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NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 126th Annual General Meeting of the Adelaide Bowling Club Inc. will be held at the Club House, Dequetteville Terrace, Adelaide on Sunday 26th May 2023 commencing at 10:30am

Order of Business

- (a) Welcome
- (b) Apologies
- (c) Minutes of previous AGM
- (d) President's Report
- (e) Treasurers Report and Accounts
- (f) Election of Patron
- (g) Election of Officers
- (h) Election of Auditors
- (i) Chair of Selectors and Selectors
- (j) Changes to the Constitution
- (k) Annual Subscriptions
- (l) New Business

By Order of the Board of Management

R Burton
President

Note: Lunch will be served for members, partners and guests immediately following the Annual General meeting, commencing approximately 12 noon.

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The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of Adelaide

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Secretary: H GUNN

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AOBC Representative

R TILLY

AHOSBC Representative

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT SEASON 2023/24

The 2023/24 Pennant season and financial year have been a little more challenging than 2023/24.

On the greens it was disappointing that no side reached the finals and two sides were relegated. While many will be of the view that this could/should have been avoided, equally the success we have enjoyed over the past 3-4 seasons was always going to be difficult to maintain.

Off the greens there has been considerable investment in our assets from both a maintenance and capital improvement perspective.

With more than 20 individual contributors to this report and because there is considerable overlap in our various areas of responsibility, the report does suffer from repetition. I trust the reader will accept this repetition for the emphasis and recognition it deserves.

Saturday Pennants

Our Premier 1 side finished 5th, one win and 9 points out of finals.

The Division One side, in their second year in this Division finished 9th and were relegated by just 1 point. Our side had a superior percentage and better win/loss record than Toorak / Burnside who avoided relegation by that 1 point.

The Division 3 South side, finished 6th in their second year in the Division, up from 8th last year.

The Division 5 East side, finished 7th again with 7 wins, 10 losses and 1 draw.

The Division 7 Central finished 6th with 9 wins, 8 losses and 1 draw, up from 8th last year.

Wednesday Pennants

Our Premier 1 side, in their second year in this Division, finished 7th with 7 wins and 11 losses, down from 3rd last year.

The Division 2 North side after just one year in this division will be relegated after finishing 10th with 4 wins and 14 losses.

Selection

Thanks to our Chair of Selectors Greg Arnfield and all those who performed the extremely difficult role of selector including, Brett Davis, Scott Thulborn, Sandra Wallace, Richard Hooper, Ron Kuczmariski, Henry Higgins, Bruce Bate, Steve Heath, Wayne Darling, Dennis Taylor, Alister Behenna, Garry Benveniste, Ken Smith, and Don Stevens.

As in most, if not all bowling Clubs, selection can be a source of friction, dissent and unfortunately withdrawal in the face of selection decisions with which individuals disagree. Our Club was no exception over the 2023/24 season and although there was a considerable improvement in this regard over last season, we can do better, particularly with respect to the communication of the reasons for selection decisions to effected individuals.

Bowls Premier League (BPL)

Our Adelaide Pioneers finished in 4th place at Brisbane in November 2023 (BPL 18) and at Moama (NSW) in February 2024 (BPL 19) we again finished a highly commendable 4th.

We were again represented by Scott Thulborn, together with SA's ex-Jackaroo Wayne Ruediger, with New Zealand Women's Champion Katelyn Inch joining the team again this year. Coach Les "Bushy" Carter again steered the side through the closely fought events in Brisbane and Moama.

The sponsorship arrangements established with Coopers and CFS Gear continued over the 2023/24 BPL season and for that the Club is extremely grateful.



Club Operations

Key developments over the past 12 months have included:

- A rigorous strategic planning process and subsequent draft Business Plan have been developed incorporating the outcomes of member focus groups and a Member Experience Survey. The Business Plan has been distributed to Members for comment and will be discussed at the AGM on Sunday 26th May.
- The governance and decision-making arrangements on matters bowling were reinvigorated through the Bowls Operations Committee, chaired initially by Vice President Bob Boorman and then, following Bob's resignation from the Board, Don Stevens.
- The appointment of Erin Djamel to the position of Venue Manager in June 2023. The position was redefined in December 2023 to Club Manager following the recognition by the Board and Erin that the 2021 decision to separate "bowls" from Venue Management was not in the best interests of the Club.
- The position of full time Bar Manager was trialed for a period of 7 months. While there were some advantages during the peak of our annual business cycle, it became clear that the position could not be justified as a full-time position over 12 months.
- A new point of sale system (BePos) was installed and while there were some teething problems, the additional functionality will produce efficiencies in the transactions with venue hire customers and financial reporting.
- Security cameras have been installed at key locations inside the Club and around the greens.
- Funds confirmed for an outdoor kitchen with works almost completed at the time this report is prepared.
- The Club web site has been redeveloped and sponsorship arrangements to support ongoing development and costs has been secured with SEOW Web Creative.
- The 60th annual Adelaide Masters Singles Tournament was delivered with great success with many participants heralding the event as the best singles tournament in Australia.
- Revised Memoranda of Agreement were successfully negotiated with the Adelaide Oval Bowling Club (AOBC) and the Adelaide High Old Scholars Bowling Club (AHOSBC). This was necessary because the old agreement with the AOBC had several dated clauses and some omissions, while the agreement with the AHOSBC could not be located.

Sponsors

Once again, we are indebted to our major sponsors of our BPL side, the Adelaide Pioneers:

- Coopers Brewery, whose fine product we dispense over the bar and appreciate "sponsored" kegs throughout the year, and
- CFS Gear who we continue to use for our own uniforms and we have been pleased to introduce to several other Clubs in South Australia.

Other sponsors include:

- Paul Zerella and Project Wine, whose sponsorship benefits the Adelaide Masters, Night Owls, the Club Wine Offer and a variety of other Club activities;
- Garry Benveniste and Chevron Glass for their continued support;
- David Benveniste for Club photography;
- Paul Lilley of Flora plumbing – one of our Night Owls sponsors;
- Adam Davenport and BHC Partners – Accountants, Business Advisers, who are our Auditors; and,
- Count Adelaide who provide administrative support to our Club Treasurer, Mike McDonagh.

Atomix Web Design have provided our web platform since its inception, a new Club TV and a variety of highly valued sponsoring activities over the past 5-6 years. By mutual agreement that arrangement has sadly



come to an end and sponsoring our web development has been taken over under a new sponsorship agreement with SEOWEB Creative.

Volunteers

In a report such as this there are many volunteers that should be thanked and there is no doubt that I will omit important contributors to our Club and the events we run. For that I apologise.

Again, the retired gentlemen who comprise the Monday Morning Blues, Bruce Bate, Alister Behenna, Yanni Frangos, John Higgins, Ron Davidson, Gary Julian, Simon Frank, and others that occasionally contribute to the maintenance and upkeep of the Club and surrounds have done a magnificent job.

The Night Owls crew are regular Wednesday night contributors assisting Paul Wilson in putting on the best Night Owls experience in Adelaide; these volunteers include amongst others, Buddha Hocking, Henry Higgins and Jon Cooper.

The Members that work together to ensure the smooth running of the Adelaide Masters Singles Tournament each year have excelled themselves once again. They of course include, Steve Hicks, Sandra Wallace, Scott Hocking, Ron Kuczmarski, Scott Thulborn and Paul Wilson.

I continue to be indebted to several people who have provided me with unwavering support and assistance. I thank our six Life Members who were not on the Board, Garry Benveniste, Bob Boorman, Ross Delaine, Steve Hicks, Ron Kuczmarski, Phil McDonald, and Bruce Wallace; our Immediate Past President, John Higgins; our Green Keeper and gun bowler, Scott Thulborn; and of course, my fellow Board Members . . .

- Heather Gun (Secretary)
- Mike McDonagh (Treasurer)
- Don Stevens
- Henry Higgins
- Bruce Bate

**Bob Burton
President**

TREASURER’S REPORT 2023/24, FIN YR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Club reported a net trading profit for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 of \$137,348 (LY \$284,516) after allowing for provisions for depreciation and employee entitlements of \$63,560 (LY \$66,476).

The Club's financial position is still very sound given past and current year's financial results. Another difference in the trading figures is that there is an abnormal item of income under Grants & Subsidies which amounts to \$80,000, so the true net income from trading is that much less.

