

GARDEN



Garden Club meeting

August lets us enjoy the golden Acacia (wattle). It's an interesting plant with one species always in flower somewhere in this big country.

Maybe a large feature for your garden, or other sized flowering shrubs such as Azaleas, Banksias, Camellias, Grevilleas are also in flower. The birds will flock to feed from these plants keeping you entertained for ages.

Smaller plants can provide fabulous drifts of colour in the ground, or pots and hanging baskets. Pansies, Polyanthus, Primula, Stocks, take your choice by having a visit to your local nursery. Choose something different each month and that way there will always be something in flower.

Plant summer flowering seedlings this month; sow some seeds too. Perhaps you are a grow-your-own food enthusiast? If so, it's time to plant cress, lettuce, parsley, peas, snow peas, turnips and tomatoes will need protection from the cold.

What about refreshing your herb garden too?

Ever thought of planting a cutting garden so you can look forward to picking flowers to display in the home? Something hardier would be in the succulent or cactus family.

Have a look on YouTube for presentation ideas. If you have a broken plant pot, a very artistic mini garden can be created by arranging broken pot pieces to be held in place with the succulent soil. Next collect small cuttings and utilise the 'baby plants you have propagated' by arranging in a pleasing manner. Very rewarding pastime.

Club Banora hosts our Garden Club on the first Tuesday of the month and visitors and prospective new members are very welcome to attend.

You can chat to other gardeners to glean information, enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and biscuit, sit back and listen to a short but interesting lecture and check out the flowers, plant, fruit and flower arranging sections by members in the benching display.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday 6 August then Tuesday 3 September. Club Banora opens 9.30am; meeting starts at 10am. Great value morning for only \$5.

Enquiries to President Maria on 0448 531 055 email mariaharry111@gmail.com



Yvonne Morrison Club Secretary for 12 years and 2023 Benching Champion

RSL SUB-BRANCH

The next members' monthly meeting is on Monday 26 August at 12pm in the ANZAC Room. Diary note: Monday 30 September, Members' Luncheon in Flame Community Room at Twin Towns Clubs & Resorts; tickets \$25, book through the office. Every Thursday, drop in morning tea from 9.30am-11am. Come in for cake, coffee a chat and a laugh. Veterans' partners and carers welcome. Please check our website www.thc-rsl.org.au for the latest information. Office hours Monday to Friday 9am-12pm. Phone 07 5536 1164 or email admin@thc-rsl.org.au

Belinda McIntosh, Office Administrator

SENIORS SOCIAL

Our meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at 10am in the Visions Room on the resort side of Twin Towns. The next meeting will be on Monday 19 August. At this meeting we will be selling tickets to Ricky's Famous Picnic Day on Monday 2 September. Note this trip date has been changed. The next meeting will be held on Monday 16 September. Phone calls Tuesday to Friday 10am-4pm. Membership Officer Dorothy Colman 0434 278 397; Welfare Marie Holmes 0417 602 368 and Tour & Social Organiser Dorothy 07 5590 9301.

EUCHRE

Our games are held every Thursday night at 6.30pm in the screened off dining area at Club Banora. Holidaymakers and new residents are most welcome to come along and join our members. If you would like a few practice hands before we start, come along 15 minutes earlier. Fees to play are \$3 members and \$4 non-members and there are prizes for 1st and 2nd as well as a Lucky Door prize. We recently had our Christmas in July dinner at Club Banora which was enjoyed by all.

Joker Judy

RUNNERS & WALKERS

This year's Gold Coast Marathon weekend proved to be yet another successful weekend in the life of our Twin Towns Social Runners and Walkers Club. This weekend was not just about the running. It was the 12 weeks plus of hard yards; the devastation of injuries; the camaraderie and never-ending support and advice to get you back out there. The motivation and inspiration that comes with belonging to a group of like-minded people. The personal challenges, goals and achievements. The teamwork that goes into setting up and packing away the tent. The support of family and friends getting up at 3am and staying until the bitter end. Congratulations to all participants, you are the true champions. Results: half marathon in order of finishing - Kendal 1.57, Narelle 2.09, Linda 2.10, Tracy 2.16, Cathie 2.17, Aaron 2.23 first timer Emma 2.29 and Terry 2.30 pushed by Leah. 10km in order of finishing: Kylie 1.00, Tony 1.09 new record set in age group, Annette 1.09, Emma 1.20, Ken 1.31 and Linda S 1.32. Full marathon for first timers Angela 4.20 and Steve 4.47.

DIGGERS SWIMMING

After our beautiful Banora Pool was closed mid-2022, we hadn't had club swims until an experimental one at Kingscliff 25 metre pool ten weeks ago, where swimmers voted to resume the weekly format. However, the numbers have fluctuated and the committee may have to look again how often we meet this season. But one thing is for sure, we will be starting our Summer competition in October when the old members return from swimming with various winter Clubs.

Bubbles

GOLF

July was a quiet month with all the rain on the course and no golf carts. However, the last few weeks have seen the greens starting to gain colour and with the dryer conditions, the course is nearly back to normal. Before we know it, Spring will be in full bloom. August brings on the foursomes with the mixed and men's to be played this month. Good luck and hope your golf is not too frustrating, as foursomes tend to be. Or is that just me. The new course layout changes have been in place for a month now and the indexing is also changing. Keep your eyes out for those changes which will in full swing by August. The buggy sheds testing and tagging should be done by now but for those that missed out, see Barry at the Pro-Shop for follow-up details. See you out there.

