



CLUB UPDATE

FEBRUARY 2026

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hello from President Sue

The bowls season is coming to an end and I think we would agree it has been a hard year. Most of us have tried our hearts out for the club but we do not have the players for the current divisions. All teams are likely to be relegated to lower divisions which is disappointing but under the circumstances the best option for the Club.

Thank you to everyone who has played this year, let's hope for better results next year.

Club Championships are almost at the final match stage. I would like to play the finals on a Friday night so that Members can be at the Club to support these games but we are being held up by players who still have matches to play. (You know who you are!) If you can't play over the next two weeks you may be asked to forfeit.

Functions We are still getting bookings for functions at the Club. Please offer to help by speaking to me or Bruce. We always need Bar Staff or help with bowls. Please make our lives easier by offering to help now and again. The worst job at the club as far as I am concerned is having to continually ask for helpers!

Electoral Commission will be using the Dining Room from the 10th March to 24th March which means **NO ACCESS TO MEMBERS** during that period. Please take what you need from your lockers prior to the 10th March. If you don't need your bowls, etc they can stay in the locker.

Club Centenary The Centenary Committee have met and decided on an Old-Style Tournament on 27th May. Players to dress in white and use old black bowls to play – The club has these bowls available. Afternoon tea and Centenary Birthday Cake to be cut by one of our older members.

Horndale Winery will be supplying Centenary Port at \$20 a bottle for purchase by members.

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If you wish to contribute photos, stories, etc or wish to help in anyway you would be most welcome. We are hoping to make this day a fun day; so please get involved in some way.

In October we also plan a Centenary Dinner at the club – more information at a later date.

These celebrations will only work if all members get involved, please help us with that.

Sue Allen

Club President

A VERY SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
WHICH
YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS IS
INCLUDED ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS
CLUB NEWSLETTER.

FROM THE SECRETARY

..CLUB CENTENARY..

Members are advised that in May 1926 the Holdfast Bay Bowls Club was established with membership open only to men! The Club certainly has progressed since those early times with the advent of women bowlers and the introduction of croquet.

Holdfast Centenary Celebration — Wednesday 27 May 2026

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The Holdfast Bay Bowling Club—now proudly **Club Holdfast**—will celebrate its **Centenary on Wednesday 27 May 2026**, marking 100 years of bowling, camaraderie, and community spirit.

To honour the occasion, members and guests are invited to take part in a **fun Old-Style Tournament**. Players are encouraged to dress in **traditional white attire**, and the Club's historic **black bowls** will be used for the day's play, adding a charming nod to our heritage.

Following the tournament, we will gather for **afternoon tea** and the ceremonial **cutting of the Centenary Birthday Cake**.

A **special Centenary Port** will be released exclusively on the day—an ideal keepsake to mark this once-in-a-lifetime milestone.

And the celebrations don't end there. In **October**, we will come together again for a formal **Centenary Dinner**, rounding out a year of reflection, pride, and shared history.

Any member who thinks he or she would like to add themselves to the working group, please contact our Secretary, Heather. Or you can simply let her know of an idea you may have.



A photo from way back. Can you identify any players.

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..CLUB HISTORY..

To acknowledge the Clubs 100 years of existence, I intend to include snippets from a history of the Club written by Jim Baldwin in the following Newsletters.
Some interesting reading, facts and history.

A Written History of the Holdfast Bay Bowling Club:

The Early Years 1926 By Jim Baldwin.

Wednesday, 5th May 1926 was a cool but pleasant day to most South Australians, but was a more significant day for the citizens of the Glenelg area. On this day, the Mayor of Glenelg, Mr H.S. Rugless J.P. was to meet a number of local residents who were interested in the formation of a Lawn Bowling Club in the area. The Glenelg Bowling Club was already in existence, and sent a representative to this meeting in order to add weight to the proposal. Those present at this meeting convened by Councillor W. Levy were as follows:

His Worship the Mayor H.S. Rugless J.P. presided.

Cr. W, Levy, Cr. P. Burns, Messrs. J. Tassie, D. Gilmore, W. Brown, H. Eike, Steele, R.W. Percival, F. Vincent, Bradley, Boucaut Snr, T.A. Hicks, G. Perry, Wyatt, Kimber, Herbert, Edminson, Burgess, Hunt, Smith and Forbes.



