

Hi *IFName!*, welcome to the 32nd edition of 'One Up/One Down' the newsletter of the Melbourne Bowling Club for the 2018-19 season, keeping you up to date with what is happening around the club.

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Round 16 2 Up 2 Down

Premier side went down to the top side Essendon and so slipped to third on the ladder.

Only Barrie Lester's rink was up by 15 but the overall result was 73/2 to 87/16.

The second side playing away against 2nd placed Middle Park had 2 rinks up and 2 down but went down on the big score board 78/4 to 84/14. However they are still comfortably in top spot.

The third side away against 4th placed Armadale also had 2 rinks up but by significant margins to ensure an overall win 92/14 to 71/4. The win has **moved the side into fourth place with every chance of consolidating the position as long as they win the last two games.**

The big news and the side that supplied the best rink for the round was the fourth side with a 94/14 to 73/4 win over MCC

Round 16 best rink:

The glasses this week go to **Justine Stokes'** rink of **Lucas Wilde, Keith Stevens** and **Seth Green** winning by a convincing 26 shots 35 to 11. Well done on an excellent performance.

With two rounds to go there is a great chance for three of our four sides competing in the finals. The top side has to finish 1 or 2 for the double chance, the second side looks certain to host a home final and the third side has a better than even chance of finishing fourth as they are playing bottom this week and then the other 4th spot contender Elsternwick Club in the last round.
GO DEEs!!!!

Pennant Round 17 Saturday 23 February

- A critical round for the finals for 3 sides

Sat 23 February draw

Premiers (A) vs **Bundoora RSL** 3rd on the ladder & playing 5th. A **must win** by all rinks as there is only 6 points separating 2nd to 4th. Another loss could place us within striking distance by 5th place Bundoora RSL

Division 2 (H) vs St Kilda 2 1st playing 4th placed St Kilda 2. Need to get consistency across **all rinks** for a successful tilt at the finals and a chance for promotion.

Division 4 (H) vs Albert Park 2 Currently 4th spot playing last placed who have a remote chance of avoiding relegation if they win. A loss by us opens the door for Armadale and Elsternwick Club who we play in the last round. We need to **keep building on the momentum** of the last two rounds and look for wins across the board.

Division 5 (A) vs **City of Melb 2** We are playing 2nd placed City of Melbourne 2 on their synthetic. A great chance to **further develop and provide experience** for our strong contingent of new bowlers.

For full ladders refer to club notice board and/or TeamApp.

Sides to be posted on the Club notice board on Thursday

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Practice actually helps you play consistently better.

More of us need to practice.

Get down on Thursday and join the regulars.

The finals are beckoning 48 members. Don't disappoint ourselves!

Make it a certainty come down and PRACTICE.

Champion of Champions - Sandbelt Region

Barrie Lester was finally granted protection for the Sandbelt semi-final of the Champion of Champions after some discussions and intervention involving BV and BA. Barrie won his delayed semi-final 25-11.

The **Sandbelt final of the Champion of Champions** is now scheduled for

Friday evening 22 February at Brighton Beach, with **Barrie** to play **Ali Forsyth**.

Club secretary Byron Coonerty is organising to have the game live streamed on Facebook. SO if you can't be there keep informed and follow the game on Melbourne's facebook site.

Tuesday night pennant - Win

Big win against St Kilda at St Kilda to consolidate 2nd position on the ladder behind Clayton.

Although it must be pointed out that we are one of four sides on 5 wins with only 9 points separating all four sides.

Final score was 62/10 to 40/2. **Ray McKay's** rink just went down 16-17 with **Ben Fearn** up 21-13 and **Alex Skilton** reversing his first round result with a big 25-10 win. The squad is certainly putting the results on the board for Melbourne's first season back in the competition after an extended absence.

We are showing we were justified in being put straight back into the premier division. **GO DEE's**

Domain & Co. Birthday Fours Tournament Sunday 24 February

Come along and watch our BIRTHDAY (and the 155th at that)
celebration tournament

**We thank Domain & Co for their sponsorship
of this annual tournament**

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Watson Green

The Watson green as at 20 February. It is progressing very well. Cutter is transplanting runners in the areas where runners are a bit thin. We are now relying on March and April remaining warm for a great surface come September and October.



Coming events

Birthday fours tournament

Sunday 24 February -

Division 2+ Two Bowl triples

Sunday 31 March Registrations now open via website or contact tournament directors [Ewen](#) or [Rick](#)

Sandy Bay trip

12 to 14 April It is Melbourne's turn to travel down south to Hobart to visit Sandy Bay (Horse's club when he lived in Tas). See [Sean Ingram](#) for more details. [Sue Cole](#) has volunteered to help sorting out accomodation.

Easter Pairs tournament

Friday 19 April Registrations now open via website or contact tournament directors [Ewen](#) or [Rick](#)

Easter Triples tournament

Saturday 20 April Registrations now open via website or contact tournament directors [Ewen](#) or [Rick](#)

70's Night

Queen's Birthday weekend Sunday 9 June For those not going to the opening of the skiing **RESERVE THIS DATE!!!**

Approaching birthdays

Date	Member	Date	Member
22 Feb	Curtis Hanley	12 Mar	Alan Burness
24 Feb	Greg Hogan	12 Mar	Andrew Jackson
3 Mar	William Rief	13 Mar	Matt Ellul
8 Mar	Brett Leighton	13 Mar	Colin Gorman



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