The balance of funds available in cash at the end of March is \$496,973 compared to the prior year of \$526,567. The decline is explained by the difference in current liabilities totaling \$97,077, which means the cash in the bank is less to that extent - a net movement down of \$126,671.

During the year the club spent a great deal on improving the facilities and upgrading equipment, a summary of which is set out as follows:

Clubhouse Upgrade comprising:

Outdoor Kitchen and Catering Upgrade	\$66,866
Computer Equipment inc POS System	\$16,432
Security System	\$5,578
Building Upgrades	\$4,800

Greens Upgrading & Equipment Purchases

Green Surrounds Upgrade Works	\$72,010
Floodlighting	\$39,539



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Scaffold Equipment	\$1,207
Roller	\$8,727
Super Sopper	\$3,147
<u>Outdoor Furniture, Storage Cupboards etc.</u>	<u>\$19,208</u>
	\$237,514

In addition to these capital improvements, general maintenance totalled \$59,696 which was consistent with the prior year.

Total turnover has increased by only 2.3% which compares to 30% in the previous year. This excludes non-trading receipts.

Our bar gross profit margin has been maintained at 65% which is what we budgeted for (compares with 70% actual in the prior year). The biggest issue impacting net income is staffing costs. Total wages and associated costs for the year amounted to \$511,903 compared to \$373,620 in the prior year, so an increase of \$138,283 or 37%. This additional cost equates to 30% of gross turnover, which is unacceptable, but there were reasons for this. In summary the salary cost blow out can be attributed to the following:

- a) The position of Bar Manager was trialled for 6 months and then abandoned.
- b) A substantial overtime liability had accumulated to the former Venue Manager, which could not be taken as time off in lieu beyond the life of the employment contract.
- c) The risk to business continuity in the move to a new Venue Manager was managed with a three-month handover period where two salaries were being paid.

Budgeted gross income for the year was \$1,544,077 which means we fell short by just \$18,714.

Total expenses were up by \$153,576, 90% of which is explained by the salary cost issue.

Over the course of the year and in recent weeks several systems and functionality improvements have been made which will keep staffing costs under control, for example:

- a) A contractual ceiling on Club Manager “overtime” which must be compensated as time of in lieu.
- b) Improved functionality in the design of the bar to reduce the casual staffing requirement in the November / December busy season.
- c) Installation of an industry standard point-of-sale system.
- d) Online booking system for venue hire which has already drastically reduced the Club Manager’s time on booking processes and communication with customers.
- e) Streamlined online procedures between the catering and venue hire functions of the Club.

I trust members will appreciate the efforts of the Board, staff and volunteers who have all contributed to ensuring that the club continues to be financially viable while providing ongoing improvements to the Club’s facilities for the future benefit of all members.

Mike McDonagh
Treasurer



BOWLS OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT 2023/24

After last years end of season review it was apparent that Bowls Operations were under-resourced with too much being done by too few. The Bowls Operations Committee (BOC) was subsequently created to ensure that the appropriate support and resources were in place to facilitate a successful season. The BOC consists of Steve Hicks - Bowls Operations Manager, Scott Thulborn, Laini McGorman, Paul Wilson, Scott Hocking, Erin Djamel (Club Manager as required) and Board Members Don Stevens (Chair, Bob Boorman for most of season) and Henry Higgins.

The purpose of the BOC is to manage and action all Bowls matters for the Club at an operational level and through the chair report to the Board.

The core bowling activities of the Club (Pennants and Night Owls) are covered in other sections of this Report. Other significant activities managed by the Bowls Operations Committee and reported to the Board are covered below.

Broadbeach 5 a-side. Rather than chase the title, which would have required external Marquee players our objective was to use the tournament as a development opportunity for ABC players. The team consisted of Scott Thulborn, Brett Davis, Rhys Taylor, Brenton Bain and Corey Hicks. They represented Club with pride and battled hard through the 4 days of competition. Although the team finished in the bottom half of the ladder there were some impressive wins and some great bowls played. In terms of meeting the original objective our players received great exposure to bowls at the highest level and mixed it with some of the best bowlers in the world.

60th Annual Adelaide Masters Singles Tournament. After a damp 2023 Master's, we were blessed with magnificent weather for this year's event. 104 competitors entered, and we had many on standby should a spot become available. 22 entrants were from interstate, which was slightly down on last year probably because we clashed with the Victorian Open Championships.

56 Volunteers, 41 of which were Adelaide Members, gave up their time to run a hugely successful event. Our Tournament is now regarded nationwide as equal to any event run on the Australian Calendar and in the opinion of many certainly the best singles tournament.

The three days of sectionals went largely according to plan, with few upsets with exception of Jackeroo Ben Twist being defeated by Tasmanian Junior Ollie Morrison, although Ben did win the section. Another outstanding achievement from our own Junior Kobe Jarman who made the final 32 on Sunday.

The Monday semifinals were between Mitch Sidebottom (VIC) vs Mark Armstrong (QLD) and Corey Wedlock (NSW) vs Gary Kelly (IRE/NSW). Both matches came down to the wire with Gary and Mark prevailing. The final was watched by a large crowd and a huge audience watching the awesome live streaming (by Spacequake) of the event. In a classic nail biter of a final, Gary Kelly trumped 25-23 over Mitch.

Thanks again to all those that made the Master's the event that it was, but special mention to Sandra Wallace for organizing the umpires and markers.

*As a footnote to members, the Master's is an event that Adelaide runs knowing that financially we do not finish with a profit, however it is the best showcasing a club in South Australia can do for the game of bowls. Interestingly, the superb coverage has already triggered interest from new sponsors keen to be part of the event next year.

State Events. Congratulations to Laini McGorman on her huge achievements in 2023/2024. Firstly, representing our club in the Champion of Champion Singles and after winning the state title went onto win the Australian Championships, which now after winning the Australian Championships she will now be the Australian representative at the World Championships in New Zealand later this year.

In State Events news, at the time of writing, we have many members ready to compete in Champions week.



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The club was very proud to have many State representatives this year including:

Laini McGorman
Sheridon Bodnar
Brett Davis
Scott Thulborn
Sandra Wallace
Cooper Hocking
Charlie Hicks
Kobe Jarman
Tim Hicks – State Selector

Taylor Super Challenge. One of the highlights of the year was our “youthful” team in Taylor Super Gold Challenge, who won the event adding to our trophy collection and adding a bit of cash to the Club coffers.

Prestige Medley. More recently, 7 ABC players represented Region 10 in the Prestige Medley (Sheridon Bodnar, Rachel Krebbekx Tim Hicks, Corey Hicks, Charlie Hicks, Cooper Hocking and Brett Davis). Our men won all 5 sectional games and came within a whisker of winning the final losing by only a couple of shots.

Diamond Jack Singles. Moama Bowling Club, in partnership with Club Sunbury, played host to the inaugural Diamond Jack Singles.

The event attracted 57 bowlers aged 18 years and younger from around Australia with competitors from NSW, SA and Tasmania joining a strong Victorian contingent. Representing the ABC were Cooper Hocking, Charlie Hicks and Kobe Jarman.

With prize money of \$8,500 on the line and the winners taking home a cheque for \$1,000 there was a lot to play for by these young stars. Played in the BPL format of two sets plus a tie breaker if required, our boys acquitted themselves very well each getting through their respective section. Kobe making the quarter finals, going down to the eventual Champion in a very close match.

This will be an annual event with the next instalment to be held at Club Sunbury in September 2024, where the ABC will again be represented by the same three boys.

Great for the development of our juniors. It would be nice if we could attract a female or two in this age bracket.

BPL Report 2023/24

BPL 18 was a somewhat difficult campaign, what with Scotty contracting Covid early in the event and the need to find a substitute for him, creating a bit of a dilemma for the manager, coach and the players. A disruption that we could have done without. Luckily, for us, Nathan Black was playing in the BPL Cup at Pine Rivers and after some discussion between the team and manager we decided he was the best option as a substitute.

The Pioneers, after a shaky start, finished in 4th place, winning the first elimination final and losing the second elimination final to the eventual champions the Tweed Ospreys.

BPL19 again was a mixed bag for the Pioneers who ended the early rounds with a couple of good wins and, luck was with us as other results went our way, allowing the Pioneers to just scrape into the finals.

