

# The Bee Express



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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

Wednesday, 1 November 2017









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# **Scrims! Scrims! Scrims!**

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#### On The Greens

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**Top Green (A Green) - is open for practice from Thursday**, <u>scrims must be used</u> and mats on the 2 metre. Bowl onto the scrim.

Bottom Green (B Green) - No practice on B Green.

Wednesday 1 November – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry)

Friday 3 November - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2)

Monday 6 November – 6pm "YOU Travel Birkenhead" Social Bowls (2)

Wednesday 8 November – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry)

Friday 10 November - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2)

Sunday 12 November – 9am Sunday Tournament (OACT)

Monday 13 November – 6pm "YOU Travel Birkenhead" Social Bowls (3)

#### **Inside This Weekend**

#### Friday 3 November - Club Night

Raffles, Happy Hour, Membership Draw, Joker 500

Racing – New Plymouth (Thoroughbreds), Alexandra Park & Addington (Harness), Addington & Wanganui (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

#### Saturday 4 November

Racing – Tauranga & Palmerston North (Thoroughbreds), Timaru (Harness) and racing from across Australia including Flemington – Victoria Derby & Longines Mile

Rugby League World Cup\* - 5pm New Zealand v Scotland

- 7.30pm Samoa v Tonga

#### **Sunday 5 November**

Racing – Banks Peninsula (Thoroughbreds), Invercargill (Harness), Manukau (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

Rugby League World Cup\* – 7pm Italy v USA

- 7pm PNG v Ireland

viewing selection is dependent on the members.

#### **Centre Fours Rundown**

BNH Centre Fours got underway last Saturday with Birkenhead fielding two women's teams and five men's teams, including Jack Huriwai's team out to defend the title they won last season. After section play was complete Huriwai's team was out of the hunt. In the women's, only Trish Croot with Jacqui Belcher, Barbara Staal & Lauranne Croot had made it through to Sunday's post section and the last six.

Of the men Shane Gibson's team with Jerome Rusk, Keith Burgess, Jerry Belcher, and John Hindmarch's team with Merv Garred, Mike Haggart & Curtis Ennor both made it to the last eight for Sunday morning post section at Milford.

In the process of qualifying Gibson's team playing Takapuna's Murray Mathieson were down 20-14 with two ends to play. Picked up a two and on the last end an eight to steal a win from the jaws of defeat 20-22.

The success of the previous day unfortunately didn't continue with Croot going out to Helensville's J.Connell in the first round of women's post section play. The men did not fare any better with Gibson going out to Helensville's B.Robertson and the Hindmarch bowing out to Miarangi's L.Wech in the first round of post section. Wech went on to the final where they were beaten by Brown's Bay, featuring two Birkenhead members Tony Grantham and Schalk Mouton.

Browns Bay's Elaine McClintock's team took out the women's title to give Browns Bay the double for the afternoon.



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Tuesday 7 November

@ Birkenhead Bowling Club

Open from 11am

Stuie's Punters Bar &

Winning Post Lounge

options available

#### National Sevens Interclub

This Saturday the National Sevens Interclub gets underway. Birkenhead has fielded three sides this season. Women's Division One at Sunnybrae, Men's Division One at Browns Bay and Men's Division Two at Beach Haven.

With each side comprising of 7 players – a Singles player, a Pairs team and a Fours team. Both Division One Men's and Women's play a round robin.

The Men's Division Two are drawn into three sections of 6 sides, all playing a round robin over two days. The top 2 from each section plus the next best 2 overall will go through to Post Section sudden death at Milford Bowling Club on Saturday 11 November commencing at 9am with the guarter finals.

Men's Division One	Women's Division One	Men's Division Two
Sat 4/11 - Browns Bay	Sat 4/11 - Sunnybrae	Sat 4/11 - Beach Haven
Sun 5/11 - Mairangi Bay	Sun 5/11 - Browns Bay	Sun 5/11 - Milford
Sat 11/11 - Milford	Sat 11/11 - TBC	Sat 11/11 - Browns Bay
Helensville	Glenfield Wild Cats	Browns Bay Gold
Takapuna	Mairangi Bay 1	Glenfield Lions
Manly White	Birkenhead	Birkenhead
Browns Bay Hawks	Orewa Red	Orewa Tuis
Riverhead	Manly 1	Hobsonville
Mairangi Bay 1	Browns Bay Super Sevens	Riverhead
Birkenhead	Helensville	
Northcote		
Orewa Crocks		

