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### Local Community Benefits from our Club

#### Community Grant Rounds Open

For over 50 years the Lightning Ridge District Bowling Club Ltd has supported local community organisations assisting them to make positive changes to the lives and lifestyles of our locals. Giving back to the community is in every local club's DNA – it's the reason why clubs exist and it's something they're extremely passionate about. Each year through ClubGRANTS, clubs across NSW provide support to tens of thousands of local community organisations, sporting groups, and charities that make a difference in their local area. With more than \$1 billion in funding provided since the program's inception, including a record \$100 million in 2014, ClubGRANTS is without doubt one of the largest and most effective grants programs in Australia. Applying for ClubGRANTS funding is quick and easy. All funding is processed locally, and community groups can contact their local clubs easily and at any time for information and advice. ClubGRANTS is also flexible, allowing clubs to provide sup-

port quickly, efficiently, and often as soon as a need emerges. To be eligible to apply, you must be a not-for-profit organisation and provide the following project and/or services: community welfare or social services, community development, community health services or employment assistance activities. You are also eligible if you or your organisation is involved in community or professional sport. Local community organisations are encouraged to apply for grants through Clubs NSW, and to directly approach the Club for assistance. Over the years many organisations have benefited not only directly through funding assistance but also through knowledge and skill sharing or additional services offered by the Club. Over the past three (3) years the Club has distributed over \$250 000 in form of Grants, Donations, and In-Kind services. The Club is proud to be a member of the Lightning Ridge Community and takes pride in assisting wherever and whenever possible. There are a great deal of community groups and charities that have directly benefited from their association with the Lightning Ridge District Bowling Club. Since the scheme began, clubs in

Born and Raised in Lightning Ridge, Alicia Bolton is one of our Customer Service Representatives here at the Lightning Ridge Bowling Club. Having lived here at the Ridge for over 29 years Alicia is a font of local knowledge and can often be seen assisting tourists with places to visit. Alicia has travelled OS to NZ with her son, but really loves living at the Ridge, her passions include Rugby League Football both playing and watching, Chinese food and Cider. At home she enjoys listening to Ed Sheeran, watching MKR and Home and Away. But her favourite place to be is here at the Club with her many friends and family. So remember to say Giddyay to Alicia



Alicia Bolton

NSW have given more than \$1 billion to recipients such as Surf Life Saving, the Ted Noffs Foundation, Vision Australia and Legacy. ClubGRANTS funding is available to community groups, charities and sporting teams across NSW. Approximately 500 clubs voluntarily allocate funds to the ClubGRANTS scheme. Local Community groups are encouraged to apply for grants either directly to the club, forms are available at reception or through Clubs NSW, www.clubsnsw.com.au/community/clubgrants/for-applicants. Applications close June 30.

### Entertainment in April

- Sunday 1st April:**  
6pm Trina's Karaoke
- Friday 6th April:**  
9pm Wez Thompson
- Friday 14th April:**  
9pm Cover Bandits (4pce Band)
- Saturday 15th April:**  
Dickie Jeffries
- Friday 20th April:**  
Free Pool & Free Jukebox
- Friday 27th April:**  
9pm Route 37 (4pce Band)

### Meet and Greet your Staff



# "The Ridge Roll Up"

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| <b>Grade 2</b>   |    |
| <b>Round 1</b>   |    |
| Lightning Ridge  | 66 |
| Narrabri         | 48 |
| 3 Rinks to 0     |    |
| <b>Round 2</b>   |    |
| Lightning Ridge  | 74 |
| Narrabri         | 45 |
| 3 rinks to 0     |    |
| <b>Grade 3</b>   |    |
| <b>Round 1</b>   |    |
| Lightning Ridge  | 53 |
| Gunnedah         | 45 |
| 1.5 Rinks to 1.5 |    |
| <b>Round 2</b>   |    |
| Lightning Ridge  | 44 |
| Gunnedah         | 82 |
| 1 Rinks to 2     |    |
| <b>Grade 6</b>   |    |
| <b>Round 1</b>   |    |
| Lightning Ridge  | 53 |
| Narrabri         | 64 |
| 0 Rinks to 3     |    |
| <b>Round 2</b>   |    |
| Lightning Ridge  | 58 |
| Narrabri         | 58 |
| 2 Rinks to 1     |    |

