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Wednesday 7 September – 10am Club Day (AC – Single Entry)

Friday 9 September - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) - Team & Single/Individual Entry - mufti

Saturday 10 September – 8.30am Handicap Pairs (AC)

Sunday 11 September - 9am Sunday Tournament (OACT) - Lunch provided

Wednesday 14 September - 10am Club Day (AC - Single Entry)

Friday 16 September – 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) - Team & Single/Individual Entry – mufti

Saturday 17 September - 1pm KB/JK Afternoon Roll-up

Wednesday 21 September - 9.30am Wednesday Triples (OACT) – BYO Lunch

Friday 23 September – 1pm 2-4-2- Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) – Team & Single/Individual Entry – mufti

### Inside this Weekend

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

**Friday 9 September – Open 3.30pm**

Raffles, Members Draw, Joker 500

Racing – Wingatui (Thoroughbred), Addington (Harness), Addington, Palmerston North (Dogs)

NPC\* - 7.05pm Waikato v Auckland

**Saturday 10 September – Open 11am**

Racing – Ruakaka, Hastings (Thoroughbred)

NPC\* - 2.05pm Hawke's Bay v Southland

- 4.35pm North Harbour v Bay of Plenty

- 7.05pm Counties Manukau v Manawatu

NRL Elimination Final 1\* - 7.40pm Storm v Raiders

**Sunday 11 September – Open 11am**

Racing – Waverley (Thoroughbred), Methven (Harness), Manukau (Dogs)

NPC\* - 2.05pm Tasman v Taranaki

- 2.05pm Wellington v Otago

- 4.35pm Canterbury v Northland

NRL Elimination Final 2\* - 6.05pm Roosters v Rabbitohs

\*Sports viewing selection is determined by the members

**Club Night Friday**

Raffles, Members Draw, Joker 500, Free Pool & Darts,  
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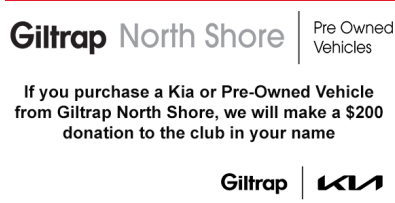
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BNH Executive Fours winners: Birkenhead (W.Lush, A.Richardson, C.Ennor, D.Campbell (s))

### Centre Success

Bowls North Harbour officially opened the Centre's summer bowling season at Manly on Sunday. The BNH Executive Fours is traditionally played and this opening was no exception, playing for club pride and the Executive Fours Trophy donated by Margaret Duke & Noel Fredrick Councilors Bowls North Harbour 1997. Birkenhead surprisingly does not have its name on this trophy, possibly the only Centre trophy the Club has never won. A month ago the team was selected by Birkenhead President Joseph Korkis, but the week before was depleted to two, due to work commitments and covid. Vice President Doug Campbell was suddenly left with himself and Curtis Ennor. Campbell took the reins and managed to con firstly Adam Richardson and then Warren Lush at the eleventh hour. The four headed off to Manly with no great expectations except to have a good time and play their best. First up they played a Manly ring-in side (to avoid a bye) and came away with the win. Second up Manly's Executive side and another win for Campbell's four. Third and final game of the day was against Hobsonville and another win!. With four teams with three wins, Lush, Richardson, Ennor and Campbell were in the mix. Centre Chairman, Steve Yates, confirmed the winner in announcing Birkenhead had won the day with Orewa in second. Campbell said after the win "We played well as a four with everyone supporting each other, with Warren's leading setting it up for the team".

