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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

Wednesday, 29 March 2017







### **On The Greens**

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Wednesday 29 March - 10am Club Day (AC Single Entry)

- Round Three 1-5 WSC to be played on or before 29 March Thursday 30 March - Entries close 5pm Darrington Lanigan Singles (Mixed, 65+)

Friday 31 March - 1pm 2-4-2 (OACP)

- Round Two Handicap Pairs to be played on or before 31 March
- 4.30pm 70 v 80 Jack Renwick Tournament (AC, Single Entry)

Saturday 1 April - 9am Darrington Lanigan Singles (Mixed, 65+) - day 1

Sunday 2 April - 9am Darrington Lanigan Singles (Mixed, 65+) - day 2

Wednesday 5 April - 10am Club Day (AC)

Friday 7 April - 1pm 2-4-2 (OACP)

- Handicap Pairs Round Three to be played on or before 7 April Saturday 8 April - 9am Wheels On Wairau" Seafood Tournament (OMF) - day 1 Sunday 9 April - 8.30am Wheels On Wairau" Seafood Tournament (OMF) - day 2 Wednesday 12 April - 10am Club Day (AC)

- Entries close 5pm Women's Champ Singles Friday 14 April - 12noon Afternoon Open Tournament (OACT - mufti - free entry)

- Handicap Pairs Round Four to be played on or before 14 April Sunday 16 April - Women's Champ Singles

Monday 17 April - Women's Champ Singles

Wednesday 19 April - Wednesday Triples Tournament (OACT)

### Inside This Weekend

### Friday 31 March – Club Night

Raffles, Happy Hour, Club Membership Draw, Joker 500 Racing: Palmerston North, Addington (harness) and across Australia Super Rugby\* - 7.35pm Highlanders v Rebels NRL\* - 8pm Rosters v Sea Eagles

### Saturday 1 April

Racing: Ellerslie, Palmerston North, Invercargill (thoroughbreds), & across Australia including Randwick - Australian Oaks, Queen Elizabeth Stakes, Sydney Cup. Super Rugby\* - 5.15pm Blues v Force, 7.35pm Chiefs v Bulls NRL\* - 5pm Sharks v Knights, 7.30pm Raiders v Eels

### Sunday 2 April

Racing: Pukekohe (thoroughbreds) Rangiora & Winton (harness) Manukau (dogs) and across Australia

Super Rugby\* - 6.05pm Waratahs v Crusaders NRL\* - 4pm Warriors v Titans, 6pm West Tigers v Dragons

\* viewing selection is dependent on member numbers.

# **Free Tournament!**

## **Birkenhead Bowling Club** Friday 14 April (Good Friday) Starts 12noon

**Open Any Combination Triples** 

Wednesday, 29 March 2017



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### 1-5s Make Semis

#### By Jerome Rusk

Rain couldn't stop Adele performing at her Sunday night concert and it didn't halt the Birkenhead Bees either from reaching the semi finals of the North Harbour Junior Interclub on Monday eve. The Bees (who were top qualifiers after round robin play) faced the eighth qualifier Milford, taking out the tie 2-1. The quarter final was shifted late from Milford to Birkenhead B green after heavy rain throughout the day had caused flooding at the coastal club. All knockout matches were originally to be played on the Saturday, but a strange and controversial decision was made to instead play the games over a period of Mondays. After being knocked out at the same quarter final stage last year, Birkenhead are determined to go further in 2017.

