



Bowls North Harbour Club of the Year

On the Greens

Note: the status of each green may change without notice, always check the greens open/closed board for current status.

Wednesday 19 May – 9.30am Wednesday Triples (OACT - mufti) – BYO lunch

Wednesday 26 May – 9.30am Wednesday Triples (OACT - mufti) – BYO lunch

Saturday 29 May – Birkenhead Extended Tournament (ACT - mufti) day 1 of 2

Sunday 30 May – Birkenhead Extended Tournament (ACT - mufti) day 2 of 2

Club closing 6pm Saturday 22 May

Private function: Willow Park Primary School fundraiser

Inside this Weekend

Friday 21 May – Club Night

Raffles, Joker 500, Members Draw

Racing – Alexandra Park (Harness), Wanganui, Southland, Addington (Dogs)

Super Rugby Trans-Tasman* - 7.05pm Hurricanes v Rebels

NRL* – 8pm Warriors v Wests Tigers

Saturday 22 May - Club Close 6pm for Private Function

Racing – Te Rapa, Awapuni (Thoroughbreds), Invercargill (Harness)

Super Rugby Trans-Tasman* - 4.35pm Blues v Waratahs

Sunday 23 May

Racing – Hawera (Thoroughbreds), Rangiora (Harness), Manukau (Dogs)

NRL* - 4pm Rabbitohs v Panthers

- 6.05pm Eels v Sea Eagles

* viewing selection is determined by the members.

Arabian Nights Party - July

Our original Arabian Night back in August was a sell-out long before the day, but Covid-19 level three restrictions struck and the evening was reluctantly cancelled.

Eleven months later and Arabian Nights Party is scheduled for Saturday 31 July

Take in the aromas of the Middle-East and transport your taste buds with authentic flavours from our Arabian inspired meal. Get lost in a trance by the beautiful art of belly dancing. Dance the night away to sounds of our DJ spinning English and Arabian music. Arabian Night promises to be magical - get your friends, family and colleagues together and be among the first to enjoy the first ever Arabian Night. Birkenhead Bowling Club Saturday 31 July at \$45 per person, tickets available from Emmie (0275 297297) or Joseph (021 2635606). Don't miss out this time, grab your tickets now!

Housie! - Thursday 20 May

Caller: Kevin "Scratchy" George

Cash Prizes First Game 7pm

Housie cards only \$1 per card

Further info ph: 0275 297297, Entry restricted to 18 years and over

Housie!, Bingo! third Thursday in the month



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Lads Bring Home the Bacon

It has been awhile between centre titles this past season, the last one being the BNH Power Play League and just prior to that Birkenhead's Daymon Pierson had paired up with Orewa's Christeen Dalzell to claim the BNH Mixed 242 Pairs. The Champ of Champ Triples looked promising with Birkenhead's Milika Nathan, Amy Little and Ruth Lynch (s) back to defend the women's title they won last season. The Men's and Birkenhead's hopes were on Jimmy Heath, Jack Huriwai and Steve Yates (s). The women had an early departure going down to Mahurangi East (13-18). The Men hung around for a little longer winning their first round (15-3) over Mirangi's Ian Coombe triple. Quarters and a closer encounter against Gordon Smith's Riverhead trio with Birkenhead advancing to the semi-final (15-13). All that stood in Yates's way of a finals birth was Milford. As it turned out it was a comfortable win to Yates and co (27-3). The final against Helensville's Kylie Clark, Mark Preedy and Ricky Howe saw Birkenhead trailing for much of the game (7-10, 8-12, 12-13), but a late rally saw Yates's trio pull ahead (15-13) and held a six shot lead going into the last (19-13). Two shots to Yates on the last sealed the win and the title (21-13) Yates's first Harbour title, but the third for each of Heath and Huriwai. Nice to have a bit more silverware in the trophy cabinet at Birkenhead..... Thanks lads. Next step is chasing some national glory as the lads move onto Bowls New Zealand's Champion of Champions Triples to be held at Bowls Hastings in the Hawkes Bay, Friday 16 July to Sunday 18 July.



