

LANE COVE BOWLING AND RECREATION CLUB LIMITED

ABN 22 000 915 515

151 BURNS BAY ROAD, LANE COVE WEST 2066

Founded 17 July 1952
Constituted 30 October 1952
Incorporated October 1971
Reconstituted 1989

ANNUAL REPORT



2026

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2025-2026

CHAIRMAN

John Burke

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Will Godfrey

TREASURER

Stephen Brouggy

SECRETARY/MANAGER

Janina Sugano

DIRECTORS

John Lloyd

Richard Biggs

Kelly Mason
(resigned May 2026)

David Vincent

AUDITOR

Conroy Audit and Advisory

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF LANE COVE BOWLING AND RECREATION CLUB LIMITED WILL BE HELD AT THE CLUB, 151 BURNS BAY ROAD, LANE COVE WEST ON SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2026 COMMENCING AT 10.30 AM

BUSINESS

1. Chairman's welcome address.
2. One minutes silence to pay respects to departed members.
3. To receive and confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 21st September 2025.
4. To receive and adopt the Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Accounts and Auditor's Report and such other accounts and reports for the financial yearended 30th June 2025 as required by the Corporations Law to be laid before the Annual General Meeting.
5. To receive and consider the Director's and Office Bearers written reports on the activities of the Club for the financial year ending 30th June 2026.
6. To discuss any matters of general business which may be admitted for discussion. (Members are requested to submit any matters in writing to the Club Secretary/Manager seven (7) days before the Annual General Meeting to allow any necessary research.)
7. To declare the Ballot of Members for the Board of Directors.

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The 2026 Financial Statements will be available on the Club's website www.lanecovebowls.com.au under "Memberships" from the 25th of August 2026. Hard copies will be available from the Club's office on request.



John Burke

Chairman

For and On Behalf of

The Board of Directors Lane Cove Bowling and Recreation Club Limited
20th August, 2026.

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Minutes of Annual General Meeting at Club Premises 151 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove West on Sunday 21 September 2025. Commenced at 10.30 AM

Minutes

1. Attendance and apologies

Present: John Burke - Chairman, Will Godfrey - Vice-Chairman, Stephen Brouggy - Treasurer, John Lloyd - Director, Richard Biggs - Director, Kelly Mason – Director, David Vincent – Director.
External Auditor: Patryk August of Conroy Audit and Advisory
Management: Janina Sugano

2. 1 minute silence for departed members.

3. Previous Minutes – Approved: Bob Paterson Seconded; Sarah Hobbs

4. Adoption of Financials – Approved: Vic Solway Seconded: Monia Smith

5. Reports – Approved: Jenny Moran Seconded: Maria Brouggy

6. General Business.

A number of questions were raised by Bevan Piper prior to the AGM and were addressed by the Chairman (John Burke)

7. Questions from the floor – all questions were answered by the Chairman:

- a. Loss of bowling members – Board tried amicable solutions but unsuccessful.
- b. Grants – Up to 2 successful grants approved. No individual expenditure exceeded \$20K.
- c. Lease expires in 2028. Council unwilling to discuss at this point.

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- d. Bar sales are flat and need to be addressed in the future.
 - e. Social membership to have common termination date in the future.
 - f. Incorrect membership numbers reported in the previous year.
8. All positions for the new Board were accepted.
9. The Auditor was reappointed for the follow year..
10. The Chairman thanked Stuart Smith and Kevin Mulhall for their services for the past 12 months and welcomed Richard Biggs and David Vincent for their successful nominations.
11. Meeting closed 11:15am

The following were appointed to the Board:

Chairman – John Burke
Deputy Chairman – Will Godfrey
Treasurer – Stephen Brouggy
Director – John Lloyd
Director – Richard Biggs
Director – Kelly Mason
Director – David Vincent

Signed.....



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20/8/26

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

JOHN BURKE

It is my pleasure to present the Chairman's Report for what has been a successful and positive year for the Club.

Overall, this has been a year of consolidation, during which we have continued to strengthen the Club both financially and operationally, while maintaining our focus on providing a welcoming and vibrant environment for our members and the wider community.

I am pleased to report that the Club has had a profitable year, providing us with a sound foundation as we look towards the future.

