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Stewart Bills Wins Bowler of the Year



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This year we have entered teams in Grade 2 and Grade 4 Pennants.

ROUND 1. At TOONGABBIE. 5th March

GRADE 2 V. CASTLE HILL 2

Toonie won 46 – 29 winning both rinks

GRADE 4 V. RIVERSTONE

Toonie won 48 -28 winning 1 rink

GREAT EFFORT GIRLS WINNING BOTH GRADES.

ROUND 2. At NORTHMEAD. 7th March

GRADE 2. V, NORTHMEAD

Toonie won 43 – 37 winning 1 rink.

GRADE 4 V. NORTHMAD

Northmead won 43- 36 winning 1 rink.

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>ROUND 1</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ROUND 1</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
DENNIS LEAHY	10	10	TREVOR LORD	5	5
LLOYD ROWE	10	10	WOL	5	5
ATTILA PUSZTAI	6	6	WULFY	5	5
BARRY TROTH	6	6	ROSS SINCLAIR	5	5
BEN BARBA SHOW	6	6	ALEX BOULTON	4	4
BRONWYN LINEHAN	6	6	DEBBIE BREWER	4	4
JOHN OSBORNE	6	6	DEBRA LAWLER	4	4
LITTLE RABS	6	6	DAMIEN LAWLER	4	4
PETER BOWDEN	6	6	DAVID BRYANT	4	4
ROSS KIRWAN	6	6	DENNIS RADCLIFFE	4	4
RUTH WESTON	6	6	DUANE GORRY	4	4
DEBBIE WAKLING	6	6	GUY ANNAND	4	4
SUE OSBORNE	6	6	GLENDA ANNAND	4	4
BARRY NORRIS	5	5	GEORGE BATMANY	4	4
CLEAVAND DAVIES	5	5	GRAHAM SINCLAIR	4	4
DOROTHY DAVIES	5	5	JENNIE LAING	4	4
GWENDA FLETCHER	5	5	JEREMY SUFFOLK	4	4
JIM MCKENZIE	5	5	MICK HOLDSWORTH	4	4
JOHN BAKER	5	5	RYAN SUCKLING	4	4
JAYSON BAKER	5	5	STUART HAWKINS	4	4
JOHN ROACH	5	5	THE PHANTOM	4	4
JENNIFER WILSON	5	5	THE ROOSTER	4	4
LAURA MOWBRAY	5	5	TERESA WESTON	4	4
LORRAINE TROTH	5	5	VIRGIL	4	4
MICK MINOR	5	5	BRIAN GREEN	3	3
MICHEAL FLANAGAN	5	5	DANIEL TENISON	3	3
NATHAN MINOR	5	5	DARREN WOODS	3	3
PAUL BOWDEN	5	5	FIONA CONNAGHTON	3	3
PAT LORD	5	5	GRAHAM POMERY	3	3
PAT LINEHAN	5	5	JENNA LAING	3	3
PETER JOHNSON	5	5	KEVIN ANNAND	3	3
ROSS DUSTING	5	5	ROBERT CALVERT	3	3
STEVEN BOULTON	5	5	SNOOP DOG JOHNNY	2	2
THE BOSS	5	5	HOOK	1	1
TIM HEYES	5	5			

Brothers Master the Green in Club Fours

The conclusion of the 2013 Club Fours occurred last weekend with the semi - finals and final being played. The semi – final match ups were exciting on paper with Ben Richards against young gun Nick “Boo Boo” Redcliffe and Brett “Cyril” Hughes against Paul “Harps” Harper.

These match ups didn't disappoint with both being close games. The Richards v Redcliffe game started early and this suited all players. Ben Richard's team were extremely consistent all game but it was young gun Nick Redcliffe with assistant from 3rd Todd “Tubby” Lonergan who played the big bowls when it counted to lead their team to a 21-16 win.

The 2nd semi – final was played in the afternoon with a good crowd in attendance. And the crowd were not disappointed with the match being a high standard contest. Opposing leads Shane Partridge and Peter Dive had a fantastic tussle with honours shared. With 4 ends left Harps led 18-12 but Cyril was in excellent form and converted the next 3 ends to be holding the lead until the last bowl of the 20th end which saw Harps draw 2nd shot and go into the last 18-17 in front.

