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It's a wrap.....



As 2012 is over we are all looking forward to a great 2013.

2012 wasn't our best on the Bowling Green but things are looking up for a successful pennant season in all grades. We have lost a few players but have also gained some up and coming members.

We do have one bowler heading for a hat trick in 2013! Peter Dive has won back to back Singles Championships over 2011/2012. No pressure Divey!

Heartache was felt all around the Toongabbie area when Parramatta was handed the spoon in this year's NRL Premiership. Under the guidance of one of our greatest players Ricky Stuart can they turn it around in 2013? Rumour has it that our very own Club Chairman, David Nugent, who came out of retirement to take over the reins at Wentworthville Magpies Sydney Shield could be called up for a start as Assistant Coach. Watch this space in 2013.....

Something that I think came as big surprise to those involved in the Punters Club Challenge was the big win by the 10,000 for a second year running. As a reporter does, I have been keeping my ear to the ground and have heard that one husband will not forget the success of his wife in the near future.

One thing that is sure to make a return in 2013 is our Business House Twilight Competition. This years winners were the Phoenix Softball Team who will be looking to backup their win next year. It brought different sporting and drinking groups into the Club and we have had nothing but positive feedback and a heads up for those that weren't involved this year. Get in early for an enjoyable 6 weeks of bowls and socialising.

Those of you that haven't been at the club lately will be surprised when you next come down. The renovations are coming along very nicely and all things are looking great. The renovations should be finalized for the start of our pennant season.

I hope that all of the readers and their families had a wonderful Xmas and an enjoyable New Year.



TOONGABBIE SOCIAL GOLF CLUB

Pictured below is our current "A" grade champion EDDIE, who, while representing the club at a champions golf day at Richmond golf club last Sunday beat all competition, shooting a miraculous 10 under off the stick to claim the overall champions trophy. The day was well represented from various clubs around Sydney. Congratulations Ed!!!

Also last Sunday was our last game for 2012 & our Christmas party, a good day was had by all although a few members woke up on Monday with headaches. On the day we

played a 4 man ambrose event, winners below;

Paddy Bills

David Nugent

Lloyd Rowe

Kevin Farr

Unbelievably the winning group drew the first group & also had the president of the golf club (Paddy Bills) & the chairman of the club (Dave Nugent) in the side. It was fair to say they weren't the most popular people at the presentation.

Below are our 2012 grade winners;

A GRADE: Eddie Varinzaz

B GRADE: Greg McManus

C GRADE: Michael Flanagan

Congratulations to the 2012 champions.

It has been a good year for the social golf club & the President & committee look forward to seeing all members in 2013 for another fun year.

Message from the President



I was invited to Presentation Night at Northmead High School on the 11th December, 2012 to participate in the yearly awards. This school was the one attended by Nick Sawell. I was pleasantly surprised when I was given the honor of presenting the awards for Sportsman of the Year, Sportswoman of the

Year and best sporting all-rounder of the Year.

I was also surprised when I saw our local female junior Kim Dredge take out the top prize in Childhood Studies. Congratulations Kim. It was good to be able to fly the flag of our club.

The Ham day was a great success considering the weather, Thank you Brett and Barry on another great effort.

We will be fielding five teams in the pennants this year and all the bowlers should commit themselves for the 10 games.

The Christmas raffle was drawn and I would like to congratulate all the winners and everybody who participated.

The Committee and I would like to thank all members and guest for their ongoing support of the Mens Bowling Club and I look forward to catching up with you all around the club in the near future.

Yours in Bowling
Bob Calvert



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Pennants 2013

The 2013 Pennant season is fast approaching with Toongabbie experiencing many player changes during the "silly season". The Selectors have been discussing the changes at length, trying to determine and identify the best position for each player.

With up to 20 new players arriving, as well as players leaving or not deciding to play this year, the Selectors have organised 4 trials to give themselves the best opportunity to look at all the players.

These trial dates are

12 January – In House trial

18 & 19 January – Cabramatta

2 February – Glenbrook

15 & 17 February – St Johns Park

The first round of Pennants will commence on Saturday 23rd February. The Selectors have nominated Grade 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 for this year.

