

*It's Presentation Night  
& Christmas Party Time*

*Thursday 10 December 2015  
6 pm*

Ooops – forgot to buy your ticket? – call Pam on 0414 381 427 NOW!

## **RESULTS**

**Novice singles:** Congratulations to David Gilbert on winning the title with a 25-13 win over Mike Gilmour.

David has quickly established himself as a very talented bowler and also reached the triples semi-finals, skipping his daughter Molly and Steve Hossack.

Mike is also a promising bowler who works hard on his game and this is sure to reap dividends for him in the future.

A special mention to junior star Emma Hossack for her fighting display in a semi-final against Mike and on reaching the triples final as lead for Daring Doug Pannell and Chris "I'll be there soon" Hassen.

## **TRIPLES FINAL**

<b>Date</b>		<b>Team</b>	<b>vs</b>	<b>Team</b>
Tuesday 8 December 2015	<b>Finals</b>	E Hossack, Hassen, Pannell		Chamberlain, Adams, Arrowsmith

## **PREMIER SEVENS:**

Starts Saturday, January 9. Both the Div 1 and O/60 teams are away to New Farm and Darra-Cementco respectively. Our Div 3 team plays at home against South Toowoomba.

## GRACEVILLE EIGHTS

The start of this competition has been pushed forward to Saturday, January 9, the same weekend as Premier Sevens.

There will be eight rounds on a home and away basis against Goodna, Corinda, Oxley and Graceville.

Matches comprise one pairs and two triples with a minimum of two ladies per side.

Toowong's first match is at home v Goodna on Saturday, January 9, at 1pm but some home games may have to be played in the morning depending on green availability.

## TOOWONG OPEN SETS SINGLES

Entries for the next competition of Toowong Open Sets Singles are still open. Starting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 - running for 9 weeks every Monday ... 2 sessions either play 4.30pm OR 6.30pm. FINAL NIGHT 14<sup>th</sup> March .... You don't have to play every Monday play as many as you are able.

## COMING UP FOR JANUARY (extracted from the TBC playing calendar)

January		
Club	District	Other
Social Bowls – from 3 January Saturday 9 am start Wednesday 2 pm start Thursday evenings  Teams in Premier 7's Teams in Graceville Super 8's  11 <sup>th</sup> January, 2016 – Toowong Open Sets Singles commences	Below are tentative only (awaiting BDBA calendar to confirm) -  District mixed pairs nomination closes Mens District Over 60s pairs called Mens Metro Challenge (inter district) Mens District Pairs called	9 January -Premier League Sevens commences  9 January - Graceville Super Eights comp commences

## CLUB NEWS

↪ **Last day of social and competition bowls for 2015 will be Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December, as the Club will be closed from close of business on 21<sup>st</sup> December and reopen on 31<sup>st</sup> December. Bowls will recommence on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2016.**

Just play. Have fun. Enjoy the game  
– Michael Jordan

## GET TO KNOW.....

This week ..... meet **Doug Pannell**. Here's what he has to say .....

My intro to Bowls, about 20 years ago, came about due to pressure from an old footy mate who entrapped me with an ultimatum to either coach the Wests Colts team or play bowls. Having "been there done that" over many years I decided to humour him by agreeing to a roll up at the old Chelmer Bowls club, situated just over the Indooroopilly Bridge. The rest I guess is history, as the saying goes.

Having played many sports all my life, my main claim to fame was a long involvement in Australian Rules (now better known as AFL). I played collectively well over 200 senior games for both Sandgate and Western Districts, representing Queensland and happily enjoying a premiership or two. Good days but my body and joints today don't really attest to that! I am a native West Australian, hence I suppose, my leaning towards the great indigenous game.

My Mate, Owen Backwell, is one of the all-time great rovers (now called mid fielders) and I spent 7 years playing as his ruckman at the Western Districts AFL Club. So, blame him for my Bowls involvement.

The major drawback taking up bowls was my daughter's reaction. She was quite happy for me to coach all those "hunky" 18 year olds but was aghast that she should be identified as having a Father playing Lawn Bowls. What would her friends think? Somehow she got over it!

I joined Toowong Bowls at the turn of the century (can't remember exactly) when Glenda and I relocated from Chapel Hill to Toowong and took up "unit living".

Perhaps you can indulge me for a little when I say my approach to all sport is to enhance a strong Club and team ethic and I try to emulate this in my involvement in bowls and business. I find I gain a great deal of fun, satisfaction and earn fantastic lifelong friends and memories, sharing in joint successes along the way. Glenda and I still have close relationships with people from 40 + years ago and often enjoy swapping tall tales from past and present.

I have been lucky with my team mates over the years and enjoyed celebrating many Club Championships at Chelmer and Toowong. Recently my great joy is participating with new and younger bowlers such as Emma and Chris in the Club Triples and hope they experience a good result.

My hope for Toowong is to see people such as Robbie Rimes, David F, Les C. & Co, who lead us on and off the green, enjoy a Division 1 pennant as it will be richly deserved.

A lesson I can perhaps share to all bowlers to assist in achieving team success is very simple and entails 10 simple 2 letter words:

**IF IT IS TO BE IT IS UP TO ME.**

Learn it and bring it to the contest. Your contribution to the team will be invaluable.

Good bowling everyone, see you on the green.

**As always .....**

- *If Greenkeeper Tony has set up a rink for you to play on, then there's a reason – please don't change it.*
- *When playing a game and the 'bowls window' isn't open – please pay your green fees over the bar.*
- *Help with the putting away of equipment each bowls day.*
- *Make sure the absentee book is up to date*
- *Roll-up etiquette – when the club is open, let the bar staff know you're there & ask where is best to roll up.*



**Happy BOWLING**

**& Merry CHRISTMAS**