### We Lose Another

Having just lost Gerry Eller only a couple of weeks before. Last Thursday we received word that Lou Ogier passed away Wednesday night at Northbridge surrounded by his family. Lou was the second eldest of six children, current ages four in their 90s and two in their 70s. Lou was 92 when he went, under a month short of his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday. Lou started at Birkenhead in 1989 and in that season won the First Year Singles. His junior years were productive picking up in 1992-93 Championship Junior Pairs skipped by Ross Murray. Centre success came in 1993 when Lou led for Mike Donald to win the NSCofC Junior Pairs. In 1993-94 Lou skipped Brian Cunningham, Dex Halcrow and P.Turnwald to success in the Junior Fours. Championship Pairs success came in 1995-96 leading for Brian Cunningham. Lou was a great supporter of the Club, he was in that era of Ross Murray and Jerry Eller. He unsuccessfully tried to hand his resignation in May 2017 due to his failing health but this was turned down by the Board and he was granted Honorary membership. Lou was a regular at Birkenhead's Opening Days he never missed them until 2021 when it was cancelled due to the Auckland lockdown. This year 2022 his health was not up to it and his apology was received. Jo Kemp, the youngest of his siblings, told the Bee that Lou would be dressed in his Birkenhead Club blazer as he goes to meet his maker. A service to celebrate Lou's life will be held 10.30am Friday 9 September at H Morris Funeral Services, 31 Ocean View Road, Northcote.

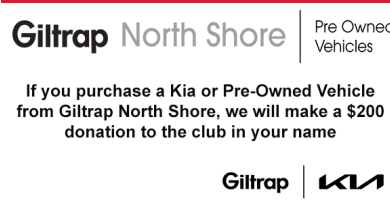


Lou Ogier (left) with Tony Grantham and the late Gerry Eller





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## Lozanator Skips to Success

The surname “Croot”, along with the words “Skip” and “Success” are usually associated with Trish Croot. But it was a different Croot that skipped her triples team, with Gillian Rainbow off the front and Jimmy Heath in the middle, to success in the first Club event of the summer season, Allan Meekings Memorial. Starting the day off with a narrow loss (10 -11) to the Peter Kawana skipped side with Adam Richardson and first year Craig Moverley, it was looking all uphill for Lauranne (Loz) Coot and Co. Game two and a surprise win against the ever steady Mark Rumble (s), John Lindridge and Fay Judge (13-7). After lunch it was Col Godfrey’s trio that succumbed to Croot’s trio (14-6). Final round of the day Keith Burgess’s trio also had nothing to challenge Croot with, leaving Croot picking up win number three (16-4) and the overall tournament win. Second place went to Charlie Harvey (s), Tommy Winton and Mark Hitchcock, after being dealt an old fashion hiding from Rumble’s trio (22-5) won their next three (16-4, 11-8, 13-7).



Lauranne Croot on the draw to success

Awarding of the Allan Meekings Memorial Trophy along with prize money for first and second will be done at the end of season prize-giving.

Results at glance:

1<sup>st</sup>: G.Rainbow, J.Heath, L.Croot (s) – 3 wins, 28

ends, 53 shots for

2<sup>nd</sup>: M.Hitchcock, T.Winton, C.Harvey (s) – 3 wins, 26 ends, 45 shots for

Also rans:

F.Judge, J.Lindridge, M.Rumble (s) - 2 wins, 1 draw

C.Moverley (1<sup>st</sup> year), A.Richardson, P.Kawana (s) – 2 wins

S.Langford, A.Pollock, K.Burgess (s) – 2 wins

B.Roberston (1<sup>st</sup> year), V.Henderson, C.Godfrey (s) – 1 win, 1 draw

S.Walker, D.McSweeney, D.Campbell – 1 win

M.Pugh, W.Lush, J.Korkis (s) – *no record (card not handed in)*

## Club Coaching Mondays

**Coaching Corner - learn to play bowls with Trish and Keith**

With the season commencing and the greens open, we will be starting Coaching on Mondays from 4pm - 6pm. Circle on your calendar next Monday 12 September for coaching. Our coaching caters for beginners through to performance players - delivery, technique, tactical and shot selection.

Watch for cancellations and green closure via Facebook. Coaching is always subject to the greens being open.

Contact Trish via Messenger or text 022 4823909

## Email Only

Due to logistical issues next week’s edition of the Bee Express will only be available via email. It will eventually be published on the Club’s website, but not until the following week. There will also be no printed copy at the Club next week.

