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

Wednesday, 27 September 2017



#### 75TH JUBILEE - EASTER 2018 - REGISTER TODAY www.bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz or at the Club

# **On The Greens**

Bottom Green (B Green) is now open for practice, scrims must be used and mats on the 2 metre. Bowl onto the scrim. Top Green (A Green) is currently closed. Always check the "Greens Open/Closed Board" to confirm which greens are open or closed and if any conditions of use apply. Wednesday 27 September – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry) Friday 29 September - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) Saturday 30 September - BNH Pennants Day 1 (am & pm) **Sunday 1 October – 9am Allan Meekings Memorial (AC, Single Entry)** Wednesday 4 October – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry) Friday 6 October - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) Saturday 7 October – 9am Darrington Lanigan Singles (Mixed 65+) Sunday 8 October - BNH Pennants Day 2 (am & pm)

# Inside This Weekend

#### Friday 29 September – Club Night

Raffles, Happy Hour, Membership Draw, Joker 500 Racing – Gore (Thoroughbreds), Alexandra Park & Addington (Harness), Addington & Wanganui (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

Mitre 10 Cup – 7.35pm North Harbour v Hawke's Bay

#### Saturday 30 September

Racing – Ellerslie & New Plymouth (Thoroughbreds) and from across Australia including Randwick – Epsom Handicap & The Metropolitan

NZRL National Premiership\* – 1.15pm Akarana vs Canterbury, 3pm Counties vs Waikato Mitre 10 Cup\* – 2.35pm Southland v Manawatu, 5.05pm Auckland v Bay of Plenty 7.35pm Canterbury v Waikato (RS)

NZRL National Premiership\* – 1.15pm Akarana vs Canterbury, 3pm Counties vs Waikato AFL Grand Final\* – 5.30pm Adelaide Crows vs Richmond

#### Sunday 1 October

Racing – Te Aroha (Thoroughbreds) Banks Peninsula (Harness), Manukau (Dogs) and from across Australia including Caulfield – Underwood Stakes

#### Test Rugby - 11.40am Argentina v All Blacks

#### Blues Jam from 3.30pm

Mitre 10 Cup\* – 2.35pm Wellington v Otago, 4.35pm Counties Manukau v Northland \* viewing selection is dependent on the members.

# **Pennants Divisions and Venues**

At last some information arrived last night. Saturday 30 September sees Birkenhead Bellbirds Women's Division One at Orewa, Birkenhead Bullets Men's Division One at Browns Bay, Birkenhead Burglars Men's Division Two at Mairangi Bay and Birkenhead Battlers Men's Division Three at Hobsonville.

# **Allan Meekings Memorial Trophy Sunday**

Entries for the Allan Meekings Memorial Trophy close tomorrow Thursday, 28 September at 5pm. We are very keen to get a good mix of entries from both newer and experienced members. The Event will be held this Sunday, 1 October commencing at 9.00am. Club uniform or whites to be worn. This is our first trophy event of the season and is open to ALL playing members. It is single entry with teams (any combination of Women and Men, mixing enthusiasm with experience) being drawn and graded from entries received. Members should put their names on Entry Sheet, which is on the club championship entry wall.

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## Allan Meekings Memorial - This Sunday 1 October The first club tile of the season! Entry Now

# Jerry and Adele Make Last Sixteen

Last weekend saw Bowls North Harbour's Ivan Kostanich Memorial Premier Singles

played over two days. Jerry Belcher was the only Birkenhead player waving the Birkenhead flag to progress to post section play and beating Brown's Bays Richard Kimber in the first game late on Saturday to progressed to the last sixteen on Sunday. Up against Carlton Cornwell's Graham Skelton on Sunday, Belcher went down in the tie breaker, a great effort with many fancied bowlers having already been eliminated. The tile was claimed by Mangere's Nick Thompson beating Mairangi's Colin Rogan 7/4 – 10/6 in the final.

Over the bridge Auckland Bowls Women's Premier Open Singles were taking place. Birkenhead's much favoured Trish Croot unfortunately was forced to withdraw prior to Saturday having sustained an injury during the week. Of the Birkenhead ladies playing section play on Saturday Adele Ineson made the last sixteen on Sunday but bowed out (18-19) in a time limited game to Te Atatu Peninsula's Paris Baker.

Baker went on to beat Kensington's Maree Attwood 21-11 in the quarters, St Heliers's Sheila Putu 21-7 in the semis and before moving on to beat Pa-



Birkenhead's Jerry Belcher (left) after a very successful first day. Umpire Bob Stevens (middle) and Colin Rogan (right)

pakua's Natarsha Grimshaw in the final, 21-17. An impressive effort from someone with under five years' experience and still at school.

# 75th Jubilee – End of Celebration BBQ

The final act of the Jubilee Celebrations on Monday 2 March will be the End of Celebration BBQ at 5.30pm. A kiwi BBQ with some extras. Entry to the club is free but a BBQ meal ticket will cost \$5.

Those that play in the Jubilee Social Bowls Afternoon automatically receive a BBQ meal ticket as part of their entry.

