

YARRAVILLE-FOOTSCRAY BOWLING CLUB

EASTER CARNIVAL REPORT 2022

The Yarraville–Footscray Bowling Club has just staged its Annual Easter 4 Day Bowls Carnival in wonderful weather with teams playing from all over Melbourne and Country Victoria. Once again the 4 day event was sponsored by Alan Mance Motors who have dealerships in Footscray, Melton and Bacchus Marsh, this was the 11th year that Alan Mance Motors have sponsored the Easter Carnival. The Club is very proud of its relationship with Alan Mance Motors and we urge all members who may be interested in buying a new or used car to contact Alan Mance Motors. This year the Club attracted teams and players from the following clubs that played over the 4 days. Deer Park, Sunshine R.S.L, Footscray Park, Albert Park, Williamstown, Sunbury, Melton, Richmond Union, Werribee, Altona, City of Melbourne, Keilor, Middle Park, Altona Sports, Newport, Port Melbourne, Brunswick ,M.C.C, Shepparton Golf, Essendon, Moama, Keilor, Belmont, Broadmeadows, Midlands, Flemington/Kennington, Melbourne, Bacchus Marsh, Fitzroy, Kyabram & Trafalgar as well our own members.

The 4 days of bowls started on Good Friday with Open Fours and after 4 games had been played 2 team's had won all of their games, after a great final The winning team was C.Davie, C.Ginis, C.Dawson & A.Briggs from Melton.. Runners-Up T.Doolan, A.Masiaac, W.Brackley & R.Kopcewicz from M.C.C & Yarraville-Footscray. The best first game winner went to J.Greco and team with 11 shots up The best second game winner went to the team skipped by R.Coulter with 11 shots up.. The best third game winner went to C.Guymer and team with 13 shots up. The best last game winner went to S.Fletcher and team with 8 shots up.

On Saturday Mens & Ladies Pairs was staged, with another great day of weather and the 3 greens full, after the 4 games of bowls was completed, we had 3 teams win all game's, in the Mens Pairs. After the semi final was played between S. Sheaf & F.Garden, the pair from Brunswick won this semi final. In the final the pair of B.Carey & F.Garden was able to beat the Yarrville-Footscray pair of T. Vinton & R.McLellan. The best first game winners were H.Kamira & T.Lions with 12 shots up. Best second game winners were D.Holt & N.Vlahovic with 13 shots up. Best third game winners were B.Wilosn & V.Princi with 24 shots up. Best last game winners were R.Orchard & C.Patterson with 18 shots up.

In the Ladies Pairs we had 2 teams win all 4 games, so after a 3 end play-off the runners-up were L.Borton & J.Griffith from Keilor. The winners were R.Paddle & A.Zyza from Yarraville-Footscray. Best first game winners were S.Jing & M.Russell with 5 shots up. Best second game winner L.Chaloner & M.Keenan with 6 shots up. Best third game winner M.Greco & B.Button with 15 shots up. Best 4th game winners were B.Garden & L.Pratt with 7 shots up.

On Easter Sunday Open Triples was played with another great day of weather and all greens playing well, after 4 games was played we had 2 teams win all games. After the final had been played the Runners-Up went to G.Engerbretsen, W.Ainger & T.Spratling from Yarraville-Footscray. The winners were P.Caryle, R.Kopcewicz & B.Mahoney from Midlands & Yarraville-Footscray. Best first game winners went to the team skipped by T.Staal with 17 shots up. Best second game winners went to K.Capper & team with 13 shots up. The best third game winners went to the team skipped by B.Giles with 21 shots up. The best last game winner went skipped by I.Rickman with 17 shots up.

On Easter Monday Mixed Pairs was played and another great day of bowls was held with 3 greens in play. The weather was not as good on the Monday and the games were reduced to get all 4 games completed. After all games had been played only one team had won all games. Runners-Up went to B.Button & K.Button from Kyabram with 3 wins 1 draw 54 points. The winners were the Fitzroy pair of J.McMahon & S.Webster with 4 wins. Best first game winners were J.Kuiti & R.Barnes with 17 shots up. Best second game winners went to A.Zyza & C.Guymer with 17 shots up. Best third game winners were G.Engerbretsen & T.Spratling with 16 shots up. Best last game winners were T.Powell & R.Symmons with 7 shots up.

Once again the club had the best female & male bowler over the 4 days of play, The best female bowler went to Gou Engebretsen from Yarraville-Footscray, while the best male bowler was Richard Kopcewicz also from Yarraville-Footscray.

President Gerard Walsh thanked all people who had attended over the 4 days saying that the numbers were slightly up on last year's event. He made special mention to our sponsors Alan Mance Motors and the members who had helped run a very successful carnival, special mention to the greens committee on preparing great greens over the 4 days of play. He also hoped that all bowlers would be back again next year for another Easter Carnival.