



SPORT



sports scene with Harold McLaren

Husband and wives tournament

The annual Combined Churches Bryan Kay Husbands and Wives tournament was conducted on Friday in the Murray Bridge John Doehler Hall. Taking part were defending champions Dawn and Barry Hoffman plus Katrina and David Klemm, Cheryl and Rodney Milich, Valda and Kevin Jaensch. Dawn and Barry won their three games to finish with 45 points from their ends total of 42-26 to claim the title for the fourth successive season. Before Dawn and Barry won the title in 2010 Valda and Kevin had been winners for the previous three years.

Table tennis

Over 65 players have taken part in the seven-team Murray Bridge and District Table Tennis Association 2013 season. Titans' Steve Hock won 16 of his singles rubbers and lost eight with Tigers' Wally Meakins winning 16 rubbers and losing 12.

Titans' Darren Joppich won 17 rubbers and lost seven, Colin Nuske won 15 rubbers and lost five for Avengers; Ernie Ahrens won 15 rubbers and lost seven for Tigers. Wildfires' Mark Williams won 13 and lost seven, Brandon Elphick won 11 and lost nine for Wombats; Tigers' Andrew Ahrens won 12 and lost 12; Monteith players Kerry Helyar won 11 and lost nine rubbers as did Martin Wells; Turtles Todd Lienert won 11 and lost five; Laurette Norton has won 11 and lost seven rubbers for Wildfires and Turtles' Steve Afford won 11 and lost 11.

Reserves soccer

In ideal conditions at Jaensch Oval, Murray Bridge United drew 1-1 with USC-Lion in the last home match of the season. Jeremy Baldwin scored the United goal in the first half and Peter Telenko the equaliser for the visitors mid-way through the second half. Best for United were Josh Binney, Fintan Heaney, Bryon Buddle and Bahati Onesphor. Daniel Irvine and Shane Barton-Ancliffe were often under notice in defence.

Boxing

On Saturday evening, June 21, 1913,

spectators witnessed a boxing contest in the Olympia Skating Rink at Tailem Bend between Fred Cox of Tailem Bend and Harry Mitchell of Murray Bridge. Paul Francis of Murray Bridge was the referee and V Skinner of Tailem Bend the promoter. Both men fought in earnest. Mitchell received some nasty blows and Cox lost a piece of skin from his nose in round two. The fight lasted seven rounds with Mitchell declared the winner on a foul. Cox was disappointed with the result as he had won most of the rounds.

Tuesday croquet

Last week in Aussie croquet at Murray Bridge, Joy Brown defeated Colleen Underwood 26-24 and Colleen defeated Joy 26-23. In doubles Libby Moore and Joy Schulz defeated Ken Zadow and Barbara Noble 26-22 and 23-23. Two association croquet games were also played. Kath Bradshaw and Pat Mason lost to Lesley Zadow and Barbara Van Dalen 10-8. In the second game Allan Haywood defeated Gwen Attrill and Meg Box 13-10.

Indoor bowls premierships

In the Combined Churches Indoor Bowls Association the Alf Rawlins division one premiership has been won by MB Uniting Church 10 times, Salem Lutheran 10 times (but not since 1979), Manchester Unity eight times, Monarto Lutheran eight times, United (Presbyterian and Holy Cross Lutheran) five times, Mypolonga four times, Church of Christ and MB Lutheran each three times, Hahndorf twice, North School and Strathalbyn each once. The Norm Thiele division two premiership has

been won by Mypolonga 10 times, MB Lutheran seven times, Monarto Lutheran five times, Salem Lutheran and Strathalbyn each four times, MB Uniting church three times, Manchester Blue, United and Manchester Unity each once. Thanks to Colin Rawlins for this information.

Croquet presentation

Last Tuesday Hammond MP Adrian Pederick joined Murray Bridge croquet members during the afternoon tea break to

present a \$4000 Sport and Recreation grant subsidy to the club for recently installed permanent court marking and shelter paving.

Table Tennis

In the Murray Bridge Table Tennis to August 14, Titans' Rob Stevens won 10 single rubbers and lost 10; Barb Talbot has won nine and lost 11 for Tigers; Avengers Ashley Vardon has won eight and lost 12 and Tim Norton has won nine and lost 17 for Titans. Tigers' Damien Doecke has won eight and lost 10; Tamara Attrill has won nine and lost 11 for Monteith; Bob Hancock has won nine and lost 13 for Turtles; Jed Nagel has won seven and lost nine for Wombats; Darren Attrill has won eight and lost 12 for Monteith; Shane Denman has won eight and lost 10 for Monteith; Mark Stiller has won eight and lost 18 for Wombats; Chris Donnelly has won seven and lost seven for Avengers.

A grade soccer

In a hard fought encounter in good weather at Murray Bridge on Saturday the home team and USC Lion fought out a nil-all draw. Unlike most draws a goal at any moment always threatened. United had more scoring opportunities. Dylan August had several close misses much to the despair of team mates and supporters. This match, like the reserves, was played in a friendly spirit.

Football Past 1958

On Saturday, June 28, 1958, bottom-placed Imperials A grade played Tailem Bend at Jaensch Park. At three quarter time an inaccurate Tailem Bend, with 10 more scoring shots, led by 20 points. Imperials however produced a match winning last quarter effort to add four goals and run out winners 9-9 (63) to 7-14 (56). Kevin McDonald kicked four goals for the Double Blues and Eric Smelt two. Players listed on the official team sheet in number order for Imperials were Tom Sawyer, William Lipp, Eric Scheer, Glen Heidenrich, Brian Scheer, Johnny Toogood, Milton Weinert, Ray Gogel, Bruce Snell, John Guiney, Stewart Duncan, George Wayne, B Schulz, Kevin McDonald, Allan Smelt, Grant Hocking, Eric Smelt Kevin Brown, Dean Butler and Neil Reu.

