

# ON THE GREEN

June 2024

## Armadale BC @ South Caulfield Newsletter

### **AGM Recap**

The 136<sup>th</sup> AGM was held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Highlights included:

- A very popular and emotional announcement was made that the new green is to be named the Harry Hertz Green in honour of his many years of service to the Club and dedication to the garden and grounds.
- David Janover became an Honorary Life Member in recognition of the many years he has organised successful social bowls events for the Club
- The entire Board was elected unopposed
- Midweek Selectors elected unopposed: Murray Caplan, Sue Hofbauer and Barry Rockman. Each were on this committee last season as well.
- Saturday Selectors elected: Cris Ellis, Alan Faigen, Ruth Maserow

#### THE SELECTION COMMITTEE



### **Board Report June 2024**

The Board met on Wednesday June  $12^{\text{th}}$ . This was the first meeting since the AGM. The outcomes were as follows:

- It was decided that each member of the Board will continue with the same portfolios as in 2023-2024. I look forward to another successful year
- The Board has appointed Danny Fridman and Neville Karro as Saturday Selectors. This Selection Committee elected Alan Faigen as Chairperson
- Janice Broder and Alan Faigen were appointed by the Board as Midweek Selectors. This was an intentional move by the Board to enhance communication between the 2 Selection Committees. In addition Alan Faigen was also elected Chairperson by this Selection Committee.
- Berry Bowling Systems has started the installation of our new synthetic green and it is progressing well. Hopefully it will be completed in 4 to 5 weeks but is, of course, dependent on factors outside of our control such as weather
- It appears that our Mailchimp account has been hacked which would explain why many members have not been receiving emails. We have temporarily moved from Mailchimp and changed our email address to <a href="mailto:honsecretary@armadalebowlsclub.com.au">honsecretary@armadalebowlsclub.com.au</a>
- In an email sent out but unfortunately not received by many members, we are pleased to inform you that we have signed Aidan Zittersteijn as a Coach/Player for the coming season. Aidan is an outstanding bowler currently ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in New Zealand
- Ken Rosengarten has stepped down as Greens Director and Merv Meltz has taken over that role. The Board wishes to thank Ken and acknowledge his many years of service to the club
- Cris Ellis will remain as Bowls Committee Chairperson.
- Brian Carey has taken on the role of Head of Umpires.

We would like to welcome Ian Pohl and Ted Russell as new social members.

For any of our members with health issues, or who have been unwell and may have had, or are about to have medical procedures we wish them all well.

As this is the time of year that many members are migrating to warmer climates for holidays or on exciting trips, we wish them safe travels.

The next Board Meeting is on 10th July 2024.

Stay safe and try to keep warm. Continue to enjoy your bowls.

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## And we have a winner!

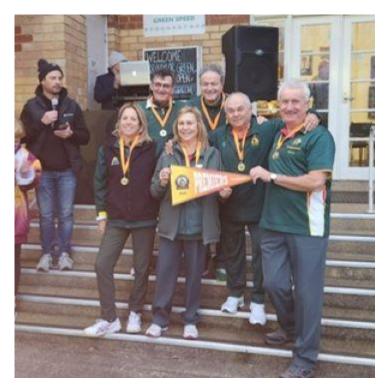
Armadale are **PREMIERS** of their Winter Pennant with a victory by 5 shots  $^{\circ}$   $^{\circ}$   $^{\circ}$   $^{\circ}$   $^{\circ}$   $^{\circ}$  ABC started the match well, holding a 6-shot lead after the 1<sup>st</sup> set of matches. A disastrous start to the 2<sup>nd</sup> half saw ABC at one stage down by 14 shots on each rink (so 8 shots down overall). However, a magnificent fight back on each rinks saw ABC prevail in a pulsating end to the Grand Final.

## Scores (Skip/2<sup>nd</sup>/Lead)

	Weiner/Carey/Maserow Ellis/Block/Beder	(W) 13-10 (W) 14-11
Match 2	Weiner/Carey/Maserow	(L) 11-12
Match 2	Ellis/Block/Beder	(D) 14-14

Congratulations to all team members: Shelley Beder, Yaron Berenstein, Martin Block, Brian Carey, Cris Ellis, John Kaufer, Ralph Levy, Ruth Maserow, David Sonenberg, David Weiner.

