CLUB NOOZE

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Presidents' Report

Nearly six months into my first term of the Alexandra District Club President and I am really enjoying the role.

Firstly, Thank your to our very hard working manager Chrissy, whom puts in tremendous effort into everything she does, also Melissa, who has put in over 25 years of dedicated service,

Thank you for your efforts.

Also to our Club Committee, a special thanks to you all for loyalty, dedication and commitment. Its truly a pleasure to work with you all.

Thanks to our staff, Bar, Kitchen and Cleaners.

It's fantastic to see our kitchen/bistro doing so well, also seeing and hearing such wonderful comments

Thanks Stu and his support staff.

It's awesome that our membership continues to grow, Thank you to our members for your loyalty and patronage.

Also all our thoughts go to those that have lost loved ones or very close friends or relations.

On behalf of your Executive Committee I would like to wish all the members and their families a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Have a save and enjoyable Christmas

Paul Carden

President



WINE CLUB

WOW what a fantastic year, 10 wineries attended tickling the tastebuds of our wine clubbers. Our final night "Wine Awards" was on 27th of November and plans are already in place to hit the ground running our first wine club for 2025

Thank you to the wineries and thank you to all those attending that help to keep Wine Club successful.



Managers' Report

This year the Club has had its fair share of ups and downs, experiencing staff shortages and sickness, the ever increasing prices on goods and services (we all know what its like doing our weekly shop and day to day expenses), and when its time to tighten the belt the first thing that is trimmed from the budget is the wants so you can still have the needs.

We are lucky to have such a supportive membership that has continued to support us whenever they can and we are truly appreciative of that.

We have had some great shows visit us this year all well attended, and our functions continue to be successful. Leading into Christmas we will see the return of the very popular Children's Xmas party and the 12 days of Xmas. Our Bistro will be open extra days over the Xmas, New Year break, please remember to book your tables when dining with us particularly over the busy summer holidays. Keep an eye on facebook page we have a great following now and all the up to date club events and notices are posted here regularly.

Hope to see you all soon and wish everyone a Merry Xmas and safe and happy holidays

Chrissy Club Manager





Table Tennis

Since the last Nooze Letter the section has been improving game ways. A few new comers have joined the fold.

Last month we entered a team in the

South Island Clubs Table Tennis Tournament in Gore. Team consisting of Ann Mallon, Richard Mallon, Howie Marshall and a composite player from Gore; and came back with the D Grade Trophy.

A remarkable performance indeed considering their first tournament.

At the moment our club champs are being held; Three weeks of doubles play and three weeks of singles.

Two more weeks to go but the results are close.

End of year Prize giving and function will be held on 30th November.

Thanks as always to staff and management for their continued support and bar staff for keeping us hydrated.

Ben Hurr co-ordinator TT Section.



ADC BOWLS

Bowls Section Update: Kicking Off the Season in Style

Firstly, a heartfelt thank you to all our new sponsors this season—Al Park View Motel, Wild Irishman, Whitestone Contracting, and BDesign. Your support has brought fresh energy to our club, and we're incredibly grateful. We also extend our thanks to all our long -standing sponsors who continue to make a meaningful difference. Your contributions play a vital role in helping us to play the sport we love and enjoy playing.

The opening of our bowling season is always an exciting time, bringing us together with fellow members, old and new. Our Open Day this year was a resounding success, with record-breaking attendance and an enthusiastic group of new members joining us. We're optimistic for a fantastic season, balancing the spirit of competitive play and having fun at the same time.

This season, we've launched a Twilight Bowls competition to bring newcomers into the mix. With 16 teams (50 people) signed up, it's wonderful to see non-bowlers embracing the game, sharing a BBQ, and having a lot of fun. It's been a hit so far, and we're thrilled with the enthusiasm and spirit everyone brings each week. A special addition this season is our new clock, installed under the small roof outside the clubrooms. This handy feature makes checking the time from all angles on the grounds easy and convenient, ensuring everyone stays on track during play.

Both Saturday and Wednesday pennants are well underway, and we're off to a promising start. With the season progressing, we're looking forward to improving our performance and enjoying some great games ahead.

Two centre events has already been played – the Arvida 1-1 Pairs and the Pairs tournament. While we didn't come away with any titles this time, our players put in a strong showing.

