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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

Wednesday, 24 February 2021



















#### **Bowls North Harbour Club of the Year**

#### On the Greens

Note: the status of each green may change without notice, always check the greens open/ closed board for current status.

Wednesday 24 February – 10am Club Day (AC Single Entry)

Friday 26 February – 1pm 2-4-2- Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) – Team \$ Single entry – mufti

Saturday 27 February - 8.30am Men's 1-5 Year Championship Singles

- 8.30am Women's 1-5 Year Championship Singles

Sunday 28 February - 8.30am Men's 1-5 Year Championship Singles

- 8.30am Women's 1-5 Year Championship Singles

Monday 1 March – 6pm YOU Travel Birkenhead Social Bowls3Five (10)

Wednesday 3 March – Matthews Memorial Pairs (AC 60+, Single entry – Full & Life members only) Saturday 6 March - 12.30pm Saturday Club Roll Up - mufti, social members welcome

Monday 8 March – 6pm YOU Travel Birkenhead Social Bowls3Five (11)

Wednesday 10 March – 10am Club Day (AC Single Entry)

Saturday 13 March – BNH Interclub 7s – 2 greens required

Monday 15 March – 6pm YOU Travel Birkenhead Social Bowls3Five (12)

Wednesday 17 March – 9.30am Wednesday Triples (OACT) – BYO lunch

#### Inside this Weekend

Friday 19 February - Club Night - \$5 Friday T&Cs apply

Raffles, Joker 500, Members Draw

Racing – Riccarton (Thoroughbreds), Alexandra Park (Harness), Addington, Wanganui (Dogs) and from across Australia.

Super Rugby Aotearoa\* - 7.05pm Highlanders v Crusaders

#### Saturday 27 February

Racing – Matamata, Otaki (Thoroughbreds), Ashburton (Harness) and from across Australia Super Rugby Aotearoa\* - 7.05pm Hurricanes v Blues

NBL\* – 7.30pm Adelaide 36ers v New Zealand Breakers.

NRL Pre-season\* - 8pm Titans v Warriors

- 8pm Charity Shield: Rabbitohs v Dragons

#### Sunday 28 February

Racing - Waikouaiti (Harness), Manukau (Dogs) and from across Australia \* viewing selection is determined by the members.

# We Got it Wrong

During the course of day on Saturday 6 February sixty-four bowlers and non-bowlers spent just under six hours out on the greens at Birkenhead enjoying a day of competitive yet friendly lawn bowls in the Club's annual Charity Tournament. The town hall clock wasn't up for grabs, it was all about raising as much money as possible for Harbour Hospice to be used in the Club's area (Northshore Hospice). Entry fees, raffles, donations, sponsorship and auctions all there to raise as much money for the cause as possible. The Bee Express on Wednesday publish \$7,800 had been raised. This was incorrect, after costs had been recovered the total is actually \$8,000, we got the tally wrong initially. Thanks again all those that contributed to a most successful day

# \$5 Friday\* this Friday!!!

Standard tap beer pints, bottle beer and a glass wine all discounted to \$5 for the day!

\* Terms & Conditions apply, excludes craft beer, spirits, RTDs, champagne (bubbles)





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# Markers Required – Saturday Morning

Markers required for 1-5 Year Singles this Saturday, 8.30am just for the first two rounds. Markers may mark in mufti and the usual liquid refreshment for the two rounds goes without saying. Names on the white board in the Club if you can help out.

# 1-5 Year Singles - This Weekend

This weekend both the Men's and Women's 1-5 Year Singles gets underway 8.30am Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> and conclude some time during Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>, if the rain keeps away. Entries close tomorrow at 5pm Thursday 25 February. Both will be played under the two life system.

#### Back to Level 1

Monday saw the government move Alert Levels to Level One and with it more freedom. The one hundred person limit is gone and we can welcome guests, visitors, children and

those we have reciprocal visiting rights with back into the Club. The regular Wednesday (5pm - 6pm) and Friday (5pm - 7pm) Members Draw makes a return tonight, Wednesday 24 February. Printed TAB fields will be back up on the boards Saturdays and printed copies of the Bee Express will again be available from the Club from today. Contact Tracing is encouraged with the Club displaying the NZ COVID Tracer App QR Code at Club entrances. There are manual sign in Contact Tracing forms available for those without the NZ COVID Tracer App QR. We have had Batman and Superman both sign in during previous Alert Level Ones, thankfully those idiots were not Birkenhead Bowling Club members. Continue to sanitise your hands, there are pump bottles of sanitiser at various loca-



tions around the Club. If using the AV system touch screens or the TAB, sanitise your hands before use (wait for hands to dry) and after use. Do not put liquid on the screens, it's not good for them. Stay home if experiencing any flu-like symptoms.