BNH Champion of Champions Men's Triples winners: Birkenhead's Jimmy Heath, Steve Yates (s) and Jack Huriwai

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Club Night every Friday

Raffles, Members Draw, Joker 500 and more.... \$5 Friday the last Friday in the month*

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Women's Singles Commentary

By Lindsay Knight
Reproduced from BNH website

Selina Smith won her second centre singles title for the season and took herself to within one of her gold star at Orewa at the weekend, but only after she had been fully tested by Birkenhead's Trish Croot in a final of sublime quality.

Smith won the championship singles to go alongside her champion of champion's title won a few weeks ago, beating Croot 21-20. As the score suggests it was a match which either player would have been unlucky to have lost. To win a three-hour thriller Smith had to recover from a 9-17 deficit and some nerve-wracking exchanges over the final few ends. On four ends in a row each player held two shots needed for the win only to be denied by her opponent's superb bowl. Croot won 15 of the 26 ends, but Smith kept herself in the game by restricting Croot to mainly singles whereas in her 11 winning ends there were a number of multiples.

The final had been held over for nearly a month after the qualifying and earlier post-section rounds but the wait proved worth-while, with both players enthraling a large gallery with the excellence of their bowls.



Birkenhead's Trish Croot runner-up BNH Women's Centre Singles

CoC Fours this weekend

BNH Champ of Champs Fours, the last open Champ of Champs disciple gets underway this coming weekend, 22-23 May, Birkenhead's women Ruth Lynch (s), Milika Nathan, Judi Farkash and Mavis Smith are off to Takapuna Saturday for an 8.30am first round game up against Orewa's Elaine McClintock (s), Christeen Dalzell, Irene Donaldson and Michelle Kean. While the men are at Mairangi Bay Saturday and a local derby first up for Birkenhead's Nigel Drew (s), Mark Rumble, Lionel Drew and Martin Short as they take on Beach Haven's Rick Markovina (s), Dan Markovina, Gareth Towler and Garry Glenn. Hopefully both teams are still in Sunday at Mairangi Bay for their respective finals. That may be the last of the open Champ of Champs, but there is still the Women's and Men's Champ Of Champ 1-5 Singles to come.



Prize Giving and Awards

The Club held its annual Prize Giving and Awards last Saturday, the gridders were:

Allan Meekings Memorial:

Winners - John Hannan, Gary Wallace, Lionel Drew (s)

Runners-up - Colin Godfrey, Lauranne Croot, Merv Garred (s)

Handicap Singles:

Winner - Joseph Korkis

Runner-up - Jimmy Heath

Handicap Pairs:

Winner - Lauranne Croot, Peter Nathan (s)

Runners-up - Robbie Henson, Gary Wallace (s)

Darrington Lanigan Singles:

Winner - Mick Moodie

Runner-up - Colin Godfrey

Matthews Memorial Pairs:

Winners - Clive Langford, Colin Godfrey (s)

Runners-up - Mari Hannan, Judi Farkash (s)

Leads and Twos:

Winners - Steph Langford, Gary Wallace (s)

Runners-up - Warren Lush, John Hannan (s)

1-5 Year Women's Championship Singles:

Winner - Milika Nathan

Runner-up - Mari Hanna

1-5 Year Men's Championship Singles:

Winner - Adam Richardson

Runner-up - William Tonga

First Year Mixed Singles:

Winner - William Tonga

Runner-up - Fay Judge

1-5 Year AC Championship Pairs:

Winners - Stacy Munro, Adam Richardson (s)

Runners-up - William Tonga, Chad Nathan (s)

1-5 Year AC Championship Triples:

Winners - Judi Farkash, Mari Hannan, Milika Nathan (s)

Runners-up - Vaughan Henderson,

Adrian Pollock, John Hannan (s)

Championship Women's Singles:

Winner - Trish Croot

Runner-up - Ruth Lynch

Championship Men's Singles:

Winner - Mark Rumble

Runner-up - Gary Wallace

Championship Women's Pairs:

Winners - Milika Nathan, Ruth Lynch (s)

Runners-up - Lauranne Croot, Mavis Smith (s)

Championship Men's Pairs:

Winners - Mark Rumble, Nigel Drew (s)

Runners-up - Doug Parlane, Mick Moodie (s)

Championship Women's Triples:

Winners - Amy Little, Milika Nathan, Ruth Lynch (s)

Runners-up - Ngaire English, Judi Farkash, Lauranne Croot (s)

Championship Men's Triples:

Winners - Jimmy Heath, Jack Huriwai, Steve Yates (s)

Runners-up - Mark Rumble, Martin Short, Nigel Drew (s)

Championship Women's Fours:

Winners - Milika Nathan, Judi Farkash, Mavis Smith, Ruth Lynch (s)

Runners-up - Linda Phillips, Lauranne Croot, Katrina Holland, Trish Croot (s)

Championship Men's Fours:

Winners - Mark Rumble, Lionel Drew, Martin Short, Nigel Drew (s)

Runners-up - Robbie Henson, Mick Moodie, Gary Wallace, Sandy Cleghorn (s)

Most Improved Junior (1-5 Year): Adam Richardson

President's Trophy: Doug Campbell



President's Trophy: Doug Campbell (left) with President Randall Watkins



Most Improved Junior: Adam Richardson

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That Dinosaur Story

After the write up in last week's Bee Express there has been requests for the "Dinosaur Story" from Adam and Louise's wedding, so here it is.....

A Lovely Love Story – Written by Edward Monkton

The fierce Dinosaur was trapped inside his cage of ice. Although it was cold he was happy in there. It was, after all, his cage. Then along came the Lovely Other Dinosaur.

The Lovely Other Dinosaur melted the Dinosaur's cage with kind words and loving thoughts.

I like this Dinosaur thought the Lovely Other Dinosaur.

Although he is fierce he is also tender and he is funny.

He is also quite clever though I will not tell him this for now.

I like this Lovely Other Dinosaur, thought the Dinosaur.

She is beautiful and she is different and she smells so nice.

She is also a free spirit which is a quality I much admire in a dinosaur.

But he can be so distant and so peculiar at times, thought the Lovely Other Dinosaur.

He is also overly fond of things. Are all Dinosaurs so overly fond of things?

But her mind skips from here to there so quickly thought the Dinosaur.

She is also uncommonly keen on shopping.

Are all Lovely Other Dinosaurs so uncommonly keen on shopping?

I will forgive his peculiarity and his concern for things, thought the Lovely Other Dinosaur. For they are part of what makes him a richly charactered individual.

I will forgive her skipping mind and her fondness for shopping, thought the Dinosaur.

For she fills our life with beautiful thoughts and wonderful surprises. Besides, I am not unkeen on shopping either.

Now the Dinosaur and the Lovely Other Dinosaur are old.

Look at them.

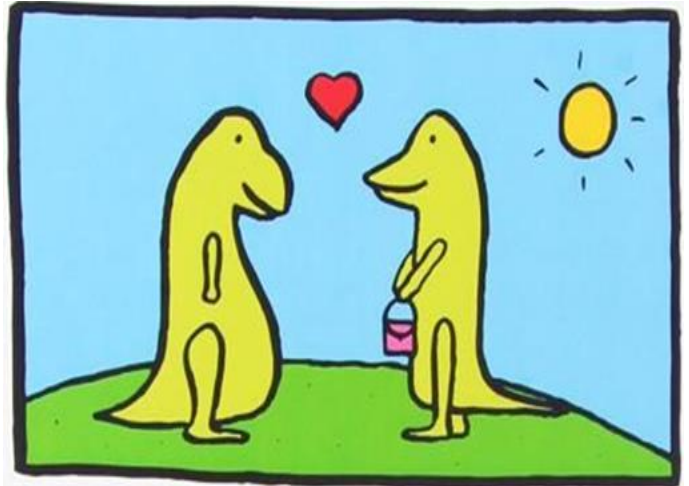
Together they stand on the hill telling each other stories and feeling the warmth of the sun on their backs.