# Housie! Bingo!

## Thursday 15 September

Caller: Kevin "Scratch" ...

**Cancelled**  
**Next Quiz Thursday 20 October**

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Housie! Bingo! every third Thursday in the month



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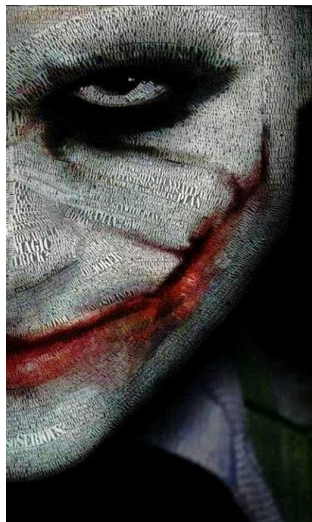
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### Starship Charity Gig

Saturday 1 October The Soul Agents take to the stage in the Birkenhead Bowling Club to beat the \$21,000 raised last time for the Starship Foundation. This is a Barfoot and Thompson event, tickets (\$25 each) are available Barefoot & Thompson's Tim Roskrug. The Club will have a limited number of tickets available from Emmie.

### Quiz & Housie September Cancelled

Due to technical difficulties, unfortunately September's Quiz Night (Thursday 8 September) and Housie/Bingo (Thursday 15 September) have been cancelled. Both will return in October with Quiz Night on Thursday 14 October and Housie/Bingo a week later on Thursday 21 October.

### Miss Marmalade

Miss Marmalade has been busy again and there are fresh stocks of marmalade available for purchase from the Club. A gold coin (preferably \$2) per jar is all that is asked for, with all monies going to Hospice.

### BeezKnits

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). 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

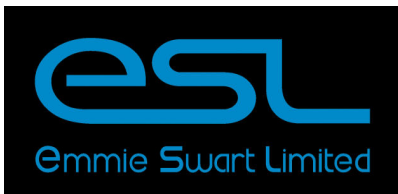
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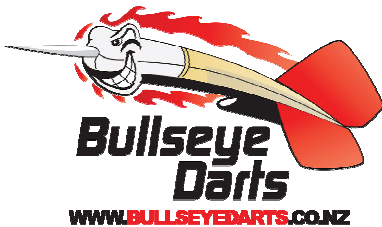
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### Stingers Available for Demolition Work

The undefeated-all-season Stingers are considering life after darts and demolition seems to be the obvious choice after this previous weekend's result at home against The Coast-ers.

Aiming accurately for the Stingers this time were Bryce (The Thumb), Taffy (The Taffynator), Steve (Yorkie Pud) and Willie (The Conqueror).

In the first four games of reverse pairs, the guys won all four games with Bryce and Steve dropping no legs and Taffy and Willie dropping just one across both games. A very positive 4-0 lead going into the singles games.

Bryce won all four of his games and all 2-1, Taffy and Steve won three out of four and Willie won two out of four. An awesome effort from the team and a resounding 16-4 win overall.

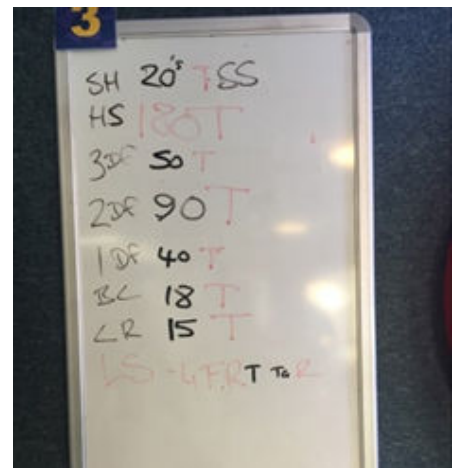
Special mentions must go to Steve for hitting a 108 finish with a shanghai on 18s, Bryce for a 120 start with a shanghai on 20s and Willie for scoring a 174!

