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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

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Bowls North Harbour Club of the Year

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Wednesday, 14 December 2022

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On the Greens

BOWLS

Wednesday14 December - 10am Club Day (AC – Single/Individual Entry) Saturday 17 December – 8.30am Women's Championship Fours - postponed Sunday 18 December – 8.30am Women's Championship Fours - postponed Wednesday 21 December – 9.30am Rod Mahon Memorial (OACT – Ham) – Lunch provided Friday 23 December – 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2-) Team & Single/Individual Entry) Saturday 24 December - 1pm Stuie's Birthday Mini Tournament (OAC - Single Entry - Mufti) Wednesday 28 December - 10am Club Day (AC - Single/Individual Entry - Mufti) Saturday 31 December - 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry - **Mufti** Sunday 1 January – 12.30pm New Years Day \$1,000 Pairs afternoon (OACP) - **Mufti** Wednesday 4 January - 10am Club Day (AC – Single/Individual Entry - **Mufti**) Saturday 7 January - 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry Sunday 8 January – 9am Sunday Tournament (OACT) – Lunch provided Wednesday 11 January - 10am Club Day (AC – Single/Individual Entry) Saturday 14 January -- 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry Friday 13 January – BNH Umpires Association (OACT) – Garry Moverley Memorial – Lunch provided

Inside this Weekend

Due to availability of staff, opening and closing times may change without notice. Friday 16 December - Open 3.30pm – Club Night Raffles, Members Draw, Joker 500 Racing – Otaki (Thoroughbreds), Alexandra Park, Addington (Harness), Addington, Palmerston North (Dogs) Saturday 17 December - Open 11am Racing – Te Rapa, Trentham (Thoroughbreds), Invercargill (Harness)

Football - A-League 2.30pm Wellington Phoenix v Adelaide United

Sunday 18 December - Open 11am

Kids Christmas Party - 11am

Darts Section (in the Hive) 3pm - Shanghai Sunday – darts with a twist, new players welcome Racing – Gore (Thoroughbreds), Manukau (Harness)

Sports viewing selection is determined by the members.

House Trained & In Need of Accommodation

Steve Smith and Dusty Reader, disputably two of Northland's finest bowlers, have had their accommodation for during the Nationals pulled from under them. At this late stage the remaining accommodation in harbour is expensive, \$2,000 for seven nights. Both are house trained, have clean habits, are good with other pets and children, come with impeccable references and would like to stay together (not in the same bed). If you are in a position to help out, know of somewhere or someone that can, please contact Steve email: stevebowlersmith@gmail.com or phone: 021 2377374.

Continuous Raffle Winners

Continuous ham and salmon raffles are on sale at the bar. Each raffle is drawn on the Friday after it is sold out with the hams and salmon available for pickup after 5pm Wednesday 21 December. The remaining raffles are all close to full and those full by this Friday will be drawn Friday. The remained will all be drawn Wednesday 21 December. Ham raffles are single draw while Salmon raffles are two draws. Winners to date:

Ham Raffle 1 – John Hannan, Ham Raffle 2 – Zakk Johnson, Ham Raffle 3 – Zakk Johnson Ham Raffle 4 – Don Martin, Ham Raffle 5 – Charlie Harvey, Ham Raffle 6 – Shannon Hall Ham Raffle 7 – Debbie Jones, Ham Raffle 8 – Bob Waide, Ham Raffle 9 – Robbie Henson Ham Raffle 10 - Chris Thomas, Ham Raffle 17 - Graeme Norton Ham Raffle 11 to 16 & 18 to 20 – on sale, Salmon Raffle 1 to 10 - on sale.