There appeared to be interest shown by the members of the Glenelg Council, and a Sub-Committee of His Worship the Mayor, Councillors Burns and Levy, and Messrs Steele and Eike were appointed to investigate the full details required in the formation of a Club, and present their findings at a subsequent meeting.

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The next meeting was called 10th May, to be attended by the Mayor and the four appointed Executives of the new club. This meeting was again held in the Mayor's Parlor, and was centred on the layout of the allotment situated at the corner of the Anzac Highway and Adelphi Terrace. The Mayor reported that the land could be released to the club for the laying down of a bowling green, but could not be granted for an indefinite period. It was proposed that the land be leased for ten years, and then on a year by year agreement. Debentures were fixed at five pounds each on a 5% interest, and the initial shareholders were Messrs: H. Vincent, D. Gilmore, J. Kither, A. Kither, H. Eicke, P. Burns, Monkhouse, Kelly and Watson.



Mr. A.W. Kimber was appointed the first Secretary of the club.

From this point the administration appears to work hard, getting essentials into place. A further meeting was called on the 20th May, 1926, when it was proposed to call the club the "Holdfast Bay Bowling Club". An amendment was submitted to call the club the "South Glenelg Bowling Club", but

that motion was defeated.

Funds were now of major concern, and a quick show of hands to find those members interested in taking out debentures resulted in raising sixty five pounds, quite a generous start in 1926.

NEXT Newsletter 1927 and a bit

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ANZAC DAY

MATES 'OPEN' TRIPLES

SATURDAY 25TH APRIL 2026
12:30pm start

\$30 Entry per team - 2 games of 15 ends (2 bowls each)
Includes Cash Prizes

Players of all levels welcome including Social & Night
Owls

Dress up in your best "theme of the day"
Tea break tucker



Register by telephoning Club Holdfast 8295 1444,
Bowls Manager Lesley Carey 0417 005 578 or email secretary@clubholdfast.com
By 18th April

I draw your attention to the Club Holdfast annual "Anzac Day" Tournament as outlined in the attached flyer.

We look forward to your company on the day dressed in your best clobber!!

Heather Cowden-Tonkes

Secretary

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ASSISTANCE REQUIRED (Can you help?)



Responsible Service Alcohol - Course Available

Bowls SA is proud to announce that we have worked with Clubs SA to organise a Responsible Service Alcohol (RSA) Course in the Adelaide Metro Area.

- **Where:** Brighton Bowling Club ([11-13 Keelara St, Brighton, SA, 5048](#))
- **When:** Tuesday 10th March 2026, 5:30 pm arrival for 6pm start, course takes approximately 3 hours
- **Cost:** \$90 per member **OUR CLUB WILL PAY THIS COST**

You will be required to bring either:

1. Unique Student Identifier (USI) Number
2. Current Drivers License or Medicare Card so that a USI can be created for you on the night.

No other preparation necessary, all course work is completed on the night.

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Upon completion, RSA Certificates will be sent to Bowls SA, it will then be added to your BowlsLink profile as a certification and the certificate will be sent to you and your club.

If you would like to attend and obtain your RSA, let me or Heather know and we can arrange for your registration.

Registrations will close midnight Sunday 8th March 2026.

The Club will pay for the cost of the course. No cost to members.

Roger Zeuner 0421127657

GREEN MANAGER REPORT

BOWLS MANAGER REPORT

BOWLS REPORT 23rd February

Pennants:

Saturday: Div 1 10th/10. Div 4W 8th/10. Div 6W 10th/10.

Wednesday: Div 1 10th/10. Div 3W 10th/10. Div 4Central East combined team with Grange 11th/12.

Thursday: Premier 8th/10. Div 2W 12th/12.



Relegations:

Saturday: Div 1, Div 6 and Div 4 possible depending on this week's results.

Wednesday: Div 1, Div 3W.

Thursday: Nil

Ladies Country Carnival:

Club Holdfast hosted 6 Sections of ladies pairs. 3 games were played at 9.30am, 12.30 and 3pm. Lunch was served at 12 noon. Thanks to all volunteers for a successful day.

