



ROCKHAMPTON BOWLS CLUB INC



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Rockhampton Bowls Club

Welcome to Rockhampton Bowls Club. Come and enjoy a friendly game of bowls in our undercover facility. We play day or night, rain, hail, or shine.

Looking for a place for a Work or Social Club Function? Birthday Party? Anniversary? Wedding? Seminar? Or any other celebration? Look no further than the Rockhampton Bowls Club. Fully air conditioned and in the CBD area on the Riverbank.

We specialize in Barefoot Bowls, Jack Attack, BBQs, Conferences. We are noted for our great service in a friendly atmosphere.

Check out our website for booking information.

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All members please read the Fire
Evacuation Plan located at ALL Exits.



Club Playing Days and Times

Monday	Roll Up after 9.00am
Tuesday	Mixed Triples from 1.00pm
Wednesday	Ladies' bowls from 10.00am
Thursday	Men's bowls from 1.00pm
Saturday	Mixed Social bowls from
Sunday	1.00pm

MEMBER NOTICE

If you are having difficulty using the stairs, **PLEASE** use the

LIFT

– it is there for your safety.
Instructions for use are clearly marked.

Upcoming Club and District Events

2/10/26 - **Games Day**

3-4/10/26 - Golden Egg Open Fours @ Emu Park Bowls Club

10-11/10/26 - Denis Bartlem Shield @Victoria Park

12/10/26 - Ladies Invitation Fours Carnival at RBC

13/10/26 - Special Meeting to discuss 2027 Fees 11.00am

24/10/26 - Betta Home Living Open Fours at RBC

25/10/26 - President's Day @ Yeppoon

31/10/26 - President's Day @ Diggers Memorial Bowls Club

6/11/26 - **Games Day**

8/11/26 - Rockhampton Mayoral Trophy @ Rockhampton BC

14/11/26 - Past Members Memorial Pairs @ Victoria Park BC

22/11/26 - Kev Weaver Afternoon

29/11/26 - Membership Fees due

4/12/26 - **Games Day**

6/12/26 - Neil Barry Afternoon

11/12/26 - Christmas Party

13/12/26 - Annual General Meeting

15-17/12/26 - Last Playing Days for 2026

January 2027

5/1/27 - Tuesday - First Playing Day of 2027 (Tues)

10/1/27 - Sunday - Northside Vs Southside 1.00pm start

13/1/27 - Wednesday - First Ladies' Playing Day 10.00am

17/1/27 - Sunday - Tony Zonca Afternoon 1.00pm start

News from the Chair

Hi Members,

A huge thank you to all involved in the 2026 Pennants Competition as it was the first with the amalgamation of Ladies and Men Bowlers. There will be learnings from this year but, in general, it was a successful event. Our club managed to have applicants to participate in all possible divisions and it was a good opportunity for our new members to represent our club and visit the other clubs in our Division.

Pat Coleman has been busily resurrecting our sprinkler system for the front garden bed, with the assistance of David Pizzini, and has repaired the base of the marker post on rink 5. Also, a big “thank you” to all those who help to keep the club running from behind the scenes. Although it is largely unrecognised, your efforts are why this club is so successful.

Our club has continued to be well-patronised at functions with 7 in July, 2 in August and 3 in September. There are currently another 6 planned for October, 11 for November and 1 for December (so far) which will significantly contribute to the funds raised for our club. We have been very fortunate with the support from our volunteers, particularly with some making themselves available at short notice. As you can see, our club will need a huge input from volunteers for the remainder of the year and some fresh faces would be greatly appreciated. So please, if you are able to help at any time, please let Col Davidson know or put your name on the list of functions on the board. Every bit helps and all monies raised help keep our yearly fees lower, especially since all costs to run the club are rising e.g. our Insurance. A big thank you goes to Col Davidson who continues to put in a great effort for a largely thankless task.

As most of you are now aware the concrete pad on the southern side of the Car Park has now been completed. This work was possible due to a \$35,000 grant from the State Government Gambling Fund. At some stage soon there will be some line marking done for car spaces. Jeff Slater has sought quotes to concrete the remainder of the Car Park which may be planned for in 2027 dependent on availability of finances.

