

Sulphide Welfare Club

BOWLS SECTION

Pennant games for the 1951-52 season were completed on the 23rd February. The "D" grade were defeated by Adamstown, and the "E" grade winning from our neighbour, Boolaroo. The "Es" were considered unlucky in the No. 3 section, as they finished on equal points, 12, with Toronto, but were defeated on the count back 54 to 52. The team consists mostly of players in their first year of Pennants and is eager to try again next year. Nice work, boys.

Pelican Club were entertained on Sunday, 24th February, five rinks making the trip by bus. Afternoon tea, good bowls and speeches were the order of the day. Walter Bull welcomed the visitors and Bill Butterworth responded. Progressive fours were played, Pelican taking the trophies.

The first of the monthly men's gala days was held on Sunday, 16th March. Record entries, fine weather and refreshments ensured its success. Bill Ingham, our bowls president, welcomed the bowlers representing various clubs in the district at afternoon tea. Good trophies were presented to the winners and runner-up by Bob Saville. Winners were: C. Wardley, H. Pett, K. Porter, G. Stewart. Runner-up: C. Jones, Teralba rink.

Bowlers are reminded that the next gala day will be on Sunday, 20th April and rink entries will be accepted by Ken Porter.

West Wallsend brought six mixed rinks for a gala on 23rd March. The "E" grade team attended an evening of social bowls for the No. 3 section at Wallsend on 14th March.

Players wanting to travel to Sydney for the May week-end, leave their names with Bob Forster.

Ted Cosby, the club's oldest member, has entered the veterans' competition at National Park. Good luck, Ted, and by the way, it's for players 80 and over!

Entries for the Inter-departmental game are needed. Rinks must consist of two pennant players, one novice and one non-bowler. A series of games will be played over approximately five Saturdays, depending on the entries received.

After winning the State "B" Pennant last year, our lady bowlers have achieved greater success by winning the Northern Districts A grade pennant for 1952 and will travel to Sydney probably in May to contest the State final. Mrs. Freeman, their President, after eight weeks' absence with a broken foot, returned to help her team win the pennant.

BILLIARDS

The results of the billiard tournament held at the club house were:—

FIRST ROUND

J. Sowden (scr.) v. R. Bareham, 102-40.
N. Wilkins (scr.) v. E. McColl (25), 100-62.
K. McBlane (20) v. C. Laurie (10), 100-86.
J. Connors (20) v. M. Ryan (20), 101-84.
D. Rae (scr.) v. G. Ebbeck (20), 100-73.
G. Firmstone (30) v. A. Kafer (30), 101-77.
D. Dillon (scr.) v. D. Grew (15), 103-77.
H. Wilson (scr.) v. R. Frame (30), 100-83.

SECOND ROUND

D. Rae v. J. Sowden, 100-36.
N. Wilkins v. J. Connors, 100-94.
K. McBlane v. G. Firmstone, 100-91.
D. Dillon v. H. Wilson, 102-92.

SEMI-FINAL

K. McBlane v. D. Dillon, 101-97.
N. Wilkins v. D. Rae, 101-98.

FINAL

N. Wilkins v. K. McBlane, 100-98.

Excellent handicapping by Messrs. D. Rae and D. Dillon provided fighting and exciting finishes. Our promoter, Vice-President Norm. Wilkins, expects an even greater competition in the near future. The winner was presented with a fountain pen.

FISHING CLUB

The proposed trip to Booti at Easter has been altered to Hawkes Nest. Not much fishing news lately, boys—fish not biting maybe!

RIFLE CLUB

Percy Beacher has organised a working bee to clear the range area. In the meantime the club will shoot at West Wallsend.

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Answers to "Ten Questions.—1 (b), 2 (c), 3 (b), 4 (a & c), 5 (d), 6 (c), 7 (a), 8 (d), 9 (a), 10 (b).