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Rumble, Drew, Eades

Last weekend was to have seen both the Women's and Men's Championship Triples played out on the greens at Birkenhead. But for one reason or the other the women's championship did not eventuate and will now be played at a date convenient for all entrants. The Men's Championship was vastly different at thirty men, ten teams of triples stepped out Saturday morning all out to chase the title, a realistic expectation for some and a distant dream for others, but at least they were out there competing. Saturday's play of four rounds was to find the top four to progress through to the knockout stage on Sunday. At the conclusion of play Saturday two four winners, one three winner and one two winner made up the draw for Sunday. Peter Nathan with Evan Thomas and Chad Nathan off the front progressed through to final with comfortable win (25-14) over Keith Burgess, Doug Campbell and Perry Meinung (s). While on the other side of the draw John Janssen, Robbie Henson, Gary Wallace (s) bowed out early against the experienced trio of Mark Rumble, Nigel Drew playing two and David Eades (s), with Eades and co moving forward with the win (19-12). The weather deteriorating but not enough to flood the green, so the final got underway and what a worthy final it promised to be, Nathan against Eades, a good tussle and with a high calibre of bowls played by all and down to the wire. Couldn't have been further from reality. In Thomas's own words "we played awful" and that was reflected in the score with Eades, Drew and Rumble easily claiming the title (19-12) after seventeen of the regulation eighteen ends. Nathans trio picked up seven of their points in the final two ends after being well down (19-5) after fifteen ends to give some respectability to the final score line.

BNH Umpires Tournament – Fund Raiser

Reproduced from BNH website, December 9, 2022

The Bowls North Harbour Umpires Association next Tournament is scheduled for Friday 13th January 2023 starting at 9.30am, at the Birkenhead Bowling Club. The Tournament format is three bowls triples, open to any combination of players. Entry fee is \$30.00 per team, payable on the day. Morning Tea and Lunch will be provided. The Tournament will be in memory of Garry Moverley, who sadly passed away earlier this year, and will be named in his honour, in acknowledgement of the excellent work he did for the Association over his many years of involvement. The Moverley family have donated a trophy which will be awarded to the winners along with a \$300.00 first prize. Any bowlers wishing to enter a team in this special event should contact Brendon Wilson at bywilson@xtra.co.nz "

Bingo

By Elaine Utting

This Thursday 15th December – the last for the year – have a guest caller. Starting at 7pm – everyone welcome.

Children's Christmas Party

By Elaine Utting

Sunday 18th December – please put your child's name down or contact Elaine 0274861023 to put the name down for you. Santa arriving at 11am via the local fire brigade. You can leave your child's present at the club with their name and age on please.



TAB at Birkenhead Bowling Club

The Birkenhead Bowling Club is committed to promoting responsible gambling.

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JOKER 500 WEDNESDAY 🖧 FRIDAY **\$500 UP FOR GRABS EACH DRAW**

Waitangi Day Charity Tournament

This season it will again be in support of Harbour Hospice, Monday 6 February 2022 Items to donate for raffles and auctions contact Joseph Korkis. Entries are now open (team names on white board in the Club), teams are encouraged to include a non-bowler in their team. After all this is a fundraiser day for a fantastic cause, the town hall clock is not on the line.

\$1,000 Afternoon

Pre-Nationals Warm-up

New Years Day

Any Combination – Mufti

Sunday 1 January 2023

12.30pm Start

\$400 First Prize

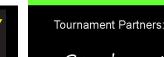
\$20 Entry Per Team

Free Sausage Sizzle

Bar, TAB and Gaming Facilities Available

Entry form phone: 027 6661618 or email: secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz

Birkenhead Bowling Club, 93 Mokoia Road, Birkenhead www.bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz





Steve Arms

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Club for Hire

The Club is available for hire by members as well as outside individuals and organisations throughout the year. Both lounge areas are north facing and offer a warm well-lit venue during the day. The facilities are available for hire for corporate functions, birthdays, wed-ding anniversaries and family reunions to name a few. We can assist you to run your own outdoor or indoor bowls tournament.

There are two bar areas. The main bar and large lounge located upstairs can comfortably seat 120 people buffet style or 220 for a cocktail function. The downstairs bar area is ideal for smaller functions and is right beside the bowling area, it can comfortably seat 45 people buffet style or 60 for a cocktail function. Relax on the deck off the main bar upstairs which overlooks the main green. Full catering options are available. A commercial grade kitchen and cooking facilities are also available.