With only the skips bowls to play on the 21st end, Cyril held 2 after a terrific drive by Mick “Lombo” Lombardi to take out 3 bowls. Cyril drew another shot for 3 and the game came down to the last bowl. With Harper's team winning on the last end in the previous round, Harps did it again with a back hand on shot clipping the jack back to the back bowl of his team and a 19-17 win.

The final saw Toongabbie's youngest player James Killick, Graeme Callaghan, Todd Lonergan and Nick Redcliffe against Peter Dive, Gary Harper, Jeff McDonald and Paul Harper. Jeff McDonald was brought into the side to replace Kyle Martinez who was in Melbourne qualifying for the Australian Open. The Men's Committee also introduce a new initiative with drinks and a BBQ for spectators watching the final.

Harps scooted out to a 7-2 lead after 5 ends only for Redcliffe to fight back to lead 9-7 after 8 ends. On the 9th end was the turning point of the game. Down 3 on the end, Harps played a drive to move the jack into the ditch to hold 3. Unfortunately Redcliffe could not draw the shot and Harps played a fantastic draw with his last to gain 4. This was the boost of confidence Harpers team needed and it showed as they shot out to a 16-9 lead after 12 ends with McDonald outstanding.

But young gun Redcliffe kept his team upbeat with Graeme “Dirty Harry” Callaghan playing superbly to fight back to 14-16 after 14 ends. Harpers team steadied the onslaught to hold a 21-16 lead on 19 ends. Again Harps came to the fore on the 20th end. Down 4 with his last bowl to play, Harps drove successfully to remove 2 shots and led 21-18 going into the last.

With lead Peter Dive putting his first bowl right on the jack and Gary Harper doing the same with his first bowl, McDonald and Harps just had to play cover bowls and the title was theirs. And with all their efforts, Redcliffe's team could not remove these 2 bowls and victory was secured to Paul Harper's team 23-18.

2013 Pennant Season has arrived

The 2013 Pennant season commences this Saturday with the Men's Bowling Club entering 5 teams in this year's competition. With 18 new players to the club, new and present players have been trying their best to impress the selectors. It's every bowler's dream to win a State Pennant flag and Toongabbie Titans will be striving to achieve this with teams entered in the 1's, 2's 4's 5's and 7's.

The 1's travel up the hill to play arch rivals and 2012 Zone 10 Champions Northmead. Northmead has been decimated with players leaving the club with Don "The Don" Strickland coming to the Titans. It was a close game last year where the Titans were favourites only to lose by 6. After recent good trial form against Cabramatta and St John's Park, the 1's are primed and pumped for revenge.

The 2's have been strengthened with the Titans recruiting program during the "silly season". With club legend PJ primed to show the new players the Titans fighting spirit, the 2's venture to the club known for their Bunny's outfits, The Hills. Slow greens suit The Hills players so the 2's will need to get off to a good start to secure victory.

The 4's will have another week to practice as Zone officials having given this grade a bye. Hopefully players in this grade will watch their team mates this weekend.

The 5's are the only home team this weekend. The team will be wishing for fine conditions this week to ensure "Tiger" and Matt get the green running at its quickest against Brush Park, a team suited to slow greens. The 5's have been struggling in the trials but the selectors and players are confident they can turn this around this weekend.

The 7's also travel up the hill with the 1's to play Northmead. Northmead 7's have been the pinnacle team over the last few years in this grade but the selectors have made some interesting choices for this grade. Hopefully these choices will bear fruit and the 7's come away with the win.

There will be full reports on all games in the next edition of the Toonie Tele.

Martinez Impresses at Australian Open

New Toongabbie Titans recruit Kyle "Yogi" Martinez has impressed numerous players and officials this week by reaching the last 16 of the Australian Open Singles.

Martinez, 19, the first player targeted by the Titans recruitment program for 2013, decided to enjoy a "holiday" with his dad Tony for 2 weeks while watching the Australian Open. But his boss, Greenmaster and NSW Legend Paul "Harps" Harper decided as part of his holiday to make Kyle play in the "Last Chance" Qualifying events.

With no success in the Triples, "Yogi" was against former Titan Mark "Dougie" Jacobsen in the Pairs. Partnered with his dad, they pushed "Dougie" all the way in 2 close sets before losing. Kyle's last chance was in the Singles before putting his "feet up".

