

BOWLS at Pretoria Country Club

At Bowls, we had barely started enjoying a little bit of the new normality when revised Level 3 restrictions were introduced. One thing is certain:

You have to be able to change plans, competitions, events, etc., at the blink of an eye to survive this pandemic.

Fortunately, there was enough time to do a few fun events and competitions in the last few months of 2020.

One of the events was the annual **Captain vs. Captain Competition**. This is one of the most fiercely contested competitions on the bowling calendar. "Why?" you might ask. Well, in this event, the lady bowlers are pitted against the gentlemen bowlers. In ten years, the ladies won this competition only once. Until now! Exceeding all expectations, the ladies won the 2020 competition by 7 points to 5. Well done, ladies!



The battlefield



Heather Maizey & George Wesson



Winners 2020

The **4th Intersectional Bowls Challenge** was hosted by the Bowls Section on 15 November 2020. It was an extremely hot Sunday morning when 13 teams from the various sections at PCC competed to be the ultimate PCC sectional winner for 2020. Not only was the day hot, but so, too, the bowling. For the second time in a row, the Bridge ladies won the Challenge, and the Lady Golfers were runners-up. A shot difference of only one separated these two teams.



Winners: Bridge Ladies



Runners-up: Golf Ladies

The Bowls Section hosted three corporate events during December 2020. Bowls is an excellent team-building exercise, and a fun-filled way to have a year-end function. At these events, we introduce the sport of Bowls to participants, and they always enjoy themselves hugely!

On 31 October, a very successful Bowls Open Day was attended by 31 enthusiastic, potential bowlers. At these events, the participants quickly cotton on to how the game works and they realise that bowling is both fun and socially rewarding. Nobody is lonely at our Bowls Club! Four of the participants in this particular event have already joined us. We plan to arrange another Open Day sometime in the next two to three months. Please contact us if you would like to attend.

There is a saying, "Unless you open yourself up to trying new things, you can't find what you love." Why not try out Bowls!



PCC men's reserve team

Our Men's Reserve Team made us proud by being the top men's team in the Northern Gauteng Reserve League 2020. Arista de Bruin presented their award to the team, which her late husband, Len de Bruin, had skipped for a few matches.



From left to right: Tienie Otto, John Purchase, Arista de Bruin, Alan Jones, Rob Wood and Ian Fraser