New players to Toongabbie this year are

Don Strickland (Current Zone 10 Rep), Shane Partridge (current Zone 10 Rep), Kyle Martinez (current Zone 10 Rep), Ben Richards (Zone 9 Rep 2012), Todd Lonergan, Tony Partridge, Nick Redcliffe, Bill Allen, Tony Millan, Mark Shiel, Graham Campbell, Bill Lawrence, Steve Thompson, Geoff Martin, D McLandsbrough and K James. It is also great to see the full return of Victor Araujo this season plus Michael Lombardi, George Hawryluk, Jim Mawdsley and Pat Kelly after a few years away.

Some notable absentees are Glen Faric (ACT), Jeremy Suffolk (golf) and Barry Troth.

Can players please indicate as soon as possible to the Selectors if they are unavailable for any trials or Pennant games.

GO THE TITANS

The return of Richard Williams

It was fantastic to see Richard Williams enjoying himself at the recent Friday bowls Christmas party. In mid 2012, Richard was involved in an extremely serious pedestrian accident on Old

Windsor Road. The extensive injuries Richard received due to the accident caused him to be in a coma for 3 long months. Richard and good friend Cleve Davies worked together for a long time organising and running Friday bowls. Though numbers were very low at one stage, Richard would always propose new ideas to the Bowls Committee to have Fridays succeed. Though Richard will never fully recover from the injuries received, he was blessed when coming out of the coma to see his beloved Sydney Swans win the AFL Premiership. We look forward to seeing more of Richard around the bowling greens in 2013.

Presentation Night 2012

Unfortunately due to the extensive Club renovations, the Men's Bowling Club Presentation Night in November has been re-scheduled to Saturday 3rd March.

For the first time in the Club's history, both the Men's and Ladies Bowling Clubs have agreed to combine their presentation and be held on the same evening. Both Committees should be congratulated on this initiative.

Further information about the Presentation Night will be displayed around the Club and in future editions of the Toongabbie Telegraph.

Australia Day 2013

The Men's Bowling Club have organised a great day for Australia Day, Saturday 26th January.

The day will be a Mixed Grill Day. Cost is \$20.

Club Fours Championship

Nominations for the 2013 Club Fours Championship closes on Friday 25th January with the 1st round on Sunday 3rd February.

The logo for Bluestone PIZZA & GRILL features the word "Bluestone" in a large, blue, cursive script font. Below it, the words "PIZZA & GRILL" are written in a bold, black, sans-serif, all-caps font.



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WORLD NO. 1
Leif Selby



World No. 2
Safuan Said



World No. 3
Aron Sherriff

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Guess Who Don't Sue

Who is the employee that locked himself and the patrons out of the club? The employee who works on the front door went outside for a look and shut the front entrance door behind him.

Who is the well know bowls committee member who was out to impress some sponsors at a recent lunch? The sponsors were very impressed at how many times the member spilled gravy on his bowls shirt.

Who is the bowler that was told his bowling ability is a bit like his shirt? Fading.

Who was the board member that was surprised when he found out Facebook is not a photo album full of different people's pictures?

Who is the bowler that has been picked in the Zone 10 team to play at Toongabbie on the 3rd March? The bowler has been rolling up this week and I think he has a point to prove to the selectors.

Who is the member that has a teenage daughter who keeps track of their every movement and even rings them at club closing time to see if they need to be picked up?

Who is the bowler that rang the chairman of selectors up on Monday to tell him how well he has been bowling? The bowler has big raps on himself?

Mighty Punters

We all thought it was a fluke! But the 10,000 Club has again taken out the honours of being the best Punters Club at Toongabbie. Even if they had to carry their captain Keith Smith who came in last with the collects for the year. On the other hand credit needs to be given where credit is due and this saw young Jodee Hughes tackle speculation of copying the bets of her husband Brett. With a collect of \$1,700 all the critics were kept quite while the 10,000 kept climbing towards another successful win. Maybe next year Brett needs to take tips from a reliable source rather than from the part time punter Ross Dusting.

Glen Maligan steered the Big Boys + 4 to reclaim the trophy back from the Jackson 5. Glen had an overall collect of \$1,900 which saw that be the highest collect across all Punters Club. Max Degan did very well on Saturday being the beer wrench for some very thirsty men at the Punters Club Xmas Party.

Good luck to all Clubs and happy punting in 2013.

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