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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

Wednesday, 20 October 2021



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LEVEL 3

#### Auckland is at Alert Level 3 - Phase 1

Clubrooms closed

"A Green" open for practice (bookings required)

## TWILIGHT BOWLS 3 FIVE







#### Birkenhead Licensing Trust

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#### On The Greens

A Green - Open for Practice (bookings required, conditions apply) B Green - Closed

Handicap Pairs (AC) - postponed

Allan Meekings Memorial (AC, Drawn) - postponed

Handicap Singles (Mixed) - postponed

Wednesday 20 October - 9.30am Wednesday Triples (OACT) - cancelled Saturday 23 October - 8.30am Men's Championship Singles - postponed Sunday 24 October - 8.30am Men's Championship Singles - postponed Wednesday 27 October - 10am Club Day (AC - Single Entry) - cancelled Friday 29 October - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2)

Saturday 30 October - BNH Pennants - cancelled Sunday 31 October - BNH Pennants - cancelled

Wednesday 3 November - 10am Club Day (AC - Single Entry) - cancelled Sunday 7 November - 9am Sunday Tournament (OACT) - Lunch provided Monday 8 November - 6pm "YOU Travel Birkenhead" Social Bowls3Five (1)

Wednesday 10 November - 10am Club Day (AC - Single Entry)

Friday 12 November - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) - Team & Single Entry - mufti

Saturday 13 November - 8.30am Men's Championship Pairs

- 8.30am Women's Championship Pairs

Sunday 14 November - 8.30am Men's Championship Pairs

- 8.30am Women's Championship Pairs

Monday 15 November - 6pm "YOU Travel Birkenhead" Social Bowls3Five (2)

Wednesday 17 November - 9.30am Wednesday Triples (OACT) - BYO Lunch

Saturday 20 November - BNH Men's Fours & Women's Fours – 1 green

Saturday 21 November - BNH Men's Fours & Women's Fours – 2 greens

Monday 22 November - 6pm "YOU Travel Birkenhead" Social Bowls3Five (3)

#### 64 Days, over 2 months of No Trading!

#### Inside this Weekend - Closed until further notice

Friday 21 October - Closed Saturday 22 October - Closed Sunday 23 October - Closed

#### Green Open for Practice Only

"A Green" is open for practice with conditions. Hand Sanitizer to be used before and after practice. Full members only,

No guests or visitors practicing or spectators on Club grounds.

- 1. "A Green" will be used and only 4 rinks will be used
- 2. Only singles or pairs to be played
- 3. Practice will only be on Tuesday to Saturday between 11am and 5pm. 1 and half hour
- Jacks will be in a bucket with soapy water. Used jacks to be placed back in the bucket. Mats to be wiped down after use
- 5. All bookings to be via Joseph Korkis Phone number 021 2635606
- 6. All Bowls NZ rules to be adhered to
- 7. No alcohol on licensed property
- 8. Club rooms and shed to remain shut (includes toilets)

Joseph will be present at all bookings





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#### The Dog House

Our irregular columnist Mike Cartwright with one man's perspective on the sport of bowls amongst other things. 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.

If my memory serves me correct, and I'm not sure it is, I think I admitted to being the only person at the club to volunteer for the role of Club Captain for the 21/22 season. I was unfortunate to be the Vice President and Green Superintendent at Victoria a few years ago and must say I did a pretty poor job. The lads, and lasses at Victoria will have affectionate memories of me, but, that has nothing to do with the job I did at the club. More because I was a copper and could usually get them off their drink driving charges !!! Anyway, as usually happens when you are the only one to put your name forward, I got the job. Obviously no reference checks were done with Lou Newman of Victoria to see if I had a clean record because if they had they may have found a few things in my closet. I do have a clear conscience, but in the words of Winston Churchill "A clear conscience is the sign of a fuzzy memory". Let's face it, a recent stuff article will have us all looking over our shoulders.

