



Gisborne & District Bowling Club

ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

Incorporating the Annual Financial Statements

Gisborne and District Bowling Club Inc.
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CLUB OFFICIALS 2021-22

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chairman

Russell A Walker OAM

Deputy Chairman

Ron Formica

Secretary

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Louise Ball

Bowls Director

Peter Williams

Directors

Judy Butterley, Bronte Daniel, John Kinton, Teresa Wylie

Finance Committee

Louise Ball, Russell A Walker OAM, Helena Cyrulo, Bronte Daniel, Bob Sellman

Marketing & Functions Committee

Ron Formica, John Kinton, Rob Paterson, Teresa Wylie

Bowls Committee

Peter Williams, Judy Butterley, David Campbell, John Evans

Match & Tournament Committee

Ron Formica, Rhonda Kelaart (Dec) Peter Williams, Teresa Wylie

Saturday Selection Committee

Ian Ball, Chris Butterley, Alan Higgins, Paul O'Farrell, Peter Williams

Midweek Selection Committee

Paul O'Farrell, Vlod Cyrulo, John Evans, Alan Higgins, Rhonda Kelaart (Dec)

Club Safety Coordinator: Chris Butterley

First Aid Coordinator: Merrilyn Sellman

Bar Manager: Rob Paterson

Green keeper: John Evans

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Bronte Daniel who has completed his current one-year term on the Board and has advised that he is not seeking reappointment, and John Kinton who has stepped down after two years on the Board. Please join me in congratulating them both on their service to the Club and their contribution to the Board.

Secondly, I would like to acknowledge the three members of our Club who have passed away since our last AGM, namely, Les Kays, John Doherty, and Rhonda Kelaart. Les, John, and Rhonda were all esteemed members of our Club who in their own way made a significant contribution to our Club and have been and will continue to be sadly missed.

At the start of the financial year that this report relates (1 April 2021), we were all still confronted with COVID-19, and up until the start of the pennant bowls season, which was slightly delayed, our community was confronted with being in and out of lockdown. When the Club was allowed to open, Members were confronted with access and playing restrictions which were gradually loosened as the bowls season progressed.

The bowls season saw some great outcomes achieved by players and our teams. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate: all the winners of the various Club Championship events; those who played and went so well in the State events; those team members who played in pennant finals; members of the Saturday Division 3 team for winning the premiership; and members of the Mid Week Division 1 team for winning the premiership, the Ballarat Highland Bowls Region championship and the Champion of State Pennant title.

At last year's AGM I outlined a range of strategic challenges confronting the Club. I am pleased to report that significant action has been directed towards these matters during the 2021/22 financial year.

Enhancing our current playing surfaces. A funding submission was developed and submitted via the Council to the State Government for a new synthetic green to replace the grass green plus works associated with the surrounding area. The funding submission was for \$351,000 plus 5% contingency. As part of the submission, six letters of support and nine quotes from suppliers were obtained, together with soil tests being undertaken. It is pleasing to report that the Club will receive \$245,000 from the state government and \$55,000 from the Council, with the Club contributing \$68,000 to the project.

Chairman's Report (Cont)

Construction of a new car park free of charge. Stage 1 of a new car park has been constructed on the condition that the road contractors occupy part of the existing car park during construction of the new roundabout for the Melbourne/Kilmore Roads intersection.

As part of these works the fire hydrant at the front of the Clubhouse has been placed underground and the corner of the fence at the north/west side of the green has been realigned.

Plans to finalise the new car park by the end of October 2022, which will be at no cost to the Club, are awaiting appropriate external approval.

