

WESTERN PROVINCE CRICKET CLUB

Fortnightly Newsletter – 20 May 2010

FRIDAY NIGHT HAPPY HOUR AND ATTENDANCE JACKPOT

Jackpot bumped up to R10,000 plus R1000 Sportsmans Warehouse Voucher

SPECIAL HAPPY HOUR THIS FRIDAY!

The Running Section will host happy hour this Friday, 21st May. This promises to be an exciting event aimed at giving our Comrades Runners a huge send-off! We're giving away fantastic prizes in the lucky draw, these include:

- ~ **5 pairs of New Balance shoes**
- ~ Additional **Sportsmans Warehouse R1000 gift voucher**
- ~ Mystery prizes from **L'ermitage Franschoek Chateau & Villas**

SA Breweries will also run a Castle Light promotion during the evening.

In addition, the Committee have bumped up the attendance jackpot by R700, which means, the Jackpot now stands at **R10,000!**

All local members over the age of 18 are automatically entered into the attendance draw each week.
If your membership number is drawn - you win the jackpot, but remember... you **must** be there to win it!

Missed out on the jackpot?

14 May: Mr. S. Stoch missed out on R9200

FRIDAY MOVIE NIGHT

Enjoy Happy Hour while your children are entertained in a warm and safe environment.

A children's DVD will be screened every Friday night from 5:30pm at the Sports Centre. This will usually be held in the Chairman's View, but may sometimes be moved to a different area. Please check the Notice board when you arrive on Friday for any changes.

Movies to be Screened

Friday 21st May, **5:30pm** watch: **'SON OF RAMBOW'**

Friday 28th May, **6:00pm** (NB: *delayed start*) watch: **'THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX'**

- Any DVD donations or loans (please mark DVD with your name and phone number) suitable for children of all ages, would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the Sports Centre Reception Desk for the attention of 'Cherie'. Thank you.

RUGBY AT NEWLANDS – Saturday 22nd May

WPCC SPORTS CENTRE, BUDS BIG SCREEN

Come to the Sports Centre to watch the matches on Bud's BIG SCREEN, in the Bar Lounge.

Bulls kick off at 5pm. Stormers kick off at 7pm. The Deck Menu will be available for light meals and snacks.

INDIBANO CAFÉ – WPCC PAVILION AT NEWLANDS SAHARA PARK

Join us on Saturday 22 May for a warm winter meal and a pint or two before going through to the semi final at Newlands OR come early and watch the Bulls game on 3 flat screens provided. Open from 12h00 to 19h00.

Menu for the day – includes a draught, glass of house wine or soft drink

Grilled Fish, sautee potatoes and seasonal veg

Hot pot and rice

Chicken or Beef burger and chips

NB: *Parking* is available to members in the area outside the Members Pavilion on a 1st come 1st served basis. Please show your membership card to the security guard on duty.

‘THE DECK MENU’ Sports Centre

A decision has been taken that the Deck Menu will no longer be available on *Wednesdays (only)*, until further notice. However, should members wish to arrange lunch at the Sports Centre from Monday to Thursday, please give two days notice by phoning Debbie on: 0828220247 to make a reservation. Debbie will accommodate where ever possible during the week.

**The Deck Menu remains available every:
Friday and Saturday
12h30 to 20h30**

FOOTBALL FEVER

All World Cup Football matches will be screened at the Sports Centre on Buds BIG SCREEN. SA Breweries will run promotions during each game PLUS you can enter the Club's Football Lotto Draw and win yourself some cash! Watch the newsletters for details.

As always, members are welcome to bring along guests, but please sign-in your guests at reception and remember that you are responsible for them at all times.

MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL FOR SPOUSES – Expires 31 May!

Any spouse who joins the Club before **31st May 2010** does not pay the entrance fee!
Email: members@wpcc.co.za or call the Club Office 021 657 3330 or 021 657 3334 for details.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS – Due from 1st June 2010

Annual statements will reach you by 1st June 2010 and are payable by 31st July 2010.

Statements: Your annual statement of account will be sent by email at the beginning of June 2010, please ensure payment is made before the deadline of 31st July 2010 to avoid being listed as a defaulted.

We have made one significant change to the statements this year, whereby family member's subs will be included on the main family members' statement. We hope this will make things little simpler.

Debit Orders: Please remember that if you have a debit order in place with the Club, this automatically continues each year until cancelled by you in writing. The first payment will be deducted early June for 6 months.

Sports Section Changes: If you wish to resign from, or join one of the sports sections, please let us know by sending an email to members@wpcc.co.za *before the end of May*, to ensure that the annual statement is accurate.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

We apologise to all those Members who are waiting for new or replacement cards – we are expecting to receive the new Card Printing machine within the next two weeks. We will notify you by email as soon as your card is ready for collection. Thanks for your patience.

News from the Sports Sections

BOWLS

MEN'S ALL CAPE TOURNAMENT

Our most successful team at the Men's All Cape Tournament in East London was that of Daniel Loubser, Brian Mitchell, Graham Todd and Stuart Briggs, who 12 successive games before being knocked out in the Quarter Finals.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING – BOWLS SECTION

Thanks to all Bowls Members who braved the cold weather to attend last Wednesday's Meeting. The attendees took the opportunity to air their views and make decisions on most of the issues of the day and hopefully this will enable us to keep "Any other business" to a minimum at the AGM in June! The minutes of the Meeting will be published asap.

BOWLS continued...

CHANGE OF DATES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOWLS SECTION AND THE FINAL ROUND OF THE MIDWEEK TRIPS COMPETITION

After careful consideration, the Bowls Committee have decided to amend the date of the Annual General Meeting (originally scheduled for Wednesday 23 June) - in order to be able to accommodate a change in the date of the final round of the Midweek Trips competition (originally scheduled for Wednesday 16th June – a public holiday).

