



VALLEY REDS NEWS



HAPPY VALLEY BOWLING CLUB

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CLUB SPONSORS HILL TOP AUTO REPAIRS



Bill Christou has been a valued member of the very successful Monday Night Owls team, the 'Taminga Terrors' for many years & has come onboard as a Club Sponsor. Some HVBC members already have their cars serviced at his business. Hilltop auto repairs have been offering great service since 2008. They provide general mechanical servicing to most makes and models. Located at Happy Valley, they are your local one stop automotive service centre.

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FREE LOAN CAR

Don't forget to ask Bill for a free loan car, a lift home or even a pickup.

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10% off for members.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS 2023/24



Men's B Grade Singles Champion:
Scott Litchfield



Novice Champion:
Bob Marks



Men's Pairs Champions
Bill Hughes & Allan Hughes

Mixed Pairs Champions
Sandy Barnes & Colin Barker



Ladies' Pairs Champions
Val Puckridge & Denise Preston



Triples Champions
Graeme & Mary Baum & Peter Earl

Open Four's Champions
Terry Steed, John Jovanovich, Bruce Noll & Ray Steer



CLUB SPONSORS

OPSM VISION HUB



Many of our members will remember Harry Burgess (and his dad, Shane Burgess) playing for HVBC before relocating to Queensland. Harry's grand dad, Dave Barrie is still a valued member of our club.

Well, Harry has now returned to Adelaide as the Manager of the OPSM, Vision Hub store and we are glad to have him and his team on board as a new Club Sponsor.

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HVBC's AGM will be held on 14th May 2024. 5.30pm for a 6pm start. Support your club by attending and getting involved.



HVBC'S ANNUAL PRESENTATION DINNER

To be held at the Vines Golf Club on Saturday 11th May 2024. 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start. Tickets are available from Liz Dempster, or you can pay over the bar. \$35.00pp for members & \$37.00pp for non-members.

Please add your names to the list at the back of the clubrooms and select what you would like for a main meal from the menu.



Div 7 Premiers 2024/24

Congratulations to our Div 7 S (V) Team for winning the Pennant this season, and to Div 7 S (VI) Team for making the Grand Final. It was a game of two halves with the VI team off to a flying start but, after the short break, the V team clawed its' way back to victory. Thank you to all members who contributed to both teams during the year and to all the HVBC spectators who came to watch. A win: win for HVBC!



Current Club Pennant Rankings, as at 25th March

Wednesday Men's Div 1 (1)	8 th
Wednesday Men's Div 3 South (2)	4 th (in finals)
Wednesday Men's Div 4 South West (3)	2 nd (in finals)
Wednesday Men's Div 4 South (4)	1 st (in finals)
Wednesday Men's Div 4 South (5)	5 th
Thursday Ladies Premier South (1)	6 th
Thursday Ladies Div 2 South (2)	7 th
Thursday Ladies Div 3 South (3)	5 th
Saturday OG Div 2 (1)	6 th
Saturday OG Div 4 West (2)	4 th
Saturday OG Div 4 South (3)	6 th
Saturday OG Div 5 South (4)	3 rd
Saturday OG Div 7 South (5)	PREMIERS
Saturday OG Div 7 South (6)	2 nd



Thank you to all members who contributed to our Annual Food Bank Drive.

HVBC's generosity provided a staggering 3386 meals for families who are doing it tough. Well done!

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MONDAY NIGHT OWL WINNERS



1st Place: The Taminga Terrors. Brenton Wood, Ray Ward, Terry Pattinson, & Bill Christou.



2nd Place: The Old Codgers. Ken Smith, & Phil Loveday, Daniel Nicholas & Barry Griffin.



3rd Place: Just For Fun. Ben Veldhoen, Roslyn Manning, John Klomp (fill in on the night for Bob Reid), & Chris Paddon.

The coordinators, Bill Hughes & Chris Paddon for M & TH nights will send out an email to Team Managers at the end of July, seeking interest for the 2024/25 season. All Night Owlers are welcome to play winter social bowls.