All functions, including catering options, are to be booked with the Club's Function Coordinator Emmie (0275 297 297)

2022 DECEMBER BIRKENHEAD **BOWLING CLUB** 5 ckets on New Years Eve Party Join us to bring in 2023 Happy Fish play live Party starts 7pm & finishes after midnight

Tickets: Advance sales \$10, Door sales \$15 Available from the Club or email tickets@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz

Entry restricted to 18 years of age and over with a valid ticket

Mokoia Road, Birkenhead



195 Archers Road, Glenfield Ph: 09 441 7447

BPL17 Teams Announced

by Val Febbo on December 9, 2022

Following the recent conclusion to the 16th edition of the Bowls Premier League (BPL), the teams for BPL17 in Moama have been submitted with two playing and coaching changes respectively.

On the green, three-time champion and *Right at Home* Australian Jackaroo Chloe Stewart returns for the Tweed Heads Ospreys in place of Kira Bourke.

Stewart, a pivotal member of the Ospreys' historic BPL10, 12 and 13 triumphs, missed BPL16 due to work commitments but the Club Tweed stalwart will rejoin coach Wayne Turley OAM and her MVP winning teammates in Aaron Teys and Corey Wedlock on the Murray come February 21 next year.

The other change on the green comes from the Tasmania Tridents, who will bring in Michael Sims for foundation franchise member Mark Nitz.

Sims will make Tridents history as the first player to be brought in to the team following the team's inception into the BPL at the commencement of BPL14 earlier this year. The 26-year-old brings a wealth of state experience to the tournament having been a state representative since 2013.

In addition, he is a multiple winner of Bowls Tasmania's Male Bowler of the Year award and the 2014 the Bowls Australia Under-18 Male Bowler of the Year.

Sims will combine with Taelyn Male and two-time BPL All Star Rebecca Van Asch. Following a runner-up showing at Club Pine Rivers last month, the Adelaide Pioneers have made a coaching change with John 'Enry' Higgins replacing an unavailable Les Carter.

The playing trio remains the same, with two-time MVP Scott Thulborn, Wayne Ruediger and Katelyn Inch all returning for the South Australian franchise.

Following an agonising defeat at the hands of the Pioneers in the preliminary final at BPL16, the Moreton Bay Pirates have swapped their coaching position with Ryan Burnett taking over from Michael Breen.

Burnett has previously coached in the tournament with two stints at the Moama Steamers, guiding them to the BPL14 decider where they fell in a tie-break to the Sydney Lions. The Pirates retain the playing threesome of Alex Marshall, Jo Edwards and Chris Rosanes.

Two-time defending champions the Melbourne Pulse remain unchanged as Ellen Ryan, Barrie Lester and BPL All Star Gary Kelly looking to achieve the second three-peat in tournament history with Jeremy Henry at the helm.

The Steamers have retained the services of coach Kevin Anderson, five-time MVP Aron Sherriff, two-time MVP Ryan Bester and Cassandra Millerick, while the Lions remain unchanged as four-time champion Karen Murphy, Ben Twist and Aaron Wilson join their coach Steve Glasson OAM.

Carla Krizanic, Matt Flapper and Ali Forsyth return for the Melbourne eXtreme and will again be guided by Kelvin Kerkow OAM, while the Perth Suns keep the services of Kristina Krstic, Cody Packer, Blake Nairn and coach Pieter Harris.

The Gold Coast Hawks will also bring the same squad to Moama in February, with Kelsey Cottrell, Nathan Rice and Shannon McIlroy itching to get the franchise back into the finals with Anthony Kiepe at the helm.

BPL17 is scheduled for February 21-25, 2023, with 24 hours of live broadcast on Fox Sports, Kayo and Sky Sports NZ across Tuesday to Friday evenings from 4pm-10pm AEDT, 3pm-9pm AEST.

