

THE BEE HIVE BUZZ

Weekly newsletter of the Birkenhead Bowling Club



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New Material always welcome. If you have something planned, or an event coming up, then please let the Bee Hive Buzz know - email info@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz

On the Green:

Both greens closed for winter renovations.

What's on in the Club this week:

Due to availability of staff and patronage, bar opening and closing times may change without notice.

Wednesday 18 June - Bar Open 4pm - 9pm

Wednesday Club Night. Joker 500. 6.30pm Calliope Harriers run and walk.

Thursday 19 June - Club Open 4pm - 9pm

7pm Housie/Bingo Night! 7pm first game. All welcome.

Friday 20 June - Bar Open 3pm - 9pm. Club Night.

Club night. Raffles, Joker, Membership draw.

Saturday 21 June - Bar Open 1pm - 9pm

2pm Stingers Dart's in action.

Sports viewing on the big screen. Members choice of what to view.

Sunday 22 June - Bar Open 3pm - 7pm

Sports viewing on the big screen. Members choice of what to view.

Monday 23 June - Bar Open 4pm - 9pm

6.00pm Indoor bowls, 6.30pm First Game. See page 4 for details.

Tuesday 24 June - Bar Open 3pm - 6pm

2pm Line Dancing. All welcome. Details page 5

Sports viewing on the big screen. Members choice of what to view.

Wednesday 25 June - Bar Open 4pm - 9pm

Wednesday Club Night. Joker 500. 6.30pm Calliope Harriers run and walk.

Thursday 26 June - Bar Open 4pm - 6pm

Sports viewing on the big screen. Members choice of what to view.

Friday 27 June - Bar Open 3pm - 9pm

Club night. Raffles, Joker, Membership draw.

Saturday 28 June - Bar Open 3pm - 9pm

2pm Stingers2 play Mission Possible in the Hive. All welcome to cheer them on!

Sports viewing on the big screen. Members choice of what to view.

Sunday 29 June - Bar Open 3pm - 7pm

Sports viewing on the big screen. Members choice of what to view.

Monday 30 June - Bar Open 4pm - 9pm

6.00pm Indoor bowls, 6.30pm First Game. See page 4 for details.

Tuesday 1 July - Bar Open 3pm - 6pm

2pm Line Dancing. All welcome. Details page 5

Sports viewing on the big screen. Members choice of what to view.

No Bee Hive Buzz next Wednesday 25 June.

The next issue will be Wednesday 2nd July.



2025 Annual General Meeting

Our 2025 AGM has been and gone. Outgoing Chairperson Lauranne Croot presided over the meeting with a good attendance of around 50 members.

After apologies and a minutes silence for those members no longer with us, the minutes of the 2024 AGM and the SGM held on 8 November 2024 to approve our new Constitution were both approved. In matters arising, Sandy Cleghorne asked what had been done about the parking outside the Club on Mokoia Road. An approach to Auckland Council by President Doug Campbell and also by Tommy Winton when the RSA National Bowls were on both got the same response - no we can't get dispensation to allow bowlers to park at no charge on Mokoia Road.

The Financial Report and statements of the Club's position were put and approved. Going forward, we will be re-costing the proposed bar alterations and if a go-ahead is given, the Club may need to raise money for some of the cost by means of adding to our current mortgage. Otherwise the club is in a sound financial position going into our 2025-2026 season.

On recommendation from the Treasurer and Board, the annual discounted full member subscription has been increased from \$200 to \$220. For full couples (married, civil union or de facto) the increase is \$5.00 to \$300. The subscription for visiting bowlers who play with us for several months has been increased to the same as full bowlers - \$220.00. The subscription for first year and student bowlers has been increased by \$10.00 to \$50. All other membership categories remain the same.

Shane Prince and Pete Taylor had both agreed to continue as Club Patrons for the new season.

It was great to see the level of interest in Board positions, with eight people standing for the five available positions. After voting, including votes sent in by absent members, and a careful count by our scrutineers, Sandy Cleghorne and Mavis Smith, the following were elected to the Board for the 2025-2026 Season:

Evan Thomas

Mark Rumble

John Hindmarch

Vaughan Henderson

Lauranne Croot

The other positions (not requiring a vote) were confirmed at the meeting:

President: Doug Campbell

Vice-President: Curtis Ennor

Secretary: Shirene Clewett

Treasurer: Elaine Utting QSM

While waiting for the votes to be counted, the meeting approved the award of "Club Excellence" to John Croy for his work on the Club's new Constitution and Regulations. Evan Thomas was also made a well deserved Life Member. More on the next page!



2025 Annual General Meeting - continued.

As mentioned on the previous page, two significant awards were made at the AGM: A Club Excellence award to John Croy and Life Membership for Evan Thomas.