One of the main reasons I volunteered for the position was because I had an affectionate place in my heart for the first person I came into contact with at a bowls club. In the mid 1990's George Martell was the club captain at Browns Bay and took me under his wings. George got me drunk and taught me how to play bowls when you were paralytic. He gave me an old set of Henselite size 5's. The bowls had an emblem with a Dog House on them and were the last set of bowls I won anything with....1999 I think.

Now as club captain George use to spend his time at the club sitting at the end of the leaner opposite the bar and supping on a Vodka. That was the picture I had in my head when I wrote my name on the piece of paper and shoved it in the ballot box at Birkenhead. Not much thought went into what I was doing but I have shoved a few things into those boxes over the years so nothing's really changed.

I've been fortunate that Mr's Ed has decided unless you are Brian Tamaki you can't do anything in Auckland. What Mr's Ed doesn't realise, is that Mr Tamaki standing in a church doesn't make him a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes him a car. What her decision has done though is given more time to research what the role of the Club Captain is. Something I will thank her for because there's nothing worse than looking an idiot, although I've become pretty good at that.

So what did I do, what everyone does, go to the good old English Dictionary. Now the definition for club is "an association dedicated to a particular interest or activity". Now that definition conjures up all sorts of thoughts if you consider some of the clubs that use to pepper Karangahape Road a few years ago. I've visited most of them over the years and I'm still trying to work out where they fit into that definition...I'll leave that to you.

Now Captain means "a person in charge of a ship" or the "leader of a team". I'm not sure I will fit into any of those categories and I'm not sure I want to be in charge of a ship...for one, have you ever tried to change the direction of a ship. It's a slow process and changing it back can send you in a direction you don't want to go. We have seen that happen to a few clubs over the years and I'm just hoping that someone doesn't hand me the helm of Birkenhead otherwise there's going to be a massive oil spill.

I have taken some steps to find out my role as Club Captain and it doesn't make good reading. While we are in lockdown I will discuss some of the criteria over the next couple of weeks and hopefully try and get some feedback about what you expect from me. I have included my email at the bottom so that you can flick me any suggestions. Please don't send me anything that its likely to get my Knighthood revoked and please don't get offended if I don't agree with you. If I agreed with you, we would both be wrong. Until next time

Email: michaelcartwright@xtra.co.nz

## Club Night every Friday

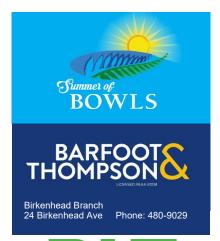








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#### Ladies.....

# 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.

## Entries for the 2021-2022 Summerset Nationals are now open!

Reproduced from Bowls New Zealand website October 12, 2021

Bowls New Zealand is moving towards an online event management system for National Events in the 2021-2022 season, called BowlsHub Aotearoa.

BowlsHub Aotearoa will allow Bowls New Zealand to keep National Event results in one centralised location, along with the ability to maintain an accurate membership database that will help administer bowls at not only a National Level but at a Centre and Club level as well

Because of this exciting development, the process to enter National Events for the 2021-2022 season has changed, here's how.

- Every member entering a National Event in the 2021-2022 season will need to create a profile with BowlsHub Aotearoa.
   This can be done by going to bowlshub.co.nz/signup, Once you've created an account
  - This can be done by going to bowlshub.co.nz/signup, Once you've created an account you can log in to BowlsHub Aotearoa at www.bowlshub.co.nz (take note of your National ID/Membership number once you've logged in.)
- 2. Entering a National Event for the 2021-2022 season is done on BowlsHub Aotearoa. Once you've logged into BowlsHub Aotearoa navigate to "My Competitions" and you will be able enter the 2022 Summerset Nationals.
- 3. If you're entering a pairs or fours event you will need to know the National ID/ Membership Number of every member in your team. If you're entering a pairs or fours event you will need to know the National ID/Membership Number of every member in your team. (Your teammates will know their National ID/Membership Number once they've signed up and logged in once)

