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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

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On the Greens this week

Wednesday 17 December - 9.30am Rod Mahon Memorial (ACT)
Thursday 18 December - 10am Club Day (AC), Rod Mahon Memorial reserve day.
- 5pm Entries close Women's Championship Singles
Friday 19 December - 4-2-4 Pairs (OACP) - team & single entry welcome
Saturday 20 December - 9am Women's Championship Singles
- 1pm Club draw (AC)
Sunday 21 December - 9am Women's Championship Singles
Tuesday 22 December - 5pm Entries close Stuie's Birthday Tournament
Wednesday 24 December - 1pm Stuie's Birthday Afternoon Tournament (OACT- Single entry, non bowlers welcome, dress: mufti)

Is It Worth The Effort

Birkenhead has in recent years held a few company Christmas parties leading up to Christmas and this year has been no exception. In just ten days the club has hosted eleven Christmas functions. Providing our guest with bowls, darts and pool and serving up Christmas fare from hamburgers and chips to ham, turkey, roast lamb and all the trimmings. All the meals came out from our club kitchen under the guidance of Stuie and our guests have been raving about the great food. They love the food, they love the bowls, they love the total package Birkenhead has offered this year. Last Friday evening the club successfully ran three Christmas functions and our regular club night utilising the total club.

Thanks must go out to Emmie for coordinating it all and Stuie for his tireless work in the kitchen catering for the various Christmas dinner menus.

Also thanks to our great team of volunteers, now called the Birkenhead Corporate Team, thanks; Allie Nicol, Loz Croot, Tony Grantham, Lisa Helmling, Bernie Hall, Sharon Catchpole, Sharon Sowry, Peter Svendsen, Kevin Croasdale, Dave Moore, Geoff Darby, Dennis McSween, Jo Utting, Ces McBride.

Is it worth it? It's a lot of effort, but the gains for the club both financially and raising the club's profile, Yes.

Typical of the comments and emails received is this one from Elizabeth and Mike, owners of La Cigale in Parnell.

"Thank you all so much for a great night on Monday. We know from all their comments since that our staff really enjoyed themselves. Please pass on our thanks to all your patient volunteers who gave us great coaching and put up with a lot of silliness. The hamburgers and chips also hit the right spot. Best wishes to everyone for Christmas."



A celebratory drink after the last Christmas Bowls function. Peter Svendsen, Emmie Swart, Kevin Croasdale, Dave Moore.



Attending to one of the many hams cooked Bernie Hall and Stuie Moorcroft.



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We Lose A Gentleman

The club lost one of our own yesterday with the passing of Ray Urwin. Not only was Ray a brother bowler, long time member, he was one of life's nice guys and a true gentleman. He will be sadly missed around the club and on the greens.

At this stage we have no details of Ray's funeral, but will post them in the club and email out when we have the details
RIP Ray.....



Ray Urwin, a true gentleman

Leads and Twos

Saturday saw the leads and twos played, numbers somewhat down on previous years. The day always threatened rain but all games were completed

Winners: Sharon Catchpole, John Croy (s)

Runners-up: Gerry Sapucci, John Lindridge (s)

Nationals at Birkenhead - Markers Required

Birkenhead plays its part in providing greens for Section Play and some Post Section. We are required to provide markers for singles, if you are able to mark please put your name on the white board in the club or contact Emmie Swart on 027 529-7297 or email: emmie@emmieswart.co.nz,

Markers will be fed each day and refreshments provided at the conclusion of the day. Members from other clubs are welcome to assist. We require markers for the following days.

Day 1 Sunday 28th December - Women's Singles

Day 3 Tuesday 30 December - Men's Singles

Diary Dates - Open Tournaments

Rotary Charity Tournament (OACF - mufti - non bowlers welcome) Friday 6th February

Ryman Healthcare Open Men's Pairs (2day) Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th February

The Good Home Birkenhead Open Women's Pairs(2 days) Sat 14 & Sun 15 March

Seafood Tournament (OMF) Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 April.

Spotlight on Sponsors

This week we put the spotlight on "3D Products". Greg & Jo Utting's company has supplied many of the white boards and notice boards around the club. The three pictures in the club's entrance hall were custom made by 3D Products. Northcote Bowling Club's tournament white boards were also made by 3D Products.

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Club Membership Draw

Drawn Wednesdays between 4.30pm - 5.30pm, and Fridays between 5.30 - 6.30pm. Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize. Happy hour Wednesdays 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Friday Club Nights

Merv "The Swerve" spins the raffles from around 4.30 onwards
Happy hour 5 - 6pm.
Free Nibbles around 6pm
Club Membership draw between 5.30 - 6.30pm
Bring a friend along, they may enjoy it and join as a social member or a 1st year bowler!!



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