Sports REPORTS



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ATHLETICS (ILLAWONG)
Liaison Director: Daniel Kurtz

Recently NSW Athletics held the annual All Schools Competition over 4 days, a couple days were extremely hot conditions and others were cooler. Each event has its own perfect conditions athletes like to perform in, all schools showcased a number of outstanding results!

Illawong Revesby Workers Athletic (IRWA) had a number of athletes compete over the 4 days with 5 of our members finishing in the top 3 of their events. The top 2 in each event qualify for Australian All Schools to be held early December in Perth. IRWA has 4 members qualified for Perth.

12 years girls Charlie Risti competed at her first All Schools competition finishing 2nd in High Jump with a new Personal Best jump of 1.46m

14 years boys Finn Doyle took out the double, winning gold in the 200m and 400m, his time of 22.49 set a new meet record by almost a second!

15 years girls Mia Wood finished 3rd in the 200m Final closing in on 2nd in the last few metres.
Tamia Naitaka finished 2nd in Discus and 3rd in Javelin

17 years girls Tallara Joseph-Riogi won Javelin by 16 metres with a throw of 60.44m - superlatives supplied by David Tarbotton
-Second longest throw in the World for an under-18
-Moved to #11 on the World U18 All-time list.
-Broke the NSW All Schools record by three metres
-Longest throw at the NSW All Schools with a 500g javelin.
-1.03m short of the Australian U18 record, set by Mackenzie Little when she won the World U18 Championships in 2013.

Tallara also finished 2nd in Discus and 2nd in Shot Put

On Sunday 11th October Ben raced at the Nike Melbourne Marathon Festival, Ben finished the marathon in 2 hours and 29 minutes. This time sees Ben breaking our previous club record which Jo Blake has held since 2006 with a time of 2 hours and 36 minutes

Words from Ben about the day *"My parents flew down to Melbourne on the weekend. Was so good to hear them cheer for me during some difficult sections on the course, really pulled me through. Was an amazing day. I started the race next to Kipchoge in the elite start, he gave me a high five and told me to run well."*

Cassandra Dooley
Administration Officer

ATHLETICS (JUNIOR)
Liaison Director: Christine Butters

Our 47th season is currently underway, with 330 registered athletes, ranging in age from our 5-year-old Tiny Tots through to our 17-year-old senior athletes. This is our fifth season at our new grounds at Kelso Park North, and we are proud to see our club continuing to maintain strong growth.

We have had a number of outstanding performances already this season, including some impressive Centre records broken, including:

Aston Chisholm broke the 13 Boys 1500m record, previously set in 2021 and the 3000m record, previously set in 2022.

Abby Freeman broke the 16 Girls 100m, 200m and 400m records.

Grace Delander broke the 16 Girls 800m, 1500m and 1500m Walk records.

Zander Barrett broke the 16 Boys 1500m and 3000m records.

We have also held our Club Captain elections, voted by our senior athletes. Our Club Captains this year are Zander Barrett and Ruby McGraw, and our Vice Captains are Luca Russo and Caitlin Brennan. We know they will be fantastic role models and mentors for our athletes and will be proactive in supporting our centre throughout the season.

This season we welcomed two new committee members John Mellas and Dan Brennan. Long term committee member and life member Rebecca Taylor retired from the committee after many years of support and contributions, especially as our canteen manager.

Our athletes have been busy competing at various carnivals and championship events, including regional and state school athletics championships, NSW All Schools championships and various gala days.

Our athletes are currently preparing for the Southern Metropolitan Zone Championships, being held in December and we wish them the best of luck in their events.

For any information or enquires please contact **Erin** on **0404 120 088**.

Stuart McGraw
Publicity Officer

AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHID CLUB
Liaison Director: Linda Downey

Good morning,

The Past twelve months has been the most satisfying of years for this boutique club and its members. Our membership has been steadily increasing with interest in the cultivation of; growing and learning about our wonderful Australian Native orchids at an all-time high for members, visitors and the curious keeping this club alive and hopefully flourishing for many years ahead.

Our Facebook page is also flourishing and is recommended for anyone interested in seeing our orchid flowers, tips and hints on the successful growing of these wonderful orchids.

