HOSPITAL BOWLED OVER BY SUPPORT

THE Traralgon Bowls Club recently held their annual 'Bowls for Goals' Charity Bowls day with all proceeds going to the Latrobe Regional Hospital's Chemotherapy Unit and the Operation LRH fundraising appeal.

Funds raised on the day were matched dollar-for-dollar by the bowls club. A total of $4500 was donated to Latrobe Regional Hospital (LRH).

LRH fundraising development officer, Lisa Twigger said the hospital values the support.

"The money from last year's event was used to purchase a chemotherapy chair,'' she said.

"The amount of time patients spend in chemotherapy chairs in the Gippsland Cancer Care Centre during one year is more the 11,000 hours.

"Money from this year's charity bowls day will go towards the Operation LRH campaign which aims to raise half a million dollars over two years.

"The money will be put towards new equipment for the operating theatres, the first item on the wish list is an image intensifier worth $200,000,'' she said.

The proceeds raised will also benefit the chemotherapy unit.

More than 80 people enjoyed the day, which included a BBQ lunch and novelty events and prizes.

"Special thanks must go to the Traralgon Bowls Club, Geoff Marriott and his team of helpers for organising the day,'' Ms Twigger said.

Traralgon Bowls Club board member, Geoff Marriott said the Bowls for Goals day will be held again in March.

"Next year we are looking to make it bigger and better, more of a family event with a jumping castle, face-painting, clowns and entertainment,'' he said.

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BOWLS for goals: Traralgon Bowls Club's Geoff Marriott rolls for a good cause, the charity day raised $4500 for Latrobe Regional Hospital.