with a full buffet breakfast on Sunday 8th from 8-10am. There will be many delicious things on the menu such as a selection of pastries and buttermilk pancakes and it is only \$15 per person and children half price. As an extra little surprise the first 100 mums will receive a

chocolate rose. For those who come for lunch or dinner, Mum will receive a free glass of sparkling wine with any main a la carte meal from the blu bistro.

The members only Monday night promotion at blu bistro is proving to be very popular! I can certainly understand why, as every main meal purchased from the a la carte menu receives one meal free of equal or lesser value. You can't get better value than that!

Someone will be the lucky winner of a brand new Toyota RAV4 or \$20,000 cash this month. Don't forget all you need to do to enter is to simply dine, drink or play. Every \$20 spent earns you a ticket. There are key draws every Saturday and Sunday until the major draw and it might be you driving away in a brand new car on Sunday 29th May.

It's that time again. Memberships will need to be renewed at the start of the new financial year. Get in early now and if you renew your one year membership before the 30th June you will be in the running to win \$1000 cash!

I hope to see you around this club this month!