The Fours and Triples competitions are scheduled for November, and we're hopeful to bring home some wins then.

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It's also inspiring to see many of our club members selected to represent Central Otago in the senior and development squads. The club is fortunate to have a wealth of talent, and with a strong group of promising junior players rising through the ranks, the future looks exceptionally bright.

Our Club Champs are already underway, and the Triples and Fours events in December promise a lively weekend of supportive, competitive play. It's a great opportunity for everyone to come together and enjoy some excellent bowling.

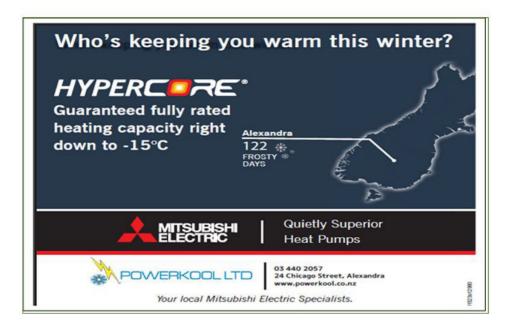
Lastly, after the success of our last tabletop sale, we'll be hosting another on December 14th.

It's a fantastic way to show everyone one your produce, goods or unwanted goods, so if you're interested in participating, please reach out to Geoff, Dewald, or Sandra.











Alexandra Bowling Club

Tabletop Sale December 14th.

It's a fantastic way to show everyone one your produce, goods or unwanted goods,

at the Alexandra District Club

so if you're interested in participating, please contact
Geoff , Dewald or Sandra or email adc.bowls@gmail.com











REGULAR EVENTS AT THE CLUB

- MAHJONG Every Monday 1:30pm
- BELIEVE IT OR NOT QUIZ 1st Wednesday every month
- WINE CLUB with local Central Otago wine last Wednesday of each month 7pm
- MIXED CRAFT Every Wednesday from 1.00pm
- CASH DRAW Every Thursday and Saturday Night.
- RAFFLES Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday
- DANCE NIGHTS

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RSA Report 2024

The RSA would like to thank all those who volunteered their time to raise money for our RSA on Poppy Day including 50SQN, RSA members and ADC members; and of course a big thankyou to those who donated. Together we raised over \$9000 which goes directly into our welfare fund. This money is safeguarded and distributed by the Executive Committee to our members and any veterans in our community.

We have used the welfare fund for the following this year:

- Contributed to a bathroom renovation for one of our members to make it accessible. A big thankyou to other RSA's who also contributed to make this happen.
- Provision of firewood and chimney sweeping for a number of members in need over winter.
- Supported garden maintenance for members in need of a helping hand.
- Contributed to the (unfunded) medical expenses of members in need.

We are also proud to announce that the RSA, in conjunction with the District Club, have supported two Dunstan High School students with scholarships to aid in their continued education. With 13 applicants it was a difficult decision, but we offer a big congratulations to the scholarship recipients Ryley Alan and Claudia Park, we wish you all the best in your future endeavours and look forward to hearing of your achievements.

Of note, we are very lucky to have Helen Rendall doing some research work for us. She has been going through old... sometimes very old... archives and is pulling together information on the history of our RSA, and some of our community's veterans. Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for drops of some really special finds.

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Coming Up

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The next Alexandra-Clyde RSA Annual General Meeting will take place in March 2025. The AGM is short & Deneror it remains an excellent touch point to hear about what the RSA has achieved and has planned, any governance changes and to have your say. All members welcome and if you are thinking about getting more involved in the RSA we would love to hear from you.

POPPY DAY

The RSA's next annual street appeal will be in April 2025. We struggled filling all of our spots this year, so please keep an ear out as we will be looking for volunteers again. The more spots we have manned the more money we can raise for our veterans and members in need.

ANZAC DAY

25th of April! Details to come closer to the time.

We are sharing information over Facebook more regularly now, so please give us a follow at 'Alexandra-Clyde RSA' to stay up to date.

And finally, as always, the RSA is about supporting all those who have served and their families.

Remember that if you, or your family need support of any type, the RSA is here to help. Please contact Kay (0275265883) or Alan (0272652390) who are our trained Welfare Advisors.