A special thanks to Martin Block for organising Winter Pennant this year for ABC.





#### More Appointments for 2024-2025

- 1. Honorary Solicitor Sam Recht
- Constitution Committee Morry Rubinstein (Chair), Morris Broder, Joe Shneider

#### New email address

honsecretary@armadalebowlsclub.com.au

#### **Coaches Corner**

Our entire team of coaches recently met to begin planning the Coaching Program for the forthcoming

This will begin with a 4 week Winter Program in July on the following dates from 10 am-12 noon:

Divisions 3 - 7: Thursdays 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th Divisions 1 - 2: Sundays 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th Interested members are to contact Howard Sandler by July 1 on

Ph: 0426-685-616

E: lawnbowlsaddict@gmail.com

Club Coaches are looking forward to working with Aidan when he arrives.

Howard is available for individual or small group coaching





## Aidan Zittersteijn – In Case You Didn't Catch it the First Time

ABC has signed a contract with Aidan as a Player/Coach for 2024-2025. As well as a world class bowler, he is also a qualified coach and greenkeeper. He will arrive 4 weeks before the Pennant season and be available except for when he returns to NZ for a week to play in an international tournament.

Aidan's achievements are extraordinary and include a bronze medal in the Commonwealth Game pairs and numerous medals including gold at Oceana, Pacific and Trans Tasman Games.

He was also awarded under 25 NZ Player of the Year 3 times.

Aidan will work together with Howard Sandler who has extensive experience as an international coach.

Together with our new state-of-the-art synthetic replacing our grass green, Armadale Bowls Club is set for a great 2024-2025 season.

Aidan's achievements:

Commonwealth Games Pairs Bronze Medal Pacific Games Fours Gold Medal Oceania Bowls Fours Silver Medal Oceania Bowls Pairs Bronze Medal PBA New Zealand Trans-Tasman Team PBA NZ U25 Player Of The Year x3 PBA International Singles - NZ Winner PBA UK Singles - NZ Winner NZ UBC Qualifier - NZ Winner for Australia NZ Interclub Sevens Bronze Medal x2 Multiple Centre Titles Multiple Club Titles

Please make Aidan welcome when you see him

Old George Jones of bowling fame Was always quoting the "Laws of the Game"

But one day he failed me an answer to give

And I'll never forget it as long as I live An old jersey cow strolled onto the green And dropped the biggest dollop I've ever seen

It was only a metre away from the jack His bowl got stuck in it and he wanted it back

I said "You can't have it, don't be a fool ... If you touch that bowl you'll be breaking a rule"

So he rushed to his bag and took out his book

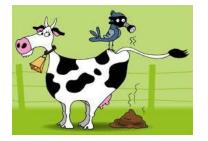
Turned over the pages and had a good look

Then he said "There's nothing in here to say,

that I can't get my bowl and continue to play"

I said "Now listen George, and don't cause a commotion,

Rule 37 says ... you can't interfere with a bowl that's in motion"



A couple of weeks ago, I practiced bowling with a new member. We had fun during the practice, so I asked him if he wanted to practice next week.

He said: "Sure, but I might be a half hour late."

The following week he shows up right on on time, and we practiced, this time he plays left- handed.

I asked him if he wanted to practice again next week.

He replied: "Sure but I might be a half hour late."

I then asked him: "How come some times you play right- handed and other times, left-handed."

He said: "When I wake up in the morning and my wife is sleeping on her left side, I play left- handed and if she is on her right side, then I play right- handed."

I then ask: "So, what if she is laying flat on her back?" "That's when I'll be a half hour late!" he replied.



"How was your bowling game, dear?" asked Jack's wife Tracy.

"Well, I was bowling well but my eyesight's gotten so bad I couldn't see where the bowl went."

"But you're seventy-five years old Jack" admonished his wife, "Why don't you take my brother Scott along?"
"But he's eighty-five and doesn't even how! anymore."

"But he's eighty-five and doesn't even bowl anymore," protested Jack.

"But he's got perfect eyesight. He could watch your bowl," Tracy pointed out.

The next day Jack bowled with Scott looking on. Jack bowled to a long jack.

"Do you see it?" asked Jack.

"Yes," Scott answered. "Well, where is it?" yelled Jack, peering up the green.

"I forgot."

