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Bowls North Harbour Club of the Year



Double celebrations for Birkenhead taking out both the Women's and Men's BNH CoC Fours

Kings and Queens of Fours

Reproduced from BNH website

It was doubles all round for the Birkenhead club as it dominated the Bowls North Harbour centre champion of champion fours tournament which ended with the finals at Warkworth on Sunday.

Birkenhead not only won both men's and women's titles, but two of the club's and the centre's most consistent players of recent seasons, Daymon Pierson and Millie Nathan, marked the victories by collecting their respective gold stars. Daymon skipped Steve Yates, Jack Huriwai and Jimmy Heath to an exciting, extra end win in the men's final over Takapuna's Jeremy Brosnan, Jerry Belcher, Raymond Skoglund and Ian Hardy. Millie then skipped Loz Croot, Bev Rolfe and Connie and Connie Mathieson to a 21-13 win in the women's final over a gallant Mahurangi East four skipped by Noelene Holdsworth. Birkenhead thus made a clean sweep of all four fours centre titles for the season. In November John Hindmarch, Evan Thomas, Mike Haggart and Peter Nathan won the men's championship and Millie, Loz and Connie won the women's championship with Trish Croot their skip. Daymon's previous four centre titles were in the mixed pairs in 2016 and 2021 and in the triples and fours in 2016 and 2017. Millie's previous titles before her two this season were in 2019 in the mixed pairs with her dad, Peter, and in the champion of champion triples in 2020 and the championship pairs in 2022.

Birkenhead could soon add to its impressive group of gold star winners for with the win on Sunday, even if a narrow one, Huriwai and Heath each have four titles and so are just one win away from the award. It was a near thing, though, in the men's final, for Takapuna almost snatched what would have been a remarkable come-from-behind win. Down 4-14 after nine ends, Takapuna picked up a six on the 10th end then dominated the final five ends to leave the score 15-all after regulation time.

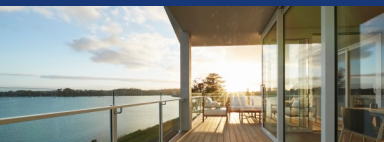
Earlier Takapuna had prevailed in another cliff-hanger, needing a superb last draw bowl from skip Brosnan to pip the fancied Browns Bay four of Neil Fisher, Brian Wilson, Colin Rogan and Sean Mulholland 13-12. Birkenhead, which showed its class in dispatching a useful Mairangi Bay line-up 19-1 in the quarter-finals, beat Orewa's Ray Brown, Ross Hulme, Ken Mueller and Mal Wallace 20-4 in the semis, where Takapuna had a harder battle to beat Northcote's Shaun Bayne, Greg Taylor, Gerard Van Tilborg and Tom Edwards 16-14. To make the women's final Mahurangi East's Noelene Holdsworth, by far the most experienced player in the four with three centre titles, Christine Foster, Glenys Gibson and Pauline did well to beat Milford 24-7 and Birkenhead beat Warkworth 18-12.

National Champion of Champion Fours 21-23/7/23 Auckland & Pukekohe*

*Men – Royal Oak (Fri 21/7) & Pukekohe (Sat 22/7)

*Women – Pukekohe (Fri 21/7) & Royal Oak (Sat 22/7)

*Men and Women – Royal Oak (Sun 23/7)





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On the Greens

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

Wednesday 24 May – 9.30am Club Roll-up - Ross "Trust Me" Murray format

Saturday 27 May – May Extended Triples (OACT – mufti) -day 1

Saturday 28 May – May Extended Triples (OACT – mufti) -day 2

Monday 29 May – greens closed for winter renovation

Inside this Weekend

Due to availability of staff, opening and closing times may change without notice.

Friday 26 May – Open 3.30pm - Club Night

Raffles, Members Draw, Joker 500

7pm - 2022-23 Bowling Club Prizegiving

Super Rugby Pacific* - 7.05pm Highlanders v Reds

Saturday 27 May – Open 8am

Super Rugby Pacific* - 2.05pm Fijian Drua v Moana Pasifika

- 4.35pm Crusaders v Waratahs

- 7.05 Blues v Hurricanes

NRL* - 7.30pm Warriors v Broncos

Sunday 28 May – Open 8am

May Extended - 4.15pm May Extended 20 Draw Meat Raffle

- 4.30pm May Extended Prize giving

NRL* - 6.05pm Knights v Sea Eagles

* Sports viewing selection is determined by the members.