Club Highlights

There have been a number of significant achievements throughout the year. The introduction of the Friday Night catering has been very well received and has added another dimension to the Club's social activities. Our Friday night raffles have continued to grow in popularity and success, providing an enjoyable regular gathering for members and guests.

The installation of the pickleball court has been another important development, opening the Club to another sporting and social activity and providing opportunities to attract new participants to our facilities.

We have also seen the completion of the Club renovations and upgrades, together with the completion of the upgrades of all poker machines. These projects represent a significant investment in the Club and ensure that our facilities remain attractive, functional and competitive.

Bowls

Our bowling members have continued to represent the Club with distinction.

Highlights include representation in the State Reserve Triples, as well as representation in the Major Pairs Regional Final. These achievements are a reflection of the commitment, skill and enthusiasm of our bowlers and are something the whole Club can be proud of.

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A particularly encouraging development has been our Thursday introductory bowls program, which has gone from strength to strength. We are now attracting 20 or more new bowlers each week, which is an excellent indication of the growing interest in bowls and the welcoming environment provided by our Club.

Our annual May Day Bowls Event was also a particular success, being sold out for the first time. This is a wonderful result and demonstrates the growing reputation of the event and the appeal of our Club within the wider bowling community.

Community Engagement

Our Club continues to play an important role in the local community, and this extends well beyond bowls.

During the year, we have welcomed a diverse range of groups and activities, including the Scrabble Club, Probus, Zumba, Vintage, Tai Chi, Shinbunkan, Ready Steady Go Kids and Physie Club, and well as hosting numerous private and community functions.

This level of activity is important to the long-term future of the Club. It demonstrates that we are not simply a bowls club, but a community facility that provides a place for people to meet, participate, socialise and enjoy themselves.

Volunteers

The Chairman's Report would not be complete without recognising the enormous contribution made by our volunteers.

The Club relies heavily on the time, energy and commitment of members who willingly give their time to help with everything from events, gardens, introductory bowls and raffles to maintenance and day-to-day operations.

I would sincerely thank all of our volunteers for their contribution throughout the year.

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Looking Forward

The year ahead will be about building on the solid foundations we have established. We have made significant improvements to our facilities, strengthened our financial position and continued to broaden the Club's involvement within the community.

I believe the Club is well placed to continue this progress, while retaining the friendly, inclusive and community-focused character that makes it such a special place.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow Board members, our staff, our bowling members, social members and our volunteers for their contribution and support throughout the year.

It has been a successful year for the Club, and I look forward to working with everyone as we build on that success.

Thank you,
John Burke
Chairman

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TREASURER'S REPORT

STEPHEN BROUGGY

I am pleased to present the Treasurer's Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2026.

The Club's financial position remains sound, with the year demonstrating a positive underlying operating performance despite the reported accounting loss. For the year ended 30 June 2026 the Club recorded a net accounting loss of \$30,575, compared with a loss of \$9,883 in the previous financial year.

It is important to distinguish between the reported accounting result and the Club's underlying operating performance. Before depreciation and other non-cash accounting adjustments, the Club achieved an operating profit of \$27,733 for the year.

The reported loss is primarily attributable to depreciation. During the year, the carrying values of plant and equipment and leasehold improvements were reduced by depreciation expense. The Club had also applied a prudent approach to treatment of capital expenditure, expensing individual items costing less than \$20,000 where appropriate, while expenditure funded or recovered through grants has been treated accordingly.

Operationally the Club has continued to perform well.

Although the cost of goods has increased, we have maintained our margins through prudent purchasing, improved stock management and reduced wastage following the installation of new systems. These measures have been important in managing the impact of rising input costs and protecting the Club's operating performance.

Hall hire continues to trend positively, and the introduction of the pickleball facility is expected to generate further growth in the use of the area and the income derived from it.

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The Club's term deposits remain in place and have continued to grow, providing a valuable financial reserve. Our working capital accounts also remain substantial, ensuring a strong level of liquidity and providing the Club with confidence in its ability to meet ongoing commitments and respond to future opportunities.