# **Birkenhead Junior Ladies Qualify**

By Trish Croot

Birkenhead has always been extremely lucky to have Keith Burgess and his bevy of helpers coaching our junior players at the club. Past years have seen success from both men's and women's junior sides including winning last season's Junior Interclub. So it is of no surprise that the junior ladies have taken a leading role this year at Birkenhead competing at centre level in early season competitions. Last weekend Barb Staal (Year 5), Loz Croot (Year 4) and Jacqui Belcher (Year 3) along with their senior skip Trish Croot, competed in the Bowls North Harbour Women's Centre Open Fours. After Day 1 playing at Beach Haven on superbly finishing greens, they qualified for post section; drawing their first against Browns Bay's Lin East and winning their last against Orewa by the required differential to go through. Day 2 found the girls at Milford Bowling Club playing Helensville in the first round of post section. Playing on slicker greens than the day before, they unfortunately went down 12-8. Helensville got away to an 8-1 head start and the team had to claw their way back to get within striking distance. Helensville's Deb Presland remarked "we could feel you breathing down our necks and we felt the game change". In the end, time ran out but the girls executed themselves well for the entirety of the tournament. Well done girls and we look forward to seeing you out and about during the season.

#### Melbourne Cup Day - Winning Post Lounge

Come and make a day of it in the exclusive Winning Post Lounge with all the trimmings Winning Post Lounge tickets available until Saturday 4th November unless sold out prior. Melbourne Cup Day - Stuie's Punters Bar

Enjoy the casual atmosphere of the Stuie's Punters Bar with a full bar operating, free entry.











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# **Birkenhead 1-8 Year Open AC Triples**

**\$5,000**\*Cash Prize Pool **\$1,500**\* First Prize

Entry forms available from the club or www.bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz

# **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.

#### 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.

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

Winning Post Lounge ticket(s) from 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.

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

# 75th Jubilee - Big Thank You

Thank you to the various club members and business that have pledged various amounts to assist with the 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee celebrations financially, it is very much appreciated. If you are in position to and would like to contribute towards the celebrations financially, please contact Emmie Swart (0275 297 297), it may be anonymous if you wish. All those that contribute will be listed, name only, in the Jubilee Programme. It is a great milestone to reach and the club plans on giving those that attended the various tournaments and social events the best experience possible and certainly one to remember.

# 75th Jubilee - Past Members & Friends

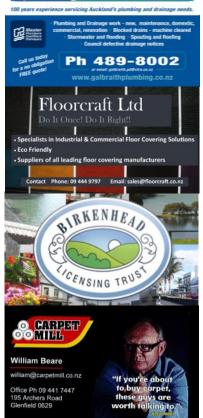
If you know of any past members, friends or relatives who would be interested in joining with us to mark this special occasion, please pass on their contact details to the Club Secretary and we will get the relevant information out to them. email: secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz) or phone/ text 027 6661618.



# TAB at Birkenhead Bowling Club.

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# Sunday 12 November, 3:30pm-6:00pm

Come and watch or join in blues cover band Freight's semi-regular Sunday blues jam. Past jams have taken the form of a participation show, with Freight playing for around the first hour while other musicians make themselves known. Depending on the number of jammers present and the instruments they play, guests will typically substitute for Freight members so there's always a full band playing.

Dancers, vocalists and all levels of players are encouraged - tambourines are available! The impromptu format makes for an interesting spectacle, so come along and watch some unpredictable blues! Phone Nigel (027 4807004) for more information.

### Christmas, Book Today

Looking for somewhere to hold your Christmas function? Everywhere to 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

#### 75th Jubilee – Gala Dinner

Undoubtedly the social highlight of the 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee celebrations will be Jubilee Gala Dinner on Sunday evening 1<sup>st</sup> April. For one night only, the club will be transformed into an establishment fitting such an occasion. The club would like to thank Jubilee Platinum Partner Barfoot and Thompson Birkenhead for their assistance in making this event possible. During the evening our Master of Ceremonies will entertain and guide those attending through the various stages of the evening history of the club, sharing some gems on the in the process. An evening that includes a sumptuous three course dinner, complimentary wine, speeches and followed by the highly polished Mermaids Dance Band to dance the night away to. This will be a night they will talk about for years to come, unfortunately for the comfort of those attending numbers are limited.

Those intending to play in the Jubilee Triples on Sunday and attend the Dinner will be able to do so with ease as the Triples will be all over, including prize-giving, by 3pm. The Gala Dinner gets underway at 6pm.

75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee "Registration of Interest" is now open, you are urged to fill in a "Registration of Interest form" to avoid disappoint. Note we need all your contact details on the form. Registrations of Interest close Monday 4 December.

"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.

# **Achievements Away From Home**

Loz Croot was part of the winning triple at Glenfield Wednesday Triples (25 October). She was in a team with two Glenfield players, and took away the winning meat tray for the day. Well done Loz.











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#BPL06 IS BACK IN BRISBANE **CLUB PINE RIVERS** NOVEMBER 14-17, 2017 LIVE ON:







# Late Night Bowls Ahead

Not long to go until BPL06 begins in Brisbane at Club Pine Rivers. Sky has all the evening sessions live..