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Anzac Day Tournament:

Thanks to our secretary, Heather for sending out flyers to all clubs and we look forward to an enjoyable day for all participants.

State Finals:

For the second year in a row, Club Holdfast will be hosting this event and volunteers will be required from Bowls and Croquet. The event will be held from 13th April to 19th April and this will generate valuable revenue for our Club.

Lesley Carey
Bowls Manager.

CROQUET MANAGER REPORT

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February 2026

Pennants have started and we have one team Thursday.
The other 2 Teams are playing on weekends.

On Wednesday 17th Feb we had a social group of 24 people who had a 'come and try croquet evening'. They seemed to enjoy it but the weather turned cold and drizzly so they were happier having a drink and staying in the warm.

Thanks to Margaret and John Caskey who were very co-operative in letting us join in with the night owls for supper! There are 3 members who are new to croquet and I am hoping they will become members

Helen Kotz President

Music at the Club – Sunday Session

CONTINUING OUR NEW CLUB INITIATIVE

We would love for Club Members to come along with their friends creating an enjoyable atmosphere in the Club.



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****Sunday Sessions at Club Holdfast****

Join us once a month for an afternoon of live music and great vibes at ****Club Holdfast****!

**** Sunday, 1st March 2026****

Music from ****2pm–5pm**** | ****\$10 Members, \$15.00 Non Members entry per person Bar open from **1pm–6pm****

We're excited to have **The Rocking Dally Roos**

. Everyone's welcome—bring your mates and soak up the sounds.

****Club Holdfast**** — 583 Anzac Highway, Glenelg North
(08) 8295 1444
secretary@clubholdfast.com

LET THE MUSIC MOVE YOU—SEE YOU THERE!

These events aren't just great fun—they're vital to the Club's growth and sustainability. Members are encouraged to come along, support the initiative, and share in the celebration of community through music

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KEEP THE DATE FREE FOR GREAT ENTERTAINMENT

SITE EXTERNAL REPORT

Our new bbq, kindly donated by Mark Murphy, is now well seasoned and working well. If you happen to use it, please clean it up well after use.

- outside shades, if you have a roll up or play a Club championship game and pull shades out, can you please retract them when finished.

We are investigating possible leaks on our property, if anyone notices signs of leaking could you let me know.

Normal thanks to our Monday morning working bee members and to Glen C for his help with mowing and edging.

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I would like to ask all our members to consider, if you're able and have time, taking on one job that you could call your own. This could be, mowing of the banks on all four greens, weed spraying on a regular basis, minor pruning of bushes and shrubs, general cleaning up of the kerbs and gutters around our carpark.

If you think this is you, please contact me, we need help!!

Rob Christiansen
Minister for the Exterior
0418854998

SITE INTERNAL REPORT

News letter Feb 26

Loyalty Card

One of the advantages of using Swiftpos as our Point of Sale System is that we can now run a loyalty program for members.

In principle this means that every transaction for a member is recorded against that members account.

A member will receive points from each purchase that can be used for bar or other items at the club.

More details shortly

Coopers Promotions

As part of the statewide promotion of Coopers product range, clubs were asked to stock and display their range.

A photo of Club Holdfast display was submitted and we have just been advised that we were among the lucky winners.

Currently waiting to hear what our prize is.

Phil Hoffman travel vouchers, Coopers tour and products are the range of rewards on offer.

Pre Poll Voting

The Club will be used as a voting station for the coming election.

This will take place between 10 Mar and 24 Mar.

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The dinning room area will be locked during this time.

This will mean no access to the Male and Female locker rooms
Members are required to remove personnel items from their
lockers that they may require.

Bruce Cottle

MEDIA AND WEB REPORT

CLUB HOLDFAST HAS A WEB AND FACEBOOK PAGE.

The web site is located at www.clubholdfast.com

To access the web site enter this web address into your web browser, google chrome, safari etc. or search google for clubholdfast

The home page will be displayed with a menu across the top if using a computer or on the home page if on the ipad, tablet or phone.

