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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

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On the Greens this week

Wednesday 8 3 April - 10am Club Day (AC)

Friday 10 April - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2)

- 5pm Jack Renwick 70's vs 80's (AC)

Saturday 11 April - 9am Seafood Tournament (OMF) day 1 of 2

Sunday 12 April - 8.30am Seafood Tournament (OMF) day 2 of 2

Wednesday 15 April - 9.30am Wednesday Tournament (OACT)

Easter Round Up

Good Friday saw 22 drawn teams made up of bowlers and non bowlers take to the greens for the annual RSA vrs Bowling club challenge. It a chance for Birkenhead to show case our club with all facilities operating. 11 teams where drawn to represent the RSA and 11 representing the Bowling Club, although all teams had a mix from both clubs in them. For the record Birkenhead Bowling Club came out the overall victors on the day.

Other members where playing in Glenfield's Easter Classic or Onehunga's \$20,000 Invitational Triples. Not much to report from the Glenfield in the way of prizes, which is unusual as Birkenhead has done pretty well here in years gone by. But the vibe from those that played was good times had by all and well run.

Onehunga saw some success for Birkenhead players. Tony Grantham playing with Shannon Mcilroy and Justin Goodwin came up against Mark Rumble playing with Steve Cox and Neil Fisher in the Plate Final. After three days of play Tony's team came out the winners and sharing \$720 for first place and Marks team sharing \$600, a far cry from the \$7,500 the winners of the Main Event took home.

Seafood Tournament

Our annual two day Seafood Tournament, proudly supported by the Ottawa Family Trust casts off 9am Saturday 11 and concludes Sunday 12 April 2015. Two days of Open Men's Fours competition, seafood morning tea and seafood lunch provided each day, over \$3,000 in seafood prizes. Thanks to Sandy Cleghorn for the work he has put in securing a full field and to Northern Foods for the supplies to feed the masses. Show your membership card when shopping at Northern Foods and receive a discount.

Cabinet Making Position

Part Time, Must have experience.
Working with MDF, Melteca and Plywood, Edgbanding and furniture preparation and construction.
Flexible hours, Based in Glenfield.
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\$40,000 Draw this Saturday

Each Saturday the TAB conducts an automated random draw to select one Betting Ticket to win \$5,000, from all participating Clubs New Zealand sites. "The Weekly Draw" is conducted at some time between 5.30 and 6.00pm each Saturday. The TAB will then announce the last 12 digits of the serial number of the selected Betting Ticket, including the site it was drawn from. The prize will Jackpot each week, if it is not won! **This week it stands at \$40,000**

*For full details about how to enter, and Terms and Conditions, visit clubsnz.org.nz or view the terms and conditions posted in the pool table area of the club rooms.

To claim a prize, winners must meet the full terms and conditions including:

- 1) Be present in a participating Clubs NZ site,
- 2) Have purchased your betting ticket from a participating Clubs NZ site and,
- 3) Be a member of a Clubs NZ site.

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Club Membership Draw

Drawn Wednesdays between 4.30pm - 5.30pm, and Fridays between 5.30 - 6.30pm.
Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize.
Happy hour Wednesdays 4.30pm - 5.30pm
Members have two minutes from the time the drawn name is announced to make themselves known to the "Caller" to claim the prize.

Friday Club Nights

Merv "The Swerve" spins the raffles from around 4.30 onwards
Happy hour 5 - 6pm.
Free Nibbles around 6pm
Club Membership draw between 5.30 - 6.30pm
Bring a friend along, they may enjoy it and join as a social member or a 1st year bowler!!



TAB now at Birkenhead Bowling Club.

The Birkenhead Bowling Club is committed to promoting responsible gambling.

Spotlight on Sponsors

This week we put the spotlight on "The Birkenhead Licensing Trust". Although not a sponsor, but with the Trust's support over the years the club has benefited from many grants.

Source <http://www.birkenheadlicensingtrust.org.nz>

The Trust is a net proceeds-committee of the Lion Foundation and is responsible for approving grant funding to the local community groups in Birkenhead and surrounding areas from gaming funds generated by Lion Foundation.

The Birkenhead Licensing Trust was established in 1967 after voters decided that the Birkenhead Council area should change from 'dry' to 'wet' under the control of a licensing trust.

In 1970 the Birkenhead Trust Hotel was opened, with catering facilities designed to cater for all locals. A period of expansion was followed by the economic slump of the late 1980s, the recipe for a loss-making enterprise. In 1992 the trust hotel complex was sold and only the wholesale outlet retained.

The Birkenhead Licensing Trust then sat for a number of years, accumulating revenue through the wholesale outlet and distributing interest accrued to local community groups. Meanwhile local licensing reins were loosened, allowing other operators to apply for licenses.

In the interim the Trust sought other suitable sites. In 2002 the Slipp Inn Pub had been opened by Allen Vaughan, who had a long history with Lion Breweries. In 2006 the Trust approached Mr Vaughan with an offer to buy the Slipp Inn, as it seemed a good fit for several reasons: the Trust is a net-proceeds committee of the Lion Foundation; grant funding to the local community comes from funds generated by Lion Foundation; the Trust was already the pub's landlord; the pub fitted the family-friendly ideal of the Trust; and the gambling facility was a source of revenue.

But, you ask, what is the difference between a Trust operation and a private or brewery-owned enterprise? Well, all profits from bar and restaurant sales and gaming proceeds are distributed in the local community through the Lion Foundation, rather than going into a big national pool for distribution nationally.

As Mr Vaughan points out, "The Trust does a lot of good in the community, it is not self-rewarding or ruled by self-interest, there are no paid directorships, and all six trustees are chosen by the electorate in the local body elections. As a result close to \$1 million annually has gone back into the community in recent years."

More recently the Trust bought the Glenfield pub Inn Field; revenues go back into the Birkenhead, Glenfield and Northcote areas from both establishments.