Prize Giving

Saturday 13 May was down for Birkenhead Bowling Club's Closing Day and Prize Giving, Saturday came and went minus any closing or prize giving.

But all is not lost, Closing Day may have drifted past with no play or fanfare, but Prize Giving will not. A postponed Prizing Giving will now be held 7pm Friday 26 May followed by a selection of finger foods, Club uniform is preferred.

Mystery re The Joker We Spend Money On

By Emmie Swart, Chairperson Birkenhead Bowling Club

There seems to be a miss conception doing the rounds of the Club that the Joker is there to provide TV screens. This is totally incorrect.

The joker, from the start, was set up to provide the club with those luxury items members would like to have in the club. All money raised is for tangible items for the members. Up to until covid hit the joker money was always used for these luxury items like the following that was suggested by members and purchased with board approval.

Deck tables, Crockery for functions, Vandal proof ashtrays. Table items for the High Teas, 2 x DMX DJ lighting, 2 x 36" TVs to accommodate Trackside at the bar end of the Club, Setup of the Darts area.

The most expensive purchase with the help of club members donations towards the purchase price was a lovely large 85" TV.

Please members, any items outside the usual club items you feel the club should investigate purchasing email or talk to us. We would like this money spent on items for the members enjoyment and not just put into the general club fund as per what the BOM were told at our last Board meeting by the Club Treasurer.

The Joker should have about \$17,000 accumulated (as per figures supplied) that has not been spent on items for members but a large portion of this has gone into to the clubs' general funds. Current financials for this current financial year show there is about \$6,000 so please come up with ideas. Thank you to the members that have supported and continue to the support the Joker. The proceeds were never intend for the general Club funds.

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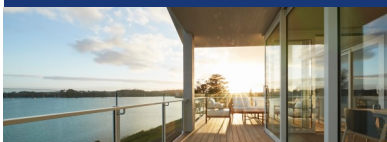
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Extended Rundown

This weekend sees the final tournament on Birkenhead's greens for the 2022-23 season. Sixteen teams will step onto the top green Saturday morning hunting for a piece of the \$2,000 prize pool and again under the watchfully eye of Tournament Director Terry Moverley. Although only sixteen teams, there is sure to be some good competition over the two days. Teams predominately entered under just a skips name, the actual make up of many teams is unknown until Saturday.

Browns Bay's Brian Wilson never travels light and expect a top triple to turn out, Pt Chev's Aiden Takakura will not be taking the trip across the bridge just for fun. Mairangi Bay's and current BNH Men's Singles Champion David Payne will ruffle some feathers and keep the field honest. Two times winner of this tournament Birkenhead's John Hindmarch returns looking for a threepeat, Birkenhead's Daymon Pierson will be a threat after skipping his team to success in last weekend's BNH Champ of Champ Men's Fours. Northcote's Mike Haggart, fresh from taking out the BNH Men's Champ of Champs Singles, has two promising Birkenhead first years with him, Craig Moverley and Zakk Johnson. Tournament Partner Jet Couriers is represented on and off the green with Steve Arms's triple and with a relatively tough draw this could be a tournament to just sit back and enjoy the two days. The ladies also have a presence with Lynn Cooper and Penny Wakelin both skipping teams.

All the action concludes Sunday afternoon with the 20 draw meat raffle followed by the prize giving and the handing out of the hard earned cash.