### Mixed Results for Men's Pennant Competition

The 2018 Pennant Season kicked off well for the men's Grade 2 Side with a 3 -0 , 66 to 48 victory over Narrabri Bowling Club, played here at the Ridge on Saturday the 10th of March . The teams skipped by Lightning Ridge local P A Morris had a convincing win over K Bagley from Narrabri 23 to 14, Skipper Scott Franklins had a hard fought tussle but eventually got up 19 to 18 over G Spence from Narrabri , while R Dixon who recently joined Lightning Ridge and his team defeated their opposition 24 to 16. The next round at Narrabri on the 25th of March saw the men of the Ridge decimate Narrabri with an emphatic win

of 74 points to 45, taking out the honours and now heading for the Zone Playoffs in May. A brilliant effort by the team who should go a long way this year. Well done fellas. Our Grade 3 Side played 2 games back to back on Saturday the 24th March at Wee Waa and were also very strong winning their first game 53 to 48, however during the 2nd game Gunnedah rallied strongly and defeated our boys, 82 to 44, our men were gallant in defeat not ceding defeat until the last bowl was played. Grade 6 side played at Wee Waa on Sunday 25th of March where they also played 2 games back to back against Narrabri

the Grade 6 side had a much tougher time of it, with narrow losses on all 3 rinks they went down 64 to 53 in the first game. Needing to win on all 3 rinks, with an overall margin of +11 our boys performed very strongly during the 2nd and rallied when the Grade 2 side arrived to cheer them on, unfortunately it was not enough, even with a win on 2 of the 3 rinks and scoreline of 58 to 58 our Grade 6 side also bows out of the competition. This leaves our Grade 2 boys all fired up to win in May at the Zone 3 Playoffs and after winning that, off to the State Championships. Go the Ridge.

#### Grade 2 Side not Pictured

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Grade 3 Pennant Side

Back Row Left to Right  
Ray Brown, Allan Tighe Jnr, Allan Tighe Snr, Kali Roraduri, Don Morgan, Michael Mitchell, Jamie Cubby, Jared Hunt, Adam Webb.  
Front Row Left to Right  
Tom Stanton, Rick Lane, Leo Hooper

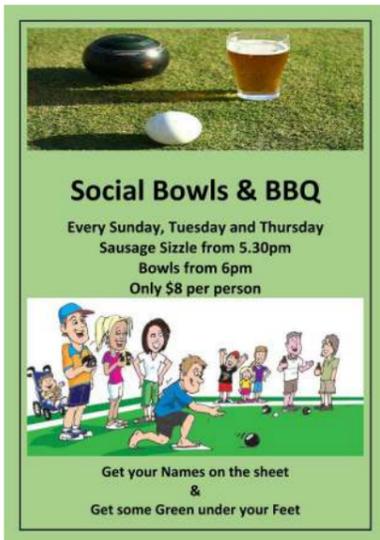


Grade 6 Pennant Side

Back Row From Left to Right  
John Warwick, Ian Anderson, Melvyn Samuelsson, Trevor McGovern, Bob Radoski, Bill Kennedy, Lyall Shailer, Derek Brown, Jordan McGovern, Gordon Richards  
Front Row Left to Right:  
Danny Seaton, Victor Murray, Greg Wilks, David Kennedy

Not Pictured Andrew Doggett

## Social Bowls Jackpot exceeds \$450



**Social Bowls & BBQ**  
 Every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday  
 Sausage Sizzle from 5.30pm  
 Bowls from 6pm  
 Only \$8 per person

Get your Names on the sheet  
 &  
 Get some Green under your Feet

April will be the last month of Night Bowls with the return to the afternoon format in May. We are currently still running Social Bowls on a Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, at a cost of \$8 pp which includes a Sausage Sizzle, prizes and an opportunity to win the Bowls Jackpot. The Jackpot increases by \$1 per player per Game so you can understand why the Jackpot now stands at \$450, the Jackpot can be won through a random margin draw, if your margin comes out you receive the Jackpot, as a winner, if your losing margin is drawn you get

1/2, so everyone has equal opportunity to pick up the Cash, It is fun, relaxed opportunity get a game of bowls and enjoy the social side of the game. Whether you're an experience bowler or an absolute beginner you can still have a lot of fun, bowling with great people and enjoying their company, you may even pick up a tip or two, or even a few dollars. So reward yourself and join us for a game of Bowls .

