





Newsletter #2, May 2024

From the AGM

May 18 was the 111th AGM for the Club. We had 55 members in attendance, including life members: Bill Booker, Alan Harris, Joy Kirk, Rose Mitchell, Lesley Slattery, Brian Starr and Bob Wadsworth. Councillor Rod Moss – member for Gault Ward was in attendance. Thank you to Marilyn and the events team for the ‘light’ lunch.

We started with a presentation from Steve Moloney – showcasing the stats from the 2023/24 season on how well we did as a Club on the greens this year across Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday competitions. See below for some excerpts from his presentation.

	Wednesday – most wins	Thursday – most wins	Saturday – most wins
<p>MBA has 49 clubs and 434 sides over 45 divisions</p> <p>Top five clubs by shots up:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Hawthorn +2796 Modbury +1552 Payneham +1436 Marion +1328 Millswood +1200 	<p>Bill Pitsadiotis Rod Ellis/Bob Wadsworth Brian Harmer/ Peter Brooke-Smith Shane Newton Doug Richards (Division Leader)</p>	<p>Jill Turner/Myra Materne/Chris Mills Dianne Peters (Division Leader) Leanne Owen</p>	<p>Bill Scott Eddy Ward/Jenny Jablonski/Anna Byrne Trevor Ward (Division Leader) Peter Brooke-Smith Rex Curtis Jim Bell Ian Fyfe/Darren Niblett/Lachie Bowman (Division Leaders)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overall 15 sides – we had a 73% success rate Wednesday – 71% success rate. Div 4CW won 88% Thursday – only 5 losses with 89% success rate. Div 3 South did not lose a game Saturday – 66% success rate. Div 1 won 86% 	<p>15 sides represented Hawthorn Bowling Club this season</p> <p>14 sides won over 50% of their matches</p> <p>13 sides won over 50% of their rinks</p> <p>14 sides finished the season with net shots up</p> <p>12 sides (80%) participated in finals</p> <p>9 sides (60%) participated in grand finals</p> <p>7 sides won their grand finals</p> 		
 <p>Ascot Park Blackwood Brighton Colonel Light Gardens <u>Edwardstown</u> Gawler Glenslg Henley Hope Valley Kensington Merryatville Lockleys Payneham Port Noarlunga Prospect Broadview Salisbury Semaphore <u>Torrensville</u> Tranmere Walkerville</p>	<p>2023-24 season premiership winning clubs</p>  <p>Marion Rosewater Woodville</p> <p>Happy Valley Modbury Somerton</p> <p>Millswood</p>  <p>Hawthorn</p>		

New Life Member



Graham Dodd was awarded Life Membership at the Hawthorn Bowling Club May AGM. He has been at the club for 21 years (his only club) and played 559 games, served as President for 4 years and a Board member for 9 years. Graham’s contributions typifies the spirit of service that lies at the heart of the club’s ethos. A worthy recipient.

From the Treasurer's Report

- Net earnings for 23/24 year around \$29K – A good year
- Our average net annual earnings for the last ten years have now reached around \$16.5K

In response to members questions – What represents 80% of our total income and expenses?

Total income for 2023/24 - \$387 914	Total Expenses for 2023/24 - \$261 346
Bar Income \$180,665 or 46.6%	Bar Costs \$97, 733 or 27.2%
Night Hawks Income \$70,011 or 18.0%	Contract Expenses for Greens \$69,762 or 19.4%
Members Subscriptions \$37,968 or 9.8%	Night Hawks Expenses \$19,883 or 5.5%
Catering Receipts \$21,234 or 5.5%	Cleaning Expenses \$18,287 or 5.1%
These represent 79.9% of our income	Coaching \$13,096 or 3.6%
	Depreciation \$12,756 or 3.6%
	Repairs & Maintenance of Equipment \$12,032 or 3.4%
	Player Costs \$11,282 or 3.1% (Affiliation fees and courses)
	Rates and Taxes \$10,092 or 2.8%
	These represent 73.7% of our expenses

What feed in tariff do we get from our solar panels?

The last financial year (01/04/23 to 31/03/24) we received \$2,141 feed in tariff which was offset with our electricity charges of \$8,733. Our cost of the solar system has just finished paying for itself in tariffs, received over 13 years. And in response to another question – yes, the panels have been cleaned.

Membership fee for 2024/25 will be \$340. You will be receiving your fee notices in the next two weeks.

Special Awards

- Michael Nimon awards for Best Skippers – Lachlan Bowman and Christine Keller
- Most Valuable Players – Doug Richards and Jenny Whittle
- Most Improved Players – Paul Corrick and Jo Mitchell

Championship Events – The Mixed Pairs and Men's Pairs trophies and prizemonies were awarded. All others were presented at the conclusion of their finals.

Event	Champion	Runner Up
Singles - Women	Christine Keller	Leanne Owen
Singles - Men	Matthew Northcott	Darren Niblett
Pairs Women	Marilyn Gerlach & Teresa Hanel	Anne Onto & Fiona McGregor
Pairs Men	Brett Wilcox & Darren Niblett	Doug Richards & Trevor Chant
Mixed Pairs	Christine & Malcolm Keller	Leanne & Rick Owen
Open Gender B Grade	Tait Jenkin	Rod Ellis
Open Gender Two Bowl	Doug Richards	Ken Piggott

Meals at the Club

With the start of winter, Hey George will now be operating on Thursday nights only starting on Thursday May 30. Meals will commence at 5.30pm. So, if you were a regular on Friday – please come along on Thursday instead.

Foodbank Donations



Thank you for supporting our charity, Foodbank.

Your generous donation of 89kg plus \$100 will provide was well received at the Hub at Christies Beach Foodbank

Southern Entrance

We can now enter the Club from the Southern entrance. The lino has been replaced in the entrance area – this also means that you will need to enter your alarm code.

Thank you to Doddy and Colin for ensuring that this project has finished. We are currently conducting a key audit as well.

Coaching Course at Bowls SA

During the off season there are opportunities for you to enrol and complete courses to assist yourself and the club with your bowls. The club will reimburse you for the course fee.

A course will be held at. [Playford Bowling Club on June 28](#). It will assist you and you can provide support for those within your playing group. Should you wish to attend this course you are welcome to enrol or give Christine Keller a ring should you wish to know more. The Club Coach Course is 9am - 5pm. One session needs to be attended for each qualification.

FREE Mental Health First Aid Training through Clubs SA.

Mental health is a critical issue in our society. Almost half of us will experience a mental illness in our lifetime and right now, one in five Australians has a mental illness and nine people die from suicide every day, so it's essential that we take steps to address it. That is why we are offering members the opportunity to become a Mental Health First Aider for FREE.

What's available

Mental Health First Aid is a full, 3-year accreditation. There will be two sessions available in July and August. Spots are limited to make sure you book your place as soon as possible. To become fully qualified you must attend the two full days.

Please see available sessions below:

Location: 39 Charles Street Norwood, 5067, SA

Times: 9:30am – 4:30pm daily

Dates: Wednesday 10th & Thursday 11th July or Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th August

How do I register

To book your place, please follow the link below, select your preferred date and fill in your details, to secure your place.

<https://breakthroughfoundation.org.au/training/mental-health-first-aid-standard/mental-health-first-aid-clubs-sa/>

Breakthrough Mental Health Research Foundation will email you more detail once you register and follow up closer to the session. If you have any enquiries or questions, please reach out to Sharn Elder – Community Education and Training Manager at Breakthrough via email - training@breakthroughfoundation.org.au