Brent McLennan (Pres)

LADIES BOWLS

No, the photo event wasn't Christmas in July but our 40th Club Birthday held in June. As the Club Banora kitchen was under renovation, we booked the community room in the main Club downtown. It was wonderful to see some of our past members there and a great turnout of present ones. The meal was delicious and the Birthday cake from La De Da Bakery proved a great sensation. Secretary Veronica had scrolled through the records and spoke about the special moments in the Club's history. Patron Marie responded to a question as to why we have a koala as our shirt motif. She reminded us that there was a koala colony in the area opposite the club which had to make way for housing and the motorway. Back on the greens, the Club Championship Pairs was won in a close match by Denise Howard and Jeanette Kos. Sylvia Ward and Judy Foad were the runners-up. The Championship singles will be ending as the newsletter appears. We have welcomed a new member and expect several other potential ladies to begin lessons.

Veronica



Ladies Bowls 40th Birthday celebrations

FISHING

Welcome to Twin Towns Fishing Club. Do you like fishing? Do you like socialising? Well, we have a Club that would suit you. The aim of our club is to provide a social forum where people interested in recreational fishing, but not necessarily Anglers, can meet and exchange their ideas and knowledge of fishing. We had great weather for our weigh-in and competition in late July. John Watkins took out first place with three nice bream, seven dart, a whiting and two tarwhine; Steve Lovegrove took out second place with 10 bream. This year the Fishing Club will celebrate its 30th year of existence. There are three entries in the Out Of Comp Comp so get out there and see what you can do. Keep fishing, tight lines for all. Enquiries to Ferdi on 0414 812 907.

Dutchy

MENS BOWLS

Not a lot of news to report this month. The weather has been good, a little chillier in the morning but good days, and the numbers at bowls have been good. Club Champions Triples are open until the 14 October and start on the 17 October so get your names in. Upcoming events: Sponsors Open Family Day will be held on Sunday 18 August. A large number of attendees is expected at this great day for all the family. We also have a BBQ for planned for bowlers after the game on Wednesday 16 October. Enjoying your Bowling.

Rosco

BRIDGE

Our new premises at Club Banora are proving to be a good location according to feedback from members. Our secretary Marion has arranged bridge lessons which commenced on Saturday 27 July from 2pm to 4.30pm. Sadly we lost another of our retired bridge members, Judith, and although she hasn't been able to play for a while, she will be missed. Our table numbers are keeping steady. Bridge is played on Monday and Friday commencing at 12.15pm. Please be seated 15 minutes prior to start to allow the Director of the Day to determine the movement for play. Happy Bridging.

Valerie

SNOOKER

July has been an amazing month for the Club Banora Snooker Club. Club Banora's own Jessica Woods made her way to Melbourne for the Australian Ladies National Snooker championships. After making it to the final and only losing one frame in the entire tournament, Jessica met up with 16-year-old Lilly Meldrum in the final. Jessica proved what a champion she is and won 4-1 to take the title and become Australian Ladies Snooker champion again! July also saw Club Banora host Westside Snooker Club in our yearly interclub challenge. Unfortunately, Westside got the chocolates in a very close battle 15-10. A great day was had by all though and thank you to Club Banora for providing lunch and drinks for our friends from Brisbane. The FNSCA held its championships in July. The doubles were won by Paul Norris and Jessica Woods def Paul Beggs and Jim Bowers from Ballina in the final. Cooper Thomson kept up his good form by defeating Tim Ashcroft in the A-Grade championship and our own Des Turner made it all the way to the B Grade Final before being pipped at the post by John Lloyd. C Grade was won by Jay Clancy.

SOCIAL GOLF

A little bit to cover with this one as there have been no reports for last two months due to only 2-3 games played due to adverse weather and small fields. Our monthly medal winners have been Frank Watego, Glen Casson, Clint Dunn and Will Salter. Congratulations to all our medal winners. We also had a 9-hole 2-man Ambrose match for the first instalment of the year for the Wazza & Woody Cup. Our winners on the day were Mick Byrne and Chris Harding. On Sunday 21 July, we had our annual Christmas in July 18 hole 2-man Ambrose event. Winners on the day were some old, returned faces in Joe Anderson and Jason Bonney. Our Championships are scheduled for August and we look forward to these two 18-hole weekends to determine our winners across two divisions. Hit it, find it, hit it again.

Will



WHAT ARE YOU DOING TODAY? WHY NOT TRY SOMETHING NEW?

Twin Towns has so many sporting and social clubs and you can be a member of as many as you like! Try something new and exciting and make some new friends.

Contact any of the internal clubs listed in this newsletter or call 07 5536 2277.

SLICE AND FORK

NEW KITCHEN
NEW DISHES



Relaxed and family-friendly bistro dining, inside or outdoors in the spacious alfresco area with huge kids' playground.

OPEN 7 DAYS

Lunch 11.30am-2pm | Dinner 5pm-8.30pm

COFFEE SHOP

10am to 8.30pm

[Click here to see the menu or book a table.](#)

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