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## On The Greens

Wednesday 14 December - 10am Club Day (AC)

~~Friday 16 December - 1pm 242 AC Pairs - Cancelled~~

Saturday 17 December - Centre Event - Greens Required

Sunday 18 December - Centre Event - Greens Required

**Wednesday 21 December - 9.30am Rod Mahon Memorial Tournament (OACT - Ham)**

**Saturday 24 December - Stuie's Birthday Tournament (OAC, Single Entry, Mufti)**

## Inside This Weekend

**Friday 16 December - Club Night**

Raffles (last for 2016), Happy Hour, Club Membership Draw, Joker 500

Live racing Alexandra Park & Addington (harness) and across Australia

**Saturday 17 December**

Live racing Te Rapa, Palmerston North (thoroughbreds) Winton (harness), and from across Australia

**Sunday 18 December**

10am Kids Christmas Party

Live racing Gore (thoroughbreds) Rangiora (harness) Manukau (dogs) and from across Australia.

## Nagy Strikes Gold

New Zealand's Men's Fours (Mike Nagy, Mike Kernaghan, Blake Signal, Ali Forsyth(s)) showed their dominance of the fours discipline throughout the week with 26-10, 13-9, 25-5, 20-8, 45-4, 29-8, 36-4 and 23-17 wins during section play to top the section and move straight to the semi final where they came up against Scotland with two times Glasgow gold medallist Alex Marshall skipping. Continuing the momentum from section play New Zealand dispatched Scotland

20-3. While on the other side of the draw Australia beat Ireland 22-10 to progress through to a Trans-Tasman final. After three ends of the final Australia led 3-2, but that's where Australia stopped with New Zealand picking up a four on the next end and moving out to a 13-3 lead after eight ends. The Aussies picked up a one on end nine and from there on it was all one way traffic in New Zealand's favour, shaking hands on end fifteen with New Zealand ahead 23-4 and the world championship title and gold medal secured. Birkenhead's Mike Nagy comes away from two weeks of world championship bowls with a bronze in the Men's triples and a gold in the Men's Fours, well done Mike and the rest of the New Zealand Men's Fours team.



World Bowls Championships 2016, Men's Fours Gold Medallists Mike Kernaghan, Ali Forsyth, Mike Nagy (Birkenhead), Blake Signal

To add the icing on the cake Shannon McIlroy claimed the gold in the Men's singles championship, beating Canadian Ryan Bester 21-17 in the final on Sunday afternoon. The New Zealand men's squad with their medal haul of gold in the singles and fours, bronze in the pairs and triples also claimed the Leonard Trophy for the top men's squad.



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## Continuous Ham Raffles

Continuous Ham Raffles are on sale at the club's bar. When each raffle is full Merv "The Swerve" will draw it. Winning hams will be available for collection from 5pm Wednesday 21 December, good luck.

Winners drawn to date: Raffle #1 Gary Beer, Raffle #2 Colin Barrow, Raffle #3 Terry Moverley, Raffle #4 Robyn Autridge, Raffle #5 Andrea Boyed

## Kids Christmas Party Sunday

The Kids Christmas Party is again kindly supported by Tim Roskrue (Barfoot Thompson agent) and United Gaming and will be held Sunday 18 December. Starting at 10am. Morning Tea for the kids, Disco, Karaoke and Santa and his sack. Bring a present to the value of \$15 with your child's name and age on it for the Santa sack.

## BNH Reps Round Up

Last weekend Bowls North Harbour Rep teams ventured north to compete against Far North, Northland and Auckland. The 1-5 and 1-8 played on a rainy Saturday while the open enjoyed a sunny Sunday.

Open results: Open Men first winning every game, Open Women second to Auckland, Combined first overall.

1-5 and 1-8 results: 1-5 years Men's second., 1-5 years Women's first, 1-8 years Men's second, 1-8 years Women's second.