How do different military branches use stars?

The Army sleeps under the stars. The Navy navigates by the stars. The Air Force chooses hotels by the stars.

Kate Murphy, President

Darts

Sunday afternoon sesh are now weekly

good attendance each week, 5 180 SCORES so far .

If you are a

ADC MEMBER

and wish to play darts

just turn up

1pm Sunday

A Special Thanks to all dart section members



Calvin







Philippa & Amber

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46a Tarbert Street, Alexandra



Alexandra Croquet Club

The Alexandra Croquet Club has had a great start to the 2024-25 playing season. Playing greens are well used on Club days - Sunday 1pm and Tuesday 1pm. These Club days are very convivial and relaxed and are the ideal time for interested people to come and try our game, finishing with a social afternoon tea. No booking or experience is needed, just turn up and come in! Club members will introduce you to play without the need to take lessons or learn rules. Learn while you enjoy playing.

Challenging and fun Inter-club tournaments have been held with our kindred Wakatipu and Wanaka Clubs. Hosting of these tournaments is rotated among the competing teams. We also took part in a team for the combined Central Otago Croquet Clubs in a competition in Dunedin against a team from the combined Dunedin Croquet Clubs.

A Champion Alexandra Croquet Team: won 8 games to 6 against Wanaka Croquet Club

This year our

Committee is the same as last year. Marion Peyton is President, Barney Milnes is Club Captain, Graeme McCristell is Green Keeper, Annette Harris is Treasurer, and Graeme Martin is Secretary.



Dunstan Friendship Club

Marco Creemer spoke at our November meeting on their venture renovating Earnscleugh Castle and turning it into a bed and breakfast. Marco and Partner Ryan Sanders have innovative ideas for its future, and we were shown the plans and given details about its restoration which is well under way.



It's going to be brilliant and a tremendous asset to our community.

In October the guest speaker was Chris Naylor who gave us the history of the Naylor family in Clyde and Matakanui, as well as the beginnings of Naylor Love Construction and its success into the future.

We are all looking forward to our Christmas meeting when Bridget Paape who has recently opened "Gone Potty" on Dunstan Road, opposite The Orchard Garden will be our guest speaker. This will be followed by our Christmas lunch at the Club.

We are having very good attendances at our meetings and the club continues to grow under the leadership of Susan Symons, our president.

An overnight trip to Dunedin to have lunch at Larnach's Castle, visit the botanic gardens and attend Operatunity in Mosgiel the following day was enjoyed by several members in late October.

We have had two great outings in Alexandra, one to lunch at The Station Brewery on Boundary Road, and the other to Scrubby Gully for a picnic and tour of the property.

It's been a great year so far and we're looking forward to more interesting speakers and trips in 2025.

Seasons greetings to all Alexandra District Club members.

Beth McArthur, Reporter

Fishing report

From the Lost Lure

Now that the spawning season is over the fish will now be at their best and plenty of them: well it will be if you get off your backside and get out there rain hail snow or shine. The fish don't care what the weather is. Who cares about the size as long as it is legal.

We are now into our challenges and Safaris so keep a watch on the notice board and in house TV screens at the club for details and if you have recorded your email address with the secretary then you will have the info sent to you. However here are a few of the up and coming events

Open competition : January 2025

Take A Kid Fishing: February 2025

ADC / Fulton Hogan Benmore Safari : February 2025

ADC / Cromwell T & C challenge : March 2025

The Fulton Hogan / ADC Hawea challenge was not a very good weekend weather wise. For those hardy foolish ones from the ADC made it worthwhile to help retain the shield and most trophies except the most sought after one the elusive Lure. Also the weather for the section only competition was not very good : at the Upper Manorburn Dam — rain — hail

horizontal snow – wind – sun – rain – hail – etc etc.

At about 2am Sunday morning my vehicle had about 3 inches of



snow on the roof and about 1 ½ inches on the sides. There were a few good size fish caught though.

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The huts are being well used and remember that these are available for use by any financial member of the ADC. Financial section members get it a bit cheaper. Just book at the bar and it is first in first served.

Well the Lost Lure managed to loose a brand new lure. At the section only challenge at the beginning of November at the Upper Manorburn Dam. Up at the top out goes the line with the new lure and trawling along.