Enhancing the Club's facilities. During 2021/22, the following enhancements have been made to the Club's facilities:

- Removed pavers and laid concrete, and installed new timber seats (at no cost to the Club) under the Clubhouse veranda
- Painted tables (at no cost to the Club) located at downstairs bar
- Acquired and installed new stove in Clubhouse kitchen
- Acquired and installed glass washer near downstairs bar
- Acquired a new cordless stick vacuum cleaner
- Acquired a new white board
- Rebirthed a lectern (at no cost to the Club)
- Acquired a ramp (at no cost to the Club) to assist bowlers with disabilities to access the greens
- Acquired a bowling arm for use by bowlers
- Acquired carry frames for all 47 sets of Club bowls and permanent numbers were placed on all these bowls (at no cost to the Club)
- As a result of significant damage caused by a windstorm, replaced the frame and shade cloth on the north side of the green (cost met by insurance).

Setting funds aside for asset replacement and enhancement. A specific account was established for this purpose during 2021/22. An initial amount of \$70,000 was set aside to fund future asset replacements and enhancements.

Chairman's Report (Cont)

Cost of insurance. During 2021/22 we undertook work which involved liaising with a builder, the Council, Melbourne Water, and our insurance broker to determine a different construct for the Clubhouse in an area classified as flood prone. As a result of this exercise, the replacement value of the Clubhouse was estimated at \$1.8 million with the overall cost of insurance set at \$9,550.

Adopting policies to enhance the Club's practices. Continuing on from the range of policies established in 2019/20, new policies were developed in the year relating to:

- Pennant Bowls
- Club Hall of Fame
- Membership Awards

Further, a Risk Management Plan was developed identifying the Club's risks and outline mitigation strategies.

Transitioning barefoot bowlers to full members and developing our bowlers. Strategies still need to be implemented to ensure that effective training and coaching regimes are available to all our bowlers.

Club becoming more inclusive. The Club's Community Bowls Program, which currently covers our school children bowls program, 'Bowling with Babies Program' and facilitating people with disabilities playing bowls, needs to continue to grow. Strategies still need to be developed and implemented with the objective of identifying and developing young bowlers with the aim of them playing pennant bowls for our Club in the future.

While significant action has been directed towards addressing the strategic challenges confronting the Club during 2021/22, further work needs to be undertaken to make our Club a better place not only for our current members but also for future generations.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Directors and members of all the Club committees and all the volunteers who undertake various roles around our Club for all your great work which makes it function effectively and produce great outcomes. A special thank you must go to the Board's Deputy Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer for their significant contribution to the effective functioning of our Club.

Finally, I would like to thank you the members for your ongoing commitment and passion to our great Club and the game of bowls.

Russell A Walker OAM
Chairman

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

At the outset, I must state that it was a steep learning curve in my first year as Treasurer. The year's work culminated in the production of the financial statements which are tabled at this Annual General Meeting. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Bob Sellman, who is a member of the Finance Committee, for the production of the Club's financial statements.

Our financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2022 disclose an operating surplus of \$25,571 compared with \$21,317 for the previous financial year. It should be noted that it is difficult to compare the two separate financial years' results as both financial years' operating performance were negatively affected by COVID-19 to varying degrees. However, there was a greater impact due to COVID-19 in the previous financial year (2020/21) resulting in limited private functions held at the Club, reduced fundraising activities and bar takings dropping by around \$20,000.

It is pleasing to be able to report that during 2021/22 the Club received \$22,805 in Sponsorships and Donations and applied for and obtained \$2,500 in Government Grants. Further, it is important that we don't underestimate the significance of barefoot bowls on our Club. Barefoot bowls is not only a key element of the Club's bowls program, but it also has a significant effect on the Club's finances. Barefoot bowls generated 43% or \$9,747 of our total green fee revenue and accounted for around 45% or \$23,000 of our total bar takings during 2021/22.

The Club's net assets have increased by \$24,141 in 2021/22. While current assets increased by \$44,396 due to increased cash and investments generated from our operating activities, this was offset by a reduction in non-current assets by \$20,255 mainly due to the effect of the annual amortisation and depreciation charges.

It is further pleasing to report that the Club's financial position is now stabilising to the point where funds totalling \$70,004 have been set aside for future asset replacements and enhancements. However, it is important to note that the Club in its funding application for a new synthetic green has committed \$67,580 to this project, and the Club has assets which have accumulated amortisation and depreciation totalling \$277,324 which is unfunded.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Finance Committee members and Directors for their ongoing great work, and the Members for your ongoing support of our Club.