And that, my friends, is how it is with love.

Let us all be Dinosaurs and Lovely Other Dinosaurs together.

For the sun is warm.

And the world is a beautiful place.



MAY EXTENDED TRIPLES (OACT - MUFTI)
29 & 30 May 2021
Morning tea & lunch both days & sausage sizzles

Entry payment in full is due now to secure your entry

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AGM 2021

The AGM 2021 is set down for 10am Sunday 20 June 2021 at the Clubrooms. Official notice of the AGM will go out to all financial members' this week, keep an eye out on your inbox or in a few cases your letter box. All positions on the Board of Management are up for election each year while appointments on the various committees are via "Expression of Interest" with the decision of the Board of Management member concerned with the final sign off by Board of Management.

Here is Your Chance

The Club may have the Board of Management overseeing the overall running of the Club but the grassroots are run by the various members and committees. Although some seem to think the fairies behind the green keeper's shed magically set up and coordinate the smooth running of the club, it's not the case!. It is members working together, behind the scenes, putting a bit in here and there, for the benefit of others in general. If you can assist in a position or on a committee listed here put your name and signature on the board in the Club or return a completed "Expression of Interest" form.



Club Captain, Club Almoner, Selectors, Match Committee, Mid-week Tournament Committee, Sunday Tournament Committee, Roll-up Committee, Sponsorship Committee, Social Committee, House Committee, Grounds and Maintenance Committee, Greens Superintendent, Delegate to BNH, Substitute Delegate to BNH, 1-5 Year Coordinator, and Website Director. No experience is needed on various committees as those serving along with you will show you the ropes, you just need to be keen, we all started somewhere. Come on, come and help out, the Club needs you.

For the Records

Have you changed address, phone number or email during the past year? Have you notified the Club Secretary in writing? Are your details incorrect in the Club hand book? You don't receive any emails from the Club, perhaps we have an incorrect email for you. Here is your opportunity to tidy it all up. Fill in a yellow "Change of Details" form available at the Club with your correct details and hand it to the Club Secretary or to the bar. Your details will be updated and you won't miss anymore of the Club's communications .

May Extended Triples Meat Raffle 20 Draws!

In conjunction with the May extended Triples we have **ONE RAFFLE, TWENTY DRAWS** (meat), \$10 per number, limited to one hundred and twenty numbers Drawn Sunday 30 May at the conclusion of play (approx. 4:10pm) Available now at the Bar or email secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz to secure your favourite number.

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Rumour

The Bee has had word of an event the evening of Saturday 3 July at the Club. It's a big fundraiser for Starship Children's Hospital and will be an evening not to be missed. Live band, plenty of auctions along with some tasty food will be available. Reserve the date, with more info and ticket details to come.

1 in 12 Chance of \$500

Today, Wednesday 19 May, sees the Joker 500 down to only 12 cards to choose from and one of those cards is the Joker and \$500 cash. Numbers on sale from 4pm drawn just after 6pm, you don't have to be at the draw to win, you may nominate someone to draw a card for you if your number comes out. Every card has a cash prize associated with it.

Social Indoor Bowls Monday's

Winter Social Indoor Bowls returns 6.30pm Monday 17 May. This year with Club Partners Shelley Boyd & Lance Clarke of Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead. Get a team of three together or come along as a single or a two and we will find you a team. Open to all and non-members welcome. It's not to late to enter.
Note: Dates differ from those published in the Club handbook.



Let us take you to a magical world!

Arabian Nights Party

Party is at 7 pm - 11 pm on Saturday 31 July
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Quiz Night - Free to Enter
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BNH Champion of Champion Dates

Entries have been lodged with the Centre for the past seasons Champion of Champions (CoC) events. They are currently scheduled for the dates below:
 CoC Fours 22-23 May 2021
 CoC Junior Singles 29-30 May 2021
 Conditions of Play, Draws and where each discipline is played will be emailed out if received or they can be found on Bowls North Harbour's website.

