Chairman's Report 2026

This year marks my 38th year serving on the Board of Bomaderry Bowling Club. Over nearly four decades, I have seen our Club evolve, adapt, and grow stronger through changing economic climates and industry shifts. I am proud to report that the Club has delivered an outstanding result for the 2025/2026 financial year, finishing in an exceptionally strong financial position with total net assets increasing to $32,308,913 (up from $30,857,944 in 2025). The Board remains firmly dedicated to safeguarding our assets, reinvesting into member facilities, and ensuring long-term sustainability across all our venues.

It has been another demanding and active year for the Board. I extend my sincere thanks to my fellow Directors for their commitment, diligence, and governance: Vice Chairmen Grant Gleeson and Derek Raymond, Treasurer Craig Jeffery, and Directors Carolyn Mitchell, Geoffrey McVey, and Rosa Burns, as well as Judith Croft who also served during the financial year. With the continuing evolution of industry regulation, compliance, and strategic planning, the directorship role demands continuous focus and sound decision-making to serve the best interests of our membership.

While our Treasurer will provide further detailed analysis, I am pleased to highlight that the Club achieved a net profit of $1,450,969 for the year ended 30 June 2026—a substantial increase on the $544,394 recorded in the previous year. Total revenue and other income rose to $15,433,912, driven by solid performance across key operational areas, while disciplined cost control and operational efficiencies helped strengthen our bottom line. This strong result has elevated our retained earnings to $23,502,254, while our cash and cash equivalents grew to $8,037,040 (up from $6,891,027 in 2025), ensuring we hold strong reserves to fund future capital works and strategic projects.

Our membership base continues to show healthy engagement, reaching 11,012 registered members across all categories at year-end, including 9,889 Ordinary, 771 Golf, 205 Bowling, 144 Junior, and 3 Life Members. Your ongoing patronage and involvement remain the true foundation of our success.

Leadership & Management

Following our leadership transition last year, Chief Executive Officer Anthony Field has completed his first full financial year at the helm with distinction. Anthony's extensive industry experience, leadership capabilities, and strategic vision have driven strong operational momentum across our venues. Working closely with the Board, Anthony has maintained a clear focus on commercial performance, asset enhancement, compliance standards, and member satisfaction.

He is supported by a dedicated senior management team and department heads who have demonstrated immense capability and care in managing our daily operations across Bomaderry Bowling Club, Berry Bowling Club, and Nowra Golf Club.

Alongside my role as Chairman, I have continued my 26th year of service on the Executive of the Illawarra Shoalhaven Zone ClubsNSW Committee as Vice President. This regional advocacy ensures our Club remains well-represented at industry and government levels while staying connected to broader industry best practice.

Our People & Special Farewell

The success of our hospitality, gaming, greens, and clubhouse operations is built upon our frontline staff. On behalf of the Board, I express our sincere gratitude to all staff members for their tireless hard work, friendly service, and commitment to creating an enjoyable environment for our members and guests every day. The Board and Management also remain dedicated to investing in ongoing staff development and professional training through the Club Managers' Association and accredited industry programs.

This year brings a truly momentous milestone as we celebrate the career of our longest-serving employee, Rodney Armstrong, who decided to retire on the 10th of August 2026 after some 47 years and 8 months of dedicated service. An achievement of this magnitude is extraordinary, and Rodney's dedication, work ethic, and presence will be dearly missed by colleagues, members, and friends across the Club. The Board and Management would like to extend our best wishes for Rodney and his family for a long, happy, and well-deserved retirement.

Looking Ahead

During the 2025/2026 financial year, we continued to invest in the future of our venues, allocating over $1.41 million toward property, plant, and equipment improvements across our sites.

Looking forward, the Board and Management are actively pursuing strategic master planning and venue enhancement projects across our core properties:

- **Bomaderry Bowling Club:** Progressing venue modernization initiatives, facility refurbishments, and exploring long-term development opportunities to ensure the club remains a premier community destination.

- **Berry Bowling Club:** Continuing our focus on sustainable operations, site resilience, and revitalizing community and sporting facilities.

- **Nowra Golf Club:** Building on course enhancements, leasehold improvements, and hospitality offerings—including the ongoing operation of the restaurant—to provide a top-tier sporting and social experience.

None of these achievements would be possible without the enthusiastic participation of our sporting bodies, sub-clubs, and community groups—our bowlers, golfers, snooker players, card and mahjong clubs, darts teams, bingo players, and local community service partners. You provide the vibrancy and camaraderie that make our venues special.

In closing, I express my deepest gratitude to all our members for your continued support, loyalty, and passion for the Club. We also pause to remember those valued members who have passed away during the year; their lasting contributions remain an integral part of our Club's history and heritage.

With a record financial position, experienced leadership, and a unified vision, we move into the 2026/2027 year with confidence and excitement for what lies ahead.

Peter Ingram

Chairman, Bomaderry Bowling Club Limited

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