Test match menu

The fourth and final Test Match in the Investec Ashes series in England was played at the Kia Oval, Surrey, last weekend. My son Craig and his mate Anthony Caulfield attended on the Friday. It was called 'Cricket United Day' with spectators encouraged to wear blue. Oval gates opened each day at

9am with play scheduled from 11am and to 6pm. As there was no parking near the oval patrons were encouraged to use public transport. A new champagne bar was located next to the Hobbs Gate. Early arrivals were able to purchase bacon rolls and coffee. Food available later from the food courts included deep blue fish and chips, home-made burgers from the Butchers Block, Asian cuisine, Cornish pastries, Carvery and Domino's pizza.

High scoring ends

There were some high scoring ends played in the Combined Churches indoor bowls Bryan Kay and Husband and Wives pairs

tournaments played on Friday. Dawn and Barry Hoffman had a seven; Pam Jennings and Colin Rawlins three fives and two sixes; Don Smith and Meridith Walters, Max Paech and Yvonne Mills, Aiden and Neville Rawlins, Rodney and Cheryl Milich, Dawn and Barry Hoffman each a five.

Fourth Test match

At the fourth Test Match at the Kia Oval in Surrey a pasty cost five pounds, a headset to listen to the commentary 17 dollars and a beer eight dollars. During the lunch break there were many games of cricket on the oval for young children. My son Craig told me there was lots of seat swapping as people were trying to sit together after having had to buy tickets in batches. Craig was lucky to attend on the day it did not rain.

Second semi-final

Titans moved directly into the Murray Bridge and District Table Tennis Association grand final with a 10-34 to 4-18 win over Wombats. In the top singles Wombats' Des Short defeated Steve Hoch in three sets. Mark Stiller had a five-set win over Rob Stevens. Other winners for Wombats were Des Short in the second round who defeated Rob Stevens in five sets and Brandon Elphick who defeated Tim Norton in three sets. For Titans, David Schulz won both his singles rubbers, as did Matthew Ahrens. Darren Joppich won his first round singles in four sets over Warren Doecke. Titans Steve Hock and Rob Stevens won their five sets doubles rubber over Des Short and Dean Weston.

Bryan Kay pairs

One Friday 12 pairs took part in the annual Combined Churches indoor bowls Bryan Kay pairs tournament in the John Doehler Hall in Murray Bridge. Among those playing were the defending champions Pam Jennings and Colin Rawlins who narrowly

won the title again with 50 points. Undefeated runners-up were Wayne Day and Ray Parson with 49. Joy Paech and Eric Frahn finished third with 39 points from two wins and a loss.

Football Past 1958

On Saturday, June 28, 1958, Rambler Colts played Tailem Bend at Jaensch Park Tailem Bend. The home team with John Sanderson kicking four goals defeated Ramblers 6-14 (50) to 1-7 (13). Players listed on the official team sheet for Ramblers were Peter Homburg, Harold McLaren, Edward Baxter, Douglas McLaren, Peter Brideson, Kevin Nagel, Peter Bell, Dennis Billing, Leo

Liebelt, Lionel Wilkin, Brian Bienke, Colin Morrell, Brian Gogel, Robert Phillips, David Bowden, Leo Pfeiler, Brian Liebelt, John Barry, D Bartholomew and Michael Homburg.

Undefeated pairs

In the Combined Churches indoor bowls Bryan Kay and Husband and Wives pairs tournaments played on Friday only three pairs won three matches. They were Pam Jennings and Colin Rawlins, Wayne Day and Ray Parsons and Dawn and Barry Hoffman.

First semi-final

Tigers had a comprehensive first set semi-final win over Monteith 13-41 to 2-10. Monteith missed their top player Gary McDougal who was again interstate due to family illness. In the second round of singles Tigers' Barb Talbot and Damien Doecke had four set wins over Darren Attrill and Martin Wells. Junior player Andrew Ahrens defeated Neil Jaunay 11/3, 6/6, 11/4. Wally Meakins defeated Kerry Helyar 11/8, 11/6, 11/2 and in round two Tamara Attrill defeated Keith Webster in five sets. In the top doubles Tigers' Barb Talbot and Damien Doecke defeated Darren Attrill and Martin Wells in four sets.

Seniors table tennis

Several new players attended the free senior non-competitive afternoon social table tennis at the Murray Bridge showground on Friday. There are several more weeks to go and the friendly organisers would welcome more people to come have a hit. Play is between 1pm and 3pm.

Season closes

The Combined Churches Indoor Bowls Association 2013 season draws to a close on Friday evening. The annual presentation dinner will be held in Uniting Church Hall in Murray Bridge starting at 7pm.

Our Sporting Past

The MB United women's bowling season was opened Sunday, August 28, 1983, by Patron Freda Jordan who was introduced by president Connie Harvey. Dr Fred Heddle bowled the first jack to open the men's season. Mannum High School student Julie Godleman (13) won a bronze medal in the school girls championship at the SA Gymnastic centre. Murray Bridge West soccer club became the first local team to win the annual junior Mitsubishi Cup. The International Hand Gun metallic silhouette association (Australia) held the 1983 State titles on the Long Gully range at Mannum. Trevor Jessop was top scorer.