After about 20minuets the rod does a 90deg bend: start

winding in : line goes slack : #\$@^& : probably broke the line : no : lure came adrift from the swivel : swivel now donated to the Manorburn Dam.

On behalf of the fishing committee I would like to wish all of you a merry Xmas and an enjoyable New Year: take care: consume wisely: and go out there and enjoy yourselves and have good family time.

Cheers from The Lost Lure

Fishing Huts Manorburn & Poolburn

Available to Fishing Section,

Booking for these, along with what the huts contain,

and what you need to take, is available from the bar at the Club



ADC Poolburn Hut

RSA Gentlemen Singers

'The Singers' are in fine voice! Practice sessions throughout the Winter/Spring period have been well attended considering, the Winter coughs, cold, sneezes, wheezes and the occasional overseas trips etc.

It was with great sadness that we learnt of the passing of our retired pianist Mrs Nan Brownlie. Nan was our accompanist for many years and worked very hard at keeping us in tune and on time!

At the families request, 'the singers' sang at her funeral service.

Following our presence at the ANZAC Day service where we sang the New Zealand and Australian anthems accompanied by Mrs Christine Wright on the cornet, we prepared for a performance at the Senior Citizens 'High Afternoon Tea'. Due to a full entertainment programme organised for the afternoon, this was a short bracket of songs and was very well received by the guests at the High Afternoon Tea.

We have now started our round of Rest Home and Retirement Village performances and this takes us throughout Central Otago and will go through October/November. For the November visits, we include a few Christmas-themed songs as these are often requested.

The RSA Gentlemen Singers have recently received a grant from the Alexandra Community Arts Council for the purchase of a Yamaha Electronic Piano Keyboard.

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This is a fine instrument and overcomes an ongoing problem where many venues we go to have an out of tune piano for our pianist to use!

This is a wonderful gesture on behalf of the Alexandra Arts Council and we gratefully appreciate it!

If you are interested in joining us, we would welcome you along. There is always space for more members and we pride ourselves that we are not a choir but a group who enjoy singing and fellowship. We practice at 10.30 am on Mondays so come along and make yourself known, leave your contact details with the Alexandra District Club personnel, or call the number below.

"My car is my Karaoke booth."

James Hauenstein (Author)

Graeme Strang (The contact person) 027 227 4589







INDOOR BOWLS

We have come to an end of a ADC Indoor Bowls season.

At the end of year dinner we recognized players success.

Drawn Pairs. Mark Johansen and Ann Rayner

Ladies singles. Mary Aitken

Mens singles. Cliff Snape

Most improved player. Phil Radford

Most improved social player. Ross Vincent

Big congratulations to Mat Begg and Margaret Wright winning the Mixed Pairs Southern Zone and coming 5th overall in the Mixed pairs at the Super Weekend held in Wellington.

Mark Johansen and Mary Aitken won the open pairs with Mary winning her first centre title congrats.

Jonny May teamed with Mat Beg and Katy Barnes to win the centre Triples.

Jonny May won the centre singles.

At the COIB dinner Jonny May was presented with the most improved players award, *congrats Jonny*.

From all at ADC Indoor Bowls season greetings to all and safe travels .

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Santa Claus and Mrs Claus are coming to town

Alexandra District Club Children's Christmas Party Sunday, December 8th 1pm to 3pm

Bouncy castle, Face painting, Little Flick, Ice creams, Candy floss, Hot chips, Drinks, and Candy canes Club Members register your Children, Grandchildren,

Nieces, and Nephews etc

registrations open 20th November, for catering purposes.

Photos will be available with Mr and Mrs Claus

Come along ... enjoy the fun

Mixed Craft Group (MCG)

Last month we lost a very good member of our group Joy Blance.

She will be sadly missed by many people especially her family.

Hard to believe it is nearly Christmas.

We have been getting good turnouts every week and our 1st Wednesday of the month is very popular.

This year our Christmas lunch will be at Orchard Garden on the 4th December.

As Christmas day and New Years day falls on a Wednesday we won't be having craft until Wednesday the 8th of January with lunch first at 12.30pm.

Best wishes to everyone for a happy Christmas and a bright New Year.