The significant investment undertaken during the year, including the Club renovations and upgrades, poker machine upgrades and the installation of the pickleball court has positioned the Club well for the future. These investments, together with the continued growth in activities and community use of the Club, provide a solid foundation for the future financial performance.

In summary, while the financial statements record an accounting loss, the Club's underlying operating performance remains positive, and its overall financial position remains strong. The Board will continue to manage the Club prudently, with a focus on maintaining healthy operating margins, controlling costs, strengthening reserves and making responsible investments in the Club's future.

I would like to thank the Board, management, staff and volunteers for their contribution throughout the year and for their continued commitment to the financial and operational success of the Club.

Steve Brouggy
Treasurer

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT - BOWLING SECTION 2025-2026

JENNY MORAN

It has been my great honour to serve as your President over this past year. Stepping into the role after Sarah Hobson's wonderful stewardship was no small thing, but I feel very proud of the connection I feel I have with you all. A year on, that feeling has only grown.

Firstly, I would like to pay my respects to Terry McCarthy who passed away recently. He was a well-respected bowler. May he rest in peace. Also, congratulations to Bob Willis who turned 100 this year.

I'd like to thank our new welfare officer, Bob Patterson, who has contacted members who have been unwell or whom we haven't seen at the Club for a little while. We welcome the new members who have joined us during this year: Arthur Kneller, Darryl Perry, Harry Clarsen, Lisa Perry, Robert Hynard and Steve McCann.

We also welcome Stephen Arkins who transferred to us from Denistone.

Our Thursday morning Introduction Bowls sessions have again been our best front door to the club. Every Thursday from 10:15, open to all social and bowling members, with all equipment provided along with guidance, camaraderie and a few laughs along the way - and tea, coffee and cake from Gibbo's Patisserie. Thank you to everyone (especially Andrew Gibson, Bob Patterson and Neville Holmes) who give their time to run these sessions week in and week out.

Our membership at 1 July 2026 stands at 74 full bowling members (this includes John Notley who is a life member): 57 men and 17 ladies. This does not include the 20 or so social bowlers who play on Thursdays.

An important administrative change this year has been our membership period that now aligns with the calendar year, with all memberships running from 1 January to 31 December.

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This has been a packed year of activities: a wonderful working bee, Australia Day, ANZAC Day, the King's Birthday Bowls Day, Pennants teams in Grade 4 and 6, our May Day Carnival with the Bingara visit, State of Origin nights, the Bunyip visit, the Friday Mega Meat Raffle, Roseville Shield and lots of social games and competitions. The Cliff Wright Day is now played in memory of all members who have passed away.

Club Championships 2025-2026

Club Fours: David Haugh, Glenn Boardman, Asuka Kaizawa and Peter Zucconi

Club Triples: Pat Singleton, Asuka Kaizawa and Peter Zucconi

Over 70s Pairs: Ole Hostrup and Bob Patterson

Handicap Pairs: Andrew Gibson and Kay Mulhall

Minor Pairs: Simon Kinsman and Rohan Marshall

Major Pairs: John Lloyd and Rohan Marshall

Mixed Pairs: Asuka Kaizawa & Pat Singleton

Consistency Singles: Kevin Mulhall

Minor Singles: John Burke

Major Singles: Rohan Marshall

Our thanks to everyone who entered a competition this year. For this year's Mixed Pairs, we tried something different, running three pools of three pairs in a round robin with the pool winners and best runner-up progressing to the semi-finals. It produced some cracking matches, and we will look at where else that format might work. Off the back of their sensational Open Reserve Triples win, Neville Holmes (Skip), Peter Zucconi (Second) and Greg Scott (Lead) represented Lane Cove and the Metro North-East region at the NSW State Championships in Dubbo.

Congratulations to Rohan Marshall who has accepted an invitation to play a higher-grade pennants team with Northmead. Good luck Rohan in this endeavour.

Congratulations to John Lloyd who has qualified as an Official Bowls Australia Coach. He is always available for advice and when he has time runs group coaching sessions.

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Congratulations also to Simon Kinsman who has qualified as both an Official Bowls Australia Measurer and Marker respectively. Next step on the ladder is Umpire.