The Birkenhead Bowling Club is committed continuing to promoting responsible gambling.

#### Twice a Month

No Housie / Bingo after covid restrictions in late February, March sees the return of the Club's popular Housie / Bingo evening. But as of March there will be two evenings each month. Mark on the calendar Housie / Bingo on the first and third Thursday in the month, Come and join in the fun, the winning Houses regularly go for over \$180. Our resident caller "Scratchy" calls the first game at 7pm with the last game called about 9pm.



**Quiz Night - Free Entry 7pm Thursday 11 March** 

Non-members welcome Enter on the night

Quiz Partners: Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead, Bill Hansen and Tim Roskruge

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# **Matthews Memorial Pairs - Wednesday 3 March**

60+ Any Combination Pairs, Single entry – Full & Life members only

# Triples and Singles

Bowls North Harbour Women's Centre Triples last weekend with the trio of Milika Nathan, Mavis Smith and Ruth Lynch (s) the only Birkenhead team entered. On the greens of Browns Bay the girls started the day with a draw (13-13) against Lisa Parlane's Takapuna side with Trish Croot and Jamie Chen. Followed by a loss (15-19) to Orewa's, Jan Harrison, Bev Lomas, Jan Harrison and Maureen Howden. Game three wasn't played as with only one solitary game point and their opponents Mairangi Bay's Jan Gledhill, Jo Baxter and Theresa Rogers on zero game points, neither side could qualify for Sunday's postsection, a position Lynch doesn't find herself in too often. Parlane's trio made the Semis

on the Sunday but went down (7-16) to eventual winners Orewa's Kerin Roberts, Christeen Dalzell and Elaine McClintock.

On the Men's front, ten Birkenhead men competed in last weekend's BNH Men's Centre Singles with section play first up Saturday. Mick Moodie came through Section play with two wins but a superior "Shots For" over Orewa's Ross Higginson. Peter Nathan in a section with three of the players on two wins lost out to Colin Rogan on "Shots For" with Nathan on fifty-six while Rogan had fifty-seven

Fourth year bowler Chad Nathan first up had mate, Birkenhead Club mate and first year bowler William Tonga with Nathan starting the day off on the right foot with a win (21-13), Riverhead's Duncan Whittker gave Nathan a fright, but Nathan pulled a win (21-20). The third game against Riverhead's Gordon Smith, Nathan completed a clean sweep of the section with a win (21-13).



A very happy BNH Men's Centre Singles Champion, Helensville's Bart Robertson.

Colin Godfrey carrying an injury after

playing guitar (we kid you not), won his first two games, against Warkworth's Stewart McDonald (21-12) and Manly's Kevin Rainsford (21-11) but lost to Riverhead's David Ross (14-21). Rainsford, Godfrey and Ross all finished section play on six game points, but Ross went through on "Shots For", Rainsford on fifty-three, Godfrey on fifty-six and Ross on fifty-seven. Gary Wallace missed his section after finishing with six game points and sixty "Shots For" equal with Takapuna's John Janssen, but Janssen had the better "Differential" of twenty-three to Wallace's five.

Post section and the Birkenhead's hopes lay with Mick Moodie and Chad Nathan. Moodie started and finished post section going down to Browns Bay's Brian Wilson (6-21). Nathan after a dream run to make post section dropped his game to John Janssen (15-21). Both Wilson and Janssen went out next round (Quarter finals), Wilson to Helensville's Kylie Clark (17-21) and Janssen to Helensville's Bart Robertson (14-21). Clark then went on to eliminate Colin Rogan (21-15) while Robertson dispatched Graham Skellern (21-12) to set up an all Helensville final. A final which Robertson went on to win (21-10) claiming his eighth centre title in the process, four of them in singles.



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# **Members Draw Returns Today 5-6pm**

#### The Social Event of 2021

Back in 2018 the social highlight of the season was undoubtedly the 75th Jubilee Black Tie Gala Dinner, with many members commenting after the event they had wished they had been there.

The not to be missed social event for 2021 will be the High Tea Fundraiser on the afternoon of Saturday 12 June. This is dress to impress, MC'd event with a fashion parade, fundraising for KidsCan will sell out quickly. Limited to only sixty tickets, ten tables of six, you don't want to miss this and be the one that says "I'd wished I'd been there". Tickets only \$50 and on sale now from the Club bar or phone Emmie 0275 297297.