Bryce and Steve led the way with 100+ scoring, hitting a very impressive 10 each. Taffy hit an impressive nine and Willie struck four.

Next week, The Stingers are playing Legless away at Avondale RSA.

### New Record Set on Shanghai Sunday!

Something amazing happened on Shanghai Sunday this last weekend with a new club record being set for the greatest number of wins in a row. Taffy managed to win an incredible 15 games in a row (LR on the scoreboard pictured right) before eventually being taken off the board by Armsy. A new club record and a new challenge to all that dare to play on Shanghai Sunday!



We'd love to take this opportunity to thank our generous sponsors again without whom there would be no undefeated so far this season Stingers.

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It is our intention to have BowlsHub Aotearoa implemented as our only mechanism of event management for the 2022-2023 season onwards.

All players who wish to compete in Centre and National events, will need to create a login to BowlsHub Aotearoa and player profile, which in turn, will give you an ID number, that will be required when entering all Centre and National tournaments.

The process is straight forward and only requires an email address to do this.

Should a player not have an email address, they will need to speak directly with their Club, who will provide assistance.

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### What Does He Do

So what is Birkenhead's social member David Moverley doing in Samoa and throughout the Pacific? This is a question his brothers get asked often and here is a little insight to his work, but it is not just killing rats.

*Reproduced from RNZ website*

Samoa island aims to be a model for eradicating rats

Efforts are being made to turn one of Samoa's islands into one of the first inhabited rat-free islands in the Pacific.

The Samoa Observer reports government officials, the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environmental Programme, and the Pacific Regional Invasive Species Management Support Service have met with residents of Apolima Island to discuss the removal of invasive species.

Studies in other parts of the Pacific show the presence of invasive species on islands are detrimental to the forest as well as the coastal areas and marine life.

Apolima village mayor Lealā Solo confirmed the island has had an infestation problem for many years.

Government official, Seumaloisalafai Afele Faiilagi, said Apolima Island could become a model for eradicating rats on inhabited islands if it becomes rat-free.

He said that could be big news for Samoa and a success story in the Pacific, but there is still much to do.

While there have been a number of successful rat eradication projects on uninhabited islands across the Pacific, efforts are now underway to replicate these successes on smaller inhabited offshore islands like Apolima.

SPREP's Invasive Species Advisor, David Moverley, said recent research shows eradicating rats can help to build the natural resilience of island ecosystems to the increasing impacts of climate change.

Moverley said the success of rat eradication efforts on inhabited islands like Apolima will depend on the engagement, awareness and the support of the local communities.

He said the guano from seabirds increases the levels of nutrients or nitrogen which increases the health of the reefs and their resilience to impacts such as coral bleaching and cyclones.

\* SPREP = South Pacific Regional Environment Programme



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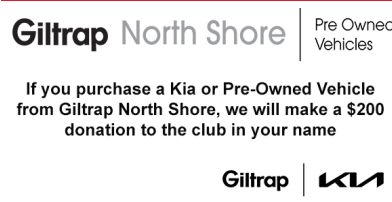
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## The Dog House

*Our irregular columnist Mike Cartwright with one man's perspective on the sport of bowls and other matters. The views and opinions expressed here are those of the author's and do not necessarily represent or reflect the views of Birkenhead Bowling Club.*

After my little blurb about the loss of some stalwarts of the game over the past couple of weeks it got me becoming a bit melancholy and sending my mind barrelling back to the past. One of the things that got me thinking was, why in the hell did I start playing bowls. Who knows why men and woman play bowls, its hardly the most exciting game in the world and when I started playing, there wasn't a lot else on offer, not until 2007 anyway....eh Katrina?

So, I started to troll through the darkest parts of my mind, and there's some pretty dark ones, and trying to work out why I walked into Browns Bay Bowling club in 1995. This is what I've come up with.