BNH Centre

BNH AGM
 AGM Notice of Meeting to be held on Sunday 27 June 2021.

Winter Coaching
 Winter coaching will be held every Saturday morning in June (5th, 12th, 19th, 26th) at the Orewa covered green between 9 - 12pm. Please encourage all your members to attend, especially your new juniors.
 The daily cost will be \$5

Club Nominations In Categories
 Club of the year, Coach of the year, Greenkeeper of the year (a new BNH category), Official of the year, Umpire of the year, Volunteer of the year (Forms available from Club Secretary)
 To be submitted to BNH by 21st May 2021

BNH Entries

Women and Men Champ Of Champ Fours
 This tournament to be played on 22-23 May
 COP and Draws on BNH website

Women and Men Champ Of Champ 1-5 Singles
 This tournament to be played on 29-30 May
 The COP and Draw will be published by the end of the week

Centre Men's Triples - player to enter online registration
 This tournament to be played on 5-6 June
 Entries close on 21st May

Open AC 2-4-2 Pairs - player to enter online registration
 This tournament now to be played on 12-13 June
 Entries close on 28th May

1-5 Men's and Women's Singles – rescheduled
 This tournament did not go ahead due to rain.
 Lists of players entered has been published. The draws will be done from these lists

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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)

**Birkenhead Bowling Club
 Indoor Winter Bowls**

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**Entry still open
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Indoor Winter Bowls is back again for 2021.

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| <p>First Round: Monday 17 May Monday 24 May Monday 31 May Monday 14 June</p> | <p>Second Round: Monday 5 July Monday 12 July Monday 19 July Monday 26 July</p> |
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Teams are asked to arrive at the club at 6pm with first game to commence at 6.30pm.

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.
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The Club utilises the resources within its membership to support the premature babies. These little ones need all the help they can get to give them a fighting chance to be future bowlers.

Our members knit booties, hats, mittens, vests, blankets and much more to keep the premature babies and new-borns leaving Kidz First Hospital warm.

From a small informal group the "BeezKints" have been formed, knitting for a specific purpose and donating all.

The "BeezKnits" operate from the Club, where the Birkenhead Bowling Club has become a drop-off point, delivering knitwear to Middlemore on a regular bases.

If you're keen to help out or join the "BeezKnits" contact Emmie (0275 297 297) or Louise (021 2367121).

Talking to a member of the Middlemore Foundation Wool Programme they currently need knitted blankets, peggy squares and cardigans.

Donations of wool (4 ply & 8 ply) to the Club (or money to purchase wool) will be gratefully accepted at the Club, it is amazing how far one ball of wool or \$5 will go for the wee ones.

Drop-off point: Birkenhead Bowling Club. 93 Mokoia Road, Birkenhead, Auckland 0746
 Open from 3.30pm Monday to Friday and from 11am Saturday and Sunday

Spotlight on Club Partners

This week we spot the spotlight on Ryman Healthcare's Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village. Ryman Healthcare having been sponsoring at the club over the past six years. Now days focusing on the Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village situated just down the road from the club in Birkenhead

Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village

Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village is conveniently located on Rangatira Road and has beautiful panoramic views, out over Auckland harbour and Kauri point.

The village showcases the latest designs in retirement living and provides a lifestyle option to suit everyone, including independent apartments, assisted living in a serviced apartment, and the very best of resthome, hospital and dementia care.

There is so much for residents to enjoy, including resort-style facilities, activities, events and outings.

And, as a Ryman village, Bert Sutcliffe offers some of the most resident friendly terms in New Zealand such as fixed weekly fees*, deferred management fee capped at 20%, 90 day money back guarantee*, plus six more guarantees!

Book a tour today and come and see for yourself what the village has to offer.

For more information please phone Leanne on 09 483 2226.

*Terms and conditions apply
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