Finishing the tournament in 4th place again, after winning the first elimination final and then losing the 2nd to losing grand finalists the Brisbane Pirates.

The wash up is that The Adelaide Pioneers, finishing 4th at both events, received prize monies totalling \$22,000, plus the minimum player payment of \$4,000, a total of \$26,000.00 of which the players, as per our agreement, received 50%.



Together with sponsorship money received from Coopers and CFS, this means, after paying the licence fee and expenses, we made a small profit.

New contracts with Bowls Aus will need to be signed prior to BPL20 if we are to continue entering the Pioneers in this competition.

The Future of the BPL competition – that is BPL20 (November 2024) onwards

The Franchise owners have met with BA (Bowls Australia) on several occasions to discuss and receive information on the structure and licensing arrangements for the future.

Without significant change, the BPL cannot continue.

BA have made the decision to increase the number of teams to 12 and the licence fee will now be \$40,000 (an increase of \$10,000) which applies to all teams except for the two teams owned by their state-based bodies (W.A and Tasmania) and the Adelaide Pioneers, whose licence fee will be set at \$35,000.00. In addition to the licence fee, the two new (yet to named) teams entering the competition will be required to pay a one off “signing on” fee of \$40,000.

With the backing of our very generous sponsors, Coopers and CFS this will not be too great an impost.

Don Stevens

Chair,

with contributions from BOC Members Henry Higgins, Paul Wilson and Steve Hicks

VENUE MANAGERS REPORT 2023/24

As the Club Manager, it is my pleasure to share with you the progress we have made and the exciting initiatives we have undertaken during my short time at the Club.

I am pleased to report that our doors have welcomed over twenty thousand individuals during the past six months. This remarkable turnout is a testament to the appeal and popularity of our Club within the community. With a lot of changes, and investment in improved systems we have managed to maintain turnover and produce another profit.

Booking System Enhancement: Our commitment to providing a smoother busy season remains a top priority. With the implementation of our automated booking system, we have optimized the process of scheduling events and reservations. This advancement brings many opportunities in finding the balance in booking in our members needs first and the functions second within parameters defined by the Board.

Catering Partnership: We are delighted to announce the extension of our partnership with Mick Menzies, our esteemed caterer. Mick has demonstrated his dedication to excellence, and we are pleased to continue growing together, offering exceptional culinary experiences to our patrons.

Bar Upgrades: In line with our commitment to providing a comfortable and inviting environment, a new till system and renovations to our bar area are currently underway. These enhancements will improve the level of service and ultimately save on wages.

Security Enhancement: Ensuring the safety and security of our club and the people within it is important. To this end, we have installed security cameras to bolster our surveillance capabilities. We also have recently setup external backups for all important information. This investment reflects our unwavering commitment to maintaining a secure and welcoming environment for all.

Continuous Improvement: Other important developments are streamlining the staff rostering and payroll, putting operating procedures in place, video/photoshops, furniture upgrades, cleaning up the club, updating the website, updating the computers, bringing our electrics up to code and much more. I am appreciative that the board has trusted me to invest in the Club’s future and in return I will always source out the most efficient and affordable option that is built to last.



Conclusion: As we reflect on the past 12 months, we are filled with gratitude for the progress we have made and the milestones we have achieved. None of this would be possible without the unwavering support of our volunteers, club members, dedicated staff, and generous sponsors. Their contributions enable us to provide not only for you our current Members, but for many generations to come.

Going forward, we are not looking to increase how busy we are, but rather to focus on fine tuning what we have built. On a personal note, thank you to everyone for the support you have given me and who has been a part of our journey thus far.

I sincerely hope that if I can manage my time a bit better next season, I will be available for pennants.

Erin Djamel
Club Manager

GREENS REPORT 2023/24

Spring turned out to be a challenging three months for not only myself but the majority of our green keepers in South Australia with unusual weather patterns. It was much cooler and dryer than normal which led to a very slow start to the growing season and exposed the greens to a lot of unusual disease activity and very little recovery from wear and tear.

Once the soil temperature heated up enough late November/ early December, our greens had rapid growth and held on strong during our busy social bowls season.

Over the Christmas break we scarified, cored, and fertilised all three greens. They enjoyed a short rest, which put them in good stead for the second half of the season. Thankfully things have gone to plan with the greens being in great condition and bowling well this year.

Our greens were once again very nice for our famous (and 60th) Adelaide Masters Singles! This is largely due to not only our strategic planning, but also the beautiful weather in the lead up to and during our 5-day tournament. There were many great helpers over the Masters and I thank you all!

Going into Winter we have close to full coverage on the greens and they are in good health which should help with the expected moss and algae issues due throughout our cold and wet winter.

Keeping the greens healthy and running well for our members all year round is a very difficult task and although it is the goal, it simply is not possible 100% of the time.

Major works that were completed this season were the much-needed extensive concrete works and ongoing replacement of the synthetic around the greens.

One problem that will be ongoing for a long time to come, is the tree roots and shade issues created by the multiple trees on the Dequettville Terrace side of our club. These trees certainly are not getting any smaller!

A root barrier was installed 4 years ago which I believe needs to be replaced as the tree roots love to intrude underneath our greens. We will start conversations with the council's arborist to ask for advice. Long term planning and hopefully financial assistance for new root barriers and pruning these trees will minimise the affect they have on B and C greens.

Once again, I have many members to thank for their help throughout the bowls season!

Firstly, Bruce Bate and Al Behenna for your very regular help and banter! Between Bruce and Al they 'nearly' do more work than me in a week and without them my task would be very daunting! I appreciate ALL the hours you boys put in and even more so your friendships!

Our Monday crew (which does extend into other days) is always busy trying to keep up the appearance of our club; this team is lead by Brucey. Through the season we had appearances from Al Behenna, John Frangos, Don Stevens, Gary Julian, Rob McKeown, Ron Davidson, Henry Higgins and Simon Frank. Thank you very much for your involvement throughout the season boys, it is greatly appreciated by many!



A special mention goes to Scott ‘Budda’ Hocking and Cooper Hocking for their regular rolling on Saturday mornings and the extra assistance before and during the Masters. Also thank you Chris Firth for your early starts during the Masters.

There is a great culture around the club and many others are great at chipping in with the small things like setting out/packing up the Mats and Jacks, Putting up the flags, raking ditches, re-setting tables and chairs, putting bowls away, and the general tidy up! The main contributors in this area are Gary Benveniste, Dennis Taylor, and Rob McKeown, but there are many more of you and your help is much appreciated.

Thank you to Erin and the Board for your continued support. The club is looking better every year and I am excited to see what the future holds.

Altogether, my ABC friends, our members really make working at ABC very enjoyable for me!

Scott Thulborn
Greens Manager

HOUSE and GROUNDS REPORT 2023/24

As I prepare this House & Grounds Report, I have reflected on past reports. There has been considerable capital expenditure on upgrading the Club facilities in recent years and this strong commitment from the Board has continued over the past 12 months.

We have been very active in 2023/24 with a range of projects either progressed, completed, and/or planned.

Below is an overview:

- A 4th umbrella and weather protection connected to the Clubhouse veranda. This work provides a more complete outlook to A Green as well as improved amenity for spectators and guests.
- Masonry seating segments and 5 white aluminium flagpoles between A & B Greens.
- Installation of benches and more functional hand basins in the toilets and additional tiling to better protect the walls around hand dryers and paper towel dispensers.
- New LED lighting units to A, B & C Greens.
- Security cameras to provide security coverage within and around the Club.
- Replacement of failing concrete ditch walls to the north/south sections of B & C Greens and replaced rubber backing as required. All 12 facings (A, B and C greens) have had green synthetic material replaced.
- Repairs, replacement and grinding to sections of concrete surrounding the greens.
- All Greens can now be used in both N/S and E/W configurations. Free-standing rink numbers and markers have been purchased to facilitate this option without interfering with the normal Pennant setup.
- Purchase of a “Supa Sopper” to fast track the use of greens after a deluge.
- Second hand oregan topped high tables – 4 more completed this year with another 12 planned. (the frames have been purchased).
- 9 outdoor timber topped tables purchased.
- 18 existing bench stools had the frames powder coated black and cushions replaced.
- 50 bench stools purchased and 50 wicker type chairs were purchased.
- Professional pruning of the palm trees. This has resulted in a better outcome in managing dropping branches, pods, and flowers.