## I'm Celebrity Where else would I go



Local Staff member Chrystal Hollier with Anthony “The Man” Mundine

Recently returned from the Jungle, World Champion Boxer and Former NRL superstar Anthony “the Man” Mundine popped in for a visit at the Lightning Ridge Bowling Club. Mr. Mundine was in area assisting in the Tenant Support and Edu-

cation Project at Goodooga recently and as he passed through was a guest of the Club. “The Man” enjoyed the hospitality of the Club , and was very obliging to all of the locals posing for photos and supplying autographs to the lucky few who took the opportunity to meet with the Football and Boxing Great..

## Win a set of Aero Bowls

This year June marks the 25th anniversary of the Women's Black Opal Classic Triples Event, and to celebrate the club is raffling a new set of Speckled Aero Bowls of your choice and the new CV Ultra-glide trolley Bowls bag. Valued at \$ 750.00 Tickets are only \$ 2 each

and are available from the Women's Bowls Club, our Bowls Co-Ordinator, Andrew Doggett, or at Reception. The Raffle will be drawn at the Presentation Dinner of the Women's Black Opal Classic Triples on Sunday 24th of June at 7pm. There are limited number of tickets available so get in fast.



## Ladies Pennant Results

Our Ladies Pennant Sides had a much tougher time of it on the Greens. In round 1 they met the team from Wee Waa where unfortunately they were defeated in a close fought battle 39 to 27 Although the team skipped by Sheila Nagy defeated their Opposition it was not enough to grasp a victory. In the 2nd Round the ladies were up against the reigning champs from Narrabri, Although to be fair, the conditions on the day were far less than ideal. The reigning Champs defeated our ladies on both rinks with score of 53 to 24. Narrabri went into the final 2 rounds of pennants with an unassailable lead however our ladies were not about to go quietly into

the night. On Saturday 24th of March our ladies faced their arch rivals Narrabri again here at the Ridge, and this time not everything went Narrabri's way. Our ladies were up early in the game however, Narrabri came back and took out a narrow victory defeating the Ridge 37 to 28. On Sunday our Ladies were impressive defeating Wee Waa here at the Ridge 52 to 27 proving that there is still fierce competition left within this small yet tight knit group.



## Pool Comp hits record high while Poker players reap the rewards

Regular Friday night attendees to the club would no doubt have heard that we are running a regular Pool Competition it only costs \$5 to enter and then the club doubles that amount into the Prize Pool, just under 100 people have participated in this competition during

March and the Prize money paid out has exceeded \$1300, with some Winners pocketing up to \$230 cash. So if you fancy yourself as a bit of Pool Shark, come on down and earn some extra cash. Friday Nights: Registration from 6.30 Games Start 7pm

Our regular Tuesday Night Poker competition has undergone a few changes and can now boasts increased prize pools also.. The club now increases the prize pool by an additional \$10 per Player increasing the Pool considerably. Over the past few weeks prize pools have been averaging over approx. \$850 with the top players receiving over \$400 in Prizemoney.

However the Big winner this month was Danny Kapatos with a winning hand of a Royal Flush which also gave him the Royal Flush Jackpot of \$680, a 1 in 649740 chance. Well done Danny



## 2018 Bowls Events

### Open Events

**Bert Cooper Memorial**  
 Singles: 14th & 15th April

**Women's Black Opal**  
 Triples: 23rd & 24th June

**July Winter Triples:**  
 14th & 15th July

**BPL Cup:**  
 21st July

**Surf City Pairs:**  
 26th August

**September Carnival of Bowls:**  
**Pairs:** 6th & 7th September.  
**Fours:** (Prelude) 8th & 9th September

### Club Championships

**Men's Triples:**  
 16th & 17th June

**Men's Minor Singles:**  
 28th & 29th July

**Mixed Pairs:**  
 22nd July

**Mixed Fours:**  
 1st & 2nd September

### Club Awards Dinner

Saturday 10th November

