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Opening Day Saturday 1 September

12.30pm Mini Tournament - 3pm Official Opening

On the Greens

Both greens are currently closed

Saturday 1 September – 12.30pm Opening Day Mini Tournament

Saturday 8 September – 1pm Stinger 200 Club Arvo

Saturday 15 September – 1pm Stinger 200 Club Arvo

Sunday 16 September – Sunday Tournament (OACT) – lunch provided

Wednesday 19 September – Wednesday Tournament (OACT) – lunch provided

Inside this Weekend

Friday 24 August - Club Night

Membership Draw, Raffles, Happy Hour, Joker 500

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

NRL* - 8.00pm Warriors vs Panthers

Saturday 25 August

Racing – Te Rapa, New Plymouth (Thoroughbreds) and racing from across Australia.

International Rugby* - 7.35pm All Blacks vs Australia

NRL* - 5.00pm Raiders vs Rabbitohs

7.30pm Titans vs Storm (on small screen)

Sunday 26 August

Racing – Gore (Harness), Manukau (Dogs) and racing from across Australia.

NRL* - 4.00pm Sharks vs Knights

6.10pm Dragons vs Bulldogs

* viewing selection is determined by the members.

And The Greens?

At the end of the previous bowling season the club enlisted the services of a CO2 aerator. This procedure aids in decompacting the greens surface and subsoil by expelling compressed air down as deep as 12 inches. This helps with water penetration and adding air to the root system to enhance plant health. After this being done Glenn applied 250kg of granular fertiliser and soil amendments to the greens.

He will continue to apply more of these products leading towards the start of the playing season. At which time he will change to foliar applications of fertiliser and fungicide treatments. These will be done at fortnightly Intervals as sand greens have high leaching rates. With applying these products Glenn is aiming for a consistent playing surface throughout the season.

Eradication of subsoil invertebrates has been made more difficult with the tightening and removal of toxic chemicals from the market. The only way forward is becoming more "Green" with softer methods of which Glenn and the Club will be investigating these options

All grasses and moss have been sprayed and will continue to be as it has been wet and

The long wait for seed is over after being told of the apparent shortage of supply. The bare areas have been seeded and with the rise in the soil temperature it won't be long before establishment is reached.

Over the past couple of seasons the path of information passed to Glenn gets sometimes confusing with several differing objectives. The Board asks that all communications re the greens be directed to the Greens Superintendent Randall Watkins, do not phone Glenn direct.













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Next Quiz 7pm Thursday 13 September Enter on the night

Programme 2018-19

The Club programme for the summer is out and all members are asked to pray and across fingers for no rain on game days. It is a tight playing calendar and we are utilising half days and long weekends out of necessity.

A new addition to the playing programme early on in the season is the 1pm Saturday Stinger 200 Club Arvo series over six selected Saturday afternoons. It's there to get our members back into action for the coming season, enable new members to experience the game and generally bring the club's players together for a social yet competitive afternoon. Along with the place getter prizes, there will be at least an extra \$200* up for grabs each Saturday.

Club Championships see Singles, Fours and Triples played this side of Christmas, with some commencing 1pm Saturdays after morning pennants.

Championship Pairs are carded for late January.

The \$6,500 Good Home Birkenhead Women's Pairs tournament traditionally in March has been moved to February.

The ever popular "Wheels On Wairau" Seafood Tournament is played the weekend of 6 & 7 April.

Sunday Triples Tournaments are set down for the months of September, October, December, March, April and May.

Club Partner Bert Sutcliff Retirement Village will be offering additional prizes at Club Days on the fourth Wednesday of the months of October, November, January, February and March.

As per tradition in recent years on the third Wednesday of each month sees Birkenhead hold its Open Wednesday Triples tournaments with lunch included. With the Rod Mahon on Wednesday 19 December.

You Travel Birkenhead Social Bowls returns with six Monday evenings prior to Christmas and six Monday evenings in the New Year. The last tournament for 2018 is Stuie's Birthday Mini Tournament, a tournament for all members (social members included) and friends, is on the afternoon of Monday 24 December.

* Terms and Conditions apply

The "Friendship Shield" in Our Cabinet

After many years of no challenges the "Friendship Shield" was back on the line thanks to Nick Bell, Terry Moverley and John Hindmarch.

Play between the two clubs of Pt Chev and Birkenhead during winter over a series of Saturday afternoon indoor games.

The first leg of the challenge saw Birkenhead trekked across the bridge to Pt Chev. Birkenhead held its own for the pool and the darts pairs but in the darts singles Birkenhead got a towelling. But the spread put on by Pt Chev at the conclusion of play was superb and the overall result was put behind as we reflected on a great afternoon shared in great spirits.