May Extended Triples Tournament Draw

	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5	Rnd 6	Rnd 7	Rnd 8
Skip	Rink	Rink	Rink	Rink	Rink	Rink	Rink	Rink
Brian Wilson	1	5	4	6	8	2	7	6
Aiden Takarua	1	2	6	5	1	8	6	3
Alex Marshall	2	5	7	8	4	6	3	2
Daymon Pierson	2	3	5	1	5	7	8	3
Steve Arms	3	2	4	7	6	3	5	8
Gary Wallace	3	4	1	2	7	4	8	2
Wayne Harris	4	3	7	6	3	5	4	1
Mike Haggart	4	1	2	3	2	4	6	8
David Payne	5	4	6	7	8	1	2	4
Penny Wakelin	5	8	3	4	2	7	3	1
Lionel Drew	6	1	5	8	3	2	1	7
Richie Rogers	6	7	8	4	7	8	5	4
John Hindmarch	7	8	1	5	6	1	7	5
Steve Campbell	7	6	8	3	5	6	4	7
Lynn Cooper	8	7	2	1	4	5	1	6
Ted Walker	8	6	3	2	1	3	2	5



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Website Back

The Club's website has changed servers as the previous hosting server is closing down in June. After a couple of months tracking down the relevant information the changeover was able to happen last week but with an old version of the site uploaded, but we are back up to date as of Sunday. Thanks goes out to, our local IT guys Cameron Hicks, Murray Moffatt, and Club Secretary Terry Moverley for an almost seamless transfer over.

Winter Bar Hours

As of Monday 29 May the bar moves to shortened operating hours for winter. This winter the Board has approved the following:

Monday & Tuesday3.30pm – 6pm
Wednesday.....3.30pm – 7pm
Thursday3.30pm – 6.30pm
Friday3.30pm -9pm
Saturday.....11am – 9pm
Sunday..... midday – 7.30pm

BIRKENHEAD BOWLING CLUB MAY EXTENDED TRIPLES

Raffle 20 Draws 20 Meat Packs

Limited to 120 tickets, \$10 per ticket

Drawn at 4.10pm

Remaining tickets on sale Saturday
Drawn this Sunday (Approx. 4.10pm)
Drawn from the Club Bar

Winning raffles may be stored in the chiller at the club until Monday evening. (29/5/23)
Tickets are valid for all 20 draws, multiple prizes may be won.

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Darts Section meet 3pm Sunday afternoons in "The Hive"
New players welcome

One Week Left of the First Round

By Steve Harrison

The Stingers 1 (Premis) and Stingers 2 (A Grade) are having a great season so far, with the Premis team in second place and the A grade team in third place, although there is still a few games to catch up on and this Saturday brings us the final game of this round. The Stingers 1 and 2 teams, so far have 5 wins and 3 losses each this round. A great season so far for both teams. This weekend both teams are at the Bowling Club playing the last game of the round and we welcome all the support of our fans.

We would also like to thank all of our sponsors for the constant support through the last 2 seasons, without you none of this is possible, we would like to show off our new shirts which we have been able to get due to the constant support of the sponsors and members of the club, thank you.

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Darts section Secretary Steve Harrison, Stingers 1 Captain Paul Webber, and Stingers 2 Captain Alex Llewellyn showing off the new Darts shirts.



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Quiz Night - Free Entry
7pm Thursday 8 June
Non-members welcome
Enter on the night

Quiz Partners:
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Umpires Next Online Laws Course

The Bowls New Zealand Umpires Committee is currently planning the next Online Laws Course. This is an annual fixture that intends to support umpire groups who may have interested players wanting to learn the Laws of the Sport but may not be running their own course locally.

The course is scheduled over 8 Monday evening sessions (between 7-8.30pm) over the following dates:

- 19 June, 26 June
- 3 July, 10 July, 17 July, 24 July, 31 July
- 7 Aug

The course is hosted using Google Meets and we'll provide support to all candidates who may not be familiar with this platform. Candidates will learn the Laws of the Sport and Domestic Regulations with the aim of passing the Laws Examination. On-green tutoring is required for the measuring components if the candidate wishes to become a Full Level 1 Umpire. This on-green tutoring will occur locally.

More details will be shared in due course with interested candidates and umpire's groups. At this stage we are seeking nominations for interested people who would like to attend this course. Please reply to umpires@bowlsnewzealand.co.nz with your contact details if you are interested.

