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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

Wednesday, 22 September 2021



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LEVEL 3

Auckland is at Alert Level 3 Clubrooms, Greens & Surrounds closed

On The Greens - Closed until further notice

Both greens and surrounds are closed.

Wednesday 22 September - 10am Club Day (AC - Single Entry) - cancelled Friday 24 September - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) - cancelled

Wednesday 29 September 10am Club Day (AC - Single Entry) - cancelled Friday 1 October - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) - cancelled Saturday 2 October - 8.30am Handicap Pairs (AC) - postponed

Sunday 3 October - 9am Sunday Tournament (OACT) -- cancelled

Seven Days to Go

Only seven days remain to pay your playing membership fee if you wish to cash in on the discounts, \$65 discount on Full Individual membership, \$130 discount on Full Couples membership.

After Tuesday 28 September it is full price. Thanks to all those that have paid their subs to date, with a special thanks to those members that have included a donation with their pay-

Membership subs for 2020-21 may be paid direct into the Club's account (ASB Account No: 123035-0699644-01).

SUBSCRIPTIONS (2021-2022)

Full Member.....\$260 (discounted to \$200*)

Full Member Couples (married, civil union or de facto)....\$425 (discounted to \$295*)

Full Member over 80 years of age with a minimum of 10 years continuous membership.....\$140 (discounted to \$120)

Full Member with 20 years plus continuous membership \$140 (discounted to \$120*) First Year....\$40

Student Bowler.....\$40

Associate Members.....\$80

Social Members....\$35

*Payment must be received by or on Tuesday 28 September for discount to apply.

Daylight Savings this Sunday

Daylight savings starts this Sunday 26 September, just in time to welcome back those takeaways back into your diets, contactless purchase and delivery of course.







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Inside this Weekend - Closed until further notice

Friday 24 September - Closed Saturday 25 September - Closed Sunday 26 September - Closed

Umpire's Corner

By Trish Croot

We are lucky to have two Umpires at Birkenhead. As rusty as we are at the beginning of the season, it is important to note that even experienced players can sometimes cost themselves games from giving away shots by not knowing how to apply the rules. All players should carry a rule book in their bag and while you might not know the answer, you know where to find it! Bowls NZ has guizzes on their website to test your skills and they are worth testing your knowledge.

For the next few weeks, we will post a couple of questions here to test your knowledge. All answers are contained in the Bee Express.

- 1. A player plays out of turn. The player's bowl does not touch anything during its course. The bowl comes to rest 2m from the jack. What should happen?
- A third plays the first of their two bowls, then realises that the team's second has played only one bowl. What should happen?

North Harbour is always looking for new Umpires and if you think you'd like to become one please talk to Garry Moverley or Trish Croot who will point you in the right direction. It's valuable and contributes to your team, club and centre.

Club Night every Friday









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Ladies.....

Women bowlers, beginners to experienced, new to the Club join for only \$50*

Contact Emmie (0275 297297), Trish (0224 823909) or come into the Club and have a look around.

\$50 2021-22 season and \$50 2022-23 season, additional terms & conditions apply.

Coaching with Trish & Keith

By Trish Croot

Coaching this season will commence at 4.30pm and run through to approximately 6pm on a Monday. We will be coaching all levels and we can help facilitate high-performance assistance on request. As with any program, we can adapt to our audience needs so I am happy for any feedback as to what you would like from us.

At this stage, Level 2 is the likely scenario as a start date but this shouldn't be stopping your physical fitness and strengthening exercises in the meantime.

Walking is the optimum and 30 mins is a good effort if you haven't been doing anything. There are some exceptional bush tracks around Birkenhead which provide a great workout incorporating steps and slopes.

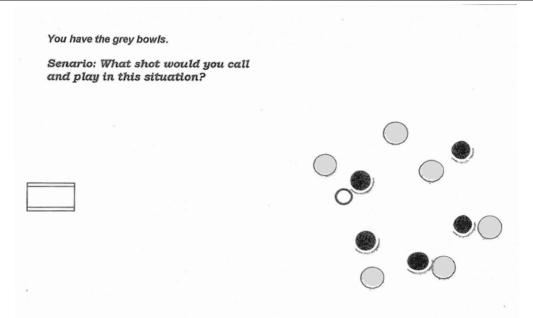
I have available some additional resources (from the rep team) on shot playing and head reading. If you would like to participate in this over the next couple of weeks, please email me trishcroot@gmail.com or call 022 4823909 and I will send you some diagrams for testing your skills. I have added one of these below and the correct answer will be found at the end of the Bee Express. Good luck!







