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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with great pleasure I am pleased to report that September has seen a huge uptick in activity as we approach the start of Season 23/24.

One project completed this month includes the installation of a new audio system for the club, a huge improvement and is having an impact already. Members can work around the club and listen to their favourite tunes at the same time.

The new automated irrigation project is close to being completed by Robert and his hard working team of volunteers. Looking forward to seeing the whole show working soon. Will be a massive assistance in our long term goal of reducing the time and effort required to maintain our playing surfaces. A big thank you to those who lent a hand; t would not have been financially viable had we contracted the entire project out. Having a cold beer after the game instead of moving hoses and sprinklers will be a welcome benefit as well! We'll done NBC and members!!

Barossa Council will be deciding on our application for a LGFA loan Tuesday, providing the base for our application for a State grant for our plan to replace. A green with a synthetic surface. Without wanting to pre-empt the decision by council, I am very confident in the work and preparation put into the application by NBC board members. I look forward to reporting a positive response to members.

On Thursday, some board members will meet to go over our application for a State grant for the installation of the synthetic green installation on A green. The effort that has gone into this application has been next level and the assistance from the CEO of Barossa Village "Ben," has been a huge benefit. "Ben has sent a message, he is looking forward to having a few beers in celebration about February 2024 when we are expecting results."

Special thanks to those members who have contributed to this application and or sent in a letter of support. Your assistance is invaluable. Members will be informed once the application has been finalized and submitted for assessment.

The new water dispenser (hiding in the club at the moment) will be installed soon. Once again this improvement will save time and effort and allow members to focus on their game.

Wishing everyone a massive season ahead.



Happy bowling! Andrew Booth President, NBC

LADIES: Please note there is a meeting at the clubrooms on Wednesday September 27th at 9:30am. Attendance by as many ladies as possible is encouraged as important information needs to be discussed. Thank you.





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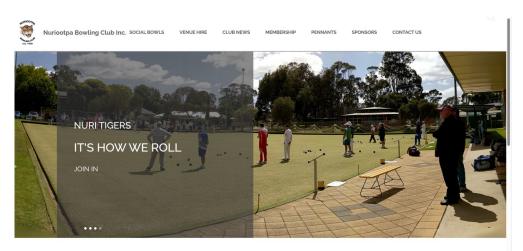
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AROUND THE TIGERS'CLUB

- * Maureen has emailed the updated Rules and Bylaws of the B&LBA to all members. Perhaps take some time to peruse them. A Special General Meeting at the Vine Inn on Wednesday 20th Sept at 7.30pm was held to ratify the updated BLBA rules and by-laws.
- * Our clubrooms provided the venue (and can we claim the beautiful weather too?) for a wedding reception on Saturday, 16 September. By all accounts the bride and groom were very pleased with the facilities. Rosalie and Alan Masters, Steve Rohde, Noel Hein, Roger Leske, Brenton Brown, Maureen Brown and Nigel Roocke made sure no one went thirsty, managing the bar with professionalism. Thanks to Marg Buckley for coordinating.
- * Checkout the new updated NBC website at <u>Homepage Nuriootpa Bowling Club Inc.</u> (bowls.com.au). Well done Debra Moyle for this work. You can look forward to all of the relevant information you need being available on this website, including this newsletter.



Your community gathering place for the most enjoyable lawn bowls experience imaginable.

* Sadly, since our last newsletter, we have had two members of the Nuriootpa Bowling Club, Ric Green and Aird Shoesmith, leave us for their heavenly home. We rejoice for them having been part of our bowling family and for their individual contributions. Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to their families.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

- * One of our major sponsors, Ray White Barossa, has agreed to sponsor the Christmas Raffle with \$200 towards the printing of raffle books. Thank you.
- * The Club is in desperate need of a permanent person or persons to staff the bar during Saturday pennant afternoons. This doesn't need to be a current member but someone with an RSA or willing to obtain one. If you know of someone, please contact Brenton Brown.