There have been many highlights for this club from the past year, culminating with our experienced member/grower Rhonda Jackson receiving from the judges of Orchids New South Wales an AM (Award of Merit) for her fabulous Dockrillia Eric Olsen 'Cutie' for first for this club in many years!

On our 19th Annual Show held on the 5 September 2026 (held in the Revesby Workers club Atrium) was again highly successful with an amazing display of nearly 100 orchids brought from our members for the delight and assessment of judges and members of the community alike. With Championship sashes given to our master growers Jan Robinson for Grand Champion and Rhonda Jackson for Reserve Champion. Both well deserved.

We had another show on 10 October 2026 for one day only (again in the Atrium), focusing on our signature orchid, the Sarcochilus, a favourite among many of our members and guests.

In the next twelve months we will be conducting further shows for all to enjoy on Saturday 4 September 2027 and Saturday 2 October 2027 within the Revesby Workers' Club Atrium. Everyone is welcome.

Our club meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm in The Macarthur Room. Everyone is welcome.

Mark Drury
Vice President

BANKSTOWN STROKE SUPPORT GROUP
Liaison Director: Christine Benham

25 Nov 26 - presentation by the District Clinical Nurse Consultant and also a fitness provider from Caringbah.

Dec - Christmas party
Jan - no meeting.

Thanks very much for your support.

Cheers,

Tony Finneran

BOWLS – INDOORS (LADIES)
Liaison Director: David Raper

We have 2 new players since our last report, so our numbers are going well. However, we are always looking for new members. If any ladies would like to spend a few hours of fun, a few laughs & a social get together with other women we would love for you to join us. We play every Wednesday from 10am to 2pm
No bowling experience needed as we have ladies happy to show how to play etc. Anyone interested please contact Connie on the number below. We are all looking forward to our Christmas lunch in December which is our final day for the year. We return mid-January.

Weekly winner and runners for September

2nd September
1st C.McDonald .M Rogers
2nd P. Land D.McLean P. Merrell

9th September
1st D.Johnson. M Rogers
2nd C.McDonald D.McLean C.Morris

16th September
1st M.Halls P.Land C.Packwood

23rd September
No games played

30th September
1st M.Halls J.Moon B.Graham
2nd C. McDonald P.Merrell P.Land

7th October
1st M.Halls J.Moon
2nd M.Rogers D.Johnson P.Land

Congratulation to all our winners and runners up.

Connie Sorrenti
Secretary

BOWLS – LAWN
Liaison Director: David Raper

Peter Shean and Peter Chown competed in the State Pairs Championship in Dubbo. They competed well but sadly were not successful. Well-played Guys. Thanks to the supporters who provided us with score updates.

The Mixed Fours challenge was played in July. The winners were Clare Chown,

Leanne Oehlman, Peter Chown and Darryl Oehlman with Betty Davidson, Leanne Kelly, Ray Fitzpatrick and Laurie Wilson being the runners- up. Well- done!

The Veteran Pairs is on-going. Fay Shean and Peter Chown will play Ross Graham and Paul Kirgan in the final. The 5 years and under competition was played in July. After an exciting and close competition Leanne Kelly was the winner. Well-done, Leanne!

Our Spring Triples Carnival was held on Friday, 11 September. Teams from many clubs participated in the day. This was a fun day celebrating good bowls, delicious food and fun raffles. We appreciate the support of all participants.

The final of the Club Fours was won by Pat Martin (replacing Denis Gallant), Rhonda Schomberg, Col Heaslip and Steve Jessep. Runners-up were Joseph Chau, Jan Pennell, Sue Semlitzky and Peter Chown. This championship was well contested.

The Major/ Minors Pairs Challenge was played in September. After many close and well-played games, the competition was won by John Feltl and Darryl Oehlman who defeated Renold Sciuriaga and Steve Jessep in the final. Congratulations Darryl and John!

Bowlers will compete in the Men's and Women's Major Singles in September/ October. Winners will then have the opportunity to complete in the regional Champions of Champions contest. The Club Consistency competition will be played in October.