Your Bowling Committee works hard behind the scenes to support both myself and all members. Sometimes we make decisions that not everyone agrees with, but I want members to know that we only ever make them for the benefit of the club.

As a committee we have decided to reinstate the Ladies Singles championship, a much-awaited event which has been missing from our calendar since 2020. We are encouraging all our lady bowlers to enter - noting that if you enter the Ladies Singles you cannot also enter the Open Singles.

We will also be playing a limited number of competitions through to the end of the calendar year, some of which will trial different formats. We have introduced a wrong bias penalty tin - the "Sin Tin" - where bowlers make a gold coin donation every time a wrong bias is bowled, with the proceeds going to a worthy charity. I suspect it will fill up faster than any of us would care to admit.

Thank You

To my Bowling Committee - Sarah Hobson (Vice President), Simon Kinsman (Bowls Secretary), John Lloyd (Chair of Match), Matt Lake, Pat Singleton and Peter Zucconi - thank you for working so tirelessly for this club throughout the year.

Thank you to the Board for their continued support in all our pursuits: Chairman John Burke, Vice Chairman Will Godfrey, Treasurer Stephen Brouggy, and Directors David Vincent and John Lloyd. This includes Kelly Mason and Richard Biggs who retired during the year.

And a big thank you to all our volunteers, who give their time, expertise and effort around the club both inside and out to make the place work and look fabulous. We really are the little club with a big heart, and we continue to show we are a force to be reckoned with on the bowling green.

Many thanks,
Jenny Moran
President

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GREENS REPORT

JOHN LLOYD

The Club continues to work tirelessly to provide and maintain quality bowling surfaces for our members and visiting bowlers. This is achieved through the ongoing commitment of our greens contractor, together with the valuable contribution of our volunteers.

The improvements to the watering system have delivered more consistent coverage across the greens and has assisted in maintaining better playing conditions throughout the year.

During the annual renovation of Green 3, laser levelling was undertaken to improve the overall surface and drainage profile. This work has paid dividends, with the green providing a more consistent and improved bowling surface. The continued improvement in the quality and presentation of our greens is being recognised within the broader bowling community. This is reflected in the increasing number of requests for the Club to host regional finals, which is a strong endorsement of the standard of our facilities.

The Board would like to thank our greens contractor and the volunteers who give their time and effort to maintain the greens surround and gardens. Their contribution is an important part of ensuring the Club continues to provide facilities of which our members can be proud.

We will continue to focus on the ongoing improvement and maintenance of our greens, with the objective of providing the best possible playing surfaces of our members and visiting clubs.

Greens Director

John Lloyd

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WORKPLACE, HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT

The Club remains committed to providing a safe environment for our members, staff, volunteers, contractors and visitors.

During the year, the Club continued to review and improve workplace health and safety practices, with particular attention given to identifying and reducing potential risks across the Club's operations and facilities.

A number of improvements undertaken during the year have had a direct benefit to occupational health and safety. These include the upgrading of the back-of-house storage and refrigeration areas, which has improved efficiency of operations and reduced manual handling and workplace risks.

The upgrade of the electrical switchboard and circuitry has also improved the safety and reliability of the Club's electrical infrastructure.

The replacement of the loading dock entrance slab, undertaken in conjunction with Lane Cove Council, has further improved the safety of the loading dock area and the facilities below.

The Club has also continued to improve the watering system for the greens, providing more consistent coverage and assisting with the safe and effective maintenance of the greens.

We continue to rely on our staff and volunteers to identify potential hazards and bring them to the attention of management so that appropriate action can be taken. Maintaining a safe workplace is a shared responsibility, and the contribution of everyone associated with the Club is appreciated.

The Board will continue to monitor OH&S requirements and implement appropriate improvements to ensure the Club provides a safe and welcoming environment for everyone who uses our facilities.

I thank our staff, volunteers, contractors and members for their ongoing commitment to maintaining a safe Club environment.

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Statement of Commitment and Compliance

1. The Board of Directors is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all employees, members, guests, contractors, and volunteers. In accordance with the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 (NSW), the Club operates under strict risk management framework guidelines to systematically identify, assess, and eliminate or minimize workplace hazards.
2. Officer Due Diligence Throughout the financial year,
The Directors have exercised their due diligence obligations by keeping up to date with club-specific safety matters, ensuring appropriate resources are allocated for hazard elimination, and verifying that the Club continues to implement robust processes for incident reporting and legislative compliance.

