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Reminder

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH

TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER



12.00 for 12.30 pm 2 course meal

Cost \$20: Pay before the date

Bring some change for sweeps BAR OPEN

Any Dietary requirements contact Marilyn Edmonds 0414 354 604

For catering: Add your names on the whiteboard in the clubrooms

025/26 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP REMINDER

Entries Now Close 29 October

raw: Friday 31 October at Drinks

Monday Social Bowls 12 noon

\$10 entry **Jackpot and Mystery Prizes**

Matt's Stats are Back! 2025-2026

As we enter Blackwood Bowls Club 90th season since its formation. 89th season playing Pennants, we start with some very big milestones. The biggest of them all is Paul Mesecke, who has been a member of this club since 1979, and on round 1, achieved 750 Saturday Pennant games (4th player to do so) (The last player to this landmark was 35 years ago).

Congratulations Paul!

- Tim Carr became the 51st player to reach 350 Saturday Pennant games.
- Andrew Knight played his first game in a Division 3 side.
- Chris Wallace, Claire Wilson, John Reavley and Gary George, all played their first games in the second side.
- Simon Howard played his first Saturday game for Blackwood.

Records show this the first year Pennants have started the season playing a maximum of 18 ends in Divisions 6 and 7.

It is the first time since 1987-88 to have 6 teams until the Division 7 had to be withdrawn.

1987-88 season was not a good year for the club with 4 of the 6 teams finishing second to last or last.

It's also been since 1987-88 that Wednesday pennants have had 4 teams.

During the Saturday season, there are a few clubs that a Blackwood team has not played against for a while, they are: Adelaide High O.S for the first time since February 2015. Trinity Gardens for the first time since January 2010. Walkerville for the first time since November 2003.

Division 7 Central were to play against Colonel Lights Gardens for the first time since January 2019, but our 7 Central side had to forfeit the game.

Round 2,

- another big milestone with Chas McCormick reaching 600 Saturday Pennants. (11th player to do so.)
- Peter Zhao 100th Saturday
- and Chris Wallace 50th- Saturday
- John Mudge played his 1st Saturday game for Blackwood.

Thursday Pennants

The format of the lady's competition has changed, the second side got an unexpected promotion to Division 2. Division 3 has gone from last year and in Division 2 has been divided into North, South, West and East. 2 North has 9 teams, 2 South has 12 teams, 2 East has 10 teams, and 2 West has 12 teams.

Matt Rawnsley