

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

14 October 2026



Wow – hasn't Mother Nature been kind to us over the past few weeks but there are still likely to be some typical "spring" weather over the new couple of weeks, just to remind us that settled weather is a little way away yet. Let's just enjoy the great days when they occur.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Armistice Day is Wednesday 11 November 2026 but the formal acknowledgement of this event is set down for **Remembrance Sunday, on 8 November 2026**. ADC Members are invited to attend the ceremony at the Alexandra War Memorial monument, starting at 11am

RSA FLATS

And then there is nothing!! For those Clubmembers who regularly enter the Clubrooms using the Shannon St entrances, they will have noted that the



old flats have been demolished and the ground cleared.

It was great to see that the removal work was carried out in the week before the Alexandra Blossom Festival Parade and the site looked “*clean and tidy*” for the Blossom Festival. The Alexandra-Clyde RSA will make a decision in the future as to what to do with the site, but in the meantime, the cleared site is not an “*eyesore*”, and vandalism and graffiti opportunities have been removed.

BISTRO



As signalled in the September 2026 Update from the Board, the menu for the Bistro will now be “*blackboard*” for all items offered, rather than having menus on the tables supplemented by “*blackboard specials*”.

The intention behind the change is to provide more flexibility to react to seasonal changes and availability of ingredients, as well as reacting more quickly to price changes for ingredients. Again, it is intended to have some “*standard*” menu offerings as well as regular changes to ensure a varied menu overall.

CROQUET HONOURS

David Galvin proudly shows his Champion of Champions Trophy.

After being named the top player for the Alexandra Croquet Club, David Galvin of Roxburgh went forward to the Otago Championships, being played at Leith in Dunedin. At the Otago Championships he gained top overall player, bringing home the Champion of Champions Trophy.

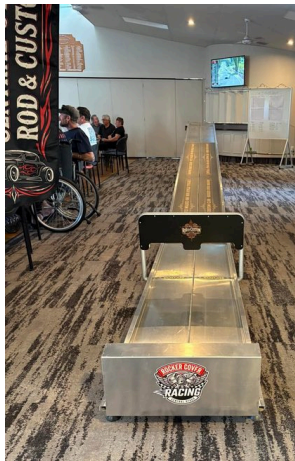
David took up playing croquet at Ashburton in 2020, transferring to the



Alexandra Croquet Club last year. While playing in the NZ Masters games in February 2026, he won Gold in the Singles and Bronze in the doubles tournaments.

The Club Captain for Alexandra, Barney Milnes, said that *"David brings top level experience, encouragement, and exceptional knowledge to our Club We are very proud to have him as a member. Our Club has a growing membership of 31 players."*

BATHURST DAY AT THE CLUB



The ADC teamed up with Central Otago Rod and Customs Club on Sunday for Bathurst Day celebrations. The Day started with the *Liz Houghton car show* in the ITM carpark followed by an afternoon/evening watching live action from Bathurst.

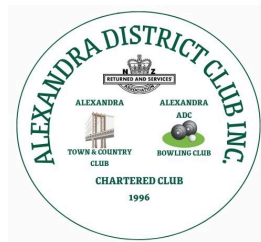
Lots of fun was had on *The Rocker Cover Racing Track* with some fierce competition from competitors and "lively" support from spectators. Between the car show and raffles sold on the day we are managed to raise \$1300 for the Palliative care unit at Dunstan Hospital.

A big thank you to *The Central Otago Rod and Custom Club* for the time and effort they put into making this a very successful (and hopefully annual) event.

DISTRICT CLUB CLOSURE

Members are requested to note that the District Club will be "closed" on Sunday 29 November 2026, as it is the day set aside for the District Club's Staff and Board Christmas function. Please note your diary as to the closure as we do not want you to turn up for a meal or a drink only to find the District Club "closed for business" on Sunday 29 November 2026.

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