Milford got the early result in the pairs taking a 1-0 lead in the tie. The pairs team of Gary Wallace off the front and Robbie Henson at skip started slowly finding themselves down 14-3. Milford's lead Linda was exceptional early on, constantly on the jack. However slowly but surely the boys tightened up their bowls and made constant inroads on the scoreboard. Henson said it coincided with this thought that he shared after the match. "I've got a mate, he's a dancer and he has caught a heap of fish. I can't wait to eat it!". The lads managed to get to 14-14 with the last end to determine the winner. Unfortunately Milford played the better and got the win 16-14. A loss it may have been but a great comeback it was and a good sign moving forward. Henson says "We've got our bad game out of the way". The Bees levelled things at 1-1 with the triples team led by the Belchers, Jerry at lead and Jacqui at 2 providing a great base for team captain Jimmy Heath at skip as they overpowered their rivals 22-6. The three J's hit the ground running, getting away to an early lead and from there they were never threatened. The triples team have been in stellar form this year winning every match. When asked what worked well for the team, a chuffed Jacqui (who could be heard belting out 'singing in the rain' at stages) proudly said "we were rarely short. We were over the head and our positional bowls were excellent. Also we coped better in the rain that fell". That rain streamed down about an hour into the matches as Team manager Adele Ineson braved that rain to once again mark the singles match. Birkenhead's Jerome Rusk and Milford's Ian Dickinson had their moments in a tight match. Rusk found himself down 11-12 after 15 ends when the rain hurled down but adjusted the better and stretched out to a 21-15 win. However it was later found that the wrong information had been given to the players as both were playing to 21 when in fact the conditions of play were meant to be 18 ends, first to 21 or 2 hour time limit, whichever came first. Luckily after checking the scorecard Jerome was ahead 14-12 at the end of 18 ends. A relieved Rusk said "It would've been stink to go out with that kind of confusion hanging around".

So to the Semis the Bees go and up next Monday they come up against Mairangi Bay Blue at Birkenhead. Start time is 4pm (due to daylight saving ending) and the team are amped and ready to do the club proud! All members are invited to come on down and support the team.

Special shout out to Adele and Dale Ineson for all that you do for the team. Thanks to John Lindridge for rolling the greens at short notice. See you on Monday.

**Junior Twilight Interclub** 

| Post Section   |                    |       |  |
|--|--------------------|-------|--|
| 1/4 Finals   | Semi-Finals        | Final |  |
| BIRKENHEAD BEES<br>S14-12, P14-16, T22-6<br>MILFORD A            | BIRKENHEAD BEES    |       |  |
| MAHURANGI EAST RED<br>S16-17, P10-14, T4-22<br>MAIRANGI BAY BLUE | MAIRANGI BAY BLUE  |       |  |
| BROWNS BAY BLACK<br>S12-21, P13-6, T14-15<br>TAKAPUNA BLUE       | TAKAPUNA BLUE      | -     |  |
| MAIRANGI BAY WHITE<br>S21-11, P14-12, T25-7<br>OREWA I           | MAIRANGI BAY WHITE |       |  |

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# Thursday 13 April 7pm first game

## Caller: Kevin "Scratchy" George

Entry restricted to 18 years & over

### **Final for Harbour Men**

Birkenhead had quite a presence in this year's North Harbour Open rep sides at this year's National Intercentre in Wellington.

Birkenhead's Tony Grantham (Singles), Randall Watkins and Scott Mouton (Fours) were in the Open Men's playing side and Ross Haresnape was selector

In the Open Women's side where Birkenhead's Lisa Helmling and Trish Croot (Pairs), Denise Samuel (Fours) and Sheryl Johnson Coach/Manager

Play started on the Friday with five rounds of section play to be completed by Saturday afternoon, with the top two in each section progressing through to the quarter finals on Saturday afternoon. The Harbour Women were sitting in third position after Friday play but eventually finished fifth in their section after two rounds on Saturday, (Section play results, Singles: L/W/W/bye/L, Pairs: W/bye/L/L/W, Fours: L/D/L/L/bye).

It was a different story for the Men's Open Side. Sitting in first place after Friday's three rounds, they maintained their position and finished section play first in section and a spot in the Quarter final play that afternoon (Section play results, Singles: L/W/L/L/L, Pairs: L/W/W/W/L, Fours: W/W/W/W). Southland came through in second position to make the Quarter finals, Auckland in the same section finished fifth.

