

BOWLING :

Services Club Notes

BY IF I'DA (Mark II)

The annual general meeting of the club was held last Tuesday night at the C.U.S.M. Club. Judging from the interest shown by the large attendance, affairs of this club should really go with a "roll" this coming season. Cy Pratt, President of the Bowling Club opened the meeting with a few well chosen words of thanks to those in attendance, these including Mr. Fred Sammons (President of the C.U.S.M.C.) and Mr. Ran Wilson of the Corowa Bowling Club who had with him our old friend and adviser on matters green, Mr. Perc Smith. Cy's very comprehensive report was well and enthusiastically received, despite some good-natured "shots" from a heckler or two.

A touch of humour was introduced by Sec. Jack Baldwin when reading the minutes of the last meeting: "that Roy Lindeman be debarred from using his steamrollers and he be instructed to use four and one half inch bowls."

There were a number of suggestions put to the incoming committee and these will receive every consideration, be they "touchers," "wicks" or even appear to be on the wrong "bias." It is such suggestions from the members that show enthusiasm and no matter what it is there may be a germ of something for the betterment of members.

Most bowlers know how popular the mixed event held by Rutherglen is and next season it is hoped that we will run a three-bowls-threes event on the first Sunday in every month. Male! There is definite need for this type of competition and with organisation this event could develop into a bowlers "must."

The various trophies won by members were presented and here Cy asked the donors to make the presentations, a nice thought! Unfortunately one trophy, for the consistency, had been overlooked and the recipient (later) who is a prominent member of the greens committee was told "What you deserve."

The winners of the trophies were (donors in brackets):

Championship "A"—Bob Whinray (Fred Sammons); "B" Pat Salmon (Cy Pratt); Pairs, Don Stewart and Ray Maclean (R. Lindeman); Consistency, Roy Lindeman (Mick O'Halloran) Draw for Partners Pairs (run through the season) "A", Ackie Roach. "B" Bill McLaurin. (J. Baldwin and W. Humphrey).

Jack Irwin was called on to present his perpetual trophy for "Diggers Day" and did so to the accompaniment of "tell us how you won," "who was the skip" as the trophy was handed over to Roy as skip of the "olds and bolds."

Reference was made by Bill Thomas as to how he lost the Ike Davis bowl for the Services, by being trounced by Perc Smith. He referred to the generous gesture of the President of the Corowa Club in offering their services and the very capable help of Perc in the preparation of the green for this season.

The election of officers resulted in Cy Pratt being re-elected president, Jack Caffrey and Bill Thomas re-elected vice-presidents. Sec. Jack Baldwin and treasurer Don Stewart were likewise re-elected. Re-elected committeemen were: H. Hamilton, R. Lindeman, L. Wood, J. Roach, G. Avis, W. Humphrey. Two new committeemen in Ray Maclean and Bruce Chandler will bring new ideas into the meetings.

At the conclusion of the meeting supper was partaken of at "Mine Hosts" request and later Bob Whinray brought a very successful evening to a close by filling the Sammons trophy with "bubbly" and all partook. May have strated something, Bob.