Members past and present, friends or relatives who would be interested in joining with us to mark this special occasion, please register your interest on the "Registration of Interest Form" available from the Club, the Club's website or contact the Club Secretary email: secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz or phone/text 027 6661618

There is something for everyone during the five days of celebration.

# Christmas, Book Today

Looking for somewhere to hold your Christmas function? Everywhere too expensive? Why not try the club? Set in a central location that Birkenhead is, with great facilities and access to two bowling greens where you can 'have a roll up'. The bowling club will give you a unique not to be forgotten Christmas function. The Club is a great venue for your Christmas Function. The clubrooms offer good kitchen and bar facilities and offer flexible catering options. The club can cater for a large number of guests and are generally cheaper to hire and have better bar prices than other function venues. If you're interested, let us know what you had in mind, our Function Co-ordinator will assist you from start to finish. It is never too early to book your Christmas bowls function, phone the club's Function Coordinator Emmie (0275 297 297) or email privatefunction@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz



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Tuesday 7 November @ Birkenhead Bowling Club Open from 11am Stuie's Punters Bar & Winning Post Lounge options available

### **Melbourne Cup Day - Tuesday 7th November**

Join us for the race that stops two Nations. Come and make a day of it in the exclusive Winning Post Lounge with all the trimmings or enjoy the casual atmosphere of the Stuie's Punters Bar with a full bar operating. Whichever way you go, be at Birkenhead Bowling Club Tuesday 7th November for the 157th running of the Melbourne Cup. TAB facilities available, four large screen televisions tuned to the racing action, Full Bar, Open from 11am.

"We could not have had a better day than you guys provided at Birkenhead yesterday. Everything that you did and provided was first class and of an exceptionally high standard. The area for the Lounge was outstanding and our table first rate. The team on the food deserve a special mention for both the quality and the quantity – it would match anything that I have had at a MC function (and I've seen a few!). If you are taking early bookings we are in for next year. Well done on a great day and exceptional event." John Morgan, Northcote

#### Stuie's Punters Bar

Join like-minded members and visitors punting/partying the day away in the Club. Set in the main bar/lounge area of the club, you'll be able to circulate between friends and join in the excitement as you back that winning horse.

- Large screen televisions tuned to the racing action.
- The full day's racing fields displayed.
- Convenient access to betting facilities.
- Entry into the "Lucky Punter Draw".
- Convenient access to TAB betting facilities on site.
- *Free Entry*, No ticket required

#### Winning Post Lounge – Limited Availability

Winning Post Lounge is the place to be for those who thrive in a social atmosphere right in the heart of the racing action. Watch all the action from the heart of the racing in the club! With two large screen televisions tuned to the racing action, with all the benefits and frills that come with this exclusive area. Certainly something a little different......

- All day access to the exclusive Winning Post Lounge.
- Sumptuous buffet lunch, the menu includes Glazed Champagne Ham, Prawns, Half Shell Oysters and a selection of cold dishes and salads. Finished with dessert.
- Beverage package.
- Afternoon tea featuring a selection of platters.
- Convenient access to TAB betting facilities on site.
- TAB voucher draws, "Lucky Punter Draw",
- Melbourne Cup sweepstakes on sale.
- And more.....

Lounge entry is restricted to 18 years and over.

\$65 per head

Secure your Winning Post Lounge ticket(s) at the bar or email: secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz Full payment is required at time of booking. Winning Post Lounge tickets available until Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November unless sold out prior.

# SKY SURVIVOR - NRL GRAND FINAL Picks in by 6.30pm Thursday 28 September Prize-giving Friday 6 October





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# Changes to BPL's Titleholder & Runner-up Teams

From www.bowls.com.au published on Monday, 25 September 2017 Changes are in-store for the Bowls Premier League's two most successful teams. The reigning titleholders and second-place finishers of last February's \$100.000 BPL League competition have both announced changes to their team lists ahead of November's BPL06.

The dual defending champions, the BCiB Sydney Lions, have been forced to make a change to their contingent, after Australian Selectors entrusted star Ben Twist with international duties at the simultaneously staged Hong Kong International Bowls Classic. Taking Twist's place in the Lions' den is newly-capped Australian Jackaroo and up-andcoming ace Corey Wedlock, who was instrumental in Australia's gold medal men's triples

result at the 2017 Gold Coast Multi-Nations event last June. The remaining Lions' pride remains unchanged, with four-time International Bowler of the

Year Aron Sherriff and Commonwealth Games gold medallist Karen Murphy in the playing guernseys, alongside National Coach Steve Glasson OAM in the Coach's chair.

Last year's runners-up, and BPL03's winning team, the New Zealand Blackjacks have also confirmed a positional change, with a big-name star and favourite son set to return in an effort to go one step further this November.

The man who solidified the title for the Kiwis with a spectacular final delivery in BP03, world champion Ali Forsyth, has returned to the fold after missing last February's event. He will reunite with world singles champion Shannon McIlroy and international stalwart Jo Edwards, with New Zealand National Coach Sharon Sims calling the shots.