The Excellence Award made to John Croy recognized the work he had put in to update our Constitution, taking the Bowls New Zealand Model constitution and making sure that in adopting that as our new constitution, we still had the applicable clauses unique to our Club. The new Constitution based on the model from Bowls NZ was a 28 page document and required careful scrutiny and amendment, not an overnight job!

The new Bowls New Zealand Regulations also called for significant work as our old Regulations were a 20 page document, the new regulations that John carefully checked through is a 50 page document.

In recommending to the AGM that John should receive the Club's Excellence Award, recognition was also given to John's service to the Club as a past President during which time he oversaw the implementation of new employment contracts for our Bar Staff, and generally left the Club in an excellent position for the incoming President.

Evan Thomas Life Member

The award of Life Membership to long-time board member Evan Thomas recognises his significant contribution to the Club over a period of over 15 years, eight of those as a Board member.

As a senior Board member, his advice and support to newer board members has been invaluable.

On an annual basis, Evan arranges the valuation of our assets and updating of our insurances. His knowledge in this area has been very valuable to the Club.

Evan has also been a great support and assistance regarding our sponsors, assisting in any way he can.

He has willingly taken on the additional tasks of Liaison with Bowls North Harbour and is our substitute delegate, attending the Bowls North Harbour meetings as required.

As well as being an active bowler, Evan is instrumental in running our annual Men's and Women's Pairs and the May Extended Triples (now Danny O'Connor Memorial).

On a monthly basis he organizes our Wednesday Triples tournament and twice yearly runs the Monday Evening Social Bowls which has often resulted in new members joining the Club. A very deserving recipient of Life Membership of the Birkenhead Bowling Club.



COMING UP:**High Tea is Coming!**

The Birkenhead Bowling Club Charity High Tea Fundraiser is back again for 2025. **Saturday 2nd August** - Save the date and see Page 6 for more details.

Secure your ticket now by contacting Louise on 021 235 7121 .

**Post AGM Activity**

Following the 2025 Annual General Meeting, the Board members met for a short meeting to elect the Club's Chairperson. By unanimous vote, Lauranne Croot was re-elected Chairperson for the 2025-2026 year.

Bowls Coaching at Orewa

The BNH Winter coaching program (for all players, regardless of experience) is being held under the big top at Orewa on Saturdays July 5, 12, 19 and 26, 9am to 12 midday. The cost is \$5.00, payable on the day. Register online or email bowls@bowlsnorthharbour.co.nz or text 027 235 9864. The coaching will be a mixture of theory and practical with the emphasis on your technique and rolling bowls.

Bowls North Harbour AGM and Awards

Bowls North Harbour Inc. Annual General Meeting Sunday 22 June 2025 11:00 am @ Takapuna Bowling Club. Doug Campbell and Evan Thomas will be there representing Birkenhead.

Bowls North Harbour Awards Ceremony Sunday 22 June 2025 1:00 pm @ Takapuna Bowling Club.

We have booked a table for six at this awards ceremony in the name of the Birkenhead Club and we have two or three space places if you would like to attend. Please let our Chairperson Loz Croot know if you are planning on going along.

Third Thursday in the month - Housie**Housie! Bingo!****Non-members welcome****Cash Prizes**

*This Thursday 19 June
Nibbles included!*

First Game 7pm**Bingo cards on sale, only \$1 per card***Entry restricted to 18 years and over*

Indoor Bowls at Birkenhead



Indoor Winter Bowls

Indoor winter bowls are back again for 2025

Playing dates are:

~~Monday 9 June~~

~~Monday 16 June~~

Monday 23 June

Monday 30 June



Sponsored by Lance Clarke and
Tim Roskruge, Barfoot & Thompson

Teams are asked to arrive at the club at 6pm with the first game to commence at 6.30pm. Arrive earlier if you like, the club and bar will be open from 3pm.

Cost - \$5.00 per person per week for the first three weeks.

Week 4 \$10.00 per person includes a meal and prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd over the four weeks.

Meat raffles will also be on sale.

Teams of three or single entry - everyone is welcome, no experience necessary.

Contact: The Birkenhead Bowling Club (09 480 7493) or Doug Campbell 022 358 0878 or via our Facebook page: BowlsBirkenhead – Bowling Club

Club Night - Every Friday

Meat Raffles, Joker 500, Members Draw, Free Pool and Darts, Gaming with Jackpot and more . . . Club open from 3pm



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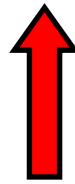
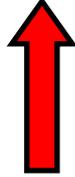
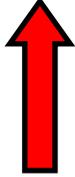
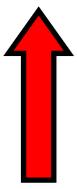
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2025/2026 Season Members Handbook

Work is underway on next season’s members handbook. If your details have changed, please email info@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz or complete the yellow form at the club and hand it over the bar. Changed your address? Change phone number? Please let us know.



