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Torquay bowls club ready to roll

Member for South Barwon Andrew Katos officially opened the Torquay Bowls Club (TBC) today, marking the completion of a \$1.75 million redevelopment and the delivery of new community hub for the region.

The project has provided new facilities for the TBC's growing membership and a home for community organisations, including the Torquay RSL sub-branch.

TBC President Des Bruhn said the redevelopment was significant to the Torquay region and to the club, which one of the largest memberships of any Victorian club.

"We are very pleased to see the completion of a project which will serve not only our members, but our rapidly expanding community.

"It is exciting to watch a vision become a reality and we wish to thank the Victorian Government for investing \$1.5 million in the redevelopment through its flagship \$1 billion Regional Growth Fund.

"We also acknowledge the support of the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC), who auspiced the grant on our behalf and committed \$25,000 of in-kind support for the project," he said.

The TBC contributed over \$200,000 to the redevelopment, which was overseen by a project team comprising the TBC, Regional Development Victoria, GORCC and Surf Coast Shire representatives.

"We are proud to have been part of such a beneficial collaboration between community and government and are already enjoying the impressive new facilities.

"We have experienced a steadily increasing demand on our club and we can't wait to welcome new guests and share our community spaces.

"We have a fantastic new kitchen, meeting rooms and offices, improved disabled access, an impressive deck providing viewing over the bowling rinks and much more," said Mr. Bruhn

Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC) CEO Richard Davies said GORCC had worked closely with the TBC throughout the project.

"We are proud to support a project which has brought such extensive benefits to the club and to the region.

"It has been a pleasure to work with the TBC and you couldn't find a more community-minded local organisation," he said.

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