The Clubs Facebook group is called Club Holdfast. This also contains a lot of Club information, photos and activities by members. If you wish to join the log into facebook and search for **Club Holdfast**. If you have trouble accessing either of these facilities please contact Roger Zeuner 0421127657.

If you have any cartoons or funny jokes for the club update, please send them to me at rogerzeuner@gmail.com

FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION 2026

The BOM have decided that we will continue with this competition for this season.

The prize for the winner being a dozen bottles of Bruce Cottle's best red and white wines.

A prize to fight over.

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If you previously entered the competition just log into itipfooty.com and rejoin the Club Holdfast footy tipping.

If you are new to the competition then follow the following instructions.

THIS IS A FREE COMPETITION – NOTHING TO JOIN – BUT A NICE PRIZE TO BE WON.

Hi Rogerz,

Tipping competition **clubholdfast (#154446)** has now been created. Please find the below details required for people to join your tipping competition.

===== HOW DO PEOPLE JOIN MY COMP? =====

- 1) Go to [iTipFooty](http://itipfooty.com) and [register a user account](#) if you don't already have one.
- 2) Login with your user account and click the '**JOIN COMP**' button.
- 3) Enter Comp # **154446** and Comp Password **hbbcc01@**
- 4) Click '**Join Comp**'.....DONE!

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Forward the above details to your friends to join, or use the invite tippers link in your members area to invite people to your new tipping competition.

Regards,
The iTipFooty Team

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VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

We have had a very busy year with plenty going on at the Club. Outside events and also the last of our pennant season. Croquet members have commenced their new pennant season with some good results.

We are still looking for volunteers to assist with special events coming up.

Champions Week – Bowls SA

April 13th – 19th

Bowls SA Media Day 1 – Open and Senior Sides - 23rd August

Media Day 2 - U/18's – 30th August

We require volunteers over this period and we will be establishing a roster for volunteering. If your name is on the roster and you are unable to attend then you must get a replacement for yourself to fill the roster.

Please advise Heather or Sue if you can assist. We cannot rely on the same old members to do the work.

Remember this is YOUR club and unless we have volunteers to assist the volunteers currently keeping the club running then the one hundred year history of the club may be in JEOPARDY.

Roger Zeuner

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ATTENTION ALL CLUB MEMBERS

Refer a Friend – Introduce a New Member

Share the Fun and Save!

Invite someone to join Club Holdfast, and if they sign up, both you and the new member will enjoy 50% off your annual membership fee for the first year.

Already paid your membership? No worries—you'll receive a 50% refund, just for helping grow our vibrant community.

It's a win-win, and a great way to bring more mates into the mix.

Don't miss out—take advantage of this fantastic offer today!

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If you have any items to advertise in this area. Our Last item for sale was snapped up very quickly at a bargain price. You too may be able to get a bargain or sell an item quickly.

Please contact me with details.

rogerzeuner@gmail.com

BOARD of MANAGEMENT 2024-2025

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Tournaments	Position Vacant		

All communication may be directed to secretary@clubholdfast.com

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Celebrating Barry Allen — Four Score and Going Strong!

Today we recognise one of the true Stalwarts of our Club, **Barry Allen**, as he reaches the remarkable milestone of **four score years**.

Barry's contribution to the Carefree Caravan Club has been nothing short of extraordinary. Over many years he has served in countless ways—always with good humour, steady commitment, and that unmistakable Barry flair. His long-standing role as our **Minister for Sponsorship** has become part of club folklore, and his efforts have helped shape the vibrant, well-supported community we enjoy today.

On behalf of all members, **congratulations Barry on this wonderful achievement**. We celebrate not just the years, but the generosity, energy, and friendship you've shared with us along the way.

Here's too many more adventures ahead.

And Remember

- Happy birthday! Don't worry about getting older. You're still younger than you'll be next year!
- Congratulations on being one year closer to those senior citizen discounts!
- Happy birthday! Remember, you're not old, you're just vintage and highly collectible.
- Another year older but let's be honest, you're still acting the same age as always!

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YOU'VE BEEN LOVED FOR
80 YEARS *that is 960 months*
4,174 WEEKS
29,219 DAYS | 701,266 HOURS
42,075,936 MINUTES *and counting!*

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