



## **Eagle Wrap**

Christmas 2023

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From the President (by Sam Katsivas)

#### Redevelopment

There is nothing of real advancement to report. However, a lot of work is taking place in the background by the two presidents and the working group to ensure nothing is left to chance. We are moving forward ... some of the newest developments include the following:

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- Meetings with Bowls SA who have confirmed and endorsed their support of the project at board level. This was previously only provided as in-principal support. This will shortly be formalised in writing.
- Recent meetings between the Department of Sport and Recreation (via the Minister's advisor), Bowls SA, LBC and GBC to advance the funding requests. The Minister's advisor has promised to keep this on the Minister's agenda. Feedback from him was that our bid was very well prepared and far more advanced than those typically received. Bowls SA advocated strong support for the project, arguing that the centre would enhance and strengthen both the sport of bowls as well as providing benefits for our state.
- Meetings with Council both with infrastructure personnel and the mayor to continue
  to provide them with up to the minute information that will assist council in their
  deliberations. The initial preliminary costings based on a per square metre calculation
  have come in significantly higher than anticipated so this presents new challenges to
  consider and overcome. We are working through those challenges now.
- Strategic planning to inform our bids for funding as part of the next election process. The
  council has the knowledge and personnel to pursue this funding and will do so on our
  behalf. However, this does not preclude us from doing our own "leg work". Grange
  President Peter Symons and I have already held meetings with local member
  Matt Cowdrey. Grange Vice-President Chris Natt has a contact in Stephen Mullighan who
  is the State Treasurer and has provided him with details of our project. We will (when

- the mayor indicates the optimum time) meet with and invite key council members to some of our functions.
- Tasks early in the new year include meeting with the mayor after January 11 to formalise the next stage of the council process (council workshopping the project as well as the community consultation phase) as well as formalising the Bowls SA agreement.

Needless to say, the redevelopment can be all-consuming and without **Lyal Mutton** and **John Fitzgerald** who are a great support in picking up and running with some of the workload when I am under the pump, I'd be in a little bit of strife. Thanks guys for your support.

#### **Country Men's Singles**

Thank you to Dean Broadbridge, Sue Coultas, Geoff Coultas, Ron Lane, Lester Todd, Joe Ziniak and Stephen Jones who have offered their services as markers on Tuesday January 30. I need 4 more people to complete the list. Any takers?

#### **Food Preparation Legislation**

Thank you to the 11 people who have obtained their food preparation safety certification. We are now club compliant and have a good club representation of food health expertise in our midst.

#### **Working Bee**

Thank you also to the 22 people who attended the working bee last Sunday (17 December). We did manage to do a very good clean up and the club now looks just that little bit tidier.

#### **Christmas Greetings**

I would like to wish all members and their families a very happy, safe and merry Christmas and at the same time thank you for all you do for our club, whether it is making sandwiches, cleaning tables and floors, rolling greens, serving on committees or working behind the bar. Quite a few do quite a lot, but everyone does something.

I hope your efforts are rewarded this Christmas by being able to spend time with your loved ones and by feeling truly appreciated. I certainly do appreciate each and every one of you and on behalf of Cathy and myself, I wish you joy, happiness and prosperity during this Christmas season.

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#### About the front page ... GEORGE SZCZURKO HONOURED

Our own George Szczurko was recently recognised and honoured by Aussie Hero Quilts.

Aussie Hero Quilts is a small not-for-profit charity that encourages and co-ordinates people around Australia to make quilts and laundry bags to give to our past and present service veterans.

George was recently invited to a ceremony at Warradale Barracks where he was presented with the hand-made quilt by Australian Army personnel as recognition of his services to Australia during the Vietnam war. The quilt is 42" wide and has a length of about 72".

As you can see by the cover photo, the detail and craftmanship is a pleasure to behold.

By being remembered for their service to Australia in this way, many veterans are now receiving a very tangible gesture of gratitude and appreciation ... and this is a wonderful thing.

Congratulations, George ... being recognized in this way is something for which for you and your family can be justly proud.





#### Bowls Report (from Ash Halls)

#### **Festival of Bowls**

Entries are still open for the Octane Festival of Bowls. Please get a team together for pairs and/or triples.

We'd love to see you on the green on at least one of the days. Also, pass the details on to your mates at other clubs.

This is great competition and the best way to get back into bowls after the Xmas break.





#### **Club Championship matches**

A reminder to get club games played over the Xmas break, especially those games that were due to be played by Sunday December 24.

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#### **State Events**

Please consider entering State events as it's a great way to develop your bowls. All the information you need is in the flyers below.





#### **Australian Open 2024**

The dates >> Saturday June 8 to Friday June 21

The location >> the Gold Coast, Queensland

The events >> Open Singles (men's & women's) – Open Pair (men's & women's) – Open Fours (men's & women's) – Over 60s Pairs (men's & women's) ... plus others.

