Hot Line Number 26 - 14 December 2017

Orchard Trophy

This week's feature game is the much-prized Orchard Trophy. This will be played on Saturday 16 December at 1.30pm, dress is mufti. There will be drawn mixed teams playing either Triples or Fours depending on entry numbers. Entry sheets are in the respective match rooms or enter online. Entries CLOSE THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER AT 4.00pm. Cost per entry is \$3 which will be redistributed in prize-money. Teams will be drawn after entries close and players will be advised by email by Friday. Any queries to Ken Wilson-Pyne on 3582457.

Christmas Function

The Burnside Christmas function is on this Saturday! We are looking forward to having a relaxing evening after the Orchard Trophy and hope you can join us upstairs in the lounge. Tickets are available from the office or contact Lindsay Hodder (021 662 2748) or Brenda Turner (0274 855 622) to book your tickets. We need to know final numbers wanting to have pizza by 5.15pm on Saturday.

The lounge is looking very festive thanks to the artistic team who put up the Christmas tree and decorated the lounge to create a nice atmosphere for us and our visitors to enjoy.

For those of you playing on Saturday or attending the Christmas function, you will be able to buy the World famous and incomparable Bulmer's Cider which is now on tap at the Club Bar.

Interclub Sevens on Sunday 17 December

Congratulations to the Women's Sevens Teams 1& 2 who are both playing finals this coming Sunday at Parklands, Team 1 plays the Division 1 final against Beckenham at 9am. This will be followed by Team 2 who play the Division 2 final against either Belfast or Woodend. There should be some excellent bowling skills on display if you can go to support them. Best wishes to our two women's teams.

Selectors Report 14 December

As we approach Christmas there are just a few of our well performed players still in the finals of their respective events.

Our ladies have excelled this year with both sevens teams playing off on Sunday at Parklands (see story above) and the under 8's triples team of Lisa Mather, Tracy Wilkinson and Beryl Heperi will play their semi-final against Lincoln at The Centre green this evening (Thursday) at 6.15pm. If you can get along to support them they would very much appreciate it.

On Saturday morning, the under 8's fours team of Brad Sinclair, Mark Hawthorne, Kevin Harris and Dave Straker are in the final of Division 3 against West Melton. The guys won their quarter and semi-final games last weekend and they will play this week at The Centre green at 9.00am.

All the very best of luck to everyone concerned.

Club teams have been entered into the events after New Year with the 1st day of play being Thursday 25 January and the 1st Saturday game being 27 January.

Have a great Christmas and New Year and if you are heading the





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beach, the family or the nationals, have a great time and enjoy.

On behalf of the Women's and Men's selectors Happy Christmas Mike Small Convener.

Club Bowls

These bowls are purchased by the club and are for new bowlers to use until they can purchase their own set. Please return club bowls to the trolley so others can use them. Thank you for your cooperation.

"Thank you" from the Executive

Many people work hard at our Club doing all sorts of jobs, big and small. We would like to express our gratitude for your support and help this year. We couldn't manage without you!

From the Editor's Desk

"Where's Willy?"

(Short episodes of the travel and adventures of Willy, not to be confused with "Where's Wally" created by Martin Hanford)

The story begins....

A deep layer of snow on the ground and continuous snow flurries greeted the two sun soaked antipodeans as they stepped from the plane at London's Heathrow airport. Maybe Willy will get his white Christmas after all or will it be a damp squid?.....to be continued.

Quote of the day - I did not fully understand the dread term 'terminal illness' until I saw Heathrow for myself. - Dennis Potter, Television Screenwriter