Quarter finals Harbour was up against Waikato. Grantham came away with a 25-15 win over Rika Gregory, The pairs, Bart Robertson (S) and Wayne Wrack (L) went down 12-22, while the Randall Watkins skipped fours with Scott Evans (3), Scott Mouton (2), Rory Soden (L) won 15-8. That was Saturday done and dusted. Next step the semi-finals Sunday morning, a delayed start due to the weather but eventually play got underway on the greens at Wilton. Canterbury vs Dunedin and Taranaki vs North Harbour. Grantham maintained his winning performance from the quarters with a 25-20 victory, The pairs next to finish went down 11-18. It was all down to the fours and it got to eight all, but that's where the scoring stopped for Taranaki with Harbour taking the game out 16-8 and securing Har-

bour a spot in the final against a powerful Canterbury side that had just beaten Dunedin (Singles 18-12, Pairs 19-11, Fours 20-19). The final and Grantham

v Andrew Kelly in the singles, Robertson and Wrack had their work cut out against Gary Lawson and Stephen Ditfort. Watkins, Evans, Mouton and Soden took on Lance Pascoe, Kelvin Scott, Nathan Glasson and Richard Hocking in the fours. Unfortunately Canterbury proved to be the powerhouse it is winning the singles 25-17, pairs 19-6 and Watkins



Bowls North Harbour Open Men's Intercentre Representative side. Back row: Bart Robinson, Tony Grantham, Front row: Randall Watkins, Rory Soden Scott Mouton, Scott Evans, Wayne Wrack

four dropping a four on the final end to go down 16-14 and Canterbury taking the title. Past member and recently appointed BowlsNZ Assistant Coach Gayle Melrose made the women's final as part of the Counties Manukau side and Birkenhead's Trish Croot made an appearance in the Women's final, marking the singles. The Women's final was Counties Manukau v Bay of Plenty with Bay of Plenty taking the title for 2017, winning two of the three disciplines. The Birkenhead Bowling Club





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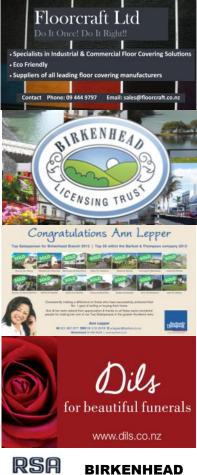
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### **Ross "Trust Me" Murray Tournament**

#### By Bob Murphy

Twenty tow entries were received and the draw was done to accommodate that number. On the day we had two last minute withdrawals so back to the drawing board. Two more made the sacrifice and the draw was arranged for eighteen players, not an ideal number, but what transpired seems to work satisfactorily. The day went as follows:-

Game 1 2-4-2 8 ends plus 1 game of singles.

Game 2 Pairs 8 ends plus a game of singles

Game 3 Triples 8 ends

Game 4 Fours plus a game of singles.

The games went with much friendly rivalry and partners were changed after for each game. A novelty end was introduced to each game where the kitty was replaced by a can of beans, spaghetti or fruit, the first toucher winning the can.

Scores were calculated by totalling the number of points scored with a bonus of 4 points for a win plus 4 for a win and 2 for a draw.

Cash prizes were awarded for the first five places, with others receiving consolations of a can of something. Top prizes went to;- Lionel Drew 70 points, John Lindridge 68 points Ken Edgar 60 points.

This was a fun day for all, and would hope that next year we will have more entries so that we can an even better tournament.

### **School Tow Away Area**

#### By Logan Smith

Hi guys just to let you know from next term the carpark will be numbered. These parks will be allocated to a teacher. If someone is in these parks

during school hours they will be towed by Auckland Towing at a cost of \$300. Auckland towing has put signs up in our carpark today (22/03/17).

You may want to let your members know that they can't park in the school carpark during school hours. Unless I've been notified by Evan that there is a tournament on a Wednesday and you need 12 spaces, which I will cone off.

We have had enough of people parking in here and going off shopping or going across the road for a coffee and then there are no parks for people coming to the school on business.