Entry fess for the 2021-2022 Season are:

- Singles-\$49.50
- Pairs-\$99.00
- Fours-\$198.00

Find step-by-step instructions for the above on Bowls New Zealand's website. If you need some help, feel free to email us at 'events@bowlsnewzealand.co.nz' or call us on 021 082 08536













180 Mokoia Road, Birkenhead Open: Mon - Sun 7.00am - 10.00pm



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Summerset RETIREMENT VILLAGES

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nd P 09 951 8922

E hobsonville.sales@summerset.co.nz

## **Functions at Birkenhead Bowling Club**

Corporate Events , Company Social Events , Weddings, Birthday Celebrations , Anniversary Parties , Breakfasts



Phone: Club 480 7493 or Emmie 027 529 7297

Email: privatefunction@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz

#### YOU Travel Social Bowls3Five - November 8?

Note: Dates may vary dependent on what level we are operating in, but a November 8 start is unlikely, contact Evan to avoid the disappointment of missing out.

YOU Travel Social Bowls3Five starts 6pm Monday 8 November and will see the Birkenhead greens inundated with social bowlers as the Club commences the first of six pre-Christmas evenings of YOU Travel Birkenhead Social Bowls3Five. If you're keen to enter a team or would like to play and don't have a team, give Evan a call 021 057-5491 or email socialbowls@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz

Free loan bowls, no experience necessary, greens open for practice from 5pm. Teams may comprise of three non-bowlers (never been a playing member of a club) or to non-bowlers and a bowler. Spare bowlers are also required most evening, contact Evan if you can help out there. Each evening concludes with a prize-giving and a meal.

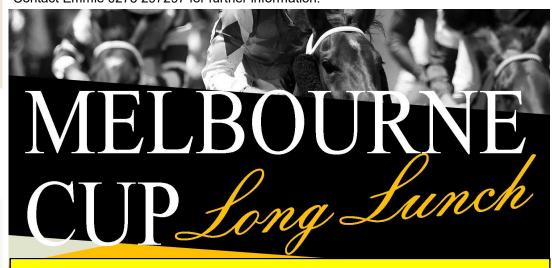
#### **120 Seats For Sale**

Recently the Club was the recipient of a grant from the Birkenhead Licensing Trust. A portion of the grant has been used to update our dining area chairs and tables. As a result, the Club has 120 green stackable chairs looking for new homes. Have you ever considered turning your Man Cave into the replica to the Bowling Club rooms of yester year? He is your chance to purchase a real piece of Club history. You could be purchasing a seat that Sandy Cleghorn has sat on,

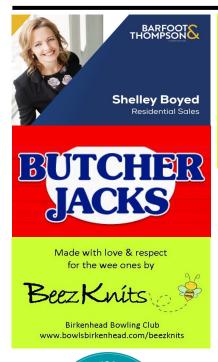
Single chairs are \$15 per chair or if you would like the whole lot \$1,500 will secure 120 chairs.

Contact Emmie 0275 297297 for further information.





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#### **Not Our Bin**

The bin in the Birkenhead Primary School carpark next to the Club is the School's bin. No rubbish is be left there for disposal. Please, any rubbish from your car depose of at home. A reminder the school has a number of cameras covering areas on interest in their grounds and the bin area along with the carpark is under 24/7 CCTV.

#### **Centre Update**

BNH email 19 October

This is an abbreviated version, see BNH website for a full version, including COP. Weekly Reminder – 19th October 2021

1. CANCELLED TOURNAMENTS

PENNANTS 30th - 31st and 6th November

The Government have dictated that Auckland will stay in their current level of lockdown for the next two weeks at least

BNH Match committee have, therefore, taken the decision to cancel this Pennants tournament

Worst news ever!

