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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

Wednesday, 16 December 2015



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On The Greens This Week & Bit Further

Wednesday 16 December— 9.30am Rod Mahon Memorial (OACT) - Ham

Thursday 17 December— 10am Club Day (AC)

Friday 18 December— 1pm 2-4-2 (OACP)

Saturday 19 December— *Greens required* — Premier Two Interclub

Sunday 20 December—11am Kids Christmas Party, details on back page

Wednesday 23 December— 10am Club Day (AC)

Thursday 24 December— Stuie's Birthday Mini Tournament (OAC, Single Entry, Mufti)

Wednesday 30 December— 10am Club Day (AC)

Saturday 2 January— Ryman classic Tournament (OX classic) - day 1

Sunday 3 January— Ryman classic Tournament (OX classic) - day 2

Wednesday 6 January— 10am Club Day (AC)

Thursday 7 January - *Entries close 5pm Men's Championship Pairs*

- *Entries close 5pm Women's Championship Pairs*

Friday 8 January — 1pm 2-4-2 (OACP)

Saturday 9 January — 9am Men's Championship Pairs & Women's Championship Pairs

Sunday 10 January — 9am Men's Championship Pairs & Women's Championship Pairs

Lack of Water on "A" Green!

Bee Express talked to Glen our Green Keeper about members concerns about the top green not getting enough water and being a brown colour as a result.

As Glenn explained "The brown look is because the Maniototo leaf has changed from the green winter leaf, a fleshy lobe, to a bronzy summer leaf, a fern like shape. This is visible if you get down on your hands and knees. We also have a sand green that contributes to different growth patterns to that of a soil green. Outside experts also say the strain of Maniototo may also contribute." Asked about if the green could be greened up, Glenn replied "yes we can and it will look spectacular but will play heavy and bumpy. I'm here to give the members the best playing surface possible and if it happens to be bronzy/brown that's just the nature of the playing surface, I appreciate bowlers telling me how well the green plays that is my aim and it makes the effort worth it."

Those setting up the greens in the morning have noticed at times the centre sprinklers have detached from the hose, why is this? "Yes it is a problem, the bayonet connections aren't the greatest and loosen from the hose when pulled out by the sprinkler head, and when the water comes on the pressure blows the lose connection apart. When replacing the centre green sprinkler out on the green pull by the hose, not the sprinkler head, and check the hose to sprinkler head connection is tight. If this done each time the sprinklers are put out this will solve the problem".



Birkenhead's Green Keeper Glenn Ibbett working away on the greens in pursuit of the perfect green

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Authorised Customer and Authorised Visitor

Members are requested to adhere to the Birkenhead Bowling Club's "Signing in Policy", displayed at the signing in book and at the main entrance to the club.

Below is an extract from the recent ClubsNZ, Club Industry e-Newsletter - 10/12/2015

Not sure they are an Authorised Customer or Authorised Visitor? Then you need to treat them the same way you would a minor!

Clubs New Zealand has written and posted numerous articles over the years exploring clubs to be vigilant identifying who they can and cannot serve alcohol to.

As we head into Christmas, New Years and the busy summer months where members are travelling across the country we would like to do it all over again....

The Alcohol Regulatory Licensing Authority (ARLA) is coming down hard on clubs that break the law. Clubs are having their licences suspended and Managers are having their Certificates suspended due to staff members serving non-members

(even after asking whether the person is a member of a club or not) or signing in members of the public, believing that this action legally entitles them to be served.

Staff must be extremely vigilant in regards to every person that approaches the bar wishing to purchase an alcoholic drink. Similar to the policy of no ID no service for minors, if a staff member doesn't know whether the person is an Authorised Customer or Authorised Visitor then they can't legally serve them. An Authorised Visitor must show identity of their home club and an Authorised Customer (guest) must be accompanied by a member of the club.

Ignorance is no excuse.

It's not a matter of just selling alcohol to whoever walks up to our bar. If we are not vigilant we maybe in the position of large legal bills, a hefty fine or our licence suspended. None of which Club wants or can afford.

Basic rule of thumb, if you are not a member of the Birkenhead Bowling Club you must sign in. Full "Signing in Policy" details are posted in the club.

The Birkenhead Bowling Club Board thanks our members and staff for their continued vigilance in this area.

