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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

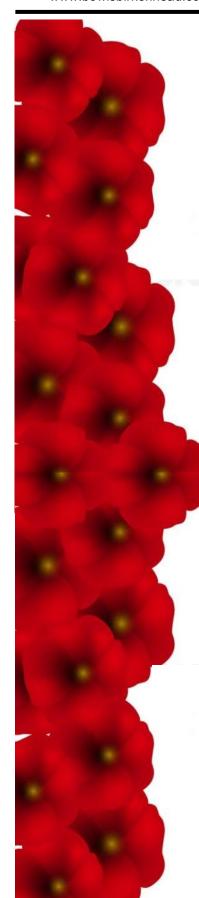
Wednesday, 24 April 2019













They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,

We will remember them.

#### **ANZAC Day Trading - Open 12.30pm**

The Club is open ANZAC Day, Thursday 25 April from 12.30pm.

Greens closed until 1pm, no play or practice until 1pm.

No bet can be sold or gaming machine played prior to 1pm

TAB and Gaming machines open from 1pm

Racing – Avondale, Palmerston North (Thoroughbreds), Cambridge, Addington (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

NRL\* - 6.05pm Roosters v Dragons – Note: close off time 6.05pm for Sky Survivors if you wish to select either of these teams, all other teams selection closes off at 6.30pm Thursday

\* viewing selection is determined by the members.

#### **Every Friday is Club Night**

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.



#### On The Greens

Wednesday 24 April – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry) – Club uniform or creams Thursday 25 April - Greens closed until 1pm

Sunday 28 April - 9am Sunday Tournament (OACT) - Cancelled

Wednesday 1 May – 10am Club Day – Fish & Chip Day (AC, Single Entry) – Club uniform or creams

Wednesday 8 May – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry) – Club uniform or creams Sunday 12 May - 9am Sunday tournament (OACT) – lunch provided Wednesday 15 May – 9.30am Wednesday Tournament (OACT) – lunch provided Saturday 18 May – Birkenhead Bowling Club Closing Day & Prize Giving – details to be advised.

#### **Inside This Weekend**

#### Friday 26 April - Club Night

Raffles, Happy Hour, Members Draw, Joker 500

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

Super Rugby\* - 7.35pm Crusaders v Lions

NRL\* - 8pm Bulldogs v Cowboys

#### Saturday 27 April

Racing – Te Rapa, Hastings (Thoroughbreds), Invercargill (Harness), and racing from across Australia

Super Rugby\* - 7.35pm Hurricanes v Chiefs

NRL\* - 7.30pm Wests Tigers v Titans

#### Sunday 28 April

Racing – Blenheim (Thoroughbreds), Cambridge (Harness), Manukau (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

NRL\* - 4pm Sea Eagles v Raiders

- 6.05pm Knights v Eels

#### Three Bars Good Friday

With The Good Home Birkenhead, Innfield and Wairua Sports Bar all closed Good Friday, it was a perfect opportunity for the staff of all three establishments to get together and relax. While the Bowling Club occupied one green for the Easter Triples, Allen Vaughan's staff settled in for a day of bowls. With exclusive use of the green and the "Wrong Bias" bar it was an occasion for them to let their hair down, and they certainly did. Bowling, posing for photos, singing along to the stereo and dining out on Birkenhead's speciality "build your own hamburgers and chips" for lunch. A great time was had by all. It was a pleasure to host them and give something back to say thank you for their continued support of the Club.



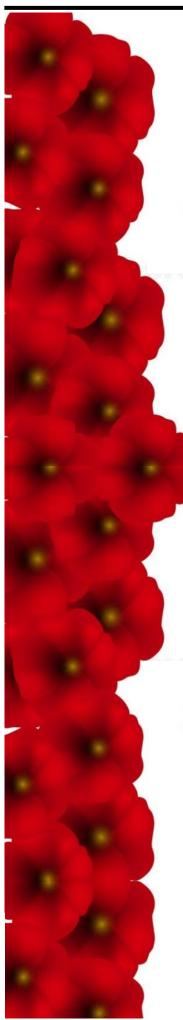
Some of the Good Home staff enjoying a warm sunny Good Friday at the Club

#### The Last Quiz

All good things must come to an end. Thursday 9 May sees our regular monthly Quiz Nights do just that. The numbers have dwindled over recent months and the decision has been made to call it a day. Come and join us for our last Quiz Night (for a while) 7pm Thursday 9 May. Let's give our Quiz Nights a great send off.