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#### Where was Jack?

Reproduced from Gisborne Bowling Club facebook page (22/02/21) by Beverly Davy

LAST-ROUND round nerves cost the youngest team big-time in the \$3000 Burton Cup Classic Fours at the Gisborne Bowling Club yesterday.

Youngsters Lucy Shanks, Paige Richter, Brendan McIlroy and experienced hand July Williams looked unstoppable as they ripped through five of the six rounds over the weekend without a loss. Then they blinked. And waiting, ready to pounce, was wiley veteran Queenie Takurua, her daughter Adrienne Smiler, Mary Taingahue and Lucy's brother Leighton Shanks.

To secure victory the Shanks four needed to win only one of the two games of pairs that made up the last round. Takurua had to win both. Feeling the pressure, McIlroy and Lucy Shanks, going head-to-head with her brother and Smiler, dropped their game 10-13 while teammates Richter and Wil-

liams were being taken to the cleaners by an out-ofcontention Charlie Ure and Diane Phillips. Ten points lost. Meanwhile, Takurua and Taingahue were blasting their way past Andy and Del Tamanui, winning by nine points and grabbing the Burton Cup by a point — 51 points to the Shanks combo's 50.

Shanks and Co picked up the Makauri Cup as runners-up. Endorsed as a Bowls New Zealand Summer of Bowls event and sponsored by the Eastland Group, the tournament attracted a full field of 16 teams from Auckland, Wellington, Bay of Plenty, Hawke's Bay and a strong representation from some of the best, and rising talent, in the Gisborne-East Coast area.

The classic format, which sees all teams playing singles, pairs, triples and fours, has been a big hit with players and the event's future, which was on shaky grounds just a few years ago, looks assured.

of the six rounds and Mere Nepia, a former Hawke's Bay singles champion, skipping Emily

The Huriwai brothers relaxing at the Gisborne Bowling Club after the first days play in the Burton Cup Classic Fours Ten points are available in each - in front from left are Hona and Henry and at the rear big brother Jack Huriwai visiting from North Harbour's Birkenhead Bowling Club.

Hongara, Wayne Parker and Betty Herring, grabbed 43 points to finish third. Paul Harrison, Dennis Biggs, Erin Sutherland and Geoff Pinn were fourth with 39 points. Trundling quietly along, Arthur Hawes, Carol Hawes, David Beattie and Tim Sherriff sneaked into fifth place on 36 points. That's a three-peat of placings for last year's runners-up Arthur Hawes and Beattie.

Birkenhead's Jack Huriwai, a former president of Bowls Gisborne-East Coast, skipping brother Hona Huriwai, Kelly Ross and Barbara Gibson, was sixth.

In the space of a year, 2020's winners, albeit sans quality skip Jamey Ferris, went from hero to zero, finishing a distant last.

Bowls New Zealand president Mark O'Connor played throughout the weekend and presented the prizes. Supporting sponsor Gear Meat kept the players and officials sustained throughout.

Editor: Jack Huriwai rocked up to play in Gisborne with only two bowls, the other two were in Auckland. The Burton Cup is Classic Fours (Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours) not straight Fours. So it was a set of borrowed bowls for Jack.





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#### **Update from the Centre**

Reproduced from email 23/02/21

**Centre Events** 

Men's Pairs to be played on 13-14<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Entries closed on 29<sup>th</sup> January

The COP and draw will be published by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February

Women's Triples to be played on 20-21<sup>st</sup> February 2021

The COP was published last week.

Men's Singles played on 20-21 February 2021

The COP and draws have been published.

Hopefully the Covid restrictions will be lifted and these two tournaments can go ahead

#### Club Tournaments.

Interclub Sevens

Women's Interclub Sevens played on 6-7 and 13<sup>th</sup> March.

Entries closed last Friday

The COP and draws will be published by Friday

Men's Interclub Sevens played on 6-7 and 13<sup>th</sup> March

Entries closed last Friday

The COP and draws will be published by Friday

Cadness Cup

Women's Cadness Cup played on Friday 5, 12 and 26<sup>th</sup> March

EnEntries closed last Friday

The COP and draws will be published by Friday

Men's Cadness Cup played on Friday 5, 12 and 26<sup>th</sup> March

Entries closed last Friday

The COP and draws will be published by Friday

**Junior Interclub** 

Junior Interclub played on Sat 20th and Sun 21st March

Entries close on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021

**Become a coach** – Bowls New Zealand are running a Foundation online course on 28th & 29th March 2020

Follow this link to find out more

https://bowlsnewzealand.co.nz/get-involved-as-a-coach/foundation-coach/

BNH will pay your \$50 entrance fee if you are keen and fulfil the requirement below.