Louise Ball
Finance Director

BOWLS COMMITTEE REPORT

I would like to thank all the members of the Bowls Committee, the Match and Tournament Committee, the Saturday Selection Committee, and the Mid-Week Selection Committee for their tireless work throughout the year. While the role of selectors is a difficult one, the level of success achieved this year is testament to the fact that they did a great job.

Pennant Bowls and Championships

Congratulations must go to the following:

- Members of the Saturday 3rd Division Pennant team who won the Premiership.
- Members of the Mid-Week 1st Division Pennant team who won the Premiership, the Ballarat Highlands Regional Championship, and the Champion of State Pennant Midweek title.
- Members of the Mid-Week 2nd and 3rd Division Pennant teams who got through to the Grand Final but were unfortunately beaten.
- Members of the Saturday 1st Division Pennant team who finished on top of the ladder but unfortunately were beaten in both finals.
- Winners of the Club Championships:
 - Men's Club Champion - Ethan Higgins
 - Ladies Club Champion - Vicki Noble
 - Men's Pairs - Russell Walker / Paul O'Farrell
 - Ladies' Pairs - Helena Cyrulo / Teresa Wylie
 - Mixed Pairs - tbd
 - Men's 21 Up - tbd
 - Ladies' 21 Up - Teresa Wylie
 - Men's 100 Up - tbd
 - Ladies' 100 Up - Teresa Wylie
- Ethan Higgins for winning the Champ of Champs in the Ballarat Highlands Bowls Region and coming 5th in the State.
- David Beardmore, Terry Kelly, Ethan Higgins for winning the Region Fours and then with Tim Rogers (who substituted for Graham Edwards in the final), who were runners-up in the State Fours.

Social Bowls

Social bowls on Wednesdays and Saturdays which is usually popular leading into the pennant bowls season did not occur due to COVID-19 restrictions. It will be important that the new Match and Tournament Committee reintroduces the social bowls program during 2022-23.

Bowls Committee Report (Cont)

Tournaments

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, tournaments could not be conducted prior to the commencement of the pennant season. This resulted in the majority of tournaments held by clubs in our region being scheduled after the completion of the pennant season therefore restricting the dates available for our Club tournaments to be held.

The Chicken and Champagne, and Neal Street Medical Clinic tournaments were held and were well supported and proved to be very successful days for our Club. For various reasons however the Layton Homes and Gisborne Gazette Tournaments could not be held.

The Club is very appreciative of our members and sponsors for supporting these tournaments, and the members of the Match and Tournament Committee for all their work in organising these days.

Barefoot Bowls

The barefoot bowls program held on Tuesday and Wednesday nights over the summer months continued to be very popular, attracting around 110 bowlers. The Club is very appreciative of Rob and Ailene Paterson for organising Tuesday barefoot bowls and David and Robyn Wesney for organising Wednesday barefoot bowls, together with all the other members who helped out on those nights. The Club presented David and Robyn Wesney with gifts as a token of the Club's appreciation after they announced their 'retirement' after 10 years of service to this program.

Community Bowls Program

Windarring continued to utilise the Club facilities and students from the Gisborne Secondary College, as part of their sports program, visited the Club to play bowls. These community bowls programs were both limited due to the restrictions associated with COVID-19.

Maintenance of the Greens

The Club is very appreciative of the work of John Evans, the member of the Bowls Committee responsible for the maintenance of the greens, together with the other members who help him in greens maintenance.

Club Uniforms

The Bowls Committee has examined options for new Club shirts and is approaching sponsors with the aim of providing them to members at no cost. This work is continuing, and the aim is to obtain feedback from members prior to submitting a recommendation to the Board on this matter.

