On the 3rd of March 2016 SUT YES! kicked off their first event of the year at the Perth and Tattersall Bowling and Recreation Club. The evening consisted of a networking workshop, barefoot lawn bowls, barbeque for dinner and a raffle.

As people arrived in the club they were given a bar token and some casual networking was done. The evening formally started off with a talk by Ibrahim Ayoub (YES! Chair / Wood Group Kenny). Ibrahim introduced YES! and gave a run-down of the night. Drinks were rewarded to attendees as they supported the new SUT YES! Linkedin group and made contacts throughout the evening, collecting several business cards from the fellow YES! community.

The floor was then handed over to SUT Committee Members: Afton Galbraith (Subsea Engineering Associates), Ross Hendricks (FMC Technologies), Liz Lindhal (Wood Group Kenny) and Chris Saunders (INPEX) to explain the networking workshop which they then facilitated. The workshop consisted of four sessions; Social Media, Industry Group Participation, Conferences/Publishing and Organization Networking. In these sessions individuals were encouraged to share ideas about the “what”, “why”, “how” and value of each of these aspects of networking. The workshop ran for half an hour during which nibbles were devoured.

After the networking session we all moved down to the green to learn about lawn bowls. People split into teams of four and the games commenced. Chris Saunders, Sarah Madrigal (ARUP) and Jennifer Maninin (SUT) kindly managed the barbeque so that everyone was able to enjoy dinner back in the club house after the bowls finished up.

The night wound up with a wrap up and raffle drawn by Naomi Naveh (Curtin University) and Jennifer Maninin with a bottle of wine, an SUT towel and a free ticket to the next YES! event all given out as prizes. Overall Barefoot Bowls and BBQ 2016 was a casual and fun event and a great way to promote the new Linkedin page. It had great feedback and ran more smoothly than last year.

YES! looks forward to bringing you our next event in May!

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