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PASSING OF CHESTER HOLLIS

1. It is with deep sadness and heavy hearts that the Bowls SA Executive Committee share the news of the passing of **Chester Hollis**, on Wednesday 18 February 2026.
2. Chester devoted much of his life in service to bowls.
3. Chester served on the Bowls SA National Standing Committee – Greenkeepers for 25 years, a position he occupied with distinction, introducing many aspiring green keepers to the intricacies of green keeping.
4. Chester was past President of the former Central Gauteng Bowls Association (CGBA), and was honoured with life membership of Johannesburg Bowls Association (JBA).
5. A family man, Chester will be remembered by his kindness to all, regardless of race and colour. He had a cheeky sense of humour and inquisitive nature. As a father he was generous and supportive.
6. Chester is survived by his wife Ann, daughter Kate, son Andrew and 3 grandchildren

BOBBY DONNELLY
CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER



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