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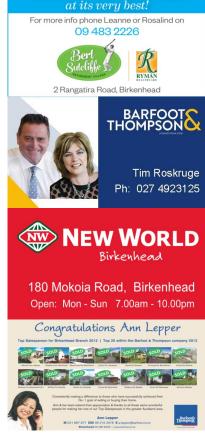
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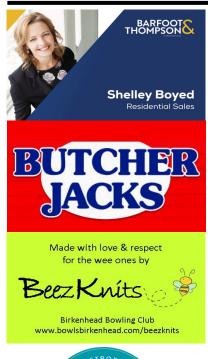
Our irregular columnist Mike Cartwright with one man's perspective on the sport of bowls. The views and opinions expressed here are those of the author's and do not necessarily represent or reflect the views of Birkenhead Bowling Club.

Sometimes it's hard to put something together when there is no bowls being played so rather than have a crack at someone I thought I'd have a go at myself. I'm an easy target and I tend to like people having a go at me because then they are leaving someone else alone!!

Most people won't know this but I use to be a member of the Metropolitan Police back in the 80's when every policeman was corrupt. Bowls wasn't my game back then and I spent my weekends playing rugby for the Metropolitan Police who at the time played the best clubs in the country. You will ask what the hell this has to do with bowls....well...it's about me and I'm a bowler and this story will give you an insight into why I have won bugger all in bowls. I've decided to do it over three parts in an effort to carry us through the boredom of Level 3.....enjoy.

Part One:

I joined the Metropolitan Police in London as a young wet-behind- the-ear Kiwi in June 1981. I had never played Rugby in New Zealand because I was a cyclist and I liked riding bikes. After completing my training I left Hendon Police College as a young 21 year old who had no idea what he had just got himself into. I was posted to North London and I arrived at SQ34 in North London...a home for single policeman....with an eye for single woman !....now there's another story.. I arrived at reception and met the warden Des who introduced me to a person who became a good friend, Andy Dickson. Des advised him I was a Kiwi and that's essentially how my rugby career started !!!! Andy asked me if I played Rugby....as a Kiwi it was hard to say no....I was also looking for friends....so I told him a white lie and said yes. Unfortunately for me Andy ran the Y District Rugby team and played for the Metropolitan Police....I was f...ked and about to get my beans....or so I thought. A few weeks later I ran out for Y District rugby as a flanker, yes a flanker, not the other thing. I had a rough idea what to do as I had watched a few games on telly. I reverted to well-known All Blacks tactic....if you have no idea what to do..... fight and cheat. And that's what I did, the result being that I developed a reputation for being a "dirty bastard" or so my Y District team mates would have you believe....in reality I was just aggressive. Andy also got me playing for the Metropolitan Police on a Saturday. Back in the 1980's the Metropolitan Police had a very good team and played all the top clubs sides in the UK. I was very impressed, but wasn't good enough to make the 1st team and rotated between the 2nd and 3rd teams, a lot depended on who I bought a drink for the week before. Those were enjoyable days for me because I spent a lot of hours in a red Hillman Hunter with another friend Noel Lindsay doing the hour long trip to Imber Court to play our home games. Noel and I were pretty social and we would end up travelling back in the dark well lubricated after a few ales....I must admit I use to love the big communal baths after the game where most of that lubrication was done.....the less said on that the better, but I must say there is something about sitting in a huge bath with 17 other men and supping on a few ales on a cold Saturday afternoon....it's a form of bonding that is hard to explain. In 1984 I changed my focus and I decided that I wanted to play in the 1st team with the big boys....the bath opened my eyes. So I decided to embark on an intensive training program. My bible for this training regime was a book written by Arthur Lydiard called "Running with Lydiard". It had a program for rugby players and anyone who knew Lydiard's philosophy knew he was a masochist when it came to running. I stuck to the training regime like glue and ended up being able to cruise along for hours at a time, two at least. The rugby season came around in August and relieved me of my pain of beating the feet on the footpaths.....I was lean and fit, for me that is...and I was going to stamp on a few heads to get what I wanted. I was going to have a crack at that first team and along the way I was going to play with two of the greatest rugby players to play the game, on both sides of the equator..... Until next week....



