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Auckland Cup Twilight (Ellerslie)
Thursday - watch & listen @ the club, TAB operating

St Patrick's Day - come celebrate
Friday @ Birkenhead Bowling Club.

Canterbury Bulldogs v New Zealand Warriors
Friday 8pm, club open until the final whistle.

On The Greens

Wednesday 15 March - 9.30am Wednesday Tournament (OACT)

- First round 1-5 WSC to be played on or before 15 March

Thursday 16 March - 10am Club Day (AC)

- Entries close 5pm Men's Championship Pairs

- Entries close 5pm Women's Championship Pairs

Friday 17 March - 1pm 242 (OACP)

Saturday 18 March - 9am Men' Championship Pairs & Women's Championship Pairs

Sunday 19 March - 9am Men' Championship Pairs & Women's Championship Pairs

Monday 20 March - **6pm You Travel Social Bowls (12), postponed from 13 March**

Wednesday 22 March - 10am Club Day - Ross "Trust Me" Murray Tournament (AC Single Entry)

- Second round 1-5 WSC to be played on or before 22 March

Friday 24 March - First round Handicap Pairs to be played on or before 24 March

Inside This Weekend

Friday 17 February - Club Night - Come celebrate St Patrick's Day

Raffles, Happy Hour, Club Membership Draw, Joker 500

Racing: Addington (harness) and across Australia

NRL - 8pm Canterbury Bulldogs v New Zealand Warriors

Saturday 18 March

Racing: Te Rapa, Trentham (thoroughbreds), Invercargill (harness) & across Australia including Rosehill - Golden slipper, Rosehill Guineas, George Ryder Stakes.

Super Rugby - 7.30pm Hurricanes v Highlanders

Sunday 19 March

Racing: Oamaru (harness) Cambridge (dogs) and across Australia

NRL - 6pm Raiders v West Tigers

Ellerslie Thursday at the Club

The racing at Ellerslie on Saturday was abandoned due to the severe weather. Auckland Cup Day was postponed and has been rescheduled for Thursday 16th March Twilight meeting. The Birkenhead Bowling Club and TAB facilities will be open for this important meeting. First race 3.13pm, New Zealand Stakes 5.51pm, Auckland Cup 6.21pm.

National Club Championship Finals

Trish Croot was the first to hit the greens of the Taieri Bowling Club competing in Women's Singles. Winning all five of her section games to qualify first in her section and claim a spot in the quarter finals. The quarter finals she came up against an in form Tayla Bruce and unfortunately came off second best. Tayla Bruce went on the win the title.

Scott Mouton and Tony Grantham were next up in the Men's Pairs. Losing their first round game but winning the next four, before losing round six. Round seven was to be the all important win. Unfortunately round seven was a draw and the guys finished up in fourth place, where a win would have put them into second and that spot in the post section.

Birkenhead's hopes are now riding with Jack Huriwai, Daymon Pierson, Jimmy Heath & Robbie Henson as they set out today in pursuit of National Club Championship Finals title. We will know by tomorrow afternoon if they have been successful.



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Northcote Joins Birkenhead

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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

Birkenhead Bowling Club



St. Patrick's Day

Come Celebrate

Friday 17 March

Raffles, Membership Draw, Joker 500 Draw
Guinness, Kilkeny, Baileys &
Black Velvet Available
Bulldogs v Warriors kick off 8pm

Canterbury Bulldogs v New Zealand Warriors

Friday 8pm, club open until the final whistle.

\$6,500 Washout

With severe weather hitting Auckland earlier in the week all eyes were on the forecast for the weekend, the weekend of "The Good Home Birkenhead" Women's Open Pairs. With teams coming from around the region and a team from the West Coast and a player from Christchurch, all out to chase the \$1,500 winners purse, there was a tough decision to be made. The weather never abated and the decision was made midday Friday to pull the pin. Now we look forward to the ninth Women's Pairs to be held March 2018.

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.

Club Membership & Joker Draws

Club Membership & Joker 500 draws drawn Wednesdays & Fridays. Club membership drawn between 5pm - 6pm, and Fridays between 5.30 - 6.30pm. Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize.

Joker 500, 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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Championships Update

Women's 1 – 5 Singles Championship draw:

Loz Croot vs Jacqui Belcher to be played by 22 March 2017
Christine Wafer vs Loz Croot to be played by 29 March 2017
Jacqui Belcher vs Christine Wafer to be played by 5 April 2017
Score Cards on display board.

Top qualifiers play a final on date to be determined.

Handicap Pairs:

Random draw will be made on Thursday, 16 March 2017.

Revised playing dates are:

- First round to be played on or before 24 March
- Round Two to be played on or before 31 March
- Round Three to be played on or before 7 April
- Round Four to be played on or before 14 April
- Semi Finals to be played on or before 21 April
- Date of Final to be advised.

Women's and Men's Championship Pairs:

Entries close this Thursday, 16 March 2017.

Play this Saturday and Sunday, 18 and 19 March 2017.

Social Bowls (12) - Rescheduled

You Travel Birkenhead Social Bowls (12) was postponed last Monday evening due to the green being closed thanks to the big wet. Green Keeper Glenn told the Bee Express "the top green is as wet as it gets in the middle of winter and the bottom green isn't far behind it. It's been a huge amount of rain over the past fdays." The last social bowls night for this season will be held next Monday 20 March. Make sure your team comes along as we have additional prizes and the little something extra dinner.

Seafood Tournament

Open Men's Fours

Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 April 2017

Start 9am Saturday, 8.30am Sunday

\$200 per Team

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Further details & Entry: Sandy 027 2006696

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 Christine Wafer landline replace it with 09 428-1197 (she has moved house)
 Garry Wallace mobile number is incorrect, replace with 0275 271361
 Stacy Munro, first year, 4821154 or 027 3841278
 Adam Richardson, first year, 022 3825014
 Ken Mason, first year, 4837787 or 021 2954474
 Gary Beer change membership from social to first year, 021 395776
 Mal Wallace landline replace it with 09 427-8039 (he has moved house)

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Past Members Update

Dennis Matthews is making his mark on the Omokoroa Bowling Club. Last season he claimed the Club Championship Singles title and this year he teamed up with Paul Fitzpatrick to take out the Club Championship Pairs.

Leanne Chinery has not only been the President of the West Coast Bowling Centre, she also won the Women's singles title and has just competed at the National Club championships held last week. She continues to hold her place in the Canadian national side.

Gayle Melrose has been appointed BowsNZ Assistant Coach along with Richard Girvan to work with Sharon Sims (National Lead Coach) and Peter Belliss (Assistant Lead Coach) through to the trans-