Syd O'Sing

Chairman



25th July 2026 - Men's B Singles

Congratulations to Syd O'Sing who defeated David Pizzini in the Men's Singles Final.



26th July - Victoria Park President's Day

President's Day at Victoria Park Bowls Club was a huge success with 28 teams participating. One of our teams was lucky enough to come away with first prize. Congratulations!



16th August 2026 - Champion Triples

Scott Howell, Tony Zonca and Ross Sanders defeated Andy Johnson, Les Bayes and Bob McGowan.



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30th August 2026 - Last day of Pennants



From the Editor (Penny) - **I NEED YOU!**



Email your pics to me at wiltonpenny@gmail.com or text your photos to me at **0409631000** with a brief description of what is happening in the photo and who's in it. Many thanks, Penny.



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10th September - Seniors Expo

Recently, a number of members attended the Rockhampton Seniors Expo hosted by the Queensland Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety. There were a number of very interesting speakers and stall-holders providing useful information for Seniors.

One of the speakers focused on Scammers and How to Protect Ourselves from them. The following information comes from IDCARE, Australia's and New Zealand's national identity and cyber incident community support service. IDCARE is a not-for-profit and registered Australian charity and their fact sheets are easily available online - just google **IDCARE**.

Telephone Scams

Understanding telephone scams

Telephone scammers will claim to be from a legitimate organisation, most commonly government agencies, banks, telcos or broadband services, utility providers, online retailers or streaming services. Most often the scammer will call you, but sometimes you may accidentally call them if you have found the wrong number online or are responding to fake "pop-up" warnings on your screen.

Telephone scammers:

- Deceive individuals into providing personal information and payment details over the phone; and

- May deceive individuals into providing remote access to their devices, enabling them to harvest information, make transactions, and/or install malicious software.

Quick Facts

- 1 in 5 callers to IDCARE are seeking support following a telephone scam.

- Of these clients, over one third will have had their devices remotely accessed by the scammer.

- Scammers may know some of your personal information, such as your name and address, and use this to 'verify' your identity. Remember that this information is often publicly available or may have been previously exposed in a data breach.

- In 2024, IDCARE clients reported a total loss of over \$50 million to telephone scammers, with an average individual loss \$8,327.

Prevention

- Scam calls can be made and received from **landline and mobile numbers**.

- Being on the "**Do not Call**" register will not stop scammers - it will only stop honest telemarketers calling you.

- Good organizations **won't** call you and then ask you to prove your identity.

- Don't feel pressured to act.** You will never be called to "prevent being arrested" or to "assist police to catch a hacker."

If you think a call may be legitimate, take down the person's name and number and do your own research regarding the organization and its contact details. **Make sure when you hang up you hear a dial tone – some scammers will pretend to hang up only to wait for you to dial the real organization's number and pretend to answer the phone again (when they haven't disconnected from the original call).**

Don't think a message left on your voicemail is more legitimate, it is **not**.

Hang up if you suspect it is a scam and talk to family or friends about it.

Do not download apps or software (such as **AnyDesk** or **TeamViewer**), follow technology instructions on your devices, or allow remote access to your device to someone who has called you.

Consider changing your phone settings to only allow calls from numbers listed in your "Contacts". Some phones will silence calls from "unknown" numbers and send them straight to voicemail, while others will block these calls completely. There are also apps that you can download to further screen your calls. Be aware that these changes will also prevent legitimate callers from numbers that are not in your Contact list or Recent call log.

Detection - Is this a telephone scam?

If you are concerned that the call may be a scam, hang up. Some signs that the call may not be legitimate include:

A cold call from an individual claiming to be from a well-known government agency or private sector organisation.

The caller requests that you prove your identity.

The caller claims to be from the police or a government agency and is **threatening your arrest if you do not respond**.