Now I was born and bred in Wainuiomata, Wellington. Anyone who knows Wainui will also know that the population is short of a chromosome or two. I comfort myself in the fact that I was actually born in Christchurch and Cantabrians are infested with chromosomes and a lot more intelligent than the rest of New Zealand, or so they will have us believe. Six months after I was born my Mum and Dad decided to move to Wainui so I knew I could afford to lose a couple and still be more intelligent than the other kids.

Wainuiomata in the 1960's/70's was a haven for a young boy who knew nothing about life. It was a time when we tickled trout instead of girls and were allowed to stay out after dark and Mum and Dad didn't have to worry about us getting abused by the local scout master. I was a pretty typical kid in Wainui and loved to catch eels and frogs and stick live fire-crackers in their mouths just to save them from being dissected alive by a bunch of primary school kids in the science lab.

What's this got to do with bowls you might well ask, well, my best mate at the time was a kid called Mark who lived about 4 doors away from me in Coast Road. Every weekend I use to go to his house and his Dad would be dressed in his plush creams and brown shoes. That was back in the day when there were standards in the dress code and people didn't play in their slippers. Alan, that's his dads name, was gone all day and use to turn up just as we were going to bed with a quart bottle of Lion Red in his hand and stinking of piss. He never spoke to Mark's mother when he got home and I always thought that was the sign of an understanding relationship, how bloody wrong I was.

As I found out later Alan Coombes was a founding member of the Wainuiomata Bowling Club and had a hand in the building of the current clubrooms. His picture can be found with a couple of others in the entrance way and every time I play there I stop and curse at him for wrecking my life.

In 1974 my parents moved to Auckland and the little cul-de-sac of Dominion Road was to be my home for the next 2 years. At the time my testicles still hadn't dropped and I reckon I must have been one of the first quinea pigs for a puberty blocker. I had no interest in girls and spent most of my time on a bicycle seat. Then, one day I was walking past the local church and saw a notice for members to join the indoor bowls club on a Wednesday night. The thought of Mr Coombes social life had me curious, so in I went with my 12-year-old brother Paul.

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It didn't take us long to be adopted by every old person at the club. We were the youngest there by about 60 years and were constantly being pulled from one team to another. It wasn't the fact that we were any good but purely because we were the only two who could see the other end of the 22-foot mat without a pair of glasses.

Despite the fact that I had no chance of meeting my future partner I continued to play short mat indoor bowls for about three years. Paul and I took a shine to an old couple called Mr and Mrs Asher who despite their age became our friends. We went around to their house a number of times for dinner but after that I have a mental block which I'm receiving treatment for.... I'm kidding. On a side note, Mr Asher's Dad was a man called Albie Asher. Albie Asher became an All Black in 1903 and then went on to become a NZ Rugby League representative in 1910. Those were the days when there was a bit of pride in the jerseys and people actually worked for a living.... I digress.

Although my brush with bowls was fleeting in the early years those experiences must have had an impact on me as I took my first steps into Browns Bay Bowling Club in 1995. George Martell and Brian McSweeney then convinced me with 5 hours of free drink that bowling clubs were the place to be if you wanted to start your journey towards complete liver failure.... my bowls career had started

Until next time.



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### Open Tournaments 2022-23

#### Wednesday Triples OACT - 9.30am - BYO Lunch

Entry: Club 4804793, Evan 021 0575491

21 September, 19 October, 16 November,

21 December (Rod Mahon Memorial) - Ham - Lunch provided

18 January, 15 February, 15 March, 19 April, 17 May

#### Sunday Triples OACT - 9am - Lunch provided

Entry: Club 4804793, Sandy 0272006696

11 September, 2 October, 6 November,

4 December (Ham), 8 January, 19 March, 30 April

#### New Year \$1,000 Afternoon Pairs OACP - Mufti

Entry: secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz or 027 6661618

12.30pm Sunday 1 January

#### Waitangi Day Charity Tournament OACF - Mufti

Lunch provided - Teams are encouraged to include a non-bowler

Entry: Club 4804793

Monday 6 February

#### Extendeds - Morning Tea & Lunch Provided

Entry: Club 4804793

Seafood Tournament OACF - Saturday 1 & Sunday 2 April

\$2,500 Easter Triples OACT - Friday 7 & Saturday 8 April

\$2,000 May Extended OACT - Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 May



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### “Getting Started” Available

“Getting Started” - Basic Techniques of Lawn Bowls is a 34 page handbook produced by the Wanaka Bowling Club with significant material and editorial assistance from BowlsNZ. Bowls NZ not only supplied suitable text and diagrams but also were involved in the editing process to ensure the handbook is fully compliant with current New Zealand practices and coaching protocols.

