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# ATBSO of ACT News Letter

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## End of 2020 Bring on 2021

2020 was a big year and half of it for the wrong reasons. The year started off like no other, our first activity was the Fund Raising BBQ on 18th January, then our Championships on 2nd Feb, We managed to have a committee meeting on 11th February. Another BBQ on 15 February, BBQ on 7th March. We scheduled our EOGM for March 21 with the team Trials and everything was looking good, or so we thought.

Then COVID-19 hit Australia like a storm.

**CANCELLED** was the catch cry in March. Tournaments scheduled in 2020 started to be cancelled. No one knew how bad it was going to get and then the news Nationals was cancelled as well. Not long after that Government Agencies staff started to work from home. **ISOLATION** was the order of the day in hopes to curb the COVID-19 virus. The 4 metre rule was imposed to all public places. This meant that the bowling alleys started closing down as well as affecting us all. Isolated from each other and our sport. The worst

part of this lock down was families were isolated, weddings affected or just cancelled. Then in June things started to turn around for the better. There was light at the end of the tunnel, People started to return to work, more people per square metre were allowed in establishments which meant we can bowl again.. WOOO HOOO we were back with a tournament in July. Since then we had local tournaments in August, September, November with an AGM and just recently a tournament in December. Now we look forward to 2021 and what better way to kick it off was with our first BBQ, yep we had a Bunnings BBQ and Placed onions on the bottom of the sausage sanga.

That was interesting in its self, who would have thought Bunnings can write 10 pages of instructions with a flow chart to boot on how to hold a sausage sizzle, well they did and we had to read all of it.

The Bunnings BBQ was held on Saturday 19th Decemeber with 2 teams of 5 doing 4 hours each. We made a profit of \$1067.90 for the day and asked if we would do it again. And Yes we Will.

## December Singles

December Singles marks the end of the year for the Seniors tenpin bowling. For the last tournament of the year we have had a good turnout of 22 members total. The conditions were not easy and they reflected in our results especially from the last month, but everyone still had fun and that is the main thing. Pauly's Proshop is going to do regular feature in the newsletter with bowling tips to help us with adverse conditions that we may face. In this edition and appropriate considering the tough conditions we had, Pauly's Proshop Tips article is on "Reading the Lanes".

Now back to the singles event. December singles was a bit different as we have had a mixed Men and Women's Open event, Restricted Ladies and Restricted Men events.

In the restricted ladies, Irene Siew started everyone off with a great game of 211 with Toni Hogan and Sandra Cusack not far behind. Irene Siew kept her form up and faltered enough for Ellinor Sayer to come in first place by 5 pins with a handicap average of 197, Irene Siew 2nd with a handicap average of 197 and Sandra Cusack in 3rd spot with a handicap average of 195. The highest game scratch for Restricted Ladies goes to Irene Siew with a scratch game of 211..

In the Restricted Men's event, Tony Burns lead the charge with a 212 game with David Woodward and Richard Makins not far behind. Barry Harney started to make a break for it by the 4th game but Richard Makins kept his

form up to retain the lead from Barry and Tony Burns. Richard Makins came first with a handicap average of 211, Barry Harney second with Handicap average of 206 and Tony Burns coming 3rd with a 195 handicap average.

Highest game scratch for Restricted Mens goes to Noel Kelly with a scratch game of 221.

I want to take this opportunity to farewell Tony Burns and wish him all the best in South Australia in 2021. Thank you Tony for all your years of support to ATBSO of ACT inc.

In the Mixed Open division, Craig Sproule opened up with 247 game to get into the pole position, Andrew Campbell and Albin Zagar coming in behind him. Craig Sproule led for the most part of the tournament and it wasn't until the 6TH game that Craig let Albin take the lead. Albin Zagar came in 1st with a 199 scratch average, Craig Sproule came in 2nd with 194 scratch average and just missing out of 2nd position by 10 pins was Andrew Campbell coming in 3rd with 192 scratch average.

Well Done and Congratulations to all.

## From the ATBSON

### Changes to the Nationals Format

On 11th December 2020 we received an email from the ATBSO National Committee regarding changes to the Classic Division. The email was distributed to the ATBSO of ACT committee members on the same day.

Below email from Secretary Susanne Jack:

The ATBSON Committee would like to advise that at a Committee Meeting held Monday 7 December 2020 the Committee voted on a motion to change the Classic Challenge team composition for 2021 to a 6 male member team. This motion was passed unanimously by those present.

The reasons for this difficult decision were.

