



Tiger Tales



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"Club member, Gavin Leydon, looked after me. My wife and I had our wills updated at Norman Waterhouse. Good friendly service and a competitive price." Leftie

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VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

The Board agreed that Ken Bruce would receive the 'Volunteer of the Month' Award this month. Ken has taken on the role of Club Photographer and has taken some fantastic photos to be used on the website, produced YouTube videos promoting the club and Night Owls as well as a short video to start our Diggers' Day Tournament. The photos that run across the television screen during Pennants is another great initiative.

WHAT A SEASON!!!!

Before Christmas, it was doom and gloom. Nothing much was happening. Our top two Saturday teams were without a win and the Div 7 teams were going OK. Wednesday results were good as were the Thursday results.

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And then along came 2025, and things began to look up.

The Thursday ladies team finished 3rd after being defeated in the Preliminary Final, being very competitive, and perhaps unlucky not to go further.

Our two Div 7 teams made the Finals. Div 7 East were knocked out in the Preliminary Final, finishing the year 3rd. Div 7 Central finished 4th, however they did have the distinction of beating all the other finalists in the Division at least once during the season.

Although our Saturday Div 1 team go down to Div 2 next season, they were now competitive, with wins over Tranmere, Payneham and Marion and a 3 shot loss to Henley at Henley in the last five matches of the season. They finished in a flourish, and it bodes well for their 2025-26 season in Div 2.

The Saturday Div 4 won seven games and finished 6th after a slow start.

THURSDAY WOMEN'S PENNANTS

It was a bit like ducks to water at the Women's Div 2 Preliminary Final against Tranmere at Tranmere on Thursday 20 March.

The pre-match roll up was fine and then there was so much rain the rinks needed to be swept for some time, and the match properly began about 45 minutes late. It was really great to have a group of supporters cheering the team. During the early part of the game, Toorak's game consolidated with some rinks ahead, however towards the end of the game, Tranmere steadily gained points and so the final score was 62 shots to 47 shots.

At a brief huddle after the match, the ladies thanked the selectors, Vicki and Myriam, and their coach, Simon.

Report supplied by Annabel Price, as was this poem:

*There once was a coach called Simon whose task was to make sure we won
At a match he's the bloke who sits with a coke
As he watches each rink, planning practice we think!
There were kitties, then draw bowls, each match, and more goals
For width he says 'grass' and for speed he says 'weight'
We roll end to end, but may not score an eight
We bowl and we praise, the odd glass we raise
And as you can see, we're ladies' TBBC
This season's at an end, for each bowling friend
Less bowling and bending or drawing and defending
And yes, we can thank him, perhaps now we're quite trim?
And as Simon's our coach other clubs may not poach!*



WEDNESDAY MEN'S PENNANTS

Viva la Wednesday sides!!!!!!!

Two teams Two promotions!!

Div 1 are now in Premier Division.
You can't get better than that!

Pictured above, the Div 4 team won the Premiership and will be promoted to Div 3 next season! With a lot of Club support, they defeated Payneham in the Grand Final at Adelaide Bowling Club, winning 68 shots to 52 shots. Congratulations!

TBBC YOUTH POLICY Bowls SA Interschool Youth Challenge

For the past four Thursday afternoons and three training sessions in 2024, Simon, Myriam, Terry, Carol, Vicki and Trevor coached students from Marryatville High School with the goal of selecting teams to play in

the annual Bowls SA Interschool Youth Challenge.

On Tuesday 25 March 2025, TBBC had twelve Marryatville High School students in four teams of triples (*supported by the aforementioned volunteers*) travel to Playford Bowling Club to play in this State event.

The format was 2-Bowl Triples, where each team played three games of only 4 ends (very cut throat) with one Final of 6 ends.

Two of our girls, Erin and Aleriya (who play Division 7 Pennants for TBBC), played off for the Gold Medal as they won all of their three sectional games. In conjunction with Archer (who regularly plays in our Night Owls competition), they were winners of the Silver Medal. Congratulations!!!

The other photo is of the twelve player squad that proudly represented Marryatville High School and Toorak Burnside Bowling Club. They were all great ambassadors for our Club and their school, representing us in an exemplary manner.



Article and photos supplied by Trevor Feast

RINK WINNERS

The Rink Winners for Round 18 were Andrew Mackenzie, Jason Riebe, Peter Willis and Bob Penhall from the Wednesday Div 4 side with a winning margin of 28 shots. Well done!

TIGER PATROL

The usual gardening and cleaning activities were undertaken.

Albert, Sandy and Rob installed three new hose reels at strategic spots around the Club to make watering easy for all.

Editor's Note:

Rarely am I in a photo. Often, I forget to take photos of important events. Luckily Sue or Ken are often there to step in. This photo was taken by Albert at the last Tiger Patrol. He insisted I include it...



Why are there two empty wine glasses in my hand? To be sure, two for sure ☺ ☺ ☺

MARY MAITLAND CHALLENGE

Friday 4 April 2025 at 7pm

The Mary Maitland Challenge match is a competition between Pennant players and opposing Night Owls players. It's an opportunity for Night Owls players to realise that they can indeed step up to Pennants. The match will be played on Friday 4 April 2025 - straight after the Club Championship presentations.

There are a lot of Night Owls who have put up their hands to play. They want to try out against seasoned Club members. Our Club's successes this year and previous years are due in part - a good part - to Night Owls players who now play Pennants. I'm looking forward to this match.

AND FINALLY ...

Our **END OF SEASON CELEBRATORY EVENT** will be held on **Friday 4 April 2025**. This evening will include discounted drinks at Happy Hour prices and free pizza, so come along and celebrate the end of season!

At 6pm, we will present the prizes for the **TBBC Club Championships** and the **Centenary Trophy** and then the **Mary Maitland Challenge** will commence at 7pm.