Heather Haves-Fraser



ALEXANDRA DISTRICT CLUB OPENING HOURS

- Monday Thursday: 11.00am 11.00pm
 - Friday & Saturday: 11.00am till late
 - Sunday: 1pm 9.30pm

BISTRO

Evening dining: Thursday to Sunday from 6pm

ALEXANDRA DISTRICT CLUB BISTRO

Family friendly affordable, delicious meals.

An a la carte menu which changes with the seasons,

Kids menu and tasty regular specials.

Bar snacks also available in the main bar.

ENTREES

Garlic Bread-\$10

Shrimp Cocktail-\$12 (GFO) Panko Crumbed Prawns-\$15

MAINS

(All mains served with salad and fries unless otherwise stated)

250g Ribeye Steak-\$37 (GFO)

Grass fed Angus ribeye cooked to your liking with your choice of either Creamy mushroom sauce, garlic butter or peppered gravy.

Fish of the Day 1 fillet or 2

Freshly beer battered fish fillets with salad and fries—See our blackboard for todays selection

Chicken Parmigiana- \$29.00

Crumbed chicken breast topped with home made tomato sauce & cheese

Mixed Grill-\$34 (GFO)

Ribeye steak, sausage, streaky bacon, mushrooms, caramelised onions and fried egg.

Trio Of Seafood-\$23

Prawn twister x 3, salt and pepper squid rings x 4, crumbed scallops x 2 served with a sweet chilli and mango chutney

Salad of the Day

See our blackboard for our special salad of the day.

Vegetarian option with Crisp Tofu

ALEXANDRA DISTRICT CLUB BISTRO

SIDES

Fries Small-\$6 Fries large- \$8: Mushrooms-\$4.50 (GFO):

Caramelised Onions-\$3.50 (GFO): Fried Egg-\$3; Mushroom Sauce-\$4.50 (GFO): Gravy-\$4: Salad Bowl-\$6.50:

Vegetables-\$7.50 (GFO)

BURGERS & SANDWICHES

(All served with fries)

BBQ Beef Burger -\$27 (GFO-\$29)

Two NZ beef patties, smoked cheese, streaky bacon, bbq sauce, coleslaw aioli and topped with onion rings.

Crumbed Chicken Burger -\$27

(Vegetarian option vege pattie)

Crumbed chicken breast, brie, streaky bacon, cranberry Sauce, coleslaw and aioli

Chicken Stack -\$25 (GFO)

Grilled smoked chicken , steaky bacon, brie, plum sauce, salad, topped with garlic bread and balsamic glaze.

Open Steak Sandwich -\$26 (GFO)

150g ribeye steak, caramelised

DESSERTS

Berry Parfait \$10

Ice Cream Sundaes \$10

Sticky date pudding \$12.50

Please inform our staff of any dietary requirements when placing your order Check our blackboard menu for more options.



Cue Sports Section

Busy year of organising and on the countdown to the big guy in red with only 5 more weeks of pool left. The section has had an enormous 621 attendances for Tuesday nights, looks like will be a great

margin from last year 2023 of 641

total. Without players we seize to exist, so thankyou to all players especially those in the background the families & club for putting up with us. We welcome a few more new comers this year taking our section to 41. 11 tournaments entered since end of April 2024 with some great results.

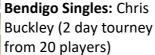




RSA snooker pairs: Lizzie & Chris, Jamie & Matt

Don Murphy: Matt

Fowler





Bendigo Pairs: Ian Thompson & Dean Shaw (7 pairs with Jamie and nana both from Gore)





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ClubsNz's 8 ball South Islands ladies/opens held in Invercargill 12 players over 9 days, Open nationals 2 players held in Auckland. We have had couple of away trips for inter-change (St Kilda bowling club & Cromwell T&C also a return from Cromwell) where ADC return with trophies. ADC Monday night pool team has come away with overall 2024 champions and ladies singles. Teresa (Captain new team 'Misfits') ladies runner up. Thank you to our sponsors, donations, raffles & lotto this year. Last tournament for the year Val Warren 15th December.

Lizzie Moses President





Thank you all for your reports ..

We are so lucky to have a fabulous club, where we can all come together as friends.



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