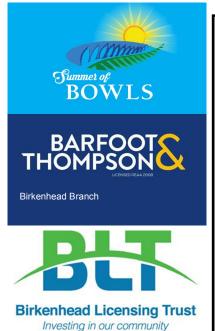




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From the Centre

Weekly Reminder – 21st September 2021

ENTRIES OPEN

BNH Power Play League Carnival – 16/17 Oct 21

We are still hoping to hold the PPL Carnival on 16th and 17th October, if we are in Level 2 by this date. Due to the restrictions on the greens and in the clubhouse at Level 2 we will be restricting the number of rinks being used on a green to 6. We are also restricting the number of greens being used at any one venue to 1.

BNH Men Pennants Premier Division, BNH Men Pennants Division 1,

BNH Women Pennants Premier Division, BNH Women Pennants Division 1,

BNH Mixed Pennants Section A, BNH Mixed Pennants Section B – 30-31 Oct & 6 Nov 21 CENTRE OPENING AND HANDBOOK

The Center is now for all intents and purposes open.

The handbooks will be distributed as soon as we are able to get them from the printers and get them to your club. The printers are able to print them when we get to level 3 so hopefully we will get them sooner rather than later

MASTERS 2022

Date of tournament: 14th to 18th February 2022

We have 27 entries to date

Get your entries in now

The link is https://www.bowlsnorthharbour.com/masters/

BOWLS NEW ZEALAND CEO VISIT TO BOWLS NORTH HARBOUR

If we are down at Level 2, Mark Cameron will be visiting our Centre on 12th October at 6.30pm at Browns Bay Bowling club.



TAB at Birkenhead Bowling Club.

The Birkenhead Bowling Club is committed to promoting responsible gambling.

Umpire's Corner Answers:

Question 1.

Law 29.1.2. If the bowl has come to rest and has not disturbed the head, the opposing skip must choose whether to:

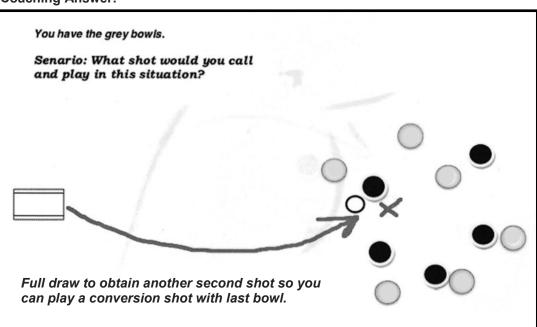
29.1.2.1 leave the head as it is and have their team play two bowls one after the other to get back to the proper order of play or

29.1.2.2 return the bowl and get back to the proper order of play

Question 2.

Law 29.4.2 Failing to play: <u>If a bowl has been played by each team</u> before the players discover that one of them has failed to play a bowl in the proper order, that player will lose the right to play the bowl.

Coaching Answer:













BeezKnits

The Club utilises the resources within its membership to support the premature babies. These little ones need all the help they can get to give them a fighting chance to be future bowlers.

Our members knit booties, hats, mittens, vests, blankets and much more to keep the premature babies and new-borns leaving Kidz First Hospital warm.

From a small informal group the "BeezKints" have been formed, kniting for a specific purpose and donating all.

The "BeezKnits" operate from the Club, where the Birkenhead Bowling Club has become a drop-off point, delivering knitwear to Middlemore on a regular bases.

If you're keen to help out or join the "BeezKnits" contact Emmie (0275 297 297) or Louise (021 2367121).

Talking to a member of the Middlemore Foundation Wool Progamme they currently need knitted blankets, peggy squares and cardigans.

Donations of wool (4 ply & 8 ply) to the Club (or money to purchase wool) will be gratefully accepted at the Club, it is amazing how far one ball of wool or \$5 will go for the wee ones. Drop-off point: Birkenhead Bowling Club. 93 Mokoia Road, Birkenhead, Auckland 0746 Open from 3.30pm Monday to Friday and from 11am Saturday and Sunday

Spotlight on Club Partners

This week we spot the spotlight on Ryman Healthcare's Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village. Ryman Healthcare having been sponsoring at the club over the past six years. Now days focusing on the Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village situated just down the road from the club in Birkenhead

Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village

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tiful panoramic views, out over Auckland harbour and Kauri point.

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