



BOWLS STORIES FROM THE PAST

Over time some interesting and funny stories have been heard about our wonderful game of bowls. Even lately from the cricket circles comes comments about Bazball. Of course we have our own Bazbowl. I digress— We understand all these stories are true with some embellishments. Here's one: -

The Gory Details

Back in the last century when all bowlers wore white Ken Broomhead was playing a game in Div 1 at Claremont. In the warmup suddenly Ken's trousers turned red as he had burst a blood vein. He lifted his trouser leg and blood gushed out like an oil well. Alan Anderson remarked something like: "Mount Venuses has erupted!"

The green keeper rushed to the scene shouting at Ken "Is your blood pasteurized?" Ken replied: "It's passed my eyes all right!"

Ken was rushed off to hospital but on the way the ambulance stopped at the Red Cross Centre and his trousers were handed in. They went through the wringer and gave three pints of blood. Nether-the-less Ken came back the next week.



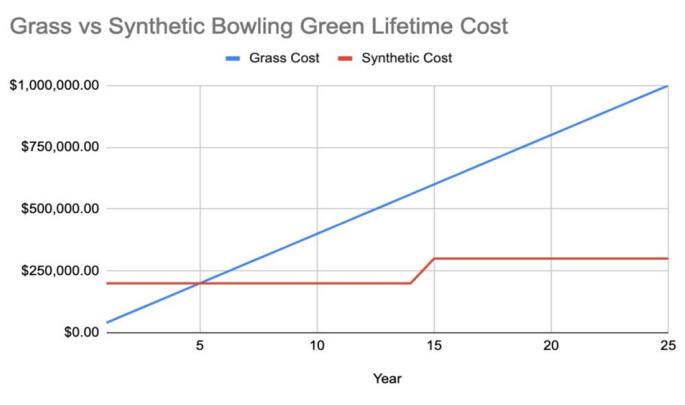
More stories next week, however, if you have an interesting/funny story please email Editor Mike*.

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Synthetic Bowling Greens are becoming increasingly popular due to their low maintenance and durability. In addition to this, we have found that a typical Bowling Green is taken out of action for 3 months of a year for maintenance. Most clubs will have at least 2 different bowling greens within their premises – which means up to 6 months of the year where play is not allowed.

The chart below demonstrates the lifetime cost of a regular grass surface versus a modern Synthetic Surface: Grass vs Synthetic Bowling Green cost over 25-year lifetime. As you can see the synthetic surface has a higher initial cost but has little to no ongoing maintenance costs. Around the 5 years mark the grass surface begins to actually cost more than the synthetic surface. Note: This does not include productivity lost due to maintenance periods for a grass surface.

After 15 years Synthetic Green will require resurfacing at an approximate cost of \$100k. This cost is reduced because the subsurface work has already been completed. Despite this, Synthetic Green still costs substantially less and after 25 years this difference amounts to approximately \$700k!



Above was gleamed from the internet.

Transfers

It's always sad to see bowlers transfer to other clubs for what ever reasons. We will miss all the ones below. 😞

3/06/2023	Claremont	Glenorchy Rodman	Glover, Brian
20/06/2023	Claremont	Glenorchy Rodman	Penneyston, Steven
12/06/2023	Claremont	Glenorchy Rodman	Price, Denise
13/06/2023	Claremont	Glenorchy Rodman	Voss, Adam
13/06/2023	Claremont	Glenorchy Rodman	Voss, Joy



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- The Ausmas Dinner will be held on 22 July– 6.30 for 7.00 pm. We require a minimum of 60 people, so please fill in the list in due course. It's well into winter and we are wondering what to do on 22 July. Easy fix– wear some Christmas gear and join in the Ausmas fun. But, you have to put your name on the list so the catering can be arranged. Maree Careless is taking numbers now for this dinner.**

We on the Social Committee, would like to invite interested members, to join us at our next Social Meeting which will be held at the club, at 5pm on Monday the 17th July. One discussion on the day will be around the "Ausmas" Dinner to be held the following Saturday. Also we would like to encourage all those that have their names down for the "Ausmas" to collect your tickets, after payment, from our President Maree Careless, who will make herself available on Thursday evenings.

For all those that have not yet expressed their interest in coming, we would love you to join us. We currently are looking for least 10 more to make this great social event, even better.

Cheers

Meekie Salter (VP)



Chairs: The chairs around the tables are deteriorating quite rapidly and need to be replaced. It is estimated this could cost up to \$9,000. The good news is that via Tom Foley the Glenorchy Community Fund has approved a grant of \$4500, which will pay for half of the required chairs. The talk is that ones like the plastic bar chairs would be used.

One would think that a couple of examples should be used to see the reaction of the members. Whether plastic chairs are the most comfortable is to be seen.

With the new chairs costing about \$100 each members may wish to sponsor a chair or two. We ask you to give this thought.



Chairs should be stackable, durable and comfortable.

10 years would be the life time expected.

Is plastic the best option?

Only way is to test them.

Sick List

Tony Fulton has had a battle over much of this year. His knee has been a problem since January. He had to have an operation on a valve in his heart, but a vein was nicked and he spent some weeks in hospital. He is just now learning to walk again and hopes to be out at the club soon.



Give Tony a ring



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Winter members Weekly Draw

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Draw No 10 of 29/6/23— No 178 belonging to Doreen Szcypior who was not present. Draw No11 for 5 July is worth \$40.00

be there!!



Warren Denne asked for some information on Iron Knob Bowls Club in South Australia.

Iron Knob is said to be the birthplace of the Steel Industry in Australia and has certainly played a prominent role in the life of South Australia.

After nearly 100 years, mining at Iron Knob ended in April 1998, when the last ore was taken from the Iron Monarch open cut pit. Though some stockpiles are still evident at Iron Monarch and if commodity prices are favorable in the future there still is ore to be extracted from these locations.

Not too much is known about the bowls club except for a few photos. If you visit Iron Knob please take more photos.