But with his boss playing in the Club Fours final last Saturday before venturing down to watch his employee, Kyle was told to wear the Greenmaster outfit by Harps to change his luck. The tournament commenced with 128 players desperate to get into the main draw.

With the games being sets play over 2 x 9 ends and if tied a 3 end tie break, Kyle commenced his first game with a 5-3 tie break win. The second game was not looking good for Kyle while losing the first set 8-5 but he showed the new Titan spirit by winning the 2nd set 12-8 and the tie break 5-0. The round of 32 winners determined the qualifiers for the main draw. Kyle again showed fighting spirit to win by the narrowest of margins 3-2 in the tie break set.

After a day's break, Kyle was amongst the best 128 bowlers from around Australasia contesting in the Blue Ribbon Australian Open Singles. Kyle got off to a great start in the 1st round with a 10-5, 7-7 victory. His next opponent was predicted to be current NSW player Wayne Turley but with his shock exit, this enabled Kyle to have the opportunity to advance and he took the chance with a gritty 8-8, 8-5 win.

Onto the next round of 32 and the pressure was on Kyle to continue. He had grown in confidence and without much fuss easily accounted for his opponent 9-4, 11-2. Next on his list was current NSW player Terry Antram in the round of 16. This game became the game of the round and a dogfight lasting over 2 hours.

Kyle won the first set 7-6 but lost the second set 5-7. Onto the tie break and with single shots on the first 2 ends to Antram, it came down to the last bowl where Kyle had trailed the jack for a possible 2 shots. A hush came over the large crowd watching the game as Antram won the measure by millimetres and game 6-7, 7-5, 3-0.

Kyle was disappointed but in reflection *"for me to qualify for the Aussie Open was a dream come true. Every game after qualifying was a bonus for me and a great experience to play against some of the nation's best."*

Bills Takes Top Honour at Presentation Night

There was only one event bigger than the Toongabbie Mens & Ladies Presentation on Saturday night and that was the Gay & Lesbian Mardi Grass which I believe was also well supported by Toongabbie members. A large crowd of 108 people packed into the Toongabbie Sports Club to honour our 2012 Club Champions and find out who would take out the 2012 player of the year.

This was the first time the Men & Women had joined forces to have a joint presentation night. The ladies were in charge of decorating the room and what a great job they done leaving no stone unturned as they stunned everyone with their creative ideas. President Betty Long presented Mary-Anne Large & Jo Mears with a bunch of flowers for all their hard work.

Amongst the large crowd was our Valued Sponsors Guardian Funerals, Castlebrook Memorial Park, Greenmaster Bowls, Eddies Meats, Bluestone Pizza & Grill, TSC CEO and Board of Directors. The crowd was wowed by the very funny comedian Greg Hayes. He had the crowd in stitches as you could hear President Bob Calvert laughing from the dunnies.



wish her a speedy recovery. I'm sure the ladies can't wait to get her back on the bowling green for Pennants.

Everyone came to see the Champions but in my eyes everyone who attended are Champions. If you don't have entries in the events you can't run them, and we had some great fields throughout the events.

In the Ladies it was Lyn Skeers who stole the show winning all events she played in. Lyn has had a couple of health problems of late and we all



up the good work Brad".

The Men's Bowling Club encouragement award was a popular winner with junior bowler James Killick taking out the award. James accepted the award in front of his mother and gran parents who travelled from Port Macquarie for the night. The most improved bowler went to Brad Suffolk who won the Major/Minor Pairs and made the semi-final of the Major Singles "Keep

There were some great performances throughout the year with Peter Dive going back to back in the Major Singles. Peter was very emotional and said the highlight was winning it in front of my father. Peter also created another great performance by teaming up with junior bowler Kimberley Dredge to take out the Mixed Pairs. Peter paid tribute to Kimberley for the way she played and told the crowd she has a big future in the game. However the night belonged to Stewart Bills who won the Club Triples, Club Fours & Minor Singles. Stewart also went within 2 shots of beating Peter Dive in the Major Singles.



Winners of the Ladies Triples Pat Hogan (Sponsor Paul Harper) Sharon Batcheldor and Lyn Skeers



Nelsons Grove

Pennant round 2

With round one being washed out the new younger looking Grade one team set off to cause an upset against the fancied Wentworthville Leagues team. Paul Harper had a pep talk and with Peter Dive adding his comments the boys were keen for a good start to the year. Toongabbie got off to a great start and confidence was growing with the boys with every bowl.

