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On The Greens

- Wednesday 15 February - 9.30am Wednesday Tournament (OACT)
- Thursday 16 February - 10am Club Day (AC)
 - Entries close 5pm Championship 1-5 Year Pairs (AC)
- Friday 17 February - 1pm 2-4-2 (OACP)
- Saturday 18 February - 9am Championship 1-5 Year Pairs (AC)
- Sunday 19 February - 9am Championship 1-5 Year Pairs (AC)
- Monday 20 February - 6pm "YOU Travel Birkenhead" Social Bowls (9)
- Wednesday 22 February - 9.30am Matthews Memorial Pairs (AC 60+, Single Entry)
- Thursday 23 February - 6pm Handicap singles Final
 - Entries close 5pm Championship 1-5 Year Triples (AC)
 - Entries close 5pm Championship 1-5 Year Fours (AC)
- Friday 24 February - 1pm 2-4-2 (OACP)

Inside This Weekend

Friday 17 February – Club Night

Raffles, Happy Hour, Club Membership Draw, Joker 500
 Racing: Wanganui (thoroughbreds) Addington (harness) and across Australia
Cricket - 6.30pm T20 Blackcaps v South Africa - Live

Saturday 18 February

Racing: Ellerslie, New Plymouth, Invercargill (Thoroughbreds) and across Australia including Flemington – Lightning Stakes.

Sunday 19 February

Racing: Gisbourne (thoroughbreds), Geraldine & Gore (harness), Manukua (dogs) and across Australia

Cricket - 1.30pm ODI Blackcaps v South Africa - Live



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1-5 Year Singles Semi-finals 5.30pm Today

BNH Singles & Triples

Last Saturday saw the completion of BNH Men's Singles and Women's Triples. Tony Grantham made the last 16 and convincingly beat Takapuna's Bevan Smith (21-12) to make the quarter finals and up against Orewa's Errol Koroi. Koroi, having just slaughtered Browns Bay's Lindsay Gilmour (21-0). Grantham made easy work of Koroi walking away with a (21-10) win and a spot in the semi-final. The semi-final had Grantham up against Brown's Bay's Scott Evans, while the other semi was all Browns Bay with Colin Rogan and Brent Turner. Both Grantham and Rogan had the advantage early in both semis but it was not the case at the end, with Grantham going down to Evans (17-21) and Rogan to Turner (19-21). Evans overcome Turner in the final (21-15) and claimed the BNH Men's Singles title for the season.

On another green the women were playing out the BHN Women's Triples. Birkenhead had one team left in after section play, Jacqui Belcher (second year), Trish Croot and Lisa Helmling. First up against Manly's Judith Seagar and a win (20-9), Semi up against Browns Bay's Margret Oates, Helmling's team played their way into the final with a win (21-9). The other semi it was Sunnybrae's Jan Jones, with Jackie Fisher and Tira Campbell, fighting it out with Browns Bay's Elaine McClintock with Jones coming away the winner in a close game (17-16). Sunnybrae Birkenhead final on Browns Bay's green. Six all after eight ends, Jones up ten seven after twelve ends and continued to move ahead taking the title after seventeen ends with a twenty to eleven victory. Birkenhead's Belcher, Croot and Helmling had to settle for the runners-up position but a great effort all the same.

1-5 Singles Surprises

Saturday morning and you could not have asked for better conditions. The first day of the Birkenhead 1-5 Year Men's Singles Championship. Nine players took to the greens but only four would make it through to the knockout rounds. First year bowler Adam Richardson stunned Jerry Belcher with an upset (21-7) first round victory. Richardson continued his winning form but only just with a solitary point (21-20) win over Gary Wallace. The default in round three gave Richardson his third win and a spot in the knockout section. Defending two times winner Jimmy "Jandals" Heath had wins over Barry Reyland, Robbie Henson and Gary Beer to clock up his three required wins. The fourth round and Heath versus Blecher, Blecher having lost earlier to Richardson, need the win to progress further, this was not to be going down by one (21-20) with Heath finishing the day undefeated. Jerome Rusk narrowly got past first year Stacy Munro in the first round with a one shot win. The default secured another win for him in the second and a win over Reyland in the third secured a knockout spot. Two four winners and one three winner at the conclusion of the days four rounds, a condition of play was that if the knockout consist of at least four players, so a two winner would sneak in. That two winner was Wallace with two narrow loses in the morning and two wins in the afternoon, with a plus eight differential. The semi-finals will see Heath play Wallace, and Rusk play Richardson, played tonight at 5.30pm, Final date to be announced.

Birkenhead Bees Round Up

By Jerry Belcher

The Birkenhead Bees took on Takapuna Blue at Northcote on Monday night, in testing swirling windy conditions. Very ably managed by Adele and Dale Ineson (thanks guys...the team loved having you there) the Bees came away with an overall result of 2 wins and 1 loss.

Singles - once he got into his work Jerome dominated and came away with a great win over Bevan Smith 17-12.

Pairs - though losing 14-9, this was a great battle with strong and positive shots played by Robbie and Gary.

Triples - after a very even start to the game the combination of Jerry, Jacqui and Jimmy (The 'Js') pulled away to win overall 19-6. When Jerry wasn't on the head, Jacqui delivered some crucial shots to keep the pressure on and Jimmy contributed as he does. Onwards and upwards to next week.