See below for the full ins and outs for each BPL franchise: Kiwis in blue

Adelaide Pioneers: Scott Thulborn, Wayne Ruediger, Katelyn Inch Coach: John Higgins

In: Higgins (Coach) Out: Les Carter (Coach)

Moreton Bay Pirates: Alex Marshall, **Jo Edwards**, Chris Rosanes **Coach:** Ryan Burnett

In: Burnett (Coach) Out: Breen (Coach)

Gold Coast Hawks: Shannon McIlroy, Kelsey Cottrell, Nathan Rice Coach: Anthony Kiepe No Change

Melbourne eXtreme: Carla Krizanic, Matthew Flapper, Ali Forsyth Coach: Kelvin Kerkow No Change

Melbourne Pulse: Barrie Lester, Gary Kelly, Ellen Ryan Coach: Jeremy Henry No Change

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Moama Steamers: Ryan Bester, Cassandra Millerick, Aron Sherriff Coach: Kevin Anderson No Change Perth Suns: Blake Nairn, Kristina Krstic, Cody Packer Coach: Pieter Harris No Change Sydney Lions: Karen Murphy, Ben Twist, Aaron Wilson Coach: Steve Glasson No Change Tasmania Tridents: Rebecca Van Asch, Taelyn Male, Michael Sims Coach: Mark Strochnetter In: Sims Out: Mark Nitz

Tweed Heads Ospreys: Aaron Teys, Corey Wedlock, Chloe Stewart Coach: Wayne Turley In: Stewart Out: Kira Bourkeddd

Bowls North Harbour Umpires Association

Garry Moverley Memorial

Open Any Combination Triples Tournament For all bowlers

\$300 First Prize

Birkenhead Bowling Club, 93 Mokoia Rd Friday 13 January, 9.30am Morning tea & lunch provided

\$30 per team payment accepted on the day To enter, contact Brendon Wilson : bywilson@xtra.co.nz Include team names, club and contact phone number Creams or club colours

School is out (on holiday) so loads of free parking

Gold Sponsor:





The Moverley Family

Bronze Sponsor & Tournament Meat Supplier:

Browns Bay Butchery 6 Inverness Road, Browns Bay The Birkenhead Bowling Club

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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

Stuie's Birthday Tournament – 24 December

Twelve years of annual tournaments on the afternoon of 24 December, Christmas Eve, has continued to prove popular. Curtis Ennor has run this for the past five years and kept it going in the spirit it was intended, light hearted and fun, and has done a fine job. He has again offered to run it this year on Saturday 24 December, names in by 12.45pm, play starts 1pm, three short games, prize giving and all over around 4pm. Open to bowlers and non-bowlers, Single Entry, Mufti, \$5 entry, loads of prizes. Come and join in the fun as we celebrate Stuie's 70th birthday, we are just thankful that he has treated his body like a temple, that he can be with us today.

Birkenhead Shorts

We have taken and supplied already a number of orders for the new black shorts. For those who haven't yet purchased a pair, they are \$30 a pair with Birkenhead down the leg. Everyone loves the fabric and fit. There is currently stock available in the Club shop. Get your new Club shorts pronto so that you can be wearing them in style!

Saturday Roll-ups – Update

We are now in the bowling season proper, demand for use of the Club's greens increases dramatically. Centre want them as they play well, along the support Birkenhead gives when hosting. Saturday Roll-ups and Friday 2-4-2 days dates may change to accommodate various events and members understanding is appreciated.

Saturday 31 December - 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry

Saturday 7 January - 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry

Saturday 14 January -- 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry

Saturday 18 February - - 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry

Saturday 4 March - - 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry

Saturday 25 March -- 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry



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Darts Section - Shanghai Sundays

Come join in Sunday afternoons to play social darts with anyone that wants to have a go. Club darts are available and free advice is in abundance. With no registration or experience required, a bunch of our darts players turn up 3pm Sunday afternoon to play darts with a twist – at any point in the game, if you throw a shanghai (a single, double, and treble of the same number), you win the game! It can be quick turn-around games which is awesome for all playing and a great chance to catch up with friends and meet new people. You never know where it may lead your competitive nature to...... The City of Sails darts league!

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.

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Saturday 24 December

Names in by 12.30pm **Ipm Start** All over by 4pm

Open, Single/Individual Entry Dress: Mufti Entry \$5 per player

Bowlers & Non-bowlers welcome

To enter phone Club: 480 7493 or name on whiteboard in Club

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