The following activities are proposed during the off season:

- Acrylic coating of all concrete surfaces adjacent the greens with Dulux Avista paving paint (700 m²).
- Upgrading Mower #3 with a larger electric motor to allow it to be used as a “shaver”. This overcomes the need to exchange cutting reels between mowers.
- Additional Green Keeping equipment such as petrol blower, dew broom.

- Club signage above the eastern veranda covering 3 blanked-out windows with the words “Adelaide Bowling Club”. The sign will be seen from outside the Club boundary and Dequetteville Tce.
- Bifold doors (or sliding) to separate the main bar area from the Members Bar area.
- Demolish and replace the unsafe eastern gate and associated fencing.
- Improving/Securing the rear access to the Clubhouse (so that it does not look like a trade entrance)
- Improved secure storage for tables, chairs when not in use and kegs.
- Review the future on the much-used grassed area adjacent C Green. The discussions need to ascertain whether replacement of some/all the palms with retractable umbrella structures is desirable.

Having detailed the achievements above, it is now appropriate to acknowledge the dedication and input of Club members who have assisted in achieving such a great outcome in the House and Grounds portfolio.

- Gary Julian for installation of hand basins and the tiling in the toilets and design work for the proposed Club signage
- Steve McDonald for the joinery associated with the hand basin upgrades.
- Simon Frank for cabling associated with the security cameras.
- Stuart Lea/ Steve Hicks/Tim Hicks for work associated with the masonry seating and flag poles.
- Emil Nou for “dressing” the oregon timbers for the table tops.
- President Bob Burton for his foresight and determination in getting the 4th umbrella and weather protection canopy as part of an Outdoor Kitchen.

As is always the case with the House & Grounds function, I must praise and thank the ongoing activities of the “Monday Blues” group. On most Mondays you will find Al Behenna, John Frangos, Henry Higgins, Don Stevens, Gary Julian, Rob McKeown, Simon Frank and Ron Davidson and others undertaking a variety of tasks which contribute to ongoing improvement of the Club facilities.

I guess it goes without saying, that my task as convenor of House & Grounds is also greatly impacted by the work undertaken on the Greens and in the Clubhouse. I am fortunate to have great communication and liaison with Scott Thulborn, our Greenkeeper. I very much appreciate his regular contact and open discussion with me on matters affecting us both. Likewise, I would also like to thank Club Manager Erin Djemal. Erin’s background is in Hospitality and he is new to bowls. His willingness to seek advice and to better understand how we operate as a Bowling Club is greatly appreciated by me.

Finally, I consider that the Club has continued to improve its facilities to the extent that we are the envy of many other Bowling Clubs. On Pennant days, I regularly get high praise comments about the Club’s location, the roominess of the surrounds, the quality of the greens and the openness of the Clubhouse.

To highlight the involvement of club members I have also included a couple of typical photos of a busy Monday morning.

Bruce Bate

House and Grounds Sub Committee Chair





CHAIR OF SELECTION PANEL REPORT 2023/24

I would like to thank the selectors Scott Thulborn, Brett Davis, Sandra Wallace, Richard Hooper, Ron Kuczmariski, Steve Hicks, Henry Higgins, Steve Heath, Bruce Bate, Dennis Taylor, Wayne Darling, Al Behenna, Chris Firth, Don Stevens, and Ken Smith.

This year's selection panel really operated as a team, to a level surpassing other years. Discussion was robust and all players in all the teams were discussed on performance before teams were selected.

Selection, by its very nature will not please all players. Unfortunately, some of our selectors over the last couple of years have received nasty and threatening calls from a minority of players. To say this is unacceptable is an understatement.

No wonder it is difficult to recruit people for this thankless task.

When players move from one position to another the selectors do this for the betterment of the team's chances of winning. They have not been dropped as some players feel.

A fellow bowler summed it up for me when he said, "people should remember selectors are your team mates not your punching bag."

All members are entitled to an opinion which is respected but should not come at a cost to fellow members.

The scoring system worked well this year for the most part. The system needs to be explained to all members before the season starts as some of the scores especially in the lower teams were marked at silly and useless levels.

I only received one call from a member who was not happy with selection. If members are not happy with the explanation given to them by the selectors, please bring it to my attention. I can have a full and robust discussion with all parties and look for resolutions.

Greg Arnfield
Chair of Selection Panel

SELECTOR'S REPORT SATURDAY PREMIER LEAGUE 2023/24 SEASON

Having played finals the previous season, expectations were high going in to 2023/24.

Unfortunately, it was not to be. That said, there were a lot of positives to take out of the season and plenty to look forward to next season.

Some of the highlights included several players making their Premier League debuts for the Adelaide Bowling Club, the return of some familiar faces and the emergence of some real promising talent.

Whilst our home record continues to be impressive (6 wins 2 losses 1 draw) and our overall record of 10 wins 7 losses 1 draw would be seen by most clubs to be a pass mark, it was our inability to close out some close finishes which would see us miss finals.

A big thankyou to Greg Arnfield for his tireless job as Chairman of Selectors and congratulations to all the other sides on a hard-fought competitive season.

In total we had 19 players represent the Adelaide Bowling Club at the Premier League level. Our sincere thanks and congratulations to every one of you for the way you represented the ABC shirt throughout the year.

Bring on next season.

Brett Davis and Scott Thulborn
Premier League Selectors



SELECTOR'S REPORT DIVISION 1, 2023/24 SEASON

To say the 23/24 season was challenging is an understatement. There were 28 different bowlers who helped make up the teams for Division One this season, who all gave it their best as always. Due to numerous factors, it was difficult for all involved.

Whilst this may read as lot of excuses it is without doubt factual. We had a very competitive season last year, playing in two finals and finishing third. We lost 4 members from that side. Eight of the sides we played this year were their club's top side. We had ill health and injuries to members of our side. We are very pleased to see their improvement. There were retirements and interruptions due to employment, and our interstate players had to return to their home state.

Of course, all sides are affected with the up and down movements of personnel within a club - it is the way it has to be to recognise success, improvement and ultimately rewarding those efforts.

There were and always are positives. All players maintained the hope and enthusiasm at the beginning of each game and with that motivation, anything is possible. We welcomed several new players to Division 1 level and we made some positional changes which all proved fruitful.

We would like to thank all Members who played in Division One this season. Whilst we didn't have the success we hoped for we all gave our best on the day for our team, the side and the club. The sportsmanship and camaraderie within the side despite the many forced changes, always made game day something to look forward to. Thank you to Greg Arnfield for his collation of figures each week. To our fellow selectors for their input, discussion, and advice we thank you.

Sandra Wallace and Richard Hooper
Division 1 Selectors

SELECTOR'S REPORT METROPOLITAN DIVISION 3 SOUTH 2023/24 SEASON

A total of 30 players played for this team during another very challenging season. It is a great credit to everyone, especially with new members and players coming up from the fourth team, that we again retained our place in this grade. Like last year we played many clubs where Division Three was their top side. When these teams recruit players to boost their playing stocks it is difficult task for all to remain competitive against stronger sides.

However, we were able to hold our colour and have an opportunity to develop all players knowing that we all play to the best of our abilities and challenge all teams we face. We managed to beat several of these top teams during the season which was very enjoyable! We look forward to more stability next season with the opportunity to continue to develop new players to the team and for all of the existing players to be challenged to keep improving while the team works to consolidate our place in this Division.

Ron Kuczarski and Henry Higgins
Division 3 South Selectors

SELECTOR'S REPORT METROPOLITAN DIVISION 5 EAST 2023/24 SEASON

Div 5 east had a reasonable year finishing in seventh position on the table with 7 wins from 17 starts.

As is usually the case with a fourth side "best laid plans" can be set asunder by not infrequent rumblings from above. That has made life a bit difficult for the long-suffering selectors with challenges to building consistency around the composition of members of each rink.

Notwithstanding that, the Div 5 cohort did hold its own for most of the season and was competitive throughout. Some stand out results were tempered by at home losses against mid-tier opposition, and, but for that, a top 4 position was not beyond reach.