Thanks for your help and cooperation. Logan, Property Manager Birkenhead Primary



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Junior Interclub Semi Final Birkenhead v Mairangi

@ Birkenhead, Monday 3rd April, starts 4pm

## **BNH 1-5 Pairs Draw Out**

The draw and venues for the 5 Years & Under Pairs starting Saturday 1st April has been posted on Bowls North Harbour's website and Facebook. Saturday Men are at Takapuna & Milford and the Women are also at Milford.

## **BNH Centre Open Pairs**

### From Bowls North Harbour

Bowls North Harbour has confirmed the Centre Open Pairs has been scheduled for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2017. This event was omitted from the 2016/2017 Centre Programme.

Forms for this event and the revised Junior events will be out to all club Secretary's soon.

### It's Full

Can you pick one winning team from the available teams\* each week of the NRL to stay alive? Twenty Five of you think you can as the Sky Survivor filled within a week of announcing the club would run this popular Sky Sport tipping challenge.

The chart is up in the TAB area of the club and player's selection will be written up on Thursday evening before the start of Thursday's game and posted on the club's Facebook page. It all starts round six of the NRL. Round six sections must be in the Sky Survivor box behind the bar by 6.30pm Thursday 6 April. Selections slips are available next to the Sky Survivor chart in the TAB area of the club.

\*Terms & Conditions apply, based on 25 entries

# **SKY SURVIVOR**

### NRL Round 6 selections close 6.30pm Thursday 6 April

## **Friday Club Nights**

Merv "The Swerve" spins the raffles from around 4.30 onwards, Happy hour 5 - 6pm, Joker 500 on sale from 5pm, Club Membership Draw drawn between 5.30 - 6.30pm.

## **Club Membership & Joker Draws**

Club Membership & Joker 500 draws drawn Wednesdays & Fridays. Club membership drawn between 5pm - 6pm, and Fridays between 5.30 - 6.30pm. Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize.

Joker 500, numbers on sale from 5pm - 6pm. Purchase a number or numbers, a winning number is drawn at 6.15pm. The purchaser of that winning number selects a card from the Joker cabinet and receive the corresponding prize with the top prize being \$500 every Wednesday and Friday.

### **Hand Book Updated Phone Numbers**

Alan Little's landline number please cross out, it's not his. John Davidson's landline replace it with 419-5371 Christine Wafer landline replace it with 09 428-1197 (she has moved house) Garry Wallace mobile number is incorrect, replace with 0275 271361 Stacy Munro, first year, 4821154 or 027 3841278 Adam Richardson, first year, 022 3825014 Ken Mason, first year, 4837787 or 021 2954474 Gary Beer change membership from social to first year, 021 395776 Mal Wallace landline replace it with 09 427-8039 (he has moved house)



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### "Freight" Free & Live Friday 7 April

Come join us for an evening of Chicago Blues.

The band "Freight" will bring their brand of Chicago style Blues to the club. They will be playing from around 7pm until late.

Freight is a six piece band playing Chicago style Blues - great to listen to; great to groove along to; great to boogie to if you're in the mood!!!! Entry is free.

## **Seafood Tournament (OMF), Single Entries**

Seafood entry numbers are down and this year Sandy is accepting single entries. If you would like to play in the Seafood and aren't in at team phone Sandy. The Seafood Tournament has a long history and it would be a crying shame if it does not go ahead. These tournaments rely on our own club members entering, not only on outside teams. It is the old case of support or risk losing the tournament.

Team and Single Entries to Sandy 027 2006696

# Seafood Tournament **Open Men's Fours** Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 April 2017

Further details & Entry: Sandy 027 2006696 Club: 480-7493



### Spotlight on Sponsors

This week we put the spotlight on "New World Birkenhead". A long time sponsor but with the arrival of Owner/Operator, Steve Purton the support has increased. Our Friday raffles and tournament meat prizes all come from Steve's store. The Sunday Fours Ham Tournament this month's is sponsored by New World Birkenhead with all the Hams provided by Steve's store.

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If we can help you in any way, just let us know. Thank you for your support, see you instore soon!

Regards Steve Purton - Owner/Operator