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### Housie! Bingo! Thursday 16 May

Caller: Kevin "Scratchy" George

Cash Prizes First Game 7pm

Bingo cards only \$1 per card

Further info ph: 0275 297297, Entry restricted to 18 years and over Housie! Bingo! every third Thursday in the month



#### Two Glorious Days

With so many other extended tournaments on over Easter it was always going to be a hard ask to fill two greens, thirty-two teams of triples!, and that was not the intention. A small field of sixteen teams chasing \$1,000 first place with tournament partner Carpet Mill Archers Road in support with a total prize pool of \$2,500, a quality yet social field was the intention.

Friday dawned a prefect day for bowls and the green was ready for play, slick and fast just what Birkenhead is known for. Play underway with four games Friday and four games Saturday. First round of games and the upsets began. Jeffery Eskidge's trio, himself, Ivan Sumich and Birkenhead's Warren Lush rolled Trish Croot's trio with Lindsay Gilmour and Mark Rumble (13-10). Croot then went on to drop their second game (12-16) to Gary Stevens with Mavis Smith and Adam Richardson. But Croot went on to win the next two games to salvage some hope out of the day.

Australian Open Fours Champion Catherine Bien accompanied by Barclay Lee and Jamie Chen came to the tournament a real threat but the slick greens left them with only a draw to their name after day one. Evan Thomas with Mick Moddie and Bruce Cochrane off the front picked up two good wins in the morning (18-9 & 15-12). The afternoon saw them come away with a narrow win over Bien (10-9) followed by win by default after one member of Colin Haysham's team walked off after a team disagreement.

The bookies favourites trio, Randall Watkins, Daymon Pierson and Brent Malcolm started the day with an unexpected big win over Jack Huriwai, Merv Garred and Beach Haven's Steve Doolan (25-6), followed up with a narrow win (11-10) over Carry Coolev. Curtis Ennor and Robbie Church. Game three saw Watkins take on Takapuna's Charlie Harvey, Lindsay Knight and Dennis Hale. It took a great shot by Watkins on the last end with his last bowl to score a two and salvage a draw (8-8). Watkins last game the trio was back to winning form coming away with a comfortable win (16-8) over Orewa's Errol Koroi accompanied by Birkenehad's Jimmy Heath and Robbie Henson.

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Browns Bay's Shona Chambers looking good in Birkenhead Blue, Orewa's Errol Koroi looks on.

The end of day one and the teams of Ruth Lynch (Lynch, David Payne, Colleen Rice), Gary Wallace (Wallace, Roy Parker, Sandy Cleghorn) and Shona Chambers (Chambers, Keith Burgess, Joseph Korkis) were all sitting on three wins from the four games. Watkins was on three wins and a draw, while Thomas had four wins.

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TAB at Birkenhead Bowling Club.



#### **Closing Day & Prize Giving - Saturday 18 May**

Details to be advised

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Saturday and another stunning day, Mother Nature was certainly looking after Birkenhead this Easter. Thomas the overnight leader dropped their round five game to John Hindmarch, Mike Haggart, Ken Moran (8-18). Other round five loses to teams at the head of the pack Chambers, Watkins, Wallace, while Croot went down for a third time!. The family team of Milika Nathan (s), Peter Nathan and Chad Nathan picked up a comfortable win over Bien (21-6) to bring their total to three wins.

Round six and Thomas was back on track with a win (17-5) over Wallace. Watkins with Browns Bay's Sean Mullholland replacing Pierson, suffered their second loss going down to Bien (17-10), Bien's first win of the tournament!

With Watkins round five and six losses and Thomas with a round five loss the top of the table was tightening up and rounds seven and eight were becoming must wins to decide the podium positions and piece of the \$2,500 prize pool.