Bowls Committee Report (Cont)

Bowls Policies

The Board has put in place a range of policies which are on the Club's website. These include policies relating to fair play, pennant bowls, and player and spectator codes of conduct. It is important that all members familiarise themselves with these policies.

Finally, I would like to thank all our members for the great bowling results achieved in 2021-22 and wish everyone all the best in the next bowls season.

Peter Williams
Bowls Director

GISBORNE & DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB**Statement of Asset & Liabilities as at 31st March 2022**

	2022	2021
	31-Mar	31-Mar
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bar stock and supplies on hand	2261	2185
Stock on hand uniforms	3097	2996
Cash on hand	950	1100
Cash at bank	17402	43037
Interest Bearing Account	70004	0
	<hr/> 93714	<hr/> 49318
Non Current Assets		
Buildings and improvements at cost	358040	355949
Less accumulated depreciation	-65589	-61702
Synthetic bowling green at cost	329921	329921
Less accumulated amortisation	-114031	-97535
Plant and equipment at cost	124729	120562
Less accumulated depreciation	-97704	-91574
Lawn bowls	3040	3040
	<hr/> 538406	<hr/> 558661
TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/> 632120 <hr/>	<hr/> 607979 <hr/>
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Provision for GST	1306	2735
	<hr/> 1306	<hr/> 2735
Total liabilities	<hr/> 1306 <hr/>	<hr/> 2735 <hr/>
NET ASSETS	<hr/> 630814 <hr/>	<hr/> 605244 <hr/>
EQUITY		
Asset revaluation reserve	6192	6192
Capital asset reserve	10609	10609
Members capital appeal reserve	254484	254484
Retained earnings	359529	333959
TOTAL EQUITY	<hr/> 630814 <hr/>	<hr/> 605244 <hr/>

GISBORNE & DISTRICT BOWLING CLUB**Profit & Loss Statement for the 12 months ended 31st March 2022**

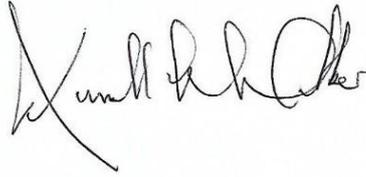
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	<u>12 months</u>	<u>12 months</u>
	<u>31-Mar</u>	<u>31-Mar</u>
SALES		
Trading - Bar takings	50908	30500
	50908	30500
Less cost of goods sold		
Opening stock on hand	2185	1773
Purchases		
Bar stock and supplies	25914	11232
	28099	13005
Closing stock on hand	-2261	-2185
	25838	10820
Gross profit from trading	25070	19680
INCOME		
Membership fees	11527	12855
Fundraising income	7106	3207
Government grants	2500	4461
Green fees received	22870	18572
Hire of club rooms	4905	0
Interest on term deposit.	4	0
Sponsorship and donations	22805	19315
Uniforms and other merchandise	777	2111
	72494	60521
GROSS PROFIT	97564	80201
EXPENDITURE		
Affiliation fees	4698	3302
Amortisation	16496	16496
Bank charges	549	491
Computer expenses	0	439
Compassionate expenses	396	221
Cleaning	496	454
Depreciation - Plant & Equipment	10016	9809
Electricity & Gas	4501	2612
Insurance	8810	8987
Licence fees	837	-555
Printing, stationery & postage	1192	977
Rates & land taxes	3978	3849
Repairs & maintenance Greens	6158	4120
Repairs & maintenance General	4319	3267
Sponsors signage costs	1654	1103
Internet & Telephone	1277	897
Champ of Pennants Expenses	1273	0
Trophies	868	410
Christmas party expenses	2590	0
Water	1885	2005
	71993	58884
OPERATING SURPLUS	25571	21317

BOARD DECLARATION

The Board of the Gisborne and District Bowling Club Inc. declares that the attached financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31st March 2022 and of the financial performance of the entity for the 12 months ended on that date.

The declaration is made in accordance with the resolution of the Board.

Russell Walker OAM
Chairman

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Louise Ball
Treasurer

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Dated

2 May 2022