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# PARKERS

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Newsletter of the Albert Park Bowls Club Inc

## Albert Park at the Vic Open U18 Boys State Champs



During the school holidays, Elih Durant and Kobe Davis-Earle represented Albert Park in the Victorian U18 Boys Pairs State Championships held on 21 April at Bendigo East. In magnificent weather and playing their first inter-club event on grass (a new experience for them) Kobe and Elih battled through against highly competitive Saturday Pennant playing opponents. Many lessons were learnt, which will benefit them in next year's event. Thank you pictured family and friend supporters.

## AGM – 11 am, Sunday, 21 May 2023

### Position Applications Received to Date

(submission deadline: 11am, Sunday, 14 May 2023)

*Here are the applications received to date for elected positions. If you're a Life or financial Bowls member and you'd like to be in the running, there's still time to submit your application to the Executive Officer. Note we particularly need help on the Match Committees.*

*And don't forget – bring a plate for lunch and stay for bowls afterward.*

### BOARD

President	Simon Strickland
Vice-President	Graeme McDonald
Treasurer	David Ritchie
Executive Officer	Gerry Smith
Board Members (4)	Jaki Edgar
	Peter Holmes
	Don McGregor
	Terry Norris

### GREEN DIRECTOR

Graeme McDonald

### MATCH COMMITTEES

Weekend (3)	Malcolm Stevenson
	Vacancy
	Vacancy
Midweek (3)	Tim Smith
	Vacancy
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# THE COUNCIL COMES BACK

Council's timeline for managing the facilities renovations  
(disruptions to clubhouse access will now be after the 2023-24 pennant season)

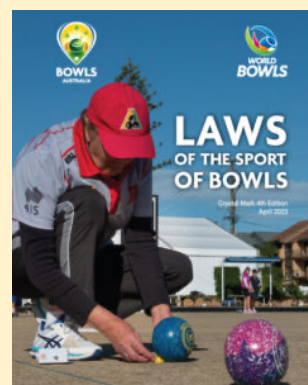
<i>Mid June 2024</i>	<i>Construction ends</i>
<i>End March 2024</i>	<i>Construction begins</i>
<i>Early March 2024</i>	<i>Tender awarded</i>
<i>Mid January 2024</i>	<i>Approach to market</i>
<i>End December 2023</i>	<i>Permits approved</i>
<i>Mid September 2023</i>	<i>Detailed design prepared</i>

## New Law Book Arrives

A new edition of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls (Crystal Mark 4) has been released, with 65 changes in all. Fortunately most of these are minor adjustments, but two new laws in particular are important for all players to understand and follow:

**Law 13.3** (previously 11.2.2) reinforces the meaning of "Possession of the Rink" – A player must not deliver a bowl before the previous bowl comes to rest and possession of the rink has transferred to the opposing player or team. On a strict interpretation of the rules around possession of the rink, a player should not even be on the mat until the previous bowl has come to rest. The penalty here is that the offending bowl will be declared dead (after a warning on the first occurrence).

**Laws 37.1.3 and 37.1.5.3** introduce a new level of penalty for a player stopping or interfering with a bowl from their team in its original course. The new penalty is that the defaulting team will forfeit the entire match! So, everyone should get used to not stopping their own team's bowls – just let them run, be it out of bounds or into the ditch or until they stop. Saving a bit of time or effort in not having to reach into the ditch is definitely not worth the penalty of immediately forfeiting the match. It's easy to remember: JUST DON'T DO IT!



## Gold Coin: Saturdays & Tuesdays



Our casual gold coin matches continue throughout the winter months.  
\$2 to enter, winners take all. Members only.

A great opportunity for new members to join the family and enjoy the game. You only have to play for 2 hours. Then you can stay for a cuppa and a chat afterwards.

Saturdays: sign up by 12:45pm for a 1 pm start

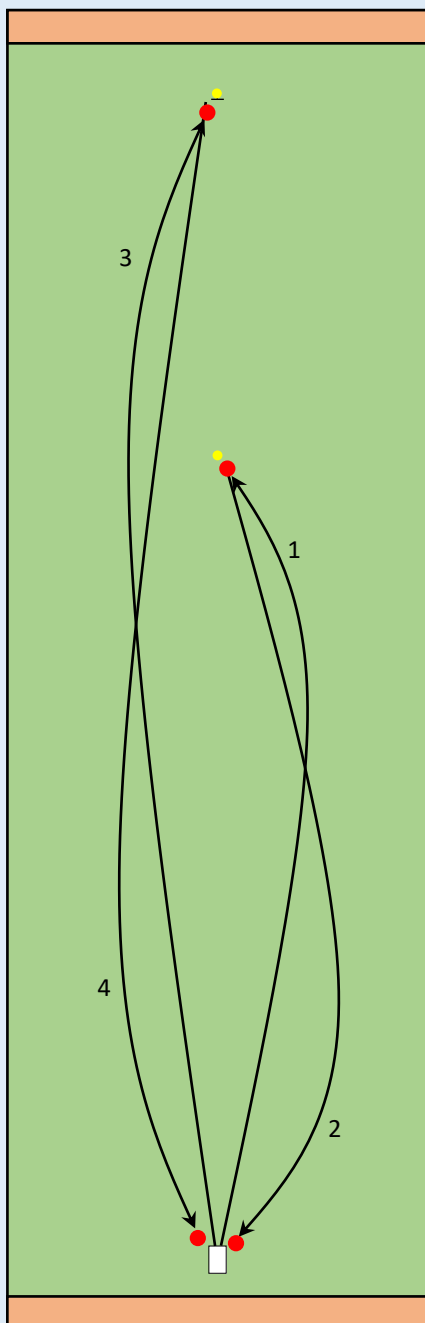
Tuesdays: sign up by 9:45 am for a 10 am start