1. Over the years the number of open ladies competing in Open and Classic divisions has decreased and the Classic Ladies has had large numbers of Double Ups and Drafts. e.g. in Toowoomba, out of 24 Lady Bowlers there were 3 Drafts and 11 Double Ups
2. With some States not having the numbers to fill an Open Ladies Team, their open lady bowlers are playing in the Classic Division which is creating the need for Byes to be played in the Open Ladies Division.
3. The Open Ladies Division consists of more Classic and Restricted bowlers than in the past and therefore Ladies transferring to Open Division would certainly not be out of place.
4. A suggestion to not bowl Classic Division, if the Ladies didn't bowl, was considered, but as there are enough men available to bowl in a Classic Division it was decided that a team of 6 male players would be included as this would not impact the financial viability of the ATBSON Challenge, because the number of competitor positions for the overall challenge remains unchanged.

We would ask that this email be distributed to all Committee Members and that your members be informed of the change ASAP.

Any enquiries in regards to this decision are welcome by the Committee Members.

Kind Regards  
Susanne Jack  
ATBSO National Secretary  
Mobile 0409 284 244

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## From the ATBSON

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Unfortunately State presidents had no say in this matter. Our President Richard Makins tried to find out more about this but the decision is final.

## From the ATBSO of ACT Committee

The ATBSO of ACT Committee wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Be Safe and healthy during the festive season and we will see you in 20201.**



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## PROSHOP TIPS

### Reading the Lanes

In league, tournament or professional play, knowing how to play the lanes is crucial.

A 300 game is achieved by knowing how to make the right moves at the right time, not just repeating shots.

**Staying “ahead” of the lanes as they go through transition is key to perfection.**

Most bowlers know about the arrows, but finding the breakpoint and adjusting to that part of the lane is vital to giving you more area to play with.

A quick method to determine where the ball should be leaving the end of the oil pattern is to simply apply the rule of 31.

How do we do this? Subtract the number 31 from the distance of the oil pattern.

This will give you the board number where your ball should exit the pattern.

Nothing is definite, but this is a good guideline to finding the correct area to start and then make adjustments based off your ball reaction.

**Example:** Pattern length 40 ft. - 31 = 9 board

**NOTE:** On a 40ft. pattern you want to see the ball exit the pattern (breakpoint) around the 9 board.

## Bowling Equipment in the ACT

Pauly visits the ACT once a week during League nights and rotates the nights weekly. He is also available at his home Bowling Centre Windsor Bowl by prior appointment.



### **ATBSO ACT 10% Member special discount**

Pro shop services are available by appointment only

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## Direct Deposit

Members are encouraged to use electronic transfers for either payments for the National Games costs or for local Tournaments and or annual membership fees.

## Upcoming Events

### BIRTHDAYS – Happy Birthday

Toni Hogan

John Hook

Happy Birthday all

## 2021 Bowling Calendar on the back page

## Banking Details for Direct Deposit

### Direct Deposit to:

Bank: Commonwealth Bank of Australia

BSB Number: 062909

Account No.: 10012244

Account Name: ATBSO of ACT

# 2021 Calendar of Events

## 2021 Tournament Dates

Month	Date	Centre	State	
January				
NSW Sprots Series	16th - 17th	Gosford	NSW	
ATBSO	31st Jan	Tuggeranong	ACT	
		Wetherill Park	NSW	Singles
		Caboolture	QLD	Hammer Classic (R)
February	6,7,13,14	Tuggeranong	ACT TBA	Championships
	20th - 21st	Shell Harbour	NSW	NSW Sports Series Roll - Offs State Team
March	13th & 14th	Orange	NSW	NSW Sports Series
TBA	13th & 14th	Keon Park	VIC	Jonh Sullivan Aust Open (R)
		Campbelltown	NSW	Roll - Offs State Team
ATBSO	27th & 28th	Tuggeranong	ACT	Roll - Offs State Team
April		Windsor	NSW	Trios
ATBSO	18th	Tuggeranong	ACT	Doulbes
		Cross Roads	S.A	South Australian Classic (R)
May		Rooty Hill	NSW	Doubles
	23rd	Tuggeranong	ACT	Singles
June		Wetherill Park	NSW	Singles
July	4th	Tuggeranong	ACT	Singles
		Campbelltown	NSW	Singles
	17th & 18th	Griffith	NSW	NSW Sports Series
August	TBA	Moonah	TAS	TBA Aust Seniors Cup (R)
	20th - 30th	Campbelltown	NSW	National Challenge
	28th 29th	Wetherill Park	NSW	NSW Sports Series
September	19th	Tuggeranong	ACT	Singles
		Wetherill Park	NSW	Singles
October	2nd & 3rd	Campbelltown	NSW	Vintage Seniors Classic (R)
	9th & 10th	Raymond Terrace	NSW	NSW Sports Series
		Shell Harbour	NSW	4 Person Teams
	31st	Tuggeranong	ACT	AGM Singles
November	6th - 7th	Kempsey	NSW	NSW Sports Series
		Rooty Hill	NSW	Doubles
ATBSO	28th	Tuggeranong	ACT	Singles
December	4th - 5th	Tuggeranong	Canberra Open	NSW Sports Series
		Wetherill Park	NSW	Xmas Tournament