After 28 ends Toongabbie had a 28-26 lead when players were called off due to the weather. With the sky's opening up we all thought it was good night Irene when suddenly the sun shined through and we were able to get back on with the game. Wentworthville Leagues under the new leadership of Mick Harry came out as a different team and attitude and put the cleaners right through Toongabbie to score the next 30 unanswered shots. Keith "captain" Smith restored some pride picking up a three on the last end to have a draw but it was all too late as Toongabbie went down 52-73.

Grade four stayed at home to take on the fancied Pennant Hills team. Toongabbie boys had a lot of new bowlers in and the boys had been trailing very well. Toongabbie did not disappoint going to an early lead. Everyone was called in because of the weather and when they went back out to play Toongabbie shifted up another gear.

New recruit Todd "I love Parra" Lonergan lead the way from the front having a big win on his rink. Bill Lawrence also led his team very well with Tony Partridge producing a big game to streak away on their rink. Bowler of the year Stewart Bills rallied his troops as they struggled on the slower greens to go down by eight shots. Toongabbie won 76 to 44.

Grade seven stayed at home to take on arch rivals Wentworthville Leagues. Toongabbie got off to a great start on all rinks with some exceptional bowls from "Breakfast Bob" and his team. Ron Williamson kept his good record from the pennant trials staying undefeated. With all rinks winning it was a great start. We have now been informed Wentworthville Leagues played an illegal player and have lost all their shots.

Grade two & five had the bye.

Free Coaching Lessons for all ages



Contact our Bowls Coordinator Brett Hughes for free coaching lessons. Brett will organise one of our six coaches to take you through your paces and learn the great game of bowls.



Pennant Teams

The following players have been selected to represent Toongabbie **Saturday**
Grade

EVENT: **Pennant** Grade **1** ROUND: **4**

AGAINST: **Merrylands** AT: **Merrylands**

ON: **16th March 2013** START **12:40pm**

Players to be at Toongabbie no later than: **11:30am**

Names must be ticked by Thursday: **5:00pm** Captain: **D. Begg**

Lead	P. Dive	V. Araujo	S. Partridge
Second	K. Martinez	P.J	N. Redcliffe
Third	D. Strickland	B. Richards	D. Banasiak
Skip	P. Harper	B. Hughes	K. Smith
Unavailable			

The following players have been selected to represent Toongabbie **Saturday**
Grade

EVENT: **Pennant** Grade **2** ROUND: **4**

AGAINST: **Wenty Leagues** AT: **Wenty Leagues**

ON: **16th March 2013** START **12:40pm**

Players to be at Toongabbie no later than: **11:30am**

Names must be ticked by Thursday: **5:00pm** Captain: **A. Dahari**

Lead	P. Farcic	B. Troth	G. Campbell
Second	T. Clay	N. Sawell	M. Lombardi
Third	A. Brien	J. McDonald	G. Callaghan
Skip	K. Anderson	B. Jenkins	A. Batt
Unavailable			

The following players have been selected to represent Toongabbie **Saturday**
Grade

EVENT: **Pennant** Grade **4** ROUND: **4**

AGAINST: **Northmead** AT: **Toongabbie**

ON: **16th March 2013** START **12.40pm**

Players to be at Toongabbie no later than: **12.15pm**

Names must be ticked by Thursday: **5:00pm** Captain: **M. Degan**

Lead	B. Allen	P. Strong	D. Lawler
Second	T. Millan	K. Freeland	G. Harper
Third	A. Williamson	T. Partridge	P. Kelly
Skip	B. Lawrence	T. Lonergan	S. Bills
Unavailable		B. Suffolk	

The following players have been selected to represent Toongabbie Saturday			
Grade			
EVENT:	Pennant	5	ROUND: 4
AGAINST:	Rosehill		AT: Toongabbie
ON:	16th March 2013	START	12:40pm
Players to be at Toongabbie no later than:			12:15pm
Names must be ticked by Thursday:			5:00pm Captain: M. Shiel
Lead	D. McLandsbrough	D. Gorry	A. Chadwick
Second	M. Moseley	S. Dollin	D. Ruse
Third	J. McKenzie	A. Watson	E. Daniel
Skip	M. Cutmore	G. Martin	S. Ramsay
Unavailable		C. Gahan	