Tuesday 14 November 8pm - 1am Sky Sport 4 Wednesday 15 November 8pm - 1am Sky Sport 4 Thursday 16 November 8pm - 1am Sky Sport 4 Friday 17 November 8pm - 1am Sky Sport 3

# \$800 - \$1,000 Jackpot

The Club has add another level to the gaming machines to enhance the player experience currently offered and installed a progressive jackpot with all the gaming machines in the club connected to it. The jackpot starts at \$800 and must go off before or at \$1000. The Birkenhead Bowling Club is committed to promoting responsible gambling.

# **Membership Draw - \$350 Today**

Club Membership Draw is drawn Wednesdays between 5pm - 6pm, and Fridays between 5.30 - 6.30pm. Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize (members have two minutes to make themselves known to the draw caller).

# **BNH Centre Event Closing Dates**

All Centre event closing dates stated below are with the Club Secretary.

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

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



# BOOK YOUR XMAS PARTY NOV

# Handbook Membership List Updates

Please ensure that the Secretary is advised of any change of postal address, email address or telephone number.

Note: this is playing members only.

John Janssen – new phone number 932-4325 Sharon Catchpole - Full, Grade: Lead, Handicap 6

Colleen Sexton - Associate to Full Member, Grade: Skip, Handicap SCR Steve Yates - 027 4974527 Social to Full Member, Grade: Three, Handicap: 1

Arthur Dewar – 444 6292 Full Member, Grade: Three, Handicap 4

John Stewart - 418 3417 or 027 2124149 Full Member, Grade: Lead, Handicap 6 Hugh Williams – 444-5615 or 021 974040 1st Year, Grade: Lead, Handicap: 10 Edward Turkington – 418-1075 or 021 640466 1st Year, Grade: Lead, Handicap: 10

Dennis Carle - 027 4436269 Social to 1st Year, Grade: Lead, Handicap: 10 John Dyksma - 027 3327683 Social to 1st Year, Grade: Lead, Handicap: 10

Jacqui Belcher – incorrect handicap, change handicap to 5

Randall Watkins - incorrect mobile number, change to 0275 404887

John Baxter – 4824016 or 027 3590311 Full Member, Grade: Two, Handicap ??? Michael Cartwright - 021 0548542 Full Member, Grade: Skip, Handicap SCR Mick Moodie - 443-1039 or 022 6412660 Full Member, Grade: Skip, Handicap SCR

Resigned: Heather Stevens, Lisa Helmling, John Pilkington, Paris Barker

















Second Thursday in the Month 7pm @ Birkenhead Bowling Club

# **Thursday 9 November**

Team and single entry Ring Emmie 0275 297

#### **Continuous Ham Raffles**

Christmas is fast approaching and again the continuous ham raffles are now on sale at the bar.

Two dollars per number, per raffle. Each raffle is drawn the Friday after it is sold out. Drawn during the club membership draw time slot.

Winning raffles may be collected after 5pm Thursday 14 December from Birkenhead Bowling Club.

Raffles not collected on the 14 December will be named and placed in the chiller for collection, the club and persons running the raffle are not responsible for any raffles left in the chiller.

#### The winners to date:

Draw 1 - Ben Rzoska



#### National Open Championships 2017-2018 Entries close 24th November 2017

#### **Spotlight on Club Partners**

This week it's our friend Graeme Rutherford's Wheels On Wairau. Wheels On Wairau have in past years sponsored a Sunday Tournament. Recently they have increased their sponsorship and now sponsor the annual two day Seafood Tournament. Many club members have purchased cars and regularly use the vehicle service centre at Wheels On Wairau in recent years and the reports back are all good. Thanks Wheels On Wairau for your continued support.

From Wheels On Wairau website

#### Who we are

Wheels On Wairau is a used vehicle sales business in the heart of Wairau valley, Glenfield, established in late 1997.

We specialise in late model, low mileage Japanese imported vehicles which have been AA appraised with all the km's AA certified. However we can source most types of vehicles as we hand pick all our stock direct from

Japan which we visit monthly.

Our philosophy is quite simple, high turnover and low margins which gives us the luxury of fresh stock arriving weekly direct from Japan to provide a constant flow of cars to our clients.

#### What we can do for you

We can offer to trade your car in, offer competitive finance packages, chiefly through Marac Finance. In addition we now have a fully equipped workshop with qualified technicians



who can cater for all your mechanical and servicing needs at extremely competitive prices, check our service page.

We usually have between 60 - 80 cars in stock at any one time, to provide an extensive range of cars, station wagons, hatches, vans and 4wd's.

All vehicles that are sold have been fully serviced, have band expanders and include on road costs.

#### Wheels On Wairau

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