**Handicap Singles Final - (J.Belcher v G.Wallace)
Thursday 23 February starting approx. 5.45pm**



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Bert Sutcliffe Village Sponsored Club Day

By Bob Murphy

Last Wednesday's Club Day was sponsored by Bert Sutcliffe Village and attracted about the same players as usual. The input from Ryman allowed us to be more generous than usual as regards prizes and the day turned out to be a Bub Pike benefit.

Results:-

1st. Kevin Croasdale(s), Bob Murphy, Bub Pike

2nd. John Lindridge, Ngaire English

3rd. Ken Orr, Barbara Staal, John Rusk

Diff last game. Ken Edgar, Barry Reyland, Peter DeRoo.

Bub also won a hamper donated by Bert Sutcliffe Village so went home a very happy man.

Lunch was supplied in the form of pizzas.

Thankyou Rachael Bolland from Ryman Healthcare for your support.



Rachael Bolland presenting Bub Pike with his winnings from the hamper draw.

Seafood Tournament

Entry is now open for the Club's annual Seafood Tournament with Wheels On Wairau returning as tournament partner. This open men's fours tournament played over the two days of Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 April will see 32 teams battle out for some of the best seafood prizes on offer around. Fully catered with seafood morning tea and seafood lunch provided both days, this is not to be missed. Limited to the first 32 paid up teams. Further details and entry contact Sandy Cleghorn 027 2006696

Seafood Tournament

Open Men's Fours

Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 April 2017

Start 9am Saturday, 8.30am Sunday

Seafood Prizes, Seafood Raffles

Seafood Morning Tea (provided both days)

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Match Committee Update

By Gary Stevens

1 – 5 Year Any Combination Pairs Championship: Entries close this Thursday, 16 February 2017 at 5.00pm. We need more entries so grab a partner and put your names up. The championship is scheduled for this Saturday and Sunday, 18/19 February 2017 starting at 9.00am.

1 – 5 Year Women's Singles Championship: We postponed this championship from last Saturday because we were told that some of you were playing Reps and/or playing in the Bowls NH Women's Triples post qualifying round (congratulations to Lisa, Trish and Jacqui who were runners up in a close fought final). There are no weekend days available due to Centre, Club and BowlsNZ events scheduled to be played on our Greens. Therefore this will be played at Twilight:

Entries close at 5.00pm on Wednesday, 8 March 2017

First round to be played on or before 15 March

Round Two to be played on or before 22 March

Round Three to be played on or before 29 March

Round Four to be played on or before 5 April

Semi Finals to be played on or before 12 April

Reserve week – play on or before 19 April

Date of Final to be advised.

Format – to be decided when we know the number of entries.

Please note that Daylight Savings ends on 2 April.

Women's Singles Championship: We've been having problems rescheduling this for similar reasons – essentially summarised as a lack of available playing days. The choice came down to Easter or 22/23 April and we've gone for Easter (Sunday and Monday 16/17 April) with 22/23 April as Reserve Days in case of bad weather.

Entries will close on 12 April 2017 at 5.00pm

Format – to be decided when we know the number of entries.

Handicap Pairs – Any combination: Another programme change. We've been told that our 2 Greens have been made available to BowlsNZ for the National Interclub Finals on 4/5 March – so no Handicap Pairs on 4 March.

Hopefully we will be able to reschedule on another date but we'll have to let you know.

We regret that these changes may inconvenience some Members but, we repeat, there are no alternatives available due to circumstances beyond the control of the Match Committee.

Handicap Singles

Semi-finals played last Thursday evening with Gary Stevens playing Jacqui Belcher with Jacqui coming away the winner (7-21). In a battle of the second years Robbie Henson and Gary Wallace battled it out with Gary the victor (20-21). Belcher Wallace final to be played Thursday 23 February, starting approximately 5.45pm. Come early and secure prime position on the viewing deck and show your support the club facilities will all be open.

BPL05 Corporate Box, Team Visit, Opening

Monday 27 February to Thursday 2 March sees the Bowls Premier League 05 (BPL05) into Auckland and Birkenhead host BPL04 Champions, Sydney Lions.

The Club has a corporate box for all four nights of the BPL05 at the North Shore Events Centre. A seat in the rink side box with food and beverages provided is \$60 per head, per night for Birkenhead club members. The night sessions run from 6pm to 11pm. Contact Club Treasurer Mavis Smith to book your seat, payment is at time of booking.

Saturday 25 February the Sydney Lions team will be visiting the club at 6pm they will stay and mingle for around two hours. Coach, bowling legend, Steve Glasson will take questions over this period and as he said "will be an opportunity to get the team fired up". Their Sydney supporters from Club Mount Lewis will also be in attendance. We are the host club for the Sydney Lions for BPL05 and it would be great to show them some Birkenhead hospitality and support to both the team and their supporters. Food will available for all, it is shaping up to be one hell of a night, not to be missed.

Sunday 26 February the club has been honoured with the privilege of being the venue for the official opening of BPL05, this is an invitation only event and will see the teams, officials and guest at our club.

The upstairs area of the club will be unavailable to members.

Members are requested to vacate the upstairs of the club by 5pm. The wrong bias bar downstairs will be open for members to enjoy.



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By Stephen Dil

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