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NEWS FROM THE BOARD (Contd. from page 3)

- * A new PA system has been installed which will, among other things, make available a greater variety of music for the Night Tigers—not that we don't all love ABBA but there's only so much of a good thing
- * A new microphone has been bought for \$500. That should save Brenton's voice at our next Trivia Night!
- * Hand Towel dispensers are now installed; one in the kitchen above the wash basin and one in the BBQ area.
- * A cleaning roster has been drawn up and is published at the end of this newsletter. There will be a team of members with one person coordinating the cleaning duties. *Each team will clean weekly for 3 weeks only.*This seems to be a fair way of distributing the work load. If you are unable to do certain tasks due to physical constraints, let your coordinator know and you may be able to help with different tasks.
- * To assist in preparing greens for the new season Rob Grope will offer David Peterson (contractor) an increase in hours.
- * The Control Box is now installed for the irrigation system.
- Line marking of the greens has been done. Trevor Billing has offered to help roll the greens.

2023/2024 SUBSCRIPTIONS

Playing Members	
Full membership * (see below for special adjustment)	\$200
First Year member	\$120
Student	\$50
Active Life Member	\$0
Night Tigers	
Social Membership	\$20
Weekly Playing Fee	\$5
Non-Playing Members	
Social Membership – welcome to all club activities	\$20

GREENS MANAGER REPORT—Rob Grope

The last 3 weeks have been very busy at the club.

From August 28 to September 18 over 300 hours have been put into the new system.

And while it is not connected automatically at the moment, it is able to be manually operated and has already been used to wash in some required nutrition. And not one hose had to be dragged out to achieve that job!

From trench digging to pipe connections to replacing soil and turf it has been a rewarding effort for those that took the time to come and help.

On average there were about 5-10 people most days. And the mandatory coffee breaks were enlightening.

There is still work to do in making the place look really schmick before the season gets underway, but for now a huge thankyou to all those who came along and pitched in to make this very worthwhile project come to fruition.

Payment of Membership Subscriptions (excluding Night Tigers)

Subscriptions are due on 1 October.

To avoid missing out on playing in the opening weeks of the pennant season a member's subscription must be paid by 15 October.

Subscriptions received by the 15
September are entered into a "early bird" draw and are eligible for a \$50Vine Inn Voucher (to be drawn on Saturday 7 October)

Payment Terms: Contact the treasurer if you wish to negotiate a flexible payment plan. Payment of the full fee in instalments is acceptable.

Bank Details for direct debit transfer:

BSB 085-779 Account no. 508132848

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UNIFORM ORDERS



Pauline Eichner is making up a whole club uniform order to cater for members' needs before our pennant season begins.

Please let Pauline know as soon as possible if you require any uniform items including caps, jackets etc.

Contact Pauline on paulineeichner22@bigpond.com or Ph: 0416108067

Thank you.

GRAND FINAL DAY BBQ

Don't sit at home on Grand Final day lamenting that your team isn't in the Grand Final. Cheer yourself up and have a

great day of fun and fellowship at the club.

—or perhaps your team is competing in which case you can celebrate where the cheering will be louder.

Even if you don't care about the footy, the day will be worth celebrating and there will be plenty to talk about, eat and drink.

See you there!



NIGHT TIGERS AND SOCIAL BOWLS

This season's Come and Try dates are the 24 October and 31st October with the actual competition beginning on 14 November .

There will be a break from 20 December but commencing again on 16 January until 5 March, 2024.

Night Bowlers now have the status of Social Members and can be "flexi-bowlers" in the Friday night super challenge competition.

In 2024, Stuart is looking at bringing in a new, casual way of holding social bowls while the weather is at its best. Unlike the normal Night Tigers that will be structured matches and teams, this will be a much more relaxed format and dependent on player interest. These games are planned to be held following Thursday midweek pennants. (Perhaps you would like to coach some promising players!)

Whilst we love our Saturday players joining in the fun, in the spirit of fair play, we will be *restricting pennant players per team to a maximum of 2, neither of which can player higher than 'Number 2'*. When we play Tanunda, feel free to stack those teams to your hearts content!