MBA SEASON REVIEW

We had a great turn-out (60+ members), on Wednesday 21st March to discuss what we liked/disliked about the 2023/24 Pennant season. A range of topics were covered & viewpoints expressed including; length of the season, start times, the pre-game roll-up, coaching, Pennant afternoon tea, having a break, temperature. HVBC Board prides itself on informing members and having input from members. Many clubs did not canvass the views of their members. Your thoughts will be passed on to the MBA & you will receive some feedback in due course.



PIZZA BACK AT THE CLUB



It was lovely to see so many members come back to the club after the last Saturday game of the 2023/24 season. Our HVBC Bowls Director, John Jovanovich, gave a brief review of a efforts on the green, acknowledging that we have done well to have so many teams playing in the finals, and wishing them well.

THURSDAY NIGHT OWL WINNERS



1st Place:

The Long & the Shorts. Bill Christou, John Pain, Ray Ward & Brenton Wood.



2nd

Place: The Mixtures. Graham & Jean Stoten, Patrick Pehi & Bill Gates.



3rd

Place:

Bowling Stones. Louise Brown & Jackie Wright. Glen Brown & Joan Hanrahan (absent).



Charlotte & Eliza Merritt cheer on their dad, Simon.



What is Probus?

Probus is all about fun and friendship in retirement. There are Clubs all over Australia providing retirees with the opportunity to connect socially, which is so important in today's world. All Probus Clubs meet monthly, listening to interesting guest speakers and have morning tea. Throughout the month members participate in a range of activities, including tours to local places of interest, reading, walking, morning teas, lunches, tours, cinema, theatre, and music.

Probus Clubs do not fundraise, and they are non-political and non-sectarian.

Why should someone join Probus?

Often when we retire or even semi-retire, we can have a little too much time on our hands or we lose the social network we had through work. This is why Probus is so important, it is a fantastic way to make new friends in our own local community.

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BUFFET LUNCH TO CELEBRATE THE END OF THE 2023/24 THURSDAY PENNANT SEASON.

Happy Valley ladies put on a great spread to share with our visiting teams (Ascot Park & Henley), to celebrate the end of this year's competition. Mary thanked Mark Taylor & Arthur Turrell for their coaching assistance and Rob Michalski for his work behind the bar. Jan Smart was presented with a gift from the HVBC ladies in case she decides that driving from Goolwa to Happy Valley (& beyond) is too far to manage on a weekly basis.



Probus continued.....

Local Clubs

There are two nearby Probus Clubs, Flagstaff Hill Men's Probus Club, and the Flagstaff Hill Ladies Probus Club.

The men's club meets on the second Thursday of each month at the Church of Christ, 179 Hub Drive, Aberfoyle Park at 9:45am. If you want information regarding the men's club, please call Membership Officer Chris Barber on 0410 567 265 or email ali.barber1948@gmail.com

The ladies club meets on the second Monday of each month at the Happy Valley Bowling Club, Sports Centre Access Road, Aberfoyle Park at 10:00am. For information regarding the Flagstaff Hill Ladies Probus Club, please call Secretary Cheryle Barry on 0412 445 890 or email cherylebarry@hotmail.com

This newsletter is kindly printed by the office of Erin Thompson, MP for Davenport.



INDOOR BOWLS



Winter indoor carpet bowls begins at HVBC on Thursday 4th April. 9.30am for a 10.00am start. \$2.00pp to play. Please call Jill Bryant on: 0448 665 153 for details. Friends & family welcome.



WOMEN'S COUNTRY CARNIVAL

HVBC is hosting a section of the ladies' fours and pairs respectively, on Monday April 8th and Wednesday April 10th. Drop by the club if you are free and watch some of the games on display.

SPONSOR'S NIGHT

On Tuesday 19th March, the Board members met with representatives from some of our Club Sponsor's for a light meal. It was a small way of showing our appreciation and gratitude for injecting some much-needed funds into our Club. It was also the opportunity to exchange ideas and learn what we could do better to improve our relationship.



WINTER BOWLS AT HVBC



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Winter bowls at HVBC begin on Saturday 13th April & Wednesday 17th April. There are sheets at the back of the clubrooms for you to register your interest and indicate as to whether you would like to play as a pair or as part of a triple. The winter bowls manager, Mark Taylor, will try to accommodate as many players as possible on both days so you may not always find yourselves playing as a pair.

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