Leg two and Birkenhead was on home soil. Pool and darts featured but indoor bowls was the main sport of the afternoon. With a few rounds of bowls and a game of pool to go Birkenhead were sitting a couple behind Pt Chev on the overall challenge, across legs one and two. But Birkenhead was dominant in both the pool and indoor bowls and managed to secure the "Friendship Shield".

We now look forward the challenge next winter and wish Pt Chev all the best for the summer and their plunge into the world to televised Bowls3Five hitting our screens over October and November.

Membership Cash Draw

Club Membership Draw is drawn Wednesdays between 5 - 6pm, and again on Fridays between 5 - 7pm. Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize (members have two minutes to make themselves known to the draw caller).



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Birkenhead Women Storm the Winter Cup

After coming runners up last winter to Browns Bay in the Women's Winter Cup. This winter Birkenhead moved up a step taking out the Women's Winter Cup.

Week one saw two wins and the only loss Mairangi Bay (29-20), Manly Sparkles (22-15),

Orewa G.Wilkinson (15-19). Week two and three wins Warkworth (28-16), Orewa G.Bagnall (22-16), Manly Stars (38-11). Week three and three huge wins against Takapuna (30-15), Mahurangi East (29-15) and Browns Bay S.Chambers (38-7)

Going into week four and the final two games Birkenhead were 3 game points ahead of Orewa's G.Bagnall the only team that could catch them.

Two wins Browns Bay M Oates (29-15) and Hobsonville (30-16) giving them 30 games points (7 game points ahead of their nearest rivals), an impressive 310 shots for, 165 shots against, a whopping 145 points differential and crowned Winter Cup champions.



Women's Winter Cup winners: Ruth Lynch (s). Mavis Smith (3), Jacqui Belcher (2), Adele Ineson (L)

Well done Adele Ineson, Jacqui Belcher, Mavis Smith and Ruth Lynch (s). In the Men's Winter Cup neither Birkenhead teams made the knock out stage, Lionel Drew's four preformed the best finishing third in section and missing a spot in the playoffs by two game points, there is always next winter.

Summer of Bowls

The 2018/19 Summer of Bowls calendar has been released. There is a copy up on the notice board at the Club or it can be downloaded from Bowls New Zealand's website. With 42 events it certainly is a busy summer on greens around the country. The past success of Birkenhead's two marquee pairs tournaments have been acknowledged. With both the \$5,500 Bert Sutcliff Retirement Village Men's Pairs and the \$6,500 The Good Home Birkenhead Women's Pairs tournaments being endorsed by Bowls New Zealand as part of the "Summer of Bowls'. Giving both tournaments, the Club and our club Partners greater exposure to the wider bowling community.

Bowls NZ will contribute to the running costs of each tournament, promote the event within the Bowls NZ website and on Facebook, as part of a 'Summer of Bowls' events calendar. Provide a written communication on each 'tournament'. Offer the 'live streaming' technology and Facebook digital streaming platform. Provide free digital marketing support. Each tournament will be recognised within Bowls NZ Talent ID and High Performance programme with Bowls NZ purchasing entries into each tournament for High Performance purposes.

Regular Open Tournaments

No season at Birkenhead would be complete without our regular open tournaments. The popular Friday 2-4-2 Afternoon Pairs returns. Enter a team or Single Entry. Dress is mufti. If you can get Friday afternoons off this is the perfect way to spend it.

Evan Thomas has the reins for our monthly Wednesday Triples starts 19 September, buffet lunch provided and with some nice meat packs for those that step up on the day. Included in this series of tournaments is the Rod Mahon Memorial in December, enter early if you want to play in this.

Sunday Triples are Merv Garred's baby. Not quite monthly but pretty close to it. December 2 is the annual Ham Tournament, a tournament not to be missed. All Sunday Triples include a buffet lunch, with raffles on offer and meat pack prizes for the winners.







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More Carparking Lost

With the sale of Alan Wells and Bev's place across the road from the Club (corner of Mokoia and Huka Roads) we lose a few more carparks. It would be a case of wishful thinking the site will become a carpark. Thanks Alan for letting the club members park there over the years, it's been much appreciated.

As the bowling season fast approaches members are reminded of the parking restrictions during school days.

The Birkenhead Bowling Club has limited car parking and over the years has built a strong relationship with the Birkenhead Primary School enabling both property owners to

utilise each other's limited parking resources together. Recently (four years) the Birkenhead Kindergarten has also been involved. Primarily the Club's carpark is for use by members and visitors while frequenting the club. There are agreements in place between both the Birkenhead Primary School and the Birkenhead Kinder-



garten to allow parents to park for 10 minutes for the purpose of dropping off and picking up children. Please be mindful of children in the car park school mornings and afternoons. The club also has use of the Kindergarten's parking during Sunday Tournaments. All other times during school hours the Primary School carpark is a "tow away area". We are also fortunate enough, with advanced notice, to be able to use inside the primary school gate for parking on weekends.

