

Welcome to the first edition of Valley Reds News

GREENKEEPERS CORNER

Ray Steer, John Carr and their team do a great job in preparing and maintaining the greens. Here are some of their tasks:

Preparation for play:

- Water greens on hot days
- Clean greens and ditches of leaves and rubbish

Maintenance:

- Reline the rinks
- Grooming and Scarifying
- Repair shade cloth on the Northern end
- Repair Pop-up sprinklers
- Service machines and Motors

The greenkeepers do a great job and we thank them for the time and effort they put in to give us high quality playing surfaces.

WHAT DO YOU CALL AN ALLIGATOR IN A VEST?



AN INVESTIGATOR.



Success with Grants

Grants Director Chris Ellis and Past President Ian Farrow were awarded 4 separate grants at the Grants Presentation Ceremony at the Onkaparinga Council to assist the club with its ongoing community involvement.

Mayor Rosenberg also congratulated the Happy Valley Bowling Club on being named Bowls SA 2017/18 'Club of the Year' for South Australia. She added:

'The Council remain in awe of The Happy Valley Bowling Club's achievements and the encouragement and friendship that the club extends to the community'.

Chris and his team were presented with the following grants on the night:

- \$1,892** New greens thrasher, buffer & scarifier
- \$ 748** 50+ Day
- \$2,519** Come 'n' Try Day
- \$2,552** Air Conditioner for Bar and window tint for Utilities room

PLUS we have also received:

- \$1,000** St Johns First Aid course for 6 members
- \$3,350** 10 sets Henselite bowls for Night Owlers
- \$1,276** 32 Red bowling mats

\$13,337 Total Grants received

WELL DONE to all involved!

Save the Date!



Bar open

Friday nights from
September 7
4pm to 7pm

Skills training

Sunday mornings
August 19 & 25
September 9
10:30am - 12 noon
Run by Les Roche

Pennant Trials

Saturdays
September 8 - 29

"A" green official opening
September 8

Pennants commence

Saturday Open
October 6
Wednesday Men
October 10
Thursday Women
October 11

Come 'n' Try Day
September 16

50+ Day
October 9

CLUB REFURBISHMENT

We have recently received Land Owners Consent from the Council to proceed with the Club Refurb. This will begin on Monday August 27 and will take 2-3 weeks. Your cooperation and understanding while these works are in progress will be appreciated ☺



Getting to know **CHRIS ELLIS** Grants Director



Chris has put in many hours of work completing Grant applications to ensure the Club gains as much financial assistance as possible to meet our Strategic goals. Let's get to know Chris better with some quick-fire questions:

- Bowl Days: *Wednesdays and Saturdays*
- Favourite AFL team: *Hawthorn*
- Favourite meal: *Chicken Parmy*
- Favourite movie: *The Bourne series*
- Favourite holiday destination: *Antarctica*
- Best concert: *Joe Cocker*
- Favourite sport: *NFL Gridiron*
- Favourite restaurant: *Hub Tandoor*

Thanks Chris for your hard work!

Bowlers Language with Translations

Good weight
= *Lousy line*



Get it next time
= *You sure didn't get it this time*

FUN BRAIN TEASER

Q. Which travels faster - Hot or Cold?

A. *Hot travels faster coz you can catch a cold!*

Newsletter frequency

We will endeavour to publish the Valley Red News monthly during Pennant season and bi-monthly during the off season.

GREENS CLOSED MONDAYS

The green keepers will be performing maintenance on the greens until 4pm each Monday from now on across the pennant season.



MORE GOOD NEWS!

Onkaparinga Council has refunded our Club **\$28,000** due to savings made on the "A" green project. It all helps fund our strategic goals!

This month's International Bowling Club in Focus

North London Bowling Club

Founded in 1891 the club nestles on the edge of Hampstead Heath which they say is the most picturesque lawn bowling club in London.

Membership fee is £145 (AUD\$253).

Their bowling season runs from mid-April until the end of September.

