



Sixteen die-hard KCC bowlers competed in Macau in the stifling heat to win!

A group of 32 KCC bowlers/spouses led by their leader, Timmy 'King Pin' Kwong, also known as 'The Convenor', entered the city of sin on a fine Saturday morning.

While our thoughts were wandering around visiting those fabulous sinful casinos – gambling and entertainment – a 93 years old amongst us was caught wandering around, just after lunch, looking for a good massage.

This 'S', ooops, 'Ex President' of our Club was eventually convinced by the rest, not to follow his instincts but to allow our leader to follow his schedule.

So, off we went to the Galaxy, a newly built 5-star deluxe facility with live entertainment and casinos.

At the Galaxy lounge, the tall long-legged mini skirted performers' dance routine was so exceptional that two male members of the group went missing right after the show. One could only assume that they went backstage out of curiosity for a peep and upon discovering the masculine features of those performers, made a quick exit to the waiting coach, 20 minutes late!

We will keep their identity anonymous to save them any embarrassment, although it should not be too difficult to bribe a group member to reveal their names.

A sumptuous dinner followed at a local Portuguese restaurant. The food and booze kept flowing along with the growing chatter level and soon the sound barrier was broken. You had to shout "Yum Sing" above 8 decibels to be heard. Luckily, we were on the first floor in an enclosed area, with the only damage caused to our ears and vocal cords.



Our 'King Pin' Timmy was awarded a surprise cake for his birthday in August and in turn he rewarded us with a sneak preview of his exposed beer belly, quickly snapped, a picture you all must see to believe!

It is difficult to understand why 15 people decided to go karaoke singing later, in spite of their deaf ears and sore throats. We will leave it to them to relate their experience, while we wonder if they could still sing or hear each other!

Some others, including the writer, sensibly followed 'Queen Bee' Anna Hamet to watch the 'Dragon Treasure' show at the City of Dreams – a spectacular hi-tech show in '3-D'.

The game of bowls on Sunday morning

at near-boiling temperatures was a test of resilience for our bowlers, allowing them an opportunity to burn out the excesses of the night before and still play top level bowls, to clinch the title!

So folks, for those who missed this trip, be aware! There may be more to follow. Just keep looking and checking.

The only Indian group member,

Boozer,
Bob

Note: Indian tour rules – Shake your head up and down, to say "No". Shake your head sideways, to say "Yes".



Lawn Bowls

Macau trip



- The group gathered at the Taipa ferry pier at 11:30 am on Saturday, 6 August. Having checked all bus stops, we could not find our hotel shuttle bus. Fortunately, we called the coach company and asked them to send a coach (pre-booked) to the ferry pier to pick us up.
- Some players had lunch at the French restaurant of Lisbao Casino. The price of a set lunch was about HKD500 and, according to the feedback, it was well spent.
- We tried our luck at the Galaxy casino in the afternoon. Some went to see the live show at the bar and some gentlemen fought for the high chairs close to the bar so that they could have “close encounter” with the dancers on the stage. Slight accident happened near the end of the show – noses of some gentlemen were bleeding when some sexy dancers were performing on stage in deep-V dresses. When all returned to the coach, Anna raised an interesting question – guess who was not a ‘real’ woman. The answer was, according to official announcement, ALL of the sexy girls were ‘transformed’ from men.
- All of us had a very delicious Portuguese dinner on Saturday. We were the noisiest crowd of people in the restaurant, enjoying good food (at cheap price) and good wine. We also took the opportunity to hold a mini birthday party for those who were born in August (including Timmy and Annie Yeung)
- After dinner, half of the teammates went to see the musical fountain at Wynn Hotel while the other half went to karaoke. It was discovered that William and Candy were the karaoke king and queen. Pari, Eric and Patrick were the best performers/entertainers. It was amazing that 14 people could finish two Chivas and 24 bottles of beer within four hours.



- On Sunday morning, 16 players had a friendly game with Macau Lawn Bowls Club. It was so hot that the shoe soles of both Peter and Maggie Lam melted and came off! We won an aggregate with 2 rinks won and 2 rinks lost.
- In the afternoon, most of us visited the Galaxy to see the live show again before we returned to Hong Kong.



Dancer Patrick

Form of our warriors

As a fresh bowler, I did learn a lot from observing our experts playing, especially their form of play. I have put together their forms here.

Candy



Anna



Bob



Daphne



David



Eric



Johnson



Lily



Louis



Eric



Pam



Pari



Peter



Roger



Sonia



Timmy



Willaim

KCC 'A' vs. VLBC 'A'

Two woods from lead Bob, two woods from Mike Dowie, one wood from Jimmy, awaiting a wood from skip Chadwick – what a beautiful head as pictured here at our last league game KCC 'A' vs. VLBC 'A'!

Pity our rink did not win. Did our skip's wood eventually arrive into that head?!



CONVENOR'S COLUMN

Classic Mixed Pairs Qualifier: The game will be playing on 13th and 14th August to determine which two teams will be representing KCC for 2011 Classic Mixed 2-4-2 Tournament

Club competition: Please make yourself available and play the Club competition on time... Richard's red pen is ready.

Lawn Bowls Green will re-open as scheduled, please do come and practice with your teammates as often as you can.

To celebrate its Golden Jubilee Anniversary, HKLBA offered us a lot of souvenirs like bowls cloth, bowls bag, GJ jacket, GJ souvenir book. These should be available in September.