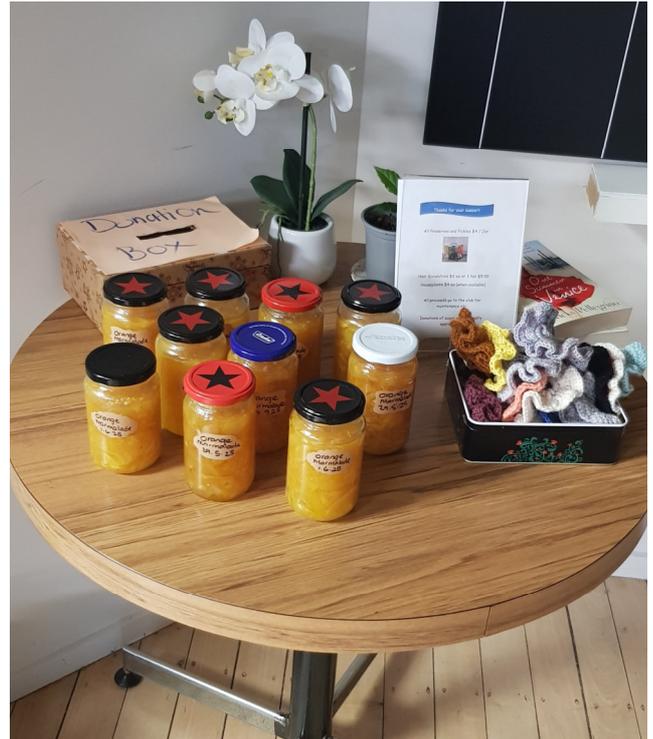
An Update from Miss Marmalade

Miss Marmalade and her lovely assistant Lynn have made a fresh batch of orange marmalade and chili jam.

You need to be in quick as the marmalade is selling fast! If you miss out, never fear, there will be more to come! All money raised goes straight back into the Club.

Donations of sugar are always gratefully accepted.

Thank you from Miss Marmalade and the Social Committee.



Line Dancing Line Dancing!

Come and join our Line Dancing on Tuesdays from 2pm for some fun and try your hand at Line Dancing.

Enjoy a friendly and relaxed environment. Dance and song requests welcome.

First lesson free, then only \$5.00. Afterwards share some laughs over a wine or two. Everyone welcome. Enquiries to Elaine Utting 0274 861 023.



*Birkenhead Bowling Club Charity High Tea**Fundraiser**Saturday 2nd August, 2pm*

Get your glad rags on, gather your friends and join us for an afternoon of fun and entertainment as we raise funds for Pet Refuge.

Auctions, Raffles and Cash Bar all available

Reserve your ticket now - Contact Louise, 021 2357121

\$50 per ticket, includes -

- *Glass of bubbles on arrival*
 - *High Tea*
 - *Entertainment*
- *In support of Pet Refuge*



Pet Refuge are very grateful that they have support from pet food suppliers so they are not in need of food but would love any donations of the following -
Bedding, collars/leads, and dog/cat toys.

We will have a donation box set up on the day of the High Tea if anyone wishes to bring something along.

*Birkenhead Bowling Club Charity High Tea**Fundraiser*

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IT'S NOT TOO LATE! We still have some volunteer positions to fill. The chart below shows where we have some vacancies - It's not too late to volunteer...



BIRKENHEAD BOWLING CLUB INC.
A.G.M. 10am Sunday 15th June 2025

COMMITTEE & APPOINTED PERSONNEL – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
Expressions of Interest to be with the Club Secretary, or names and signature below, by 5pm Saturday 31st May 2025

	NAME & SIGNATURE	NAME & SIGNATURE	NAME AND SIGNATURE	NAME AND SIGNATURE
Club Captain	<i>John</i>			
Club Almoner				
Selectors (3) (4)	<i>Joe Croft</i>	<i>Jimmy Heath</i>	<i>Mike Haggart</i>	<i>Shane</i>
Match committee				
Mid-Week Tournament Committee	<i>E. Thomas S. Dieghorn</i>			
Sunday Tournament Committee	<i>S. Dieghorn E. Thomas</i>			
Roll-Up Committee	<i>VAUGHAN HENDERSON</i>			
Coaches' Committee	<i>Mike Haggart</i>			
Sponsorship Committee	<i>Louise Fox</i>			
Greens Superintendent				
Social Committee	<i>Louise Fox</i>	<i>Shirene Clewett</i>	<i>Fay Louise Kingham</i>	
	<i>Elaine Utina</i>	<i>Lynn Barrow</i>		
Shop	<i>Beo Rolfe</i>			
House Committee				
Grounds Maintenance Committee				
Honorary Auditor	<i>Bitch Madwaley</i>			
Honorary Solicitor	<i>Shuart Weir</i>			
Delegate to Bowls North Harbour	<i>E. Thomas</i>			
Substitute Delegate to Bowls North Harbour	<i>D. Campbell</i>			
1 - 5 Year Co-ordinator				
Website Director	<i>Curtis</i>			

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