Round seven Bien's trio had finally adjusted to the green and there was no stopping them to record two good wins (21-11 & 15-10). Watkins got back on track recording a win (20-5) over Brian Nolan (Nolan, Alan Telfer, Judi Farkash), a team formed to take the place of the defaulted Haysham team. Thomas (11-10), Nathan (15-9), Croot (23-5) and Garred

(22-5) all claimed wins from the round. It was tight at the top going into round eight, the last of the tournament. Thomas the outright leader but with a number of teams snapping at his heels. A win for Thomas would see his trio take out the tournament and second place would be all Watkins, if his trio could secure a win over Hindmarch. Thomas picked up the crucial win over Nathan (21-8). Watkins



Easter Triples Winners: Bruce Cochrane, Mick Moodie, Evan Thomas (s)

had to settle for a draw (11-11) against Hindmarch, after Hindmarch had been out to a good lead. Croot having a better day than day one finished off with a win (12-11) over Lynch.

As the dust settled over the tournament four teams sat on fifteen game points Garred, Lynch, Croot and Nathan. The final round draw had cost Watkins and saw his trio finish on fourteen game points in sixth place. The win in the last round had secured Thomas the top spot with twenty-one game points and the \$1,000 first prize was all his teams.

The success of the tournament was evident from the compliments from the players. It is great news that Carpet Mill Archers Road has confirmed their commitment as tournament partner for next Easter. Pencil in Friday 10 & Saturday 11 April 2020 as sixteen teams will again battle it out for Easter glory and a bit of cash.

#### Carpet Mill Archers Road - Birkenhead Easter Triples Results:

Winners: Bruce Cochrane, Mick Moodie, Evan Thomas (s) 21 Game Points, 54 Ends, 103 Shots

Second: Chad Nathan, Peter Nathan, Milika Nathan (s) 15 Game Points, 63 Ends, 124 Shots

Third: Mark Rumble, Lindsay Gilmour, Trish Croot (s) 15 Game Points, 61 ends, 83 Shots Fourth: Collen Rice, David Payne (Friday), Murray Radojkovich (Saturday), Ruth Lynch (s) 15 Game Points, 53 Ends, 110 Shots

Consolation Saturday Morning: Ken Moran, Mike Haggart, John Hindmarch (s) 2 Wins, 16 Ends 29 Shots

Consolation Saturday Afternoon: Jamie Chen, Barclay Lee, Catherine Bien (s) 2 Wins, 15 Ends. 36 Shots

Easter Draw: Joseph Korkis, Keith Burgess, Shona Chambers (s)



## **SKY SURVIVOR**

## NRL Round 7

Selections close 6.30pm\* Thursday 25 April

Thursday 25 April 6.05pm Roosters v Dragons

\*If you wish to take Roosters or Dragons this round, your selection must be made and in the box before 6.05pm Thursday

All other games in Round 7 selections to be made and in the Sky Survivor Box behind the bar by 6.30pm Thursday 25 April

# The Renegades



Birkenhead Bowling Club 7:30pm Friday 24 May

Tickets \$10 available from the Club bar or phone: 0275 297297



## **AGM 2019**10am Sunday 16 June 2019

#### Over \$100 per Pot!

Housie! Bingo! whatever you like to call it. This has taken off and with pots in excess of \$100 per game, one pot last Thursday was \$158, it's not surprising.

Thanks all those that have come along, you know what a great fun night this is. It is now time to tell your friends and bring them along. It's amazing what you can possibly win with a \$1 card.

Come along on the third Thursday in the month. The first game starts at 7pm and the last game called before 9pm, guaranteed 10 games per night. Hosted by bingo caller extraordinaire Kevin "Scratchy" George.

Scratchy will be calling the numbers again from 7pm Thursday 16 May. All welcome, it's only \$1 a card per game.

#### Saturday 18 May – Closing Day

As with previous closing days there will be the usually closing day afternoon tournament with prizes. Followed later by the awarding of the cups, winners badges and the cash to those lucky recipients. Finger food will be available at the conclusion of the prize giving. Members and partners are welcome. More details to follow as they are finalised.

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

The Club is fortunate to have so many Club Partners. Each one assisting the Club in their own way. The Board and Members sincerely thank everyone of them for their support. Club Members are asked to support our Club Partners in a tangible way.

Let them know you are a member of The Birkenhead Bowling Club, and that we appreciate their continued support.

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