

The Week that was

A mixed week on the greens for the Howrah Bowls Club.

Midweek started the new pennant season off with some mixed results, with 2 wins and 2 losses on a very difficult day on the green with the wind playing a major role.

J Fowler from Kingborough thrived in the conditions and had the measure of Brian Walker winning by a comfortable margin, with that being the decisive rink, the others were close with JJ getting 2 points for Howrah

Div 2 got the season off to a flyer with a 28 shot win away to Beltana winning on all rinks

No joy for Div3 at a very wind swept claremont

Div 4 had a split rinks win against Cremorne at Home with Dodgey and Tony Snell having comfortable wins and the other 2 rinks just falling short

The ladies then followed up the next day with a win a very narrow loss by 1 shot and a couple of losses, again the wind being a factor.

Rosie had a big win to get Div 1 off to a winning start with Ros & Kaye having narrow loses.

Div 2 had a narrow 1 shot loss with Judy B and June C having good wins but could not cover Evelyn's 17 shot loss.

Div 4 had a 10 shot loss, but picked up 2 points thanks to the ever reliable Joan Stirling

Div 5 went down by 13 shots with Alison Wansborough having a draw.

The Wind still being a Major factor continued into Saturday with some games finishing in the rain, and some not completing the full compliment of ends

Div 2 had a nail biting 1 shot win against demoted Div 1 Brighton, coming down to the last end with scores level,

With his rink 1 shot down at the head Rod Marshall came into the head with a bit of weight to push thru and clean out the Brighton shot bowl and stay to hold shot for the win and overall win, but still with 1 bowl to come, the Brighton skip with the last bowl of the day in driving rain failed to change the head and Howrah wins!!! Much the the applause of those on the bank still watching.

Dale & Mike had narrow wins and after a slow start new skip Nick ellis fell 3 shots short.

Div 3 had a tough time against Bucks @ Bucks, coming away with 3 points with Brian bouncing back from his midweek loss to grab a draw and JJ keeping his winning form from Wednesday with a 7 shot win, John Corba had a narrow 3 shot loss with Micky M not having a great day on the green against wily veteran Barry Breen.

Div 4 had a battle with Sorell @ Sorell, with the home team pulling away and ending up with a 30 shot win, unfortunately no points for Howrah.

4 reserve now only being 3 rinks, had a 2 rink 6 shot win against Rosny @ Rosny with the Vet (Noel T) and the Horse whisperer (R Wansborough) combining well to cover the Leppard that never changes his spots (E Leppard) loss

Div 5 had a solid win against Beltana @ Home thanks largely to Postman Pete's 15 shot win with Johnny M having to settle for a draw with Wes G missing out this week.

Also disappointing in div 5 were the 2 forfeits that followed on top of late changes to the roster with teams pulling out, hope that this does not continue for div 5

Fielding 3 teams in the mixed roster with a combined team from our home away from home in Derwent City,

In the Blue division the hastily assembled team (due again to teams pulling out) had a tough day over at Derwent City, with Lyn P the only winning skip.

In the red division we are fielding 2 teams, with 1 being a combination of Derwent City players

Unfortunately we did not fair to well with the How/DC combination going down by 13 shots, all rinks just failing to get up.

Newly arrived bowler Pam Knight from Sandy Bay just fell short in her first appearance for Howrah as skip losing by 3 shots.

In the other game Dover were too strong defeating us by 14 shots, but with no signs of Jet lag Donny Mills had a great 11 shot win

In summary over 3 days of pennant for Howrah bowls club we fielded 16 teams and 220 bowlers with WIND playing a major factor in all 3 competitions, with 6 wins and a couple of narrow loses

See you on the green Dale