There are two levels being offered.

- 1. Foundation Requirements
  - a. Attend the online course
  - b. Attend a short session with an arranged development coach at a zone venue to complete the greens module
  - c. Commit to attending the winter coaching (4 Saturdays in June 8am-12pm) assisting a development coach
  - d. Complete 8 hours of coaching, signed off by a development coach
- 2. Development requirements
  - a. Attend the online course
  - b. Attend a day with an coach trainer at a zone venue
  - Commit to attending the winter coaching (4 Saturdays in June 8am-12pm)
  - d. Complete 20 hours of coaching, signed off by a development coach

Please register via an email to bowls@bowlsnorthharbour.co.nz and we will pass your registration on to Bowls NZ and commit to paying your \$50 subject to the conditions above.

If you start with the Foundation course you can carry on to become a development coach in the future.



# TAB at Birkenhead Bowling Club.

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# **Umpires Thank You**

Received an email from the Umpires Association thanking the Club "On behalf of the Umpires Association I wish to pass on our thanks to the Board of Birkenhead BC for hosting our first January Tournament. It was a great initiative of yours combined with Emmie's sponsorship and we are very grateful. I know all the players enjoyed the opportunity to play and the Association is grateful for the extra funds, as well as the exposure such tournaments give us. Also our thanks to your excellent catering staff. The

morning tea was delicious and keeping us supplied with beverages of all types was also appreciated."

#### **Facebook and Cancellations**

For those members that are on Facebook, please 'like' our "Birkenhead Bowling Club" page. Also, get your friends & family to 'like' our page! The page is a great way to keep in touch with what is happening at the Club! For cancellations go to the Club's facebook page www.facebook.com/BowlsBirkenhead or ring the club.

# **Bowls North Harbour Umpires Association**

Open Any Combination Triples Tournament for all bowlers Milford Bowling Club Friday 9 April, 9.30am



# OCEANIA

\$30 per team payment is accepted on the day To enter, contact Garry Moverley gpmoverley@gmail.com include team names, club and contact phone number

> Morning tea provided, bring lunch creams or club colours

The umpires thank Oceania for their continued support and sponsorship





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#### Luxuries

The Joker 500 played for every Wednesday and Friday, on sale from 4pm and drawn just after 6pm, has not only put more than a few dollars in some lucky members pockets, but has also enabled the purchase of what could be considered luxury items in a bowling club. It is with thanks to those members that support the Joker 500, purchasing numbers in the draws, which benefit the general membership and enhance the Club. To date the Joker 500 has provided one hundred white dinner plates, side plates and desert bowls for catering of club functions such as the Jubilee Dinner, white outdoor tables on deck, 85" LED TV, Managed Wi-Fi system providing free internet access to those frequenting the Club, four additional 32" Panasonic TVs to make up the TV strip in front of the bar and ...... yes, there will be more to come.

# Spotlight on Club Partners

This week we put the spotlight on long time Club Partner Dil's Funeral Services. By Stephen Dil

Since 1960 Dil's Funeral Services has been meeting the needs of families as they cope with loss and sadness after a death. We provide funeral services based on the wishes of the families we serve. They are personalised, meaningful and memorable.

From the very beginning, we have run our company on a set of traditional family values that ensures you are met with sensitivity, empathy and warm professionalism as you begin plans to farewell your loved one.

From your first contact with us, our carefully selected and experienced staff will take the worry out of getting it right. We work sensitively to help you create a funeral service that will truly reflect their life, and the feelings of your family and friends.

This deeply personal approach formed the unique heart of our service when it was originally founded by Wilfred T Dil - and it remains in place today as our business continues into the third generation of family ownership. Today the company is owned by Wilf's grandson Stephen Dil

Equally important to remaining true to these original values has been our ability to evolve along with the times, to innovate and embrace new ideas and continue to meet the needs of changing generations.



We carry out our work as a 'family', with integrity, honesty and with the highest respect for you and your family. In line with the very best philosophy based on familial care and empathy - 'nothing is too much trouble'.

Our company stands apart as a funeral service provider and, at this difficult time, we can assure you that:

- We will listen to your needs and find out exactly what you want
- The funeral service we create together will be personal, individual and tailored exactly to your requirements
- Traditions and special requirements important to your family will be followed
- Help and guidance will always be available and you will have access to knowledgeable, experienced and sensitive staff
- You will have access to world class facilities including our award winning North Harbour Chapel.

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