There was some consistency achieved around the Richard Brown rink and the dream team rink. Unfortunately the dream team were adversely impacted by the loss of one of their number and also some absences. Nevertheless, they were always competitive and Remy Prideaux again showed promise with a few starts as skipper.

Richard Brown was the stand out bowler and skipper for the entire season. He finished on the Div 5 east ranking (amongst all teams) with a 9 ranking. On more than one occasion he was able to turn an end around at critical junctures and from there set the result. I expect higher duties beckon next season for Richard. Bing Hui and Tracey Kneebone provided good backup for Richard's rink for the whole season.

The Barry Lilley rink was fraught by lineup changes though settled when Dawn returned. As was the case last season, Barry's rink finished the last half with some strong results.

Phil Mc Donald started well with Ramon Walton on board but was challenged by constant changes in his lineup. Lachlan Newitt and Nick Henrys had some wins with Phil and both were welcome additions to the div 5 line up. We expect both Lachlan and Nick to be even better with more competition experience.

Perhaps the most pleasing aspect of the season was the spirit and bonhomie of all bowlers who represented the Club in the Div 5 team. Morale never flagged and rarely was a cross word spoken. From my own viewpoint it was an honour every week to represent the club and to enjoy the company of all contributors. The challenge for the 2024/25 season will be to maintain that; if more consistency can be built in the makeup of bowlers on each of the rinks then a higher year end ranking will be achieved.

On a final note thank you to the club and all contributors to our venue. The experience at our home club each week was at A grade level. On several occasions our competitors complimented our facilities, envying the "free" sandwiches at afternoon tea. Again thanks to all contributors for our bowling experience at ABC.

Bruce Bate and Steve Heath
Division 5 East Selectors

SELECTOR'S REPORT METROPOLITAN DIVISION 7 EAST 2023/24 SEASON

Our fifth team, Division 7, the bottom side, call it what you will, is struggling to exist. In this Division, fielding a complete and competitive team every Saturday is a challenge. We simply do not have the numbers to fill our five teams, and that means Division 7 is the team to suffer from the dilemma. Adding to this, there is any number of players making themselves unavailable every game day. This season we played our first pennant game at Round 4. . . yes, Round 4! At the beginning of the season we were preparing to forfeit to Beaumont at Round 1 due to a dire lack of players, and because we were slow in doing so, Beaumont in the meantime, had forfeited to us. It was a pleasant change to receive one rather than to give one. However, this was short-lived as we were later forced to forfeit Rounds 2,3 and 7. With three forfeits and a 'close call' all within the first seven rounds, our prospects for the season were not looking good.

The second half of the season was more promising with no more forfeits and the team becoming somewhat settled, mainly due to some of our regular players not being seconded so often. When settled, Div.7 showed how well we can play with great wins over top four sides, Hawthorn and Sturt...not bad for a 'hybrid' side consisting of ABC players and, at various times, AOBC players, ABC night-owlers, ABC staff, and friends/relatives of the above. Without the ongoing support of these people, our fifth team would not exist, and may we say, on behalf of the Adelaide Bowling Club, a big 'thank-you' to all those wonderful people who came to our rescue throughout the season.

By the end of the season, the ten team ladder showed us finishing in sixth position, with 9 wins, 8 losses, and 1 draw. Two more wins would have put us fourth on the ladder, and into the finals. We consider our final placing to be a respectable finish when one considers 3 of the 8 losses were, in fact, forfeits.

Wayne Darling and Dennis Taylor
Division 7 Central Selectors



SELECTOR'S REPORT WEDNESDAY PREMIER 1 2023/24 SEASON

The Wednesday Premier League Side finished a respectable 7th Place after a shaky start. We finished with 7 wins and -37 shots after 18 rounds of play!

We spent the majority of the season lurking down the bottom of the ladder facing the possibility of relegation.

Some big hearted and winning performances in Rounds 15, 16 and 17 saw us climb safely above the bottom two positions of the ladder to keep our Premier League status!

A total of 31 players were involved in our premier grade throughout this season!

Firthy and I would like to thank all our players for your time and efforts and we are looking forward to being more competitive next season.

Alister Behenna and Chris Firth
Wednesday Division1 Selectors

SELECTOR'S REPORT WEDNESDAY DIVISION 2 NORTH 2023/24 SEASON

Won 4 games, finishing position 10th. Relegated to Division 3 next season.

After the euphoria of winning the previous year's grand final and moving up to Div 2 wore off, the harsh reality of competing at this higher level became very apparent.

The team from the previous year lost a number of strong players to support the top team and consequently struggled to find winning form. Pre-Christmas it was difficult to find enough players to fill the team with substitutes from Adelaide Oval and some women members regularly needed. Midway through the season we were bolstered by Stuart Lea becoming available who led our pairs to win the majority of these games in the back half of the season

Despite these challenges the team represented the club in the "Adelaide way" and enjoyed the season.

Don Stevens and Ken Smith
Wednesday Division 3 Selectors

NIGHT OWLS REPORT 2023/24

We had another popular season of night owls during our 23/24 season, though numbers were slightly down on the last, which is most certainly due to the economic downturn which is effecting many bowling clubs this season. Despite this we maintained steady numbers which stretched over two greens and occasionally into a third, and everyone had a ball!

We have thirty-eight teams on the books, which includes around twelve new teams this season. We were also able to source up to eight players who each assisted filling our Div 7 pennant team when required, certainly an improvement on last year. Feedback has also been incredibly positive with the excellent food Chef Mick Menzies produces from the kitchen, with paella a sure favourite still.

It being my seventh year now of running night owls, I am very relieved to still have Scott Hocking at my side, and we welcomed Jon Cooper on board who shows a keen interest and is an immense help at the draw table. For yet another season we thank Paul Zerella from Project Wines for his extremely generous donations, and to Jon Evans from Jonny Polo for his seasons supply of scorecards, etched Gomersal glasses and wine. We would be lost without either of your generous support and sponsorship.

We thank our very own DJ Mojo Hannah for her reliable presence and fantastic tune selection, always a big hit on the night that sets up our unique atmosphere for which we are now famous. I would also like to thank



Erin, Aaron, Michael, Loui, Tracy and all our bar staff for making our social members always feel welcome, along with other club members, such as Carlos, Heather, Mikey, Benny, Alister and others who all give up their time to assist newcomers with brief coaching and other such guidance on the night.

I am confident our numbers will grow as word continues to spread, as I am already fielding enquiries for when we start back and hopefully our hot summers return for our 24/25 season of night owls - which is undoubtedly the best night owls on offer in SA.

Paul Wilson
Night Owls Coordinator

ABC INDIVIDUAL PENNANT PLAYER RESULTS 2023/24 SEASON

Prepared by Ron Kuczmarski, Club Statistician

SATURDAY PREMIER LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Scott Thulborn	18	12	0	6	24	67
Brett Davis	18	11	0	7	22	55
Cooper Hocking	17	10	1	6	21	42
Brendan Bain	17	10	0	7	20	43
Laini McGorman	18	10	0	8	20	43
Kobe Jarman	18	10	0	8	20	42
Sheridon Bodnar	17	9	0	8	18	13
Charlie Hicks	18	9	0	9	18	12
Paul Young	18	8	1	9	17	-6
Ron Davidson	15	8	0	7	16	37
Tim Hicks	18	8	0	10	16	9
Hank Pelgrim	18	8	0	10	16	-13
Rhys Taylor	16	7	1	8	15	-20
Paul Wilson	18	7	0	11	14	-15
Corey Hicks	18	7	0	11	14	-15
Pat Impagnatiello	9	5	1	3	11	15
Jon Cooper	5	4	0	1	8	18
Rachel Krebbeckx	10	4	0	6	8	-6
Ben Massey	2	1	0	1	2	3