This would be possibly the only publication currently available in New Zealand that specifically focuses on the needs of newer bowlers although there are timely reminders for more experienced bowlers.

Limited copies of the handbook are available from the Birkenhead Club Bowls Shop at cost, \$17.00 per copy.

### 1pm Afternoon Roll-up AC-Single Entry

Saturday afternoon roll-ups: 24 September, 1 October, 15 October, 29 October, 5 November, 19 November, 26 November, 2 December, 31 December, 7 January, 14 January, 18 February, 4 March

25 March, Mufti, playing two games of 8 ends, pairs or triples, \$5 per player entry. Any booking of Birkenhead’s greens from Bowls North Harbour Centre or corporate functions on these dates the roll up will be cancelled.



## Crochet & Wine

### Tuesday Afternoons

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The first Tuesday in each month at 2pm is “Crochet and Wine”. Come along and learn a new skill, bring your crochet or knitting, come have a natter while enjoying some like-minded company. Wine will be available for purchase, while tea and coffee are free. Non-members welcome. \$5 per person with all money going towards supporting the Middlemore Foundation for the prem babies. Further info contact Emmie 0275 297297.

Pencil in your diary for 2pm  
**Tuesday** ~~2 August~~  
~~6 September~~  
**4 October**  
**1 November**  
 with more dates to follow.

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## Handicap Pairs Saturday 10 September Handicap Singles Saturday 8 October

### Guidelines for Markers

Reproduced from World Bowls website

#### Positioning

After the mat has been centred and the jack delivered, centre the jack with your hand (never use your foot).

Don't hesitate to check a dubious jack length (for example, 23 metres for a delivered jack). Have the length checked using the 30-metre tape if necessary.

Your position on the rink is important for two reasons; you should not obstruct a player's view of any pegs or indicators on the bank and you should also be in a position where you can see and act quickly upon anything that happens in the head. For these reasons, the ideal position is to stand approximately one metre (two paces) to the rear of and one metre to the side of the jack.

Do not move when a player is on the mat ready to deliver a bowl.

Remain on the green at all times if possible.

If the jack goes into the ditch, stand to one side of the rink (not on the bank).

#### Communication of Information

Mark with chalk all touchers as soon as they come to rest. Put marks on both sides so that the bowl does not have to be picked up to be checked if moved from its original position.

Use bowl and jack indicators to show their position in the ditch. Remove the indicators when the end is completed.

Make sure that you are alert at all times. Try to anticipate questions so that you have the answers ready. When a bowl is on its way up the rink, take a step forward and to the side of the head to check the distances of any key bowls already in the head and which bowls are shot. You will then be ready to answer the next question without having to re-visit the head.

Be as accurate as you can when giving distances. For example, if a bowl is 45 centimetres (18 inches) short do not say that it is 60 centimetres (two feet) short -players will quickly lose confidence in you if you do.

Only answer questions asked by the player in possession of the rink, remembering that possession of the rink passes to the opponent as soon as a bowl comes to rest, allowing time for marking that bowl as a toucher.

Only answer the question asked and be concise. For example, if you are asked "Am I holding shot" – then answer "Yes".

In general, don't provide information that has not been asked for! Equally, use common sense. For example: if you are asked "Am I holding shot" and the player is holding two shots, you should say;

"Yes, you are holding two".

If you are unsure which is shot bowl, don't be afraid to say that it is a measure. Don't be forced into making a decision when you are unsure.