The following players have been selected to represent Toongabbie Saturday			
Grade			
EVENT:	Pennant	7	ROUND: 4
AGAINST:	Castle Hill		AT: Castle Hill
ON:	16th March 2013	START	12:40pm
Players to be at Toongabbie no later than:			11:30am
Names must be ticked by Thursday:			5:00pm Captain: J. Mawdsley
Lead	W. Robertson	J. Killick	K. James
Second	P. Nolan	B. Calvert	J. Nunan
Third	M. Boatswain	D. Letford	D. Rothery
Skip	R. Williamson	J. McLeish	G. Berkenmeyer
Unavailable		A. Ratcliffe	

Reserves	S. Thompson	M. Shiel	
	R. Houghton	H. Arthurs	
	J. Bodley	M. White	

Major Pairs Draw

Round 1	Round 2	Quarter final	Semi-final	Final
17/03/2013	24/03/2013	24/03/2013	7/03/2013	7/03/2013
P.J / J. McDonald				
B. Jenkins / S. Bills				
Bye				
K. James / D. McLandsbrough				
D. Rothery / A. Ratcliffe				
C. McClure / D. Lawler				
J. McKemie / A. Watson				
D. Phelps / T. Loneragan				
B. Hughes / D. Strickland				
S. Caundle / N. Redcliffe				
BYE				
J. Suffolk / N. Sawell				
A. Batt / T. Clay				
D. Banasiak / P. Dive				
P. Harper / G. Harper				
A. Williamson / R. Williamson				
BYE				
K. Smith / G. Callaghan				
G. Berkenmyer / J. Nunan				
BYE				
B. Robinson / S. Dollin				
D. Letford / M. Cutmore				
K. Martinez / V. Araujo				
S. Ramsay / A. Chadwick				
B. Richards / S. Partridge				
T. Heyes / M. Shiel				
K. Freeland / M. Degan				
P. Newton / S. Thompson				
T. Partridge / G. Campbell				
B. Lawrence / B. Calvert				
W. Allen / P. Kelly				
K. Anderson / B. Troth				

Message from the President



The presentation night for 2012 was held as a joint Ladies and Men's event for the first time. What a wonderful success this event with Brett Hughes doing a magnificent job as MC. President Betty welcomed all the members and their partners and presented flowers to Mary-Anne of Guardian Funerals and also to Jo Mears for her loyalty to the club.

The tables were decorated by the Ladies of the Women's Bowling Club and what a sterling effort with the tables looking magnificent, Thank you ladies.

Lastly I would like to thank all the sponsors, as well as Brett Hughes, Barry Troth and Ladies President Betty for the great effort on the night.

The Comedian for the night was Greg Heyes and he was on the stage for about 1 hour and had all the guests in stitches with his jokes and imitations of different people. What a great success he was on the night.

Pennants have now started and we are looking for a solid effort from all the players and teams during the year and do not forget that there is training as part of our Player agreement. If you are unable to attend training you should let Brett know.

We have the Taylor Challenge starting on the 13th March at Wenty Leagues and we hope to have a lot of club members there to support our team. The game starts at 6.00pm and will run for 3 weeks.

In closing I must say that the feedback on the new renovation has been very positive and we must look to encouraging past members to come and see what a big difference it has made to the club.

Yours in bowls

Bob Calvert

Guess Who Don't Sue

Who is the bowler whose wife took half a day off work to welcome him back from a bowls trip away? The bowler and his partner were wearing a grin when they walked into the club.

Who are the two people about to be engaged in a raffle rage? There is a big dispute over the Easter raffle. Do we need one or two fridges?

Who is the Wests Tigers supporter who was cheering on Monday night? The reason he was cheering was because his side knocked Parramatta out of top spot.

World's Greatest Shave



MIGAS Apprentices & Trainees and Taurus Service Centre are once again being brave and shaving their heads for the World's Greatest Shave 2013!

Last year a number of the Toongabbie Sports and Bowling Club members donated their time, money and heads to be shaved. MIGAS and Taurus Service Centre are hoping to double the money they raised last year being \$5,500.00, and have asked for the

support of the local community and bowling club to come down and support such a great cause.

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World No. 2
Safuan Said



World No. 3
Aron Sherriff

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