The Club Annual General Meeting took place in September. Our Management Committee for the next two years is:
President: Brian Barrett
Vice-Presidents: Dianne Oliver and Steve Schomberg
Secretary: Rhonda Schomberg
Treasurer: Ellie Atme
Committee members: Pat Tate, Maureen Higgs and Tony Finneran.

We thank the outgoing committee for their service and leadership of our club. After the elections, members had the opportunity to participate in naming what we like about our club and what could be improved. The Management Committee will use this data to form a strategic management plan.

We always welcome experienced and inexperienced new members to our club. You are guaranteed good greens, good company and good competition and coaching. Social bowls are played on Wednesday afternoons, Thursday mornings and Saturday afternoons. Twilight bowls on Friday evenings is a lot of fun. If interested, please contact **Brian Barrett (0401 719 146)** or **Dianne Oliver (0412 738 320)**.

See you on the green.

Maureen Higgs
Publicity Officer

CHESS
Liaison Director: Christine Benham

Social Chess takes place weekly in the Club's Coffee Shop (Cafe 240) on Saturday afternoons. Come down and join our regulars for a game. We have different standards of ability and like meeting new players.

The Chess Club's inaugural Club Championships will take place on Saturday 21st November, being played at the Club. We have 14 Chess Club Members that are eligible to compete. This will be followed by our Presentation Day in December.

Finally, Chess Sets are available from Reception for Club Members to sign out and utilise on the Premises at any time. Chess Sets must be returned when departing the Club.

Check-Mate,

Paul Sillato
Secretary/Treasurer

CRICKET
Liaison Director: Trevor Heaslip

We were finally able to hold the 2024-25 and 2025-6 presentations in Element, with a sumptuous buffet, in early September 2026.

For the 2024-25 season Troy Shean took out the President's Award with batting of 237 runs at an average of 29.63 and taking 22 wickets at an average of 12.73 runs, achieved in 3rd Grade. The Vice President's Batting Award was awarded to Chris Caccamo hitting 391 runs at an average of 48.88 runs in 3rd Grade, and the winner of the Keith Heaslip Bowling Award was Craig Tilley who took 21 wickets at an average of 7.76 runs in 3rd Grade.

For the 2025-26 season Mohammad Chokr took out the President's Award with batting of 302 runs at an average of 60.40 and taking 27 wickets at an average of 18.15 runs in 5th Grade. The Vice President's Batting Award was awarded to Ali Malik hitting 695 runs at an average of 46.27 runs in 3rd Grade and the winner of the Keith Heaslip Bowling Award was Troy Shean who took 24 wickets at an average of 10.88 runs in 2nd Grade.

Great results, and congratulations to all the Award winners.

Our Old Boys team in the Masters Cup Winter Competition took out that competition for the third consecutive season – back-to-back to back winners!

We have been delighted that for this 2026-27 season we have grown our number of senior teams from four to five. We welcome a team of mainly 19- to 21-year-old players who played in a 20Twenty competition in another district last season. We are proud that all our teams are keen to play in grades where they will be challenged, with one team in 2nd Grade and two teams each in 3rd and 4th Grades this season.

We encourage anyone looking will try to accommodate you in a suitable team. Park cricket, like we play, is fun for everyone!

I hope you make the most of your summer and enjoy some beach cricket with family and friends!v

Christine Benham
Secretary

GARDEN CLUB
Liaison Director: Christine Butters

As 2026 draws to a close, we look back with pride at this year's achievements: a GCA Ann Williams Clark Award recipient, eight monthly guest speakers, two coach tours, a fun photo competition plus our monthly flower/plant competitions. Our monthly plant/seedlings/seeds sales and raffles continue providing our club with extra revenue.

Our Fun Photo Competition was a success. Prizes and awards were given out in August by competition judge Lesley Butler from Dooley's Camera Club. Many thanks to Helen Miller for organizing this.

In September we had as guest speakers Adele Jago and Chris D'Arcy, co-founders of Search Dogs Sydney Inc. This is a volunteer organization dedicated to locating missing people, alive or deceased. They were accompanied by Koa, one of their star canines!

We also had our Spring Tour that month at the Wollongong Botanic Garden in Keiraville, NSW. Lunch was at the Wests Illawarra Club, followed by a visit to the

Sydney Wildlife Nursery.