The caller claims to be from **law enforcement, the government, a bank or an internet provider**. They need your assistance to catch a scammer or hacker. **They may claim to require access to your device and/or bank accounts.**

The caller claims to be from **your bank regarding problems with your accounts**, such as fraudulent activity.

The caller claims **your account has been overcharged, and they need to reverse these charges**.

The caller claims that **your computer has a virus and you must pay money to have it removed**. They may also request remote access to your device.

The caller directs you to **purchase gift cards or cryptocurrency, or make transactions from your bank account**.

The caller **coaches you in what to say to the customer service operators at your bank or shops when transacting or making a purchase**.

The caller tells you **not to hang up and/or not to disconnect your device from the internet for a period of time**.

The caller **becomes aggressive when you do not act quickly** or provide them with the information they request.

Response - What do I do if I gave the scammer information or provided remote access?

If the scammer gained remote access to your device, **disconnect it from the internet immediately.**

Contact and advise your banks and any other financial institutions of the telephone scam, and **request increased security on your accounts.**

Contact the legitimate organisation that the scammer claimed to be calling from, and request additional security on your account.

Relevant IDCARE Fact Sheets

You may also find the following fact sheets useful:

Remote Access Scams

Credit Reporting Agencies

For additional support or information, contact IDCARE by submitting a Get Help Form or call 1800 595 160 (Aus) or 0800 121 068 (NZ).

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Annual Fees Reminder

**RBC members, please remember to pay your annual fees by the
29th of November.**

To keep your membership current and continue enjoying club activities, please ensure your payment is made before the end of November. Thank you for your prompt attention and ongoing support of the club.



20th September 2026 - at Wowan Bowls Club

Bowlers from around the District participated in a great day of bowls at the Wowan Bowls Club.



22nd September - Ladies' District Triples Final

On Tuesday, 22nd of September the final of the Ladies' District Triples was held at Rockhampton between Rockhampton Bowls Club and Gracemere Bowls Club. Congratulations to Gracemere on their victory!

Gracemere Ladies Triples Team of Kerri Millar,
Myra Wilson, Althea Vaughan.



RBC Ladies Triples Team of Marcel Broadhurst,
Sue Lane and Sandy Simpson.

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26th September - RBC Men versus Women

The battle for the rolling pin continued on Saturday 26th of September when Syd's Sidekicks took on Jan's Rebels. After a tough battle, dominated by some interesting-looking characters, the men successfully defeated the women, 84-59. Next time!



Carol-Ann's Recipes

Jelly Slice

Base: Mix 1 packet of crushed plain biscuits with enough melted butter to moisten the biscuits. Press down on lined tray and set in fridge for a couple of hours. **Filling:** Mix in a bowl 1 tin of condensed milk, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of lemon juice, 1 packet (250g) of cream cheese. Mix $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of boiled water with 2 heaped teaspoons of gelatine, then add to other ingredients. Beat for 3 minutes then set in fridge for 3-4 hours. **Top:** To 300 mls of boiling water add 1 packet of jelly crystals. Stir until dissolved then let cool.

When set put filling on base then, very slowly, pour cooled jelly on top of filling and set in fridge. (One suggestion is to put filling on base, place in fridge THEN pour cooled jelly on top.)



Gingerbread Loaf

175g softened butter or margarine

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup packed brown sugar 2 eggs

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup syrup 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups plain flour

2 tbsp ground ginger 2 tsp of spice

$\frac{1}{2}$ tsp bicarb soda $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk

Icing: 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups icing sugar 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tbsp milk

Grease and line loaf tin. Beat wet ingredients together, then add in dry ingredients gradually. Spoon into loaf tin. Bake in 170-degree oven for 50-55 minutes. Spread icing on top once cooled. Can add chopped crystalized ginger to top if you like (I do!)





Michelle **LANDRY**

Federal Member for **Capricornia**

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Please contact my office if you need assistance with Federal Government managed organisations including:

- Centrelink Payments
- Aged Care and NDIS
- Immigration and Visas
- NBN/Telstra
- Australia Post
- Veterans Affairs
- any other matter.



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