# Personal Practice for the Winter Months

## “Getting Them Close”



*Ten training and practice routines from Coach Rob for staying in form over the colder months ahead...*



### P01 30 min Roll Up – Short & Long Ends

4 bowls F/H to jack at 23m (1), then 4 bowls back on B/H (2)

Work on technique and delivery routines. Make slight adjustments to line and weight as required to improve on each bowl

Then switch to long ends, up and back (3) & (4)

Then repeat on the other side of the green. This means you cover each hand on each side of the green.

### P02 As above, but two bowls on each hand in each direction: 2 x F/H, 2 x B/H

### P03 As above, but alternate hands with each bowl: F/H, B/H, F/H, B/H

### P04 Aiming Line Practice

Play short and long ends. Count how many bowls finish within  $\frac{1}{2}$  mat of the centre line. Disregard weight, focus on your line. Work out your percentage by counting good attempts divided by total bowls, times 100. Aim for 80% or higher.

### P05 Weight Control Practice

Bowl 2 x F/H, then 2 x B/H, aiming to finish between the 2m mark (T) and the ditch from a mat placed 10m, 15m, 20m, 25m and 30m from the T. Aim for greater than 2 successful deliveries each end. Repeat.

### P06 F/H vs B/H Singles

On your own, play a singles game to 11 shots, playing 2 bowls each hand in succession. Whichever hand wins the end plays first next end, followed by the other hand. So whichever hand plays second is always two shots down at the start. Play mainly draw shots.

### P07 2 Bowls Pairs

### P08 2 Bowls Triples

### P09 Weighted Shots

Practice the Trial Shot, Hit & Sit Shot, Running Shot and Drive

### P10 Game Simulated Heads

Set up a head situation with 1 to 4 target enemy bowls and play to win. Play both short and long ends.



2023 CALENDAR

MAY

Wednesday	10	Art Group 1-3pm
Thursday	11	Function 12:30-4:30pm
Friday	12	Galilee PS 12-1pm
Saturday	13	Gold Coin 12:45pm JA Winter Bowls 1pm (home)
Tuesday	16	Gold Coin 9:45am
Wednesday	17	Art Group 1-3pm
Thursday	18	Function 12:00-4:00pm
Friday	19	Galilee PS 12-1pm
Saturday	20	Gold Coin 12:45pm JA Winter Bowls 1pm (away)
Sunday	21	Annual General Meeting 11am
Wednesday	24	Art Group 1-3pm
Friday	26	Galilee PS 12-1pm
Saturday	27	JA Winter Bowls 1pm (away)
Wednesday	31	Art Group 1-3pm

JUNE

Friday	2	Galilee PS 12-1pm
Saturday	3	JA Winter Bowls 1pm (home)
Wednesday	7	Art Group 1-3pm
Friday	9	Galilee PS 12-1pm
Saturday	10	JA Winter Bowls 1pm (home) Club Foundation Day Event (150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) 5:30pm
Wednesday	14	Art Group 1-3pm
Friday	16	Galilee PS 12-1pm
Wednesday	21	Art Group 1-3pm
Wednesday	28	Art Group 1-3pm

JULY

Wednesday	5	Art Group 1-3pm
Wednesday	12	Art Group 1-3pm
Wednesday	19	Art Group 1-3pm



Events Reminders

Gold Coin games	Tuesdays 9:45am Saturdays 12:45pm
Art Group	Wednesdays 1-3pm
AGM	Sunday, 21 May – 11:00am
Foundation Day Event	Saturday, 10 June – 5:30pm

Primary School Program  
Galilee Regional Primary Year 5/6

We are currently running bowls training sessions for Galilee Primary on Fridays from 12 to 1 pm. There is a two week program for each of four separate groups of students, with the last group finishing up on 16 June.

GROUP 1 TOURNAMENT



In great weather school bowlers Lian, Xavier and Querey exceeded all expectations taking out the Group 1 Tournament Trophy. With minimal coaching and against teams comprising their teacher, experienced barefoot bowler Mr Adrian Webster, they won with four shots up on one end! Congratulations to runners up Flynn, Henry, and Aston. Also playing were Grace, Clodagh, Tristan, Morgan and Luke, who all acquitted themselves well. Coached by Albert Park Club members, including Mr Max Tritton pictured, it was overheard “this is better than footy”.