It is important to have an understanding of the type of questions which players are likely to ask and to be able to anticipate the information that they are looking for – you are their eyes at the head.

For example, if a player asks "Is that bowl jack high?" and the bowl is not exactly jack high, tell the player how far short or past jack high it actually is.

If a player asks you to show them the position of the jack, hold your hand directly above the jack for a second or two.

#### Running / Driving Bowls

Move to the front of the head when a running bowl is delivered – you will be in a much better position to see if the bowl becomes a toucher and to avoid moving objects if you do so.

Whenever possible make neighbouring rinks aware of any imminent running / firing shot and ask them to help contain bowls if necessary.

Be aware of play on neighbouring rinks. You must stop a bowl or any other neutral object from a neighbouring rink that is likely to disturb the head on your rink.

Never move a bowl except for a bowl declared dead – dead bowls must be removed before the next bowl is delivered.

Do not engage in conversation with the players unless they want you to.

Do not stop or catch bowls which are about to enter the ditch – even if it looks as though they may disturb another bowl or jack already in the ditch. Let them fall – making sure that you know the position of any bowl or jack that would need replacing if it were to be moved.

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### Measuring

Under no circumstances should you move a bowl at the completion (real or perceived) of an end.

Keep out of the head whilst the participants decide the result. (The players must agree on the result.)

If you are asked to measure for shot, make sure that you know which bowls you are being asked to measure and ask the players to remove all bowls not in contention where practicable. Don't measure unless asked to do so by both players.

Have wedges to hand if there is a leaning bowl that may require to be measured. Use the wedges where appropriate before measuring – remembering that 30 seconds may elapse from the time the last bowl of the end came to rest if one of the players requests it.

If a measure is too close for a box string measure or you cannot decide the shot, call for the umpire.

Point to the bowl you believe is shot after completing your measure. Do not move it as the players may want to call for an umpire for confirmation.

If you need to call for an umpire, try to make them aware of what equipment will be needed. Give the umpire as much information as possible – for example, about the number of shots already conceded and what has to be measured.

Make sure the players are aware of the score throughout the game. You must tell the players the running score at the completion of each end (if scoreboards are not being used).

### Time Management

Markers' use of their time can make a big difference to the way a game is played and to the overall way in which the markers' actions are perceived by players and spectators. For example, a marker who is either constantly rushing around or holding up players whilst writing the score card or turning over the scoreboard can adversely affect a player's concentration.

Practice a routine that you can use in every game you mark. You will soon appreciate that there is no need to rush around and your confidence to deal with the unexpected will improve.

Typical time management techniques include the best time to complete the score card and your position on the rink as the players agree the shots.

Other techniques include:

- moving to the front of the head to wait for the players to decide the result of the end
- entering on the score card only the score for winner of the end when it is agreed by the players and completing the remainder of the scores after you have centred the jack for the next end.

When the last bowl in an end has come to rest:

- remove any jack or bowl indicators from the bank
- move to the front of the head to wait for the players to decide the result of the end.

When the players have decided the result of the end:

- confirm with the players the number of shots scored and by whom
- tell the players the running totals of the scores (if scoreboards are not being used)
- walk quickly to the other end (displaying lollipops if required)
- remove from the green the mat used in the previous end.

At the start of the next end:

- check that the mat has been properly positioned
- centre the jack
- as the first bowl is on its way up the green, update the score card and check that the scoreboard is correct.

### Score Card Administration

When the game has been completed, the marker must make sure that the score card:

- contains the names and signatures of the players
- contains the time at which the game was completed

is handed to the umpire or, if no umpire is present, is dealt with in line with the Conditions of Play.



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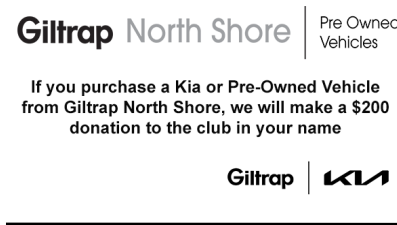
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