

# THE EMU POINT BOWLER

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Welcome back to a new season of Emu Point Bowling Club newsletters.

On 23 July, Emu Point hosted the final 2023 BPL round in the Lower Great Southern League. The 8 teams were divided up into two sections. John Dye had his first successful competition in Emu Point colours, combining with Des Forbes and Snaggers Tuffley to win Section One and the other Emu Point team, comprising Wally Mycock, Steve Cockerell and Bruce Seymour finished second in Section 2. Andy McFarlane was unable to play in John's team in the qualifying round but was eligible to play in the regional final at Middleton Beach on 19 August.



Thanks to Dorrie King for providing the above photo of the victorious Emu Point team.

The regional final was a round robin between 6 teams and it turned out to be an extremely close contest. The top three teams all won 3 out of 5 games and each of the other three teams won 2 games. 10 of the 15 matches had to go to sudden death tie-breakers. The Emu Point team was the overall winner, with their score of 5.5 set points finishing 0.5 points ahead of one of the Middleton teams. The scores for the top 3 teams are shown below.

Position	Name	Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Score %	Set Points	Net Set Points	Match Points
1	(Emu Point) J. Dye, D. Forbes, A. McFarlane, S. Tuffley	5	3	2	0	0	54	46	8	117.39	5.50	1	9
2	(Middleton Beach) M. Pooley, K. Manton, K. Thompson, B. Holt	5	3	2	0	0	47	48	-1	97.92	5	0	9
3	(Albany) K. Thompson, C. Hitchcock, R. Plant	5	3	2	0	0	42	53	-11	79.25	5	0	9

The top two teams will now play in the state final in Perth on 2 October, with the top two teams earning an all expenses paid trip to Club Pine Rivers in Queensland to play in the National Finals.

Three bowlers finished equal first with 63 points at Scroungers on Tuesday, and all three also had a 4

handicap. Bill Harris was finally declared the winner on a countback from Phil Ramsden and Anne Hunter was a very unlucky third.

On Thursday, Captain Allen Poor welcomed life member Len Buktenica to Social Bowls and Wally outlined what a massive contribution Len had made to the Club. Winners on the day were Tod Blight, John Spencer and Tery Martin with a score of 6 + 22. Runners-up was the very strong team of Peter Hewson, Yvonne Shalders and Barry Savage with their 6 + 20. Athol Ward, Gib Trethowan and Julian Hough finished third on a countback from David Kempin, Brian Osman and Steve Cockerell, with both teams scoring 6 + 6.

Winners on Saturday were John Shaylor, Ken Hunt and Kevin Crane with a score of 6 + 17. Second, with a score of 6 +13, were Peter Hewson, Brian Osman and Arthur Gorman. The honourable mention went to Stan Ayre and Ross Mitchell, who scored 6 + 3.

Several members have requested new orders for Emu Point polo shirts. If you wish to order either a pennant shirt or a Club "Drone photo" shirt, please contact Bruce Seymour or reply to this email. An order will be made next week, and it will almost certainly be the last order we make for several years.



Members of the Bowls and Tennis Clubs are invited to come together for a meal at the Club on Friday night 15 September, to acknowledge the new seasons for both sports.

The League has requested we change our official Bowls Opening Day, and the decision has been made that it will now be on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September. On the same day, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Bowling Club will also be celebrated. Past members of the Club will be invited to come to the Club on that day to catch up with their fellow bowlers and to reminisce on earlier days on the greens.

### **Carnivals coming soon:**

Wed 13 September - Albany Mixed Triples

Wed 13 September - Ongerup Men's Fours

Sat 16 September - Mt Barker Mixed Fours

Tue/Wed 19-20 September - Middleton Men's Fours

Tue/Wed 19-20 September – Gnowangerup Men's Fours

Thurs/Fri 28-29 September – Golf Ladies' Fours/ Split Pairs

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October - Denmark Men's Triples

Details of these events are displayed on the Club notice boards.