This is an exciting opportunity which we are pleased to be able to host again this year. If you have any questions please reach out to me, Michael Johnson, Chair, Bowls New Zealand Umpires Committee, Bowls New Zealand, phone 027 330 8084

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, wedding anniversaries and family reunions to name a few. We can assist you to run your own outdoor or indoor bowls tournament.

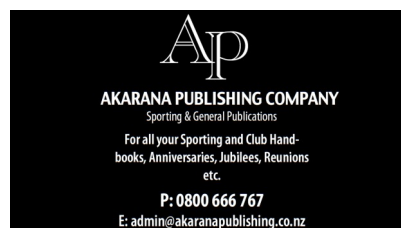
There are two bar areas. The main bar and large lounge located upstairs can comfortably seat 120 people buffet style or 220 for a cocktail function. The downstairs bar area is ideal for smaller functions and is right beside the bowling area, it can comfortably seat 45 people buffet style or 60 for a 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)



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BNH Update

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Entries Open for Forthcoming Events:

OPEN 2-4-2 Pairs

Entries close 26th May, Entry Fee \$25 per player. Event held on 10th & 11th June.

Winter Cup

Event held on Fridays 7th / 21st / 28th July. (not 14th July as this is Matariki Weekend)

Upcoming Events:

Champ of Champ 1-5 Year Singles

Entries closed 12th May

Event held on 27th & 28th May at Manly and Mairangi Bay.

Saturday – men at Manly, women at Mairangi Bay

Sunday – men at Manly for semi-finals and finals.

Call for Nominations

All clubs are invited to nominate their club, their volunteers and their officials for the 2022 / 2023 season awards in the following categories:

1. Volunteer of the year
2. Coach of the year
3. Official of the year
4. Umpire of the year
5. Greenkeeper of the year
6. Administrator of the year
7. Club of the year

The nomination forms have been sent to all clubs and are also available on the Bowls North Harbour website under the News tab

Call for Applications – BNH Rep Management Team Convenors

BNH Representative Management Team Convenors for the 2023/24 season

Applications are now open for positions with the:

- Men's 1-5 Year team
- Women's 1-5 Year team
- Men's Open team
- Women's Open team

Are you a great communicator, with organisational skills and a drive to succeed? If you are we'd love to hear from you about becoming a Rep Management Team Convenor. Pick your own team to coach, select and manage our representatives and enjoy success on the greens for Bowls North Harbour.

Applications close 1 June please email your CV to: bowls@bowlsnorthharbour.co.nz or phone Robyne Walker 021 236 0585 to discuss.

BNH Winter Coaching

The BNH winter coaching program (for all players, regardless of experience) will take place under the roof at Orewa on Saturdays 10th, 17th & 24th June, 9:00 am to 12 noon. The cost is \$5.00 per day, payable on the day. The final coaching session on the 24th will include a sausage sizzle.

Attendees must be either full or first year members of a club in the Bowls North Harbour Centre.

To register, email bowls@bowlsnorthharbour.co.nz

To date entries have been received mainly from 1 to 5 year bowlers. Those who attended last season recommend these sessions as not only do the cover bowls delivery coaching and practice routines, but they also cover the rules and etiquette for this great game. This coaching should be a must for all who are new to bowls.

There are still some places available so get your registration in. Further information will be emailed in the first week of June.

BNH Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Bowls North Harbour Inc., as advised on Friday 5th May 2023, is to be held on Sunday 25th June at Browns Bay Bowling club commencing at 11:00 am and will be followed by the BNH Awards and Prize Giving celebration, starting at 1:00 pm.. Nominations are open for the board positions and for the board President and Vice-President, with the application form on the Bowls North Harbour website. <https://www.bowlsnorthharbour.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/20230516-Board-Members-Application-Form.pdf>

BNH Event Planner 2023 / 2024 Season.

The 2023 / 2024 Event Planner has been distributed to all clubs and is available on the BNH website.

<https://www.bowlsnorthharbour.com/events-calendar/bnh-event-planners-2023-2024-season/>

In preparing the Event Calendar, the Match Committee has taken onboard the feedback from clubs to maximise the number of weekends available for club events and has endeavoured to do this. With this in mind, the PPL event has been removed.



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