SATURDAY DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Chris Firth	18	8	2	8	18	-19
Alister Behenna	18	7	2	9	16	-36
Greg Arnfield	16	7	1	8	15	-20
Steven McDonald	17	7	0	10	14	8
Paul Zerella	18	7	0	11	14	-8
Richard Weeks	18	7	0	11	14	-14
Emil Nou	12	6	0	6	12	22
Richard Hooper	16	5	2	9	12	-45
Arthur Scott	18	5	2	11	12	-67
Dean Tinley	14	5	1	8	11	-15
Vicki Degenhardt	8	5	0	3	10	-7
Sandra Wallace	17	5	0	12	10	-74
Jon Cooper	9	3	1	5	7	-9
Heather Gunn	7	3	0	4	6	-25
Brenton Anderson	9	2	2	5	6	-33
Mike McDonagh	9	3	0	6	6	-50
Steve Hicks	13	3	0	10	6	-63
Ben Massey	15	2	1	12	5	-91
Peter Somers	3	2	0	1	4	3
Anthony Diener	6	2	0	4	4	-20
Graham Cass	10	2	0	8	4	-63
Rachel Krebbekx	7	1	1	5	3	-33
Sam Janetzki	1	1	0	0	2	8
Ron Davidson	2	1	0	1	2	-1
Henry Higgins	2	1	0	1	2	-2
Pat Impagnatiello	2	0	1	1	1	-6
Stuart Lea	3	0	0	3	0	-44



SATURDAY DIVISION THREE SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Ron Kuczmariski	18	10	0	8	20	-24
Jamie Jarman	18	9	1	8	19	-12
Carlos Gonzalez	17	9	0	8	18	-25
Mick Moffatt	18	8	0	10	16	-34
John Evans	16	7	1	8	15	-37
Henry Higgins	13	7	0	6	14	10
Alan Russell	14	7	0	7	14	-20
Garry Benveniste	18	7	0	11	14	-65
Don Stevens	15	6	1	8	13	-38
Anthony Diener	11	6	0	5	12	-7
Ken Smith	11	6	0	5	12	-15
Bob Boorman	14	6	0	8	12	-28
Graham Cass	7	5	0	2	10	25
Bob Burton	12	5	0	7	10	-7
Dawn Lilley	8	5	0	3	10	-8
Ramon Walton	11	5	0	6	10	-10
Bruce Bate	7	4	0	3	8	-2
Mike McDonagh	9	4	0	5	8	-26
Emil Nou	5	3	0	2	6	14
Stephen Heath	3	3	0	0	6	12
Sam Janetzki	12	3	0	9	6	-14
Stuart Lea	7	2	1	4	5	-6
Steve Hicks	5	2	0	3	4	1
Heather Gunn	10	2	0	8	4	-79
Patrick McGirr	3	1	0	2	2	-14
Robert McKeown	1	0	0	1	0	-1
Phil McDonald	1	0	0	1	0	-13
Ben Massey	1	0	0	1	0	-20
Remy Prideaux	1	0	0	1	0	-20
Paul Trzeciak	2	0	0	2	0	-25



SATURDAY DIVISION FIVE EAST

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Richard Brown	17	11	1	5	23	65
Tracey Kneebone	17	10	1	6	21	52
Bing Hui	18	9	2	7	20	14
Stephen Heath	15	9	1	5	19	43
Barry Lilley	16	7	1	8	15	25
Darren Gray	12	7	1	4	15	24
Declan Martin	13	7	1	5	15	18
Lachlan Newitt	14	6	2	6	14	3
Phil McDonald	15	5	3	7	13	-4
Remy Prideaux	12	5	1	6	11	0
Simon Frank	17	5	1	11	11	-45
Elaine Cox	9	5	0	4	10	4
Gary Julian	13	5	0	8	10	-8
Matthew Conlon	12	4	1	7	9	-26
Nick Henrys	12	4	1	7	9	-37
Bruce Bate	11	3	2	6	8	-36
Dawn Lilley	8	3	1	4	7	21
Robert McKeown	9	3	1	5	7	-7
Bob Burton	6	3	0	3	6	-16
Ramon Walton	6	1	3	2	5	-5
Kim Pokoina	4	2	0	2	4	-9
Wayne Darling	3	1	1	1	3	-5
Patrick McGirr	5	1	1	3	3	-23
Stuart Lea	1	1	0	0	2	8
Bruce Wallace	1	1	0	0	2	8
Paul Trzeciak	2	1	0	1	2	6
Dennis Taylor	6	1	0	5	2	-15
John Evans	1	0	1	0	1	0
Kevin Langmead	4	0	1	3	1	-34
Hamish Goodger	1	0	0	1	0	-1
Emil Nou	1	0	0	1	0	-7
Vicki Degenhardt	1	0	0	1	0	-7
Marc Taylor	1	0	0	1	0	-11
Josh Wiles	1	0	0	1	0	-11
Wes Street	1	0	0	1	0	-11
Shane Kelly	3	0	0	3	0	-37



SATURDAY DIVISION SEVEN CENTRAL

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Wayne Darling	13	9	1	3	19	83
Kim Pokoina	8	7	1	0	15	101
Kevin Langmead	11	7	1	3	15	86
Dennis Taylor	11	7	1	3	15	58
Elaine Cox	7	6	1	0	13	89
Marc Taylor	11	6	1	4	13	-13
Robert Corpe	11	6	0	5	12	-24
Kirsten Jones	12	5	1	6	11	-43
Chris Glaser	6	5	0	1	10	47
Ross Tilley	9	5	0	4	10	-25
Jeremy Francis	11	4	1	6	9	-51
Remy Prideaux	3	2	1	0	5	24
Matthew Conlon	3	2	1	0	5	24
Megan Grandison	2	2	0	0	4	37
John Corbin	2	2	0	0	4	34
Ian Watson	6	2	0	4	4	-21
Elliott Black	4	2	0	2	4	-23
Declan Martin	2	1	1	0	3	1
Vicki Degenhardt	1	1	0	0	2	26
Hamish Goodger	1	1	0	0	2	23
Judd Crush	1	1	0	0	2	10
Jackie Menzies	1	1	0	0	2	7
Joe Menzies	1	1	0	0	2	7
Mick Menzies	1	1	0	0	2	7
Simon Kelly	1	1	0	0	2	1
David Benveniste	1	1	0	0	2	1
Robert Lenthall	1	1	0	0	2	1
Shane Kelly	2	1	0	1	2	-16
Gary Julian	1	0	1	0	1	0
Lachlan Newitt	1	0	0	1	0	-2
Paul Trzeciak	1	0	0	1	0	-20
Garth Andrew	1	0	0	1	0	-34
Mark Stone	1	0	0	1	0	-34
Nick Henrys	3	0	0	3	0	-35
Erin Djemal	2	0	0	2	0	-43



WEDNESDAY PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Hank Pelgrim	18	11	0	7	22	41
Paul Wilson	17	10	0	7	20	-4
Chris Firth	17	9	0	8	18	25
Alister Behenna	18	9	0	9	18	22
Greg Arnfield	16	7	1	8	15	12
Garry Benveniste	18	7	1	10	15	-34
Mike McDonagh	14	6	2	6	14	21
Richard Hooper	14	6	0	8	12	-13
Paul Young	13	6	0	7	12	-49
Paul Zerella	11	5	1	5	11	7
Scott Thulborn	7	5	0	2	10	46
Kobe Jarman	8	5	0	3	10	18
Anthony Diener	10	5	0	5	10	-24
Steve Hicks	18	4	1	13	9	-62
Corey Hicks	5	4	0	1	8	52
Arthur Scott	8	3	1	4	7	0
Charlie Hicks	3	3	0	0	6	20
Emil Nou	7	3	0	4	6	6
John Evans	6	3	0	3	6	-34
Ron Davidson	14	3	0	11	6	-66
Henry Higgins	0	2	1	3	5	14
Tim Hicks	9	2	1	6	5	-4
Mick Moffatt	11	1	1	9	3	-62
Bob Boorman	2	1	0	1	2	9
Wes Street	1	1	0	0	2	5
Pat Impagnatiello	0	1	0	2	2	-31
Ron Kuczarski	3	1	0	2	2	-46
Peter Somers	4	0	1	3	1	-18
Richard Weeks	2	0	0	2	0	-9
Patrick McGirr	2	0	0	2	0	-9
Stuart Lea	3	0	0	3	0	-27