As guest speakers for October, we had two team members from Canterbury/ Bankstown's City Council's Library Aged and Disability. They also distributed reading materials highlighting the many services offered by the different branches of the Knowledge Centres of the City of Canterbury Bankstown. Almost all these services are free!

Bill Phippen will be our November guest speaker. He is listed as an engineer, historian and heritage advocate. He is a volunteer guide at the Australian National Maritime Museum. His topic will be The Search for the Morse Photo Albums.

To round up this year we will have our annual Christmas luncheon in December at the Revesby Workers Club. With this we take the opportunity to thank all our members for their continuing support. We take pride in being a forever evolving club, open to changes whenever necessary.

Happy holidays to one and all! We will resume monthly meetings on the first Saturday of February at 10am. Registration opens at 9:30am. For more details or membership application forms, our website is **rwcgarden.com**.

Yolanda Latif
Publicity Officer

GOLF (MENS')
Liaison Director: Trevor Heaslip

Revesby Workers' Men's Golf Club- Journal Report-Nov, Dec & Jan.

The club was formed in 1961 and is a thriving sub-club of the Revesby Workers Club. The golf club currently has more than 50 members and is run by a very dedicated group of elected officers. Visitors are welcome to come and have a game with us to see if they would like to join our club. For further information, please visit our informative website **www.rwcmensgolf.org**

It's been a while since my last report due to being overseas at the time of reporting, so there are a lot of results to publish in this one.

It has been another busy year, and we have played many events to date. Along with our regular club events, we also contested some championships, inter club events and our annual trip away. The results are as follows...

1-2-26: International Cup/The Ridge GC – Team Australia
8-2-26: 2 Man Ambrose/ Woolooware GC – Brayden Harys & John Varrica 60 Nett
22-2-26: Stableford/Shell Cove GC – McSwiney [15] 38 pts
1-3-26: Stableford/Penrith GC - Brad Kennedy [26] 43 pts
15-3-26: Stableford/Cabramatta GC – Santo Sammarco [8] 39 pts
22-3-26: Stableford/Bardwell Valley GC – Michael Kabalan [14] 41 pts
29-3-26: Stableford/Calderwood GC – Jayden Mallia [23] 40 pts
13-4-26: 2BBB/Campbelltown GC – M. McSwiney & M. Campbell 50 pts
19-4-26: 2BBB/Brighton Lakes GC – N. Brown & B. Maciente 48 pts
3-5-26: 2BBBAntill Park GC – M. Floyd & S. Floyd 51 pts
17-5-26: Goulburn V Revesby/Moss Vale GC – Winners Team Revesby
14-6-26: 2 Ball BAM/Camden GC – C. Brennan & J. Mesuria
28-6-26: Stableford/The Ridge GC – C. Brennan [21] 42 pts
5-7-26: Stableford / Macquarie Links – Mark Donovan [5] 33 pts
12-7-26: Stableford / Bexley GC – Peter Davis [21] 41 pts
18-7-26: Stableford/Port Kembla – Bob Mallia [22] 39 pts
2-8-26: Stableford/Massey Park GC – Jayden Mallia [23] 43 pts
9-8-26: 2 Ball Agg/ Campbelltown GC – P. Collins & S. Floyd 75 pts
23-8-26: Stroke/Stonecutters GC – Seb Ares 66 net
30-8-26: Stroke/Links Shell Cove – Chris Brennan 62 nett
13-9-26: Stroke/Brighton Lakes GC – Mark McSwiney 70 nett
20-9-26: Stroke/Cabramatta GC – Adam Giltinan 65 nett
27-9-26: Merv Pell Memorial Cup - Team Revesby

In March, the club staged the Individual Matchplay Championship, and it was won by Brian Craven who defeated Pat Collins in the final with a score of 6&5.

The 2BBB Club Championship was played over two rounds, and the victors were Steve Floyd and Mitchell Floyd with an aggregate score of 91 points. This team also combined again to take out the 4 Ball Matchplay Championship with a 4 & 2 Victory over Manny Petris and Peter Davis.

On the 14th, 15th and 16th of August, our club members travelled to Nelson Bay for the annual trip away for the Johnny V Tour Championship. We played at Horizons GC and 2 games at Nelson Bay GC. The 2026 Champion was Adam Giltinan who played outstanding golf to take the title.