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Functions Roll on Till January

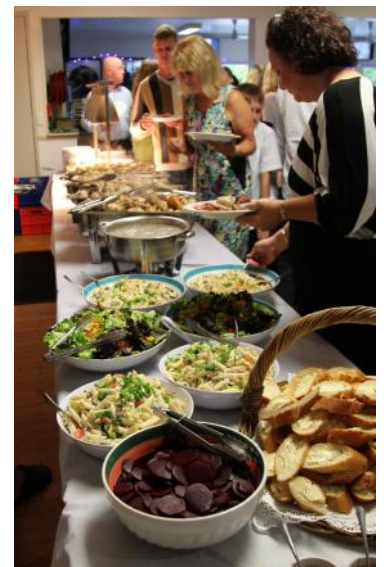
Traditionally in recent years our club hosted numerous functions in November and December and that's where it ended with the odd one sprinkled throughout the rest of the year. This coming year it's different with enquires and booking coming in for January and further. Emmie Swart the Club's Function Co-ordinator told the Bee Express "It's a lot of work but with the small but reliable team helping out it's actually a lot of fun and the various groups love the atmosphere here."

Thanks for helping out:

- Stuie Moorecroft
- Kevin Croasdale
- Geoff Darby
- Peter Svendson
- Dave Moore
- Tommy Winton
- Barry Reyland
- Bob Murphy
- Alex Abela
- Dennis McSweeney
- Norma Little
- Sharon Catchpole
- Bernie Hall
- Carole Fredrick
- Jerry Belcher
- Loz Croot
- Allie Grantham
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Sharon Catchpole starting the decoration of one of the many pavlovas we have prepared this month.



It is time to dine. We cater for groups of all sizes and various menu requirements.



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Continuous Ham Raffles

Didn't win a ham last Sunday or don't look like getting one at the Rod Mahon Memorial today. We are running continuous ham raffles at the bar. These will be drawn at 5pm daily when a raffle is full. All winning Hams will be available for pick up 5pm Tuesday 22 December. Your chances in each raffle is one in fifty and at \$2 a ticket, that's not to bad, We have many hams to be won.



THIS WEEKS CLUBTAB PRIZE DRAW ON 19/12/15 IS FOR **\$30,000**



Club Membership Draw - \$350 Tonight

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 (note: no happy hour on open tournament Wednesdays)

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!!

Spotlight on Sponsors

This week we put the spotlight on Barfoot and Thompson agent Tim Roskrug. The new boy on our sponsorship list and joint sponsor this year of the kids Christmas Party. Welcome aboard Tim and thanks for your support.

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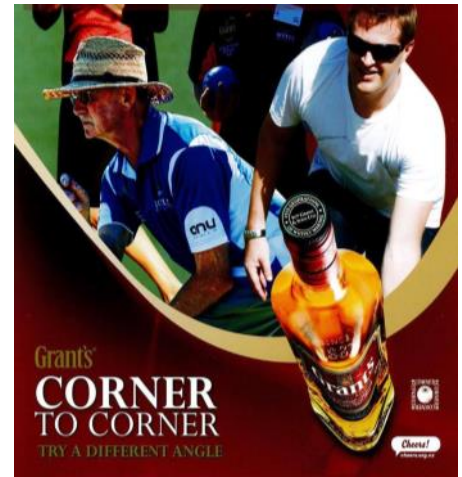
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Corner to Corner

Grant's Corner to Corner has returned to Birkenhead for another summer season.

It all started Friday 4 December with "Winner winner chicken dinner" Jerry Belcher taking out the first night and a bottle of Grants Whisky and an entry into the club final. Keep an eye on the Grant's poster for further play dates and conditions of play.

\$6,500 Pairs

Two day \$6,500 Women's Pairs, Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 March 2016.

The season is rolling on and the 2016 Good Home Birkenhead Women's Pairs is just under three months away. With it's \$6,500 total prize pool and \$1,500 for first place this is a tournament not to be missed. Further details and entry forms will be available soon from Face book and from the clubs web-site.

Birkenhead

New Year Mixed Classic

(Open Teams Mixed Fours, play Fours & Pairs)

Saturday 2 & Sunday 3 January 2016

Start 9am Saturday & Sunday

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