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BUILDINGS and FACILITIES REPORT

WILL GODFREY

Building Report

The Club continues to manage the building on behalf of the lessor, Lane Cove Council, at 151 Burns Bay Road Lane Cove. We work closely with the Council to ensure the building and its facilities are maintained to an appropriate standard and continue to meet the needs of the Club and the wider community.

During the year, a number of significant works and improvements were undertaken.

In conjunction with the lessor, the loading dock entrance slab was replaced, addressing an important maintenance requirement for the loading dock and facilities below.

The Club also undertook significant improvements to the back-of-house areas, including upgrades to storage and refrigeration facilities. These improvements have increased productivity, improved the working environment and help minimise occupational health and safety risks for staff and volunteers.

The Club's electrical switchboard and circuitry have been upgraded, improving the reliability and safety of the Club's electrical infrastructure and providing greater capacity for the Club's ongoing operations.

During the year, the Club also completed a program of painting to walls and ceilings, significantly improving the presentation of the premises and providing a more welcoming environment for members, guests and community groups.

Further improvements have been made to the Bowling Green's watering systems, improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the green maintenance and water management.

These works represent a continued commitment by the Club to maintaining and improving the facility while ensuring that expenditure is carefully considered and directed towards projects that provide practical, operational and long-term benefits.

The Board would like to acknowledge the support and cooperation of Lane Cove Council throughout the year and thank all staff, contractors and volunteers who have contributed to maintaining and improving the Club's facilities.

Will Godfrey
Building/Facilities Committee

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HONOUR BOARD

PATRON

The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP

LIFE MEMBERS

F. Bastock *	R. Marles *	P. F. Smyth *
A. Bourne *	F. Mayes *	I. Stenson *
K. Bowman *	B. Mulvey *	H. Troy *
P. Bright *	B. McLean *	F. R. Wark *
G. Chapman *	J. Notley	N. Wark *
J. Deahm *	G. Oakes *	H. H. Weidersehn *
R. K. Toose *	A. G. Pearson *	J. Williams *
A. N. Johnston *	R. Pym *	R. Willis
L. R. Leishman *	J. Rust	R. Wylie *

Merit Awards

Harold Holden	2009	Merve Mills	2015
Norma Wark	2009	Daphne Brady	2018
Harry Chappel	2010	Brian Paxton	2018
David Erskine	2010	Brad Stacker	2018
Henry Davidson	2011	Mal Knight	2019
Judy Magson	2012	David Madson	2020
John Rust	2012	John Bowring	2020
Les Heap	2013	Greg Moon	2020
Les Kay	2013	Ray Moran	2023
Tom Scahill	2014	Bevan Piper	2024
Libby Cahill	2014	Christina Piper	2024

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

	2025	2026
Membership Class	No. of Members	No. of Members
Life Members	3	3
Patron	1	1
Full bowling members	86	74
Social members	480	481

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CLUB SECTIONS AND COMMITTEES

Bowling Section

Jenny Moran	President
Sarah Hobson	Vice President/Selector
Simon Kinsman	Bowls Secretary/Selector
John Lloyd	Chair of Match/Selector
Matt Lake	Committee
Pat Singleton	Committee
Peter Zucconi	Committee

Gaming

Richard Biggs	Committee
Ray Moran	Committee
Matthew Lake	Committee
Ole Hostrup	Committee
Robert Patterson	Committee
Daphne Brady	Committee

Greens

John Lloyd	Director
Peter Currie	Contract Greenkeeper
John Owens	Principal Greens Contractor

Grounds

Kevin Mulhall	Director
David Madson	Committee
John Bowring	Committee
Phil Wade	Committee
Tom Curtis	Committee
Kevin Mulhall	Committee
Sue Bowring	Committee

Buildings and Facilities

David Vincent	Director
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Bowling Roster

Simon Kinsman	Social Selector
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Computer Services

Simon Kinsman

Contractor

Welfare

Bob Paterson

Welfare Officer

Coaches

John Lloyd

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