Continuing the theme, the Club Helensvale Gold Coast Hawks have also made one change to their roster, in an attempt to claim a maiden title.

Australian Jackaroos Captain Lynsey Clarke has re-joined the Hawks' nest after missing the last event in New Zealand due to logistical complications, and will replace Kelsey Cottrell who took up her spot in the eleventh hour.

Alongside Clarke is recently announced Hall of Fame inductee Mark Casey and world pairs champion Brett Wilkie, with Australian Open singles runner-up Nathan Rice in the coach's seat.

"Our club and members are very excited to be involved in another BPL this year," Clarke said about the event.

"We love being able to cheer on our Hawks in this prestigious event; our supporters are always the loudest and most colourful.

"Our line-up contains three of Australia's greats, all world champions, and all having played many years alongside each other in the Hawks colours.

I believe the compatibility and skill of our team will make us one of the toughest sides to beat in this impressive field - this is our year."

The Bowls Premier League will light up Brisbane's Club Pine Rivers from November 14 to 17, with 20 hours of live Fox Sports coverage across the four days of competition.

# BNH Centre Event Closing Dates

All Centre event closing dates stated below are with the Club Secretary. Women's Centre Fours & Men's Centre Fours closes Sunday 8th October

Women's Centre Pairs & Men's Centre Pairs closes Sunday 29th October

Women's Centre Singles & Men's Dick Bree Memorial Triples closes Sunday 12th November 2017

Women's Centre Triples & Men's Centre Singles closes Sunday 24 December 2017 Women's 1-5 Year Centre Singles & Men's 1-5 Year Centre Singles closes Sunday 11th February 2018



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# KINMI COMEDIAN AND AND HYPNOTIST GUY CATCO CATCO Entry

Friday 27 October Birkenhead Bowling Club Show starts at 7pm Tickets \$10 available from

Sabrina or Emmie (0275297297)

Entry restricted to 18 years of age and over

# **National Open Championships**

The National Open Championships is the most prestigious event on the Bowls New Zealand National Events calendar.

As the flagship event for bowls in New Zealand it has a long history of bringing bowlers together to enjoy the game. This open event gives every bowler the chance to compete for top honours as a National Title.

Headquarters for 2017/2018 National Open Championships is at the Taieri Bowling Club, Dunedin.

2017/2018 National Open Championships entries are now open via BowlsNZ website. Entries close 24th November 2017. Entries received after this date will be put on a waiting list which means you may NOT play. You will only be moved off the waiting list if a player of team who are in section play withdraw from the competition.

Any questions regarding the upcoming National Open Championships, please contact our Events Manager, Helen Stallard, helen@bowlsnz.co.nz or 021 966 024

# Birkenhead 1-8 Year Open AC Triples Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 February 2018 \$5,000\*Cash Prize Pool \$1,500\*First Prize

\*based on 32 entries

# The Trusts New Zealand Open

The Trusts New Zealand Open will be next played from the 10 - 18 February 2018. The headquarters will be Blockhouse Bay Bowls with a number of other clubs, including Birkenhead, used for the qualifying stages of the event.

New Zealand Open Qualifying Event: 10th - 12th February 2018

The Trusts New Zealand Open: 13th - 18th February 2018

Disciplines to be played during both events are: - Singles, Pairs and Triples for both men and women - Any combination Pairs and Triples for disabled bowlers

The entry forms for The Trusts New Zealand Open 2018 are now available from Auckland Bowls website.

All entries must be submitted through the online system. Entries cannot be submitted unless you pay at the time. These forms are designed to be completed on the website please do not print the forms. Once your entry is submitted you will receive a confirmation email.

Please do not hesitate to contact Auckland Bowls 09-623 3555 or info@aucklandbowls.co.nz for assistance.

Entries close on Wednesday 20th December 2017 at 5pm.



# TAB at Birkenhead Bowling Club.

The Birkenhead Bowling Club is committed to promoting responsible gambling.

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# Band starts 3.30pm & 4.30pm it's jam on!

Phone Nigel 027 480 7004 for further info

# **Pencil These In**

Thursday 12 October – 7pm Quiz Night Friday 27 October – Guy Cater – Hypnotist Tuesday 7 November - Melbourne Cup Day Thursday 9 November – 7pm Quiz Night Thursday 14 December – 7pm Quiz Night Sunday 17 December - Kids Christmas Party Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 February - \$5,500 "Bert Sutciffe Retirement Village" Invitation Men's Pairs Tuesday 6 February - Birkenhead Rotary Charity Tournament Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 February - \$5,000 "Bert Sutciffe Retirement Village" 1-8 Year AC Triples Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 March - \$6,500 "The Good Home Birkenhead" Invitation Women's Pairs Thursday 29 March – Monday 2 April (Easter) - 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee

# **Spotlight on Club Partners**

This week we put the spotlight on "New World Birkenhead". A long time Club Partner 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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About your local store

Hi, and welcome to your local supermarket, New World Birkenhead. As the owner/operator of New World Birkenhead I'm

continually working to ensure that we provide the best in all we do. We have a great team of people at New World Birkenhead, and I'm proud to work alongside them.

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