Logan has told the club that from time to time there are parks available in the school carpark during school hours, but they must clear this with him prior to parking or risk being towed away.

The club's website has a map with other car parking options marked. http://www.bowlsbirkenhead.com/parking.html

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

Membership Fees Now Due

To qualify for any discounted fee, were applicable, subscriptions are to be paid on or before Saturday 1 September 2018. To play in Bowls North Harbour Centre Ivan Kostanich Memorial Men's Premier Open Singles and Auckland Bowls Women's Premier Open Singles you are required to be a financial member for the 2018-19 season.





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SKY SURVIVOR FINALS \$500 Picks close 6.30pm Thursday 6 September

Birkenhead Licensing Trust \$500* Sky Survivor Finals

Curtis Ennor and Logan Smith shared the spoils from Sky Survivor #3 with both backing the Tigers to beat the Bulldogs, but the Bulldogs got up and won and the prize was shared. With NRL finals coming up starting the weekend 7-9 September we have a four week only Sky Survivors running. It is not for the faint hearted!.

Entry is limited to only ten, \$50 per entry (syndicates welcome), winner \$400, second \$100, no lucky draws!

Similar terms and conditions as the regular season Sky Survivor, with a few exceptions, in the Grand Final you may pick a team you have already picked previously. To get a clear winner players will be required to pick their teams winning score to determine an absolute winner, There will only be one survivor, pick the winning team then closest to the winning teams points then closest to the losing teams points.

If you're keen, put your name on the respective list under the TAB screens and give your entry money to John Hindmarch

First round (Qualifying/Elimination Finals) selections closes 6.30pm Thursday 6 September Selections and scores to be made and in the Sky Survivor Box at the bar by 6.30pm the Thursday prior to the round commencing. *Terms & conditions apply

Composite Takes Out Stannaway

Sunday 12 August a bluebird day for bowls as 24 teams of 1-5 year players stepped out on

the greens to compete to the Phil Stanaway Memorial Trophy. Twenty years ago it was played at Silverdale then Orewa and in recent years Manly has been the venue, but one thing for sure and that is Syd Hayman will be there ensuring its success.

This year it was taken out by the composite team of Bob Telfer (Takapuna), Kevin Rainsford (Manly, Jerry Belcher and Jerome Rusk (Birkenhead). A fitting end to Jerome's 1-5 year days, Jerome is now having a



A Mangawhai Bowls team, featuring Birkenhead dual member Robbie Henson, took out third place



Invitations emailed and posted at the beginning of the month. The first day of September is not only the first day of spring, but it also the day Birkenhead opens for the 2018-19 summer season, our 76th year. As has become a much anticipated tradition in recent years a guest speaker is booked and ready to go. Thanks again to Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead making our guest speaker possible.

The day kicks off at 12.30pm with Opening Day Mini Tournament, Single Entry - Open to full members, entry is free, names in by 12.15pm.

3pm formal speeches, guest speaker, opening of the green, followed by a selection of finger foods for everyone's enjoyment.

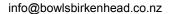
Dress: Full Members: Club Uniform or bowling attire where appropriate.

Partners and Social Members: smart casual



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The Matriarch Bares All

Firstly thanks to those that have supplied books over the years, it has been very much appreciated by members. On behalf of the Club Matriarch, an avid reader her self, Carole appointed Louise to clear the club library of every single book and dispose of. The books went to a local kindergarten and were used to raise funds for the kids and once again to be read and cherished. The shelves are now bare!

It is now time to restock and refresh. If you have fiction books no longer required that may be suitable for the Club's library bring them in and Carole will add them to the library. The library is for all members to use, make yourself at home.

Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village Wednesdays

On the fourth Wednesday of the months of October, November, January, February and March, there will be additional prizes on offer courtesy of Club Partner Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village. Rosalind Hayhoe and Leanne O'Meara will be on hand during the day and at the prize giving.

Discs in by 9.45am, play commences at 10.00am. Do not phone your name through before 9.30am. It is preferable that you put your disc in personally.

A Whooping 86 Inches

She squealed and he just smiled, there it was 86 inches of pure entertainment!. The proceeds from the Joker 500 have enable the club to purchase the tables on the viewing deck, the plates and tableware used for the 75th Jubilee Dinner and subsequent dinners and making some lucky members very happy with \$500 cash in their pockets. And now The Joker 500 with the additional support of a few Club Partners has purchased an 86 inch TV for the main lounge for the enjoyment of all. Thanks to all those that have purchased Joker 500 tickets over time your support makes purchases such as the new TV possible. Thanks also to the following for their additional support:

3D Products (Greg & Jo Utting), Emmie Swart Limited (Terry Moverley & Emmie Swart), E-Move (Jim and Michelle Galloway) and Ray Munce.