WEDNESDAY DIVISION TWO NORTH

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Don Stevens	14	7	1	6	15	-3
Stuart Lea	7	5	1	1	11	37
Jamie Jarman	17	5	1	11	11	-94
Ron Kuczmariski	12	4	1	7	9	-34
Bob Burton	16	4	1	11	9	-58
Bruce Bate	18	4	1	13	9	-99
Ramon Walton	17	4	0	13	8	-59
Carlos Gonzalez	16	4	0	12	8	-118
Barry Lilley	17	3	2	12	8	-167
Phil McDonald	18	3	1	14	7	-131
Mike McDonagh	4	3	0	1	6	26
Bob Boorman	9	3	0	6	6	-36
Gary Julian	13	3	0	10	6	-89
Anthony Diener	5	2	1	2	5	9
Dennis Taylor	14	2	1	11	5	-144
John Frangos	2	2	0	0	4	30
John Evans	4	2	0	2	4	17
Emil Nou	7	2	0	5	4	-53
Robert McKeown	9	2	0	7	4	-66
Mick Moffatt	2	1	0	1	2	1
Simon Frank	4	1	0	3	2	-2
Henry Higgins	2	1	0	1	2	-5
Wayne Darling	3	1	0	2	2	-13
Richard Brown	4	1	0	3	2	-17
Alan Russell	14	1	0	13	2	-124
Ken Smith	18	1	0	17	2	-178
Paul Trzeciak	3	0	1	2	1	-36
Malcolm Allen	1	0	0	1	0	-6
Peter Thring	1	0	0	1	0	-9
George Enrvriadis	1	0	0	1	0	-12
Tracey Kneebone	3	0	0	3	0	-20
Wes Street	3	0	0	3	0	-22
Bing Hui	3	0	0	3	0	-25
Patrick McGirr	7	0	0	7	0	-51



ABC PENNANT SKIP RESULTS 2023/24 SEASON

SATURDAY PREMIER LEAGUE SKIPS

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Scott Thulborn	17	11	0	6	22	64
Brett Davis	17	10	0	7	20	38
Corey Hicks	18	7	0	11	14	-15
Rhys Taylor	15	6	1	8	13	-21
Laini McGorman	2	1	0	1	2	13
Charlie Hicks	1	1	0	0	2	3
Cooper Hocking	1	1	0	0	2	1
Tim Hicks	1	0	0	1	0	-2

SATURDAY DIVISION ONE SKIPS

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Chris Firth	18	8	2	8	18	-19
Richard Hooper	16	5	2	9	12	-45
Sandra Wallace	17	5	0	12	10	-74
Dean Tinley	10	4	0	6	8	-11
Steven McDonald	7	3	0	4	6	19
Ron Davidson	1	0	0	1	0	-2
Rachel Krebbekx	1	0	0	1	0	-5
Mike McDonagh	1	0	0	1	0	-17
Richard Weeks	1	0	0	1	0	-22

SATURDAY DIVISION THREE SOUTH SKIPS

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Ron Kuczarski	18	10	0	8	20	-24
Henry Higgins	13	7	0	6	14	10
Bob Boorman	13	6	0	7	12	-23
Garry Benveniste	15	4	0	11	8	-86
Mike McDonagh	2	2	0	0	4	10
Steve Hicks	5	2	0	3	4	1
Alan Russell	2	1	0	1	2	4
Patrick McGirr	2	1	0	1	2	-8
Stuart Lea	2	0	1	1	1	-6



SATURDAY DIVISION FIVE EAST SKIPS

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Richard Brown	17	11	1	5	23	65
Barry Lilley	15	6	1	8	13	17
Phil McDonald	15	5	3	7	13	-4
Bruce Bate	10	3	2	5	8	-19
Bob Burton	6	3	0	3	6	-16
Stuart Lea	1	1	0	0	2	8
Remy Prideaux	3	1	0	2	2	-8
Patrick McGirr	1	0	0	1	0	-6
Vicki Degenhardt	1	0	0	1	0	-7
Josh Wiles	1	0	0	1	0	-11
Darren Gray	2	0	0	2	0	-35

SATURDAY DIVISION SEVEN CENTRAL SKIPS

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Wayne Darling	11	7	1	3	15	72
Dennis Taylor	9	5	1	3	11	25
Robert Corpe	10	5	0	5	10	-40
Remy Prideaux	3	2	1	0	5	24
Vicki Degenhardt	1	1	0	0	2	26
Judd Crush	1	1	0	0	2	10
Mick Menzies	1	1	0	0	2	7
Simon Kelly	1	1	0	0	2	1
Shane Kelly	1	0	0	1	0	-21
Jeremy Francis	1	0	0	1	0	-34



WEDNESDAY PREMIER LEAGUE SKIPS

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Chris Firth	16	8	0	8	16	20
Garry Benveniste	16	6	1	9	13	-46
Richard Hooper	14	6	0	8	12	-13
Paul Young	9	5	0	4	10	-46
Corey Hicks	5	4	0	1	8	52
Scott Thulborn	5	4	0	1	8	48
Tim Hicks	9	2	1	6	5	-4
Mike McDonagh	5	2	1	2	5	-11
Charlie Hicks	1	1	0	0	2	1
Kobe Jarman	2	1	0	1	2	-2
Ron Davidson	4	1	0	3	2	-17
Richard Weeks	2	0	0	2	0	-9
Greg Arnfield	2	0	0	2	0	-14

WEDNESDAY DIVISION TWO NORTH SKIPS

	P	W	D	L	Pts	+/-
Stuart Lea	6	5	0	1	10	37
Ron Kuczmariski	12	4	1	7	9	-34
Jamie Jarman	12	4	1	7	9	-60
Mike McDonagh	4	3	0	1	6	26
Bob Boorman	9	3	0	6	6	-36
Phil McDonald	16	2	1	13	5	-128
Bob Burton	1	1	0	0	2	6
Henry Higgins	2	1	0	1	2	-5
Ken Smith	13	1	0	12	2	-120
Wes Street	1	0	0	1	0	-13
Bruce Bate	3	0	0	3	0	-29
Patrick McGirr	4	0	0	4	0	-44
Alan Russell	6	0	0	6	0	-51



ABC SATURDAY TEAM OF THE WEEK 2023/2024 SEASON

Round	Division	Lead	Second	Third	Skip	Shots Up
1	Division 3	Dawn Lilley	Carlos Gonzalez	Graham Cass	Ron Kuczmariski	20
1	Division 5	Elaine Cox	Tracey Kneebone	Stephen Heath	Richard Brown	20
2	Premier	Kobe Jarman	Tim Hicks	Cooper Hocking	Scott Thulborn	19
3	Premier	Jon Cooper	Ron Davidson	Laini McGorman	Brett Davis	9
4	Division 7	Kevin Langmead	Chris Glaser	John Corbin	Dennis Taylor	24
5	Division 3	Ramon Walton	Carlos Gonzalez	Graham Cass	Ron Kuczmariski	18
6	Division 7	Marc Taylor	Chris Glaser	Dennis Taylor	Wayne Darling	10
7	Division 5	Elaine Cox	Tracey Kneebone	Stephen Heath	Richard Brown	14
8	Division 3	Mick Moffatt	Ken Smith	Sam Janetzki	Garry Benveniste	24
9	Premier	Rachel Krebbekx	Ron Davidson	Laini McGorman	Brett Davis	1
10	Division 3	Anthony Diener	Ramon Walton	Mike McDonagh	Bob Boorman	12
11	Premier	Paul Young	Pat Impagnatiello	Cooper Hocking	Rhys Taylor	14
12	Division 7	Kim Pokoina	Kevin Langmead	Elaine Cox	Wayne Darling	19
13	Division 5	Bing Hui	Tracey Kneebone	Stephen Heath	Richard Brown	22
14	Division 7	Kim Pokoina	Kevin Langmead	Elaine Cox	Wayne Darling	29
15	Premier	Sheridon Bodnar	Ron Davidson	Charlie Hicks	Scott Thulborn	23
15	Division 7	Matthew Conlon	Dennis Taylor	Hamish Goodger	Remy Prideaux	23
16	Division 5	Bing Hui	Tracey Kneebone	Darren Gray	Richard Brown	16
17	Premier	Hank Pelgrim	Brendan Bain	Brett Davis	Laini McGorman	17
18	Division 5	Lachlan Newitt	Paul Trzeciak	Robert McKeown	Phil McDonald	26
18	Division 7	Kim Pokoina	Megan Grandison	Elaine Cox	Vicki Degenhardt	26