Encourage friends, work mates and neighbours to be part of this competition. Stuart has put a lot of thought into the programme and has great ideas for pumping up the fun this season!

FIRST WEEK BACK REMINDER



Have you remembered to contact Gary Chapman on 0400 034 070 if you are unavailable to play bowls on 5th October and 7th October? This means Thursday AM & PM as well as Saturday Pennant.

As soon as the Programme books are available, Unavailability Sheets will be posted on the Notice Boards so that you can advise accordingly as has been done in the past.



Barefoot bowls as demonstrated by Carmen and Chris.

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A huge shout out to Robert Grope who has coordinated the installation of the irrigation system for our Greens and to the men who have spent many hours labouring to achieve this wonderful result.



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Volunteers: Brenton Brown, John Bilney, Nigel Roocke, Bruce Klemm, Steve Rohde and Robert Grope.



Ian kindly offered for me to have a turn with the shovel. I declined on the grounds that I didn't have a license for one of those things!

COMBINED CLUB WORKING BEE







Cupboards were cleaned out, garage sale items sorted and displayed, line marking underway and it was time to have morning tea.

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CALENDAR DATES

SEPTEMBER		
24 Sunday	Club Open Day	NBC: 1:00pm
27 Wednesday	Lady Bowlers Meeting	NBC 9:30am
30 Saturday	Grand Final BBQ	NBC
OCTOBER		
1 Sunday	Subscriptions due	
2 Monday	Hamley Bridge Open Fours 9:30am	Hamley Bridge
5 Thursday	Thursday competition begins	
7 Saturday	Saturday Pennants begins	
24 Tuesday	Ladies Gala Day	NBC
31 Tuesday	Come and Try Lawn Bowls	NBC
	7pm	
NOVEMBER		
14 Tuesday	Night Tigers Commences	NBC 7pm
19 Tuesday	Murray Bridge Open Fours 9:30am	
19 Tuesday	Yalumba Open Fours	Angaston BC 9:30am
DECEMBER		
17 Sunday	Christmas Luncheon	NBC: 12:00pm

If you have any articles or information for the newsletter, please email to Debbie Blenkiron by the second Tuesday of the month. dbwalker9@gmail.com

GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS!



Cleaning Roster for:

25th September—9th October

Coordinator: Carmen Isbel

Rosalie Masters, Alan Masters, Neil Collyer, Deb Moyle, Richard Moyle, Pauline Eichner, Bruce Klemm, Alby Wilkinson, Bob Randell and Rod Cunningham.

9th October—6th November

Coordinator: Chris Myles

Robert Chapman, Hanika Booth, Sarah Booth, Robert Booth, Stuart Allen, Ian Falkenberg, Vicky Chapman, Gary Chapman, stuart Forbes, Roger Mattschoss, Noel Hein

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Hamley Bridge Bowling Club

Annual Open Fours Tournament

Long Weekend Monday 2nd October 2023

9.30 am for 10am Start \$80 a team. Medley Format—Fours/Pairs/Fours

Sponsored by:
Mrs Green's Fencing
Multispares Truck Parts

Entries to: Mal Obrien 0427 392 464 attaobrien@gmail.com Vince 0407 799 001

HENLEY BOWLING CLUB Men's Ray Warren Country Invitation Fours

Sunday 28th January 2024

Closing date Sunday 14th January (unless filled before)

Limit 32 teams

9.30am for 10am start

Lunch provided

Format: 3 games of 13 ends

Dress: Bowls attire

Cost: \$100 per team/ \$25 per person

Good Cash Prizes

Come along and have a day of competitive bowls played at Adelaide's friendliest bowls club.

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Contact: James Bodnar - 0439 612 893 Club - 08 8356 8506

Email: henleybowlingclub@bigpond.com 104 East Terrace Henley Beach PO Box 9027, Henley Beach South SA 5022









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PHOTO GALLERY



Maureen sprucing up the clubrooms before our facilities were used for a wedding.

The bar area is looking very organised and ready for lots of thirsty bowlers.

Clarrie's Port for those colder days perhaps.





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