Centre Events Closing

Entry forms for the Centre events below are available from the respective Centre websites. Entry and fees are paid direct to the respective Centre.

Bowls North Harbour Ivan Kostanich Memorial Men's Premier Open Singles Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 September 2018.

Entries close with Bowls North Harbour Wednesday 5 September 2017

Auckland Bowls Women's Premier Open Singles

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September 2018 Entries are open to any Full Playing Female Members of a Club affiliated to World Bowls.

Auckland Bowls advises that the tournament is full.

Pencil These In

Thursday 13 September – 7pm Quiz Night Sunday 7 October - 1pm Have A Go & Club Open Day Thursday 11 October - 7pm Quiz Night Tuesday 6 November - Melbourne Cup Day Sunday 16 December - Kids Christmas Party

Rain or Shine

This Sunday 7 October the club is holding a "Free!! Have A Go and Open Day". The past seasons we had over one hundred through the club on this day. Rain or shine the day will go ahead. Come along and bring your mates to give bowls a go, free sausage sizzle and more. We need members to assist on the day, so if you can spare some time it would be appreciated. The day will run from 1pm to 4pm out on the greens.

This is the day we put our Club on show to our local community. The majority have walked past the club many times and never given what is inside a second glance.



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Pennants 2018

Play dates: 29 September, 6, 13, 27 October, 3, 10, 17 & 24 November, 1 & 8 December Finals day Sunday 9 December

Name on the board in the club if you are available to play

Saturday Stinger 200 Club Arvos

New for the 2018-19 season join in Saturday's Stinger 200 Club Arvo running over six Saturday afternoons is open to all Birkenhead Bowling Club playing members. Single entry, dress mufti, discs in by 12.45pm, play commences at 1pm. Preference to triples. Each afternoon on top of the playing prizes, there is at least an additional \$200 possible to be won*. If it is not won it will jackpot to the next Saturday Stinger 200 Club Arvo* 1pm Saturday 8, 15, 29 September, 6 October, 17 & 24 November. *Terms and conditions apply.

Handbook

The handbook is at the printers and we expect to have it available to members this coming Friday. The playing programme for the coming season is also available for download from the clubs website: http://www.bowlsbirkenhead.com/clubprogramme.html

A big thank you to those who spent more than a few hours collating, proof reading and producing the handbook and club programme for the coming season.

The handbook has been produced free of charge the past eight years by Akarana Publishing Company. Thanks Graham Lambert (Guppy) for your great service and continued support. Akarana Publishing Company also produced the 75th Jubilee Souvenir Book.

Three Draws Left

Counting today's membership draw, there are only three membership draws left (22, 24 & 29 August)

utilising the 2017-18 season membership numbers. The draw on Friday 31 August will utilise the new 2018-19 season membership numbers.

To be in the membership draw from Friday 31 August onwards you must have paid your 2018-19 sub in full by or on the Sunday prior to each draw.

New membership cards will be available on Opening Day for those that have paid on or before Sunday 26 August.

Club Membership Draw is drawn Wednesdays between 5pm - 6pm, and Fridays between 5 - 7pm. Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize (members have two minutes to make themselves known to the draw caller).

Club for Hire

The club is for hire by members as well as outside individuals and organisations not only during the summer but also over winter. Both lounge areas are north facing and offer a warm 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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Two Nights, Two Big Games Live & Loud on the Big Screen @ The Bowling Club

8pm Friday

7.30pm Saturday

Warriors vs Panthers All Blacks vs Australia

Thanks Lush

BNH Centre Prize Giving at Birkenhead back in June, Birkenhead had RK Express play live at the Club for all to enjoy. This was made possible with the kind support of social member, soon to be first year bowler, Warren Lush. Thanks Warren from all the members.

Sold Out – Two Tickets to be Won

The Warriors last regular season game against Canberra Raiders Friday 31 August. We have two tickets to give away to this sold out game

Block 12, Row E these seats are nice and close to the action.

To be in the draw make a purchase from the Club's bar Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday up until 5.30pm Wednesday 29 August and enter your name in the draw. One entry per person per day.

Drawn Wednesday 29 August at 5.30pm



Spotlight on Club Partners

This week we put the spotlight on new Club Partner E-Move.

From E-Move website https://e-move.co.nz

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- 3. Furniture Removals
 - Security and reliability are vital so we've built the largest independent network of expert commercial removalists.
- 4. Business Removalists
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