2. COVID LOCKDOWN

As of 5.00 pm on the 18th of October

The Auckland region will stay at Alert Level 3 Step 1 for at least another two weeks

ENTRIES OPEN

Mens and Womens Centre Fours

Playing dates Sat & Sun 20th & 21st November 2021

Entry fee \$25 per player. Player entry on website

Entries close on Friday 5th November 2021

BNH Men Centre Fours - 20/21 Nov 21

BNH Women Centre Fours - 20/21 Nov 21

**INTERCLUB 7s** 

Playing dates Sat & Sun 27th & 28th November 2021 and Sat 4th December 2021

Cost per team \$100 Club entry on website.

Entries close on Friday 12th November 2021

BNH Women Interclub 7s - 27-28 Nov & 4 Dec 21

BNH Men Interclub 7s - 27-28 Nov & 4 Dec 21

4. OTHER INFORMATION

**HANDBOOKS** 

Handbooks have arrived and have been delivered to someone in your club.

They are ready for you when your club opens

MAŠTERS 2022

Date of tournament: 14th to 18th February 2022

We have 40 entries to date.

Please put your entries in now. If you are concerned it may be cancelled by Covid as it was last year, you will be refunded your entry fee as you were last year

BOWLS NEW ZEALAND CEO VISIT TO BOWLS NORTH HARBOUR

Due to the current covid rules this cannot be held on 12th October, today. A new date still to be advised

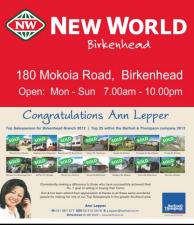












#### **Spotlight On Club Partners**

This week we put the spotlight on Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead and the team at the Birkenhead branch.

The Birkenhead branch assists the Club in number of areas by way of Membership cards, score cards, opening day guest speaker. monthly Quiz nights and a tournament or to including the Easter Triples.

Staff members support the club's social scene and regularly have a team or two in the Monday evenings Social Bowls3Five and the monthly quiz nights are very popular with them. Along with the Birkenhead branch support, agents Ann Lepper, Tim Roskruge,

Shelley Boyed and Lance Clarke also sponsor in their own right. Barfoot and Thompson Birkenhead's support of the Club is gratefully received. Thanks Pete Taylor and your team for the continued support of the club, it's very much appreciated. Source: http://www.barfoot.co.nz/birkenhead

The team at Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead are a group of down-to-earth, hardworking locals who can help take the stress out of buying, selling or renting in this accessible North Shore suburb. Many staff at the branch have been there for 10-20 years, and with all having lived in the area at some stage in their lives, they possess a



Pete Taylor, Branch Manager Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead

great deal of local knowledge. This local knowledge is combined with a wealth of experience in the real estate game. Barfoot & Thompson has been part of the Auckland landscape for over 90 years, and sells one of three homes in the Auckland area. Every property listed with Barfoot & Thompson is shared with all 60+ branches, each of whom can bring a buyer to your home and share in the sale. That's over 1,400 salespeople all selling your property - resulting in unparalleled reach and buyer competition. Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead also offer a dedicated property manager who can manage your rental or investment property for you - including carrying out maintenance and conducting rent reviews. To make it even easier, the Barfoot & Thompson office is centrally located on one of Birkenhead's two main shopping streets. So pop in and see how they can help take the stress out of your buying, selling or renting experience. Birkenhead is just a short drive or ferry ride from Auckland city, and has a mixture of traditional villas and contemporary family-sized properties as well as some more modern apartment complexes, many offering stunning harbour and city views. All the shops you need can be found in the local village, as well as some excellent bars and cafés. Nearby beaches, parks and reserves offer plenty to do in the weekends, and well-regarded pre-schools, primary and secondary schools make it popular with families.

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P: 09 480 9029 Rental: 09 480 9025

Mon - Fri: 8:30am - 5:00pm Sat: 9:00am - 1:00pm Sun: Closed