Men's (1-5 & 1-8) combined first, Women's (1-5 & 1-8) combined first

Well done all Birkenhead players that represented North Harbour across the two days.

## Wilson, Hindmarch, Baker and Nathan

Twenty Four teams took to the greens at Birkenhead on Sunday in pursuit of a ham in Birkenhead's annual ham tournament sponsored by New World Birkenhead.

The day may have been warm and dry but the wind played havoc with bowls, jacks and hats. The buffet lunch, thanks to Bernie Hall in the kitchen, of hot potatoes, fish bites, salads, hot ham off the bone and more, went down at treat.

The Birkenhead side of Peter Nathan (s), Joseph Korkis and Gary Pash having suffered two defeats before lunch saved their day with two good wins after lunch to claim the afternoon ham prize.

First overall was taken out by Brian Wilson's composite side with four wins. Westend's John Hindmarch's side, just pipped by Wilson's for first prize, had to settle for second.

Three wins and a draw was enough for Bruce Baker's Glenfield side to secure third prize.. Next Sunday Triples Tournament is Sunday 5 March, \$30 per team includes buffet lunch.

## Christmas Shield

Our annual tussle with Northcote was played for the 51st year last Wednesday evening at Birkenhead. Although there is the Christmas Shield up for grabs and the bragging rights that go with it. It is an evening of comradery between the two clubs. A few stories, a drink or two, a meal and an opportunity for the newer members of each club to meet some of those they will play against often on the greens of Northcote and Birkenhead.

Mother nature played her part and four open men's, one women's and one any combination teams contested the Shield. Birkenhead came out on top and the Shield was safely returned to Birkenhead's trophy cabinet for another year.


## The Trusts New Zealand Open

The 10th anniversary event of The Trusts New Zealand Open will be from the 14th - 22nd February 2017. Auckland Bowls will once again offer online entry and payment.

Please note that entry forms are no longer sent by post. We look forward to returning to Blockhouse Bay Bowls for post section play as well as using up to 20 clubs across Auckland for qualifying. Entries close on Wednesday 4th January 2017 at 5pm. Entry forms can be found by at [www.aucklandbowls.co.nz](http://www.aucklandbowls.co.nz)



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## Christmas to New Year Raffles & Draws

The last Friday night raffles for 2016 will be this Friday 16 December with raffles resuming late January. Those owing monies for raffles are asked to square this up with Merv on Friday.

The Club Membership Draw and Joker 500, last draws for 2016 will Friday 23 December. The first draws for 2017 will be Wednesday 4 December.

### Club Membership Draw - \$100 & \$400

Club Membership Draw drawn Wednesdays between 5pm - 6pm, and Fridays between 5.30 - 6.30pm. Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize.

### Friday Club Nights

Merv "The Swerve" spins the raffles from around 4.30 onwards, Happy hour 5 - 6pm, Joker 500 on sale from 5pm, Club Membership Draw drawn between 5.30 - 6.30pm.

### Joker 500

Every Wednesday and Friday, numbers on sale from 5pm—6pm. Purchase a number or numbers, a winning number is drawn at 6.15pm. The purchaser of that winning number selects a card from the Joker cabinet and receive the corresponding prize with the top prize being \$500 every Wednesday and Friday.

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This week we put the spotlight on Barfoot and Thompson agent Tim Roskruge. Again this year joint sponsor of the kids Christmas Party. When Tim is not selling realestate he can be found drumming for the band Soul Agents. Thanks for your continued support Tim.

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## Sudoku

The solution to this week's Sudoku will be published in the next Bee Express.

How to solve a Sudoku puzzle can be found on the club's website  
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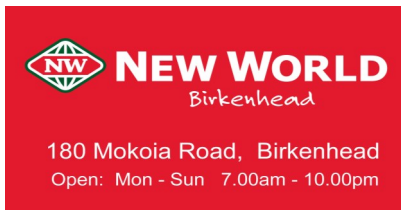
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Last week's Sudoku puzzle solution

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