The revised dates are as follows:

Annual General Meeting: **Monday** 28 June at 18h30

Midweek trips final round: Wednesday 23 June

Please also note that we shall be organising a Personal Trust “Fun Morning” on the public holiday – Wednesday 16th June.

We do hope that members will agree that the above arrangements will better facilitate the running of all 3 of the above-mentioned events.

CLUB SINGLES CHAMPIONS

Many congratulations to our two Club Open Singles Champions – Flo Nagel and Robin Gibbs – who will be competing in the WP Champion of Champions event on the weekend of 5/6 June, in which we wish them good bowling! Commiserations to the gallant runners-up – Diana Baboo and Joel Roëbert respectively.

Congratulations also to Iain Wares, our Men’s Novices Singles Champion, who won a well-contested game against the valiant Sinclair Tweedy last weekend.

WP PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Men’s and Ladies’ WP Pairs Championships commenced last Sunday and we have 2 Men’s teams and 2 Ladies’ teams through to the Section Play-offs. We congratulate and wish good bowling this coming Sunday to Brian Mitchell & Brian Smith, Daniel Loubser & Kevin Nash, Trish Steyn & Marie Barry and Lynda Nurrish & Sandy Wehrli.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sun 23 May

Wed 26 May; 2, 9 and 23 June

Fri 28 May

Sat 29 May

Sat/Sun 5/6 June

Fri 4 June

Sat 12 June

Sun 13 June

Wed 16 June

Mon 28 June

WP Men’s Pairs - 7 Section Play-offs at WPCC

WPCC Midweek Trips Competition at WPCC

Wine Auction – Lions Club of Newlands – in Bowls Clubhouse

WP Ladies’ Pairs Quarter-finals to be played at WPCC

WP Men’s and Ladies’ Champion of Champions Singles event (venue TBA).

Happy Hour hosted by the Bowls Section

Round 4 of the WP Super 10 under 45’s Competition at WPCC

Inter Sections Bowls event at WPCC

Personal Trust “Fun Morning” at WPCC

Bowls Section AGM

MIKE CONNOLLY - Chairman Bowls

HOCKEY

Our condolences to Kim and Brad McNamara on the passing of their father.

Congratulations to Tarryn Bright on her selection for the SA ladies team to play 12 tests in China later this month.

Both the ladies and mens 1st teams remain unbeaten with the ladies in 2nd place on the log and the men in 1st place.

The ladies 1st team play a vital game against Stellenbosch on Sunday at 13h30 at WPCC. Please make an effort to come and support the ladies.

The hockey section are having a pre-rugby gathering at the club this Saturday. Please see the flier sent to you by Kevin.

Come to the Club and watch the afternoon hockey games and then the Stormers.

ALLAN LACEY - Chairman Hockey

RUNNING

THE HAPPY HOUR TO BEAT ALL HAPPY HOURS...

The Running Section will host happy hour this Friday 21st May. Huge prizes from Sportsmans Warehouse and New Balance! The prizes include 5 pairs of New Balance shoes, an extra R1000 Sportsmans Warehouse Gift Voucher and mystery prizes from L'ermitage Franschoek Chateau & Villas. *See you there!*

THURSDAY TIME TRIAL

We run, walk and crawl from the Sports Centre, Ave de Mist every Thursday evening at **17h30**. Be part of the lucky shoe draw by running at least one week and attending the last Thursday of the month when you can join us for a drink after the run.

We encourage all our members to support our sponsors, New Balance and Sportsmans Warehouse.

** To view WPCC Time Trial Results, visit the Running Section 'Results' Page on at www.wpcc.co.za*

FRIDAY EVENING CLUB RUN

Join the Friday Club Run from the Sports Centre at 17h15.

BRUCE CRUICKSHANK - Chairman Running

SQUASH

The squash season has stuttered along a little bit this year, and we have another couple of matches before a month-long break over the Soccer World Cup period. It is difficult to gauge exact results at this stage, as the league online recording system has been experiencing difficulties, but suffice it to say we have a mixture of results across all leagues. We're leading certain leagues, and propping up the bottom in others. The break gives us a great opportunity to either consolidate our position, or work hard to sharpen up before we commence again, for a long haul to the end of the season. To this end we are scheduling two weeks of "**Club Nights**" before the league season re-commences in mid-July. Mark Allen will be organizing a couple of fun, interactive 'competitions' during the June break. Mark will be sending out more information in due course, but in the interim take note that these will take place on the following evenings, from 6:30pm to around 8:30pm:

Tuesday 29 June

Wednesday 30 June

Tuesday 6 July

Wednesday 7 July

Thank you to everyone who is assisting with the request to lodge their membership cards at reception. There certainly seems to be an increased compliance. I reiterate again that this is not intended to be a hassle factor, but rather a small way that we can attempt to have the courts utilized, as far as possible, by members, as opposed to non-members. That is, after all, why we pay membership fees. You are also reminded that, when playing with a guest, a guest fee of **R20** is payable. I thank everyone for their assistance in their regard.

We have one more short burst of tournament play at the courts, and then outside tournaments are finished for the year. This little burst occurs at the end of May and the beginning of June. My apologies for the disruption this has caused to members. With WPCC having such superb facilities, we are under constant demand from external bodies wishing to utilize our facilities. We try to balance this out, but will be ensuring the interests of members are looked after in 2011 and beyond.

The second half of the year sees two WPCC tournaments taking place, the WPCC Open (which is open to all WPCC members, as well as players from other Clubs), as well as the WPCC Club Championships. Mark Allen will be running both these tournaments, so expect to hear a lot more about these tournaments directly from him. WPCC members are encouraged to participate in both these tournaments.

DUNCAN DE GROOT - Chairman Squash