ABC WEDNESDAY TEAM OF THE WEEK 2023/24 SEASON

Round	Division	Lead	Second	Third	Skip	Shots Up
1	Premier	John Evans	Paul Zerella	Greg Arnfield	Garry Benveniste	9
2	Premier			Hank Pelgrim	Richard Hooper	10
3	Div 2		John Frangos	Carlos Gonzalez	Bob Boorman	26
4	Premier	John Evans	Anthony Diener	Greg Arnfield	Garry Benveniste	6
5	Premier		Paul Wilson	Alister Behenna	Chris Firth	6
6	Premier		Paul Wilson	Alister Behenna	Chris Firth	9
7	Premier	Anthony Diener	Mike McDonagh	Bob Boorman	Garry Benveniste	12
8	Premier		Paul Wilson	Alister Behenna	Chris Firth	16
9	Premier		Paul Wilson	Alister Behenna	Chris Firth	11
10	Div 2			John Evans	Mike McDonagh	6
11	Premier			Hank Pelgrim	Richard Hooper	8
12	Div 2			Don Stevens	Stuart Lea	23
13	Premier	Arthur Scott	Greg Arnfield	Garry Benveniste	Scott Thulborn	17
14	Premier		Paul Wilson	Ron Davidson	Chris Firth	9
15	Premier	Greg Arnfield	Arthur Scott	Paul Zerella	Tim Hicks	17
16	Premier	Emil Nou	Alister Behenna	Kobe Jarman	Scott Thulborn	18
17	Div 2	Barry Lilley	John Evans	Bob Burton	Phil McDonald	24
18	Premier		Alister Behenna	Ron Davidson	Chris Firth	7
18				Hank Pelgrim	Paul Young	7



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APPENDIX 1: Profit and Loss Year ended 31 March 2024

Account	2024	2023
Trading Income		
Bar Proceeds	674,322.35	679,482.74
Bowling Fees	284,744.20	250,550.79
Catering Proceeds - Club	1,774.09	10,529.34
Catering Proceeds - Contractor	379,090.18	364,327.32
Club Wine Offer Income	1,399.99	888.68
Forfeited Booking Deposits	0.00	1,000.00
Member Subscriptions - Full Members	33,402.14	47,658.92
Member Subscriptions - Social	518.16	4,527.25
Night Owls Green Fees	27,734.33	30,755.01
Prize Money	27,695.45	29,704.54
Raffles Income	322.73	3,700.19
Recycling Income	672.28	2,071.30
Tournament Fees	6,493.75	6,154.70
Uniform & Merchandise Sales	4,595.75	4,398.00
Venue Hire	77,048.49	53,947.62
Total Trading Income	1,519,813.89	1,489,696.40
Cost of Sales		
Bar Purchases - Stock	237,983.97	201,276.06
Bar Supplies - Other	14,217.21	11,921.25
Catering Contract Costs	312,479.59	291,701.89
Closing Stock - Bar	(32,627.40)	(31,456.15)
Closing Stock - Uniform	(21,067.20)	0.00
Opening Stock - Bar	31,456.15	32,544.98
Opening Stock - Uniforms	11,421.17	0.00
Total Cost of Sales	553,863.49	505,988.03
Gross Profit	965,950.40	983,708.37
Other Income		
Govt Grants & Subsidies	90,000.00	15,000.00
Income from Investment	9,763.23	2,681.64
Sponsorship	33,850.00	40,663.65
Total Other Income	133,613.23	58,345.29



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Profit and Loss Year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

Account	2024	2023
Operating Expenses		
Adelaide City Council Rent	12,282.91	11,662.89
Administration/Consultancy Fees	29,323.35	16,536.50
Afternoon Tea Expenses	9,303.41	0.00
Audit Fees	1,500.00	3,000.00
Bank & Merchant Fees	10,660.68	9,191.00
Bar maintenance	474.95	0.00
Bowling Supplies	3,740.59	0.00
Cleaning Materials	589.32	1,903.14
Club Repairs & Maintenance	28,973.22	26,117.85
Coaching Instruction	4,500.00	0.00
Computer and IT Management	15,071.11	0.00
Depreciation	67,322.00	50,037.00
Electricity	24,298.17	14,054.76
Employee Allowances	3,057.57	0.00
Employee Superannuation	50,832.62	36,025.44
Gas Heating	4,497.79	3,858.88
Greens Maintenance	30,732.46	30,841.89
Instructors	1,656.10	5,510.00
Insurance	13,599.62	19,930.16
Marketing & Promotion	1,938.41	3,435.39
Members Sundry Expenses	2,071.58	3,785.13
Night Owls & Super Bowls Expenses	31,083.92	21,940.08
Office Equipment - R & M	1,135.58	567.23
Office Supplies	3,133.21	4,285.56
Postage	127.18	92.73
Provision for Employee Entitlements	(162.53)	16,438.54
Raffle Costs & Prizes	840.00	981.82
Registration Fees	7,580.82	7,651.86
Rubbish & Waste Removal	4,178.56	3,184.83
Security	1,356.49	1,063.09
Staff Training & Amenities	941.07	1,532.87
Subscriptions	776.73	3,260.88
Telephone & Internet	5,296.05	2,415.83
Tournament Expense - BPL	53,104.70	51,196.02
Tournament Expense - Masters	39,918.72	0.00
Tournament Expense - Other	14,067.44	46,709.04
Trophy and Honour Board Costs	1,083.91	3,118.92
Uniforms	13,041.58	10,483.81
Wages - Bar	145,699.02	147,096.87
Wages - Bar Manager	49,513.33	0.00
Wages - Cleaning	35,858.58	28,823.32
Wages - Greenkeeper	77,430.50	74,381.56
Wages - Venue Manager	139,840.63	79,341.35
Water Rates	10,273.15	9,127.91
Work Cover Premium	9,670.95	7,953.75
Total Operating Expenses	962,215.45	757,537.90
Net Profit	137,348.18	284,515.76



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APPENDIX 2: BALANCE SHEET at 31 March 2024

Account	31 Mar 2024	31 Mar 2023
Assets		
Bank		
Stripe AUD	1,340.51	0.00
Stripe AUD 1	1,521.37	0.00
11110 - Cheque Account Nab	216,134.17	326,805.89
21100 - Credit Card 4733	10,453.49	218.92
Total Bank	229,449.54	327,024.81
Current Assets		
11126 - Prepaid Expense	5,601.21	0.00
11150 - Bar Float	2,050.00	1,800.00
11175 - Winter Bowls Float	0.00	200.00
11180 - Petty Cash	202.35	71.00
11300 - Stock on Hand - Bar	32,627.06	31,455.81
11350 - Stock on Hand - Uniforms	21,067.20	11,421.17
11400 - Trade Debtors	24,017.80	4,042.00
11600 - Morgans Financial Investment (Market value \$291,410)	280,839.26	199,761.36
18010 - Funds in Transit - Clearing Account Cash	0.00	6,770.90
18020 - Funds in Transit - Clearing Account Eftpos	0.00	31,145.50
18060 - Other Debtors	68.50	0.00
Total Current Assets	366,473.38	286,667.74
Non-current Assets		
12300 - Property, Plant & Equipment	1,516,416.86	1,312,594.04
12310 - Accumulated Depreciation	(648,793.93)	(677,518.93)
Total Non-current Assets	867,622.93	635,075.11
Total Assets	1,463,545.85	1,248,767.66
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
21200 - Trade Creditors	114,500.31	27,951.36
21310 - GST Payable	52.67	14,802.08
21420 - PAYG Withholding Payable	0.00	5,380.00
21500 - Superannuation Payable	7,546.61	8,989.31
41220 - Deposits in Advance	51,548.00	19,448.00
Total Current Liabilities	173,647.59	76,570.75
Non-current Liabilities		
21430 - Provision for Annual Leave	20,163.15	32,695.66
21450 - Provision Long Service Leave	15,211.15	22,325.47
Total Non-current Liabilities	35,374.30	55,021.13
Total Liabilities	209,021.89	131,591.88
Net Assets	1,254,523.96	1,117,175.78
Equity		
31100 - Member's Capital	1,000.00	1,000.00
38000 - Retained Earnings	1,116,175.78	831,660.02
Current Year Earnings	137,348.18	284,515.76
Total Equity	1,254,523.96	1,117,175.78



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