On the 27th of September, our club contested the prestigious Merv Pell and Lawson Cups at Springwood GC against Blacktown Workers and West Tradies. Our low handicappers were too good for the other clubs taking out the scratch tournament by a huge margin, The Lawson Cup was a much closer affair with Revesby running a close second to Blacktown by only 4 strokes.

The club Championship was also staged over 4 rounds in August and September and the event was played off stroke. The Club Champions for this year are...

A Grade – Adam Giltinan
B Grade – Chris Brennan
C Grade – Bob Mallia

A Grade HCP – Mark McSwiney
B Grade HCP – Dean Heffernan
C Grade HCP – Cliff Bourquin

Upcoming events will feature the Presidents Cup, Guzzlers Cup, Hogan/ McKeough Sheild against Canberra Labour Club, Christmas Function and Presentation Day.

Until next time, keep happy and keep swinging.

John Varrica
President

LADIES GROUP
Liaison Director: Christine Butters

After another amazing and busy year, I would like to thank our committee and volunteers who give their time to make our group so special and a great place to meet.

Our group will be on break from middle of December and return on 3rd February 2027 in the Macarthur Room from 9.30am.

We wish to see you all in the New Year.

If you would like to try something new for the New Year, please contact us on the below email or mobile.

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SWIM CLUB
Liaison Director: Christine Benham

Summer Season in Full Swing at Revesby Workers Swim Club.

With a short break (and we mean short!) between the end of the short course winter season and the long course summer season which has just kicked off, Revesby Workers Swim Club swimmers

are making waves. Each year, the summer calendar is jam-packed, and this season is no exception. Here's a look at some of the highlights to end the short course season and an update of what's to come.

2026 NSW Speedo Youth State Short Course Championships

We sent a small but mighty squad down to SOPAC to represent Revesby Workers at the Youth State SC Championships recently. A massive congratulations to Nora, Ruby, Ava, Charlotte Saliba, and Aria, who gave it their all in their individual events. Each swimmer stepped up to the block with determination, delivered fantastic efforts and represented the RWSC spirit with pride. Over 12 individual events our girls pulled out 4 individual PB's and a combined 3.42 PB in the freestyle relay. Big achievements all round. Congratulations to our young athletes on a fantastic meet!

2026 NSW Speedo Senior State Short Course Championships

With nine motivated and determined swimmers, our senior swimmers put their best stroke forward on the state stage, walking away with seven top ten finishes, 13 personal best times across a total of 33 races. Congratulations Biance, Marli, Koby, Jamiee, Aiden, Aesea, Marco and Alexia on your great achievements.

Revesby Workers' Swim Club Annual Presentation Night

After several years without one, the committee was thrilled to bring back the cherished tradition of our Annual Presentation Night to recognise and celebrate the dedication and achievements of our swimmers over the past year.

The evening was a resounding success! We were honoured to be joined by special guests from council, our life members, technical officials, and our club liaison to share in the celebration. The trophies were big and shiny, but the smiles and laughter in the room were even bigger. With fantastic food, wonderful company, and plenty of well-deserved accolades, it was an unforgettable night celebrating the heart and spirit of Revesby Workers Swim Club.

Revesby Workers Swim Club Long Course Qualifying Meet January 2027

Revesby Workers Swim Club will again be hosting a Long Course Swimming Carnival at the Murray Rose Aquatic & Fitness Centre in Bellevue Hill in January 2027. This event always draws a crowd, and this time round should be no different.

What else is coming up!

The Calander is jam packed with events!

With Open Water also being key focus for some of our swimmers this season, all swimmers are taking to the water with determination and grit. The targeted events coming up include:

November
- Metro Southwest Long Course Championships
- 2026 Metro Southwest John Saliba Open Water Championships
- 2026 NSW Youth Metropolitan Championships
- 2026 NSW Open Water Championships

December
- 2026/27 NSW Speedo Senior State Age Championships

January
- 2027 Australian Open Water Championships

Revesby Workers' Swim Club would like to wish all of our swimmers the very best this summer season. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers that make this swim club what it is and the parents for their limitless support for their swimmers.