#### Who's going from Lockleys ...

Stephen Jones	Ash Halls
Karen Bishop	Mel Grant
Rob Flavel	Steve & Di Trowse
Sue & Geoff Coultas	
	to get your name added to this list, please tell Stephen

It is a wonderful place to be when it's winter in Adelaide.

If you have any questions about registering, playing or just going to watch, have a chat with Stephen, Geoff or Sue. Watch this space as more news comes through.



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#### Marketing & Sponsorship News (from Theo Katsivas)

It has been a busy season so far as marketing and sponsorship is concerned.

As this edition goes to print, I trust we are all looking forward to spending quality time with family over the festive season before once again preparing for the second half of the pennant season.

Last Saturday, the member's draw jackpot of \$150.00 was not claimed as the unlucky John Meighan was not present to collect it.

New tear-drop flags have been ordered, for installation at the car park entrance pillars, advertising our Night Owls competition. Look out for them.

A new club logo flag has been ordered for hoisting up the greens' flagpole. The current flag is out-dated, faded and disintegrating. Look out for that as well.

The first of our raffles for a new set of bowls (sponsored by Taylor Bowls) was drawn last Saturday and our congratulations goes to the winner, Ian Hodder.



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#### Watch this space for more to come.

Do you, a family member or a friend want to bring a business to the attention of Eagle Wrap readers, Lockleys members & supporters or the wider bowls community. If so, speak to Theo about a tailored marketing or sponsorship package.

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#### **End Of Year Dinner**

A great turnout from our members, thank you once again for your on-going support of our dinner nights.

A big thank you to Sue Hogan's brother Michael for supplying and cooking the lovely chicken and Beef. Job well done.

Appreciation also to our volunteers for the dinners:

- ★ Sue Hogan organising salads, potatoes and putting the orders together
- \* Rhondda service, clean-up and everything else you do
- ★ Our wonderful team of helpers Judith, Dean, Rhondda, Virginia, Glenys
- ★ Bar Veronica and Sue.

## **Helpers Required for Upcoming Events**

#### Festival of Bowls - 4 January to 7 January 2024

Sandwich makers required.

#### Men's Country Carnival Singles - 30th January 2024

Help in the kitchen preparing, serving lunch and cleaning up after lunch.

#### Women's Country Round Robin - dates to be advised in February

Help in the kitchen preparing, serving lunch and cleaning up after lunch.

Volunteer registration sheets will be available after Christmas in the clubrooms on which you can place your name in the area you wish to volunteer.

### **Other News**

#### **Club Hire Events**

The club has hosted several private Christmas functions in December 2023. It has allowed the raising of significant funds for the club from hall hire and bar takings.

Thank you to everyone who has accommodated the use of the clubrooms for these functions, especially:

- ★ The Greens Team Peter, Geoff E, Darryl, Pam & Geoff C
- ★ The Bar Crew Sue and Michael Hogan, Rogan
- ★ Bowling Tutors Lester, Lyal, Dean, Judith and Ashley
- ★ Set-up & Clean-up Michael, Rogan, Glen, Tony & Denny
- ★ LBC social bowlers who have accommodated the cancellation of social bowls

On behalf of the Social Group – Sue, Rhondda, David and Karen, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and all the best for the new year and 2024.

If you can help on the day of any of the above events, please let one of Social Committee members know ... Karen Bishop, Sue Hogan, Rhondda McMullan or David Aust.

And please, contact any of us if you would like to join the committee.

Got any ideas for a fun night at the Club? Pop us an email at social@lockleysbowlingclub.com.au

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#### Treasurer's Report (from Tony Holder)

This year we hosted several large private Xmas functions. Our bar staff and helpers made these functions a success. They did a great job.

The functions have resulted in a very healthy jump in bar trade for this December – an increase of \$6,336 over December last year. Very handy!

We have also received another gift card from Drakes Supermarkets as part of their Community Dollars Programme. This year we received three cards, this one for \$130, (the previous one was for \$184). The club receives 1c for every \$2.00 spent at Drakes.

So, when shopping at Drakes remember to have your Drakes Community Dollars barcode scanned. Easy money for the club – the easiest we make.

There is a link to instructions for loading the Drakes Supermarkets Community Dollars app to your phone in ICYMI later in this newsletter.

Hope you all have a Merry Xmas and Happy New year, but most importantly – a safe one.

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#### Watch this space ...

Plans are afoot to run an AFL tipping competition for members, friends and supporters in 2024.

It will be an internet-based competition and selection will be made via the afl.com.au website.

A nominal entry fee is about \$25 is likely, with quarterly and end of season prizes.

The 2024 AFL season gets underway on Thursday 7 March

More details will follow as final decision on the structure of the comp are made.





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#### Upcoming tournaments—links to the flyer

<u>Thursday 28 December 2023 — Open Triples @ Ascot Park</u>

Thursday 28 December 2023 — Pairs @ Naracoorte RSL

<u>Saturday 30 December 2023 — Open Pairs @ Grange</u>

<u>Friday 5 January 2024 — Open Triples @ Semaphore</u>

Sunday 7 January 2024 — Open Fours @ Two Wells

<u>Tuesday 9 January 2024 — Open Fours @ Yankalilla</u>

Sunday 14 January 2024 — Men's Fours @ Hope Valley

Sunday 21 January 2024 — 3-bowl Triples @ Aldinga Bay

Monday 22 January 2024 — Open Fours @ Myponga

<u>Friday 26 January 2024 — Open Fours @ Toorak Burnside</u>

Friday 26 January 2024 — Open Fours @ Hahndorf

Sunday 28 January 2024 — Men's Fours @ Ascot Park

Sunday 28 January 2024 — Open Fours @ Walkerville

Sunday 28 January 2024 — Open Fours @ Millswood

<u>Friday 2 February 2024 — Open Triples @ Woodville</u>

Monday 26 February 2024 — Ladies 2-Bowl Triples @ Club Holdfast

Monday 26 February 2024 — Ladies Fours @ Uraidla

Monday 4 March 2024 — Men's Fours @ Victor Harbor

Monday 4 March 2024 — Ladies Fours @ Ascot Park

Sunday 24 March 2024 — Open Fours @ Watervale

Beginning Monday 29 April 2024 — May Mildura Carnival

Do you want to hear about tournaments earlier? If so, please advise Stephen Jones of your email address who is compiling a distribution list for the on-forwarding of tournie flyers as they come to his notice.

In the meantime, if any of the above are of interest to you and you are struggling to fill a team, please speak with Stephen Jones on 0401-991-980 ... he might be able to help.

If you are "very" interested or keen to hear about club tournaments, such as those listed above, let me know by email esanjay26@gmail.com and I will give you an early "heads up".

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#### ICYMI (In case you missed it ...)

Drake Supermarkets Community Dollars app instructions

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#### What's do you do with your empties?

If you don't do it already, why not bring your empty recyclable bottles & cans to the club, place them in the black plastic crates near the bar so that the club gets the container deposit refunds.

When you think about it, unless you're a big drinker or a hoarder, you might be spending more in petrol getting to the recycling centre yourself than you get in your pocket.

Just another small way you can help your club!

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#### Got any photos or slides of Lockleys Bowling Club from "yester-year"?

If you have, or during a general tidy up at home come across, an old photo or two or some sort of LBC memorabilia, please think about bringing it to the notice of the Editor for (possible) inclusion in a future *Eagle Wrap*.

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#### **Lockleys Classified ... Buy Hold Sell Donate**

If you would like to place a simple classified ad or request in the newsletter, please speak to the editor Stephen Jones or contact him via 0401-991-980 or <a href="mailto:esanjay26@gmail.com">esanjay26@gmail.com</a>

#### WANTED ...

My daughter who lives in Mount Isa is in the market for an "outback" motor vehicle <u>such as</u> a Landcruiser, Patrol or Hilux 4-door.

She is not looking for a "near new" vehicle.

A bull-bar is essential to deal with irrational & unpredictable kangaroos.

My daughter is in Adelaide during the Festive Season.

If you know of anyone offering a vehicle that may be suitable, please contact Stephen Jones in the first instance.

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#### And finally ...did you hear the one about ..?

Three bowlers stood at the pearly gates, their faces were sad and old

They humbly asked the man at the gate, admission to the fold

"What have you done", St. Peter asked "To gain admission here?"

"Selectors sir, we have been, for many a weary year."

The gates of Heaven flew open wide, as St. Peter pressed the bell

"Come in at once and take a harp, you've had enough of hell!"

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#### **Your Club**

President - Sam Katsivas [ 20414 566 244]

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Director - Marketing & Sponsorship - Theo Katsivas [☎ 0417 837 300]

Director - Membership – Lyal Mutton [ 22 0418 830 920]

Director - Facilities – Glenn Miles [ 2 0437 870 547]

Eagle Wrap editor —Stephen Jones (feedback & suggestions to esanjay26@gmail.com)

Just a reminder ... LBC Board meetings are held at 4.30pm on the third Tuesday of every month.

#### **Editor's Prerogative**

Angered at Victoria's late declaration in their 1982 Sheffield Shield clash, South Australia skipper David Hookes promoted himself to open in the fourth innings, and promptly smashed first-class cricket's fastest 'authentic' century (i.e. not helped by declaration bowling), from just 35 balls in 43 minutes on October 25.

From the Vault: Hookes blasts fastest ever first-class ton

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#### Past editions ...

... of Eagle Wrap are stored on the club's web-site and can be accessed via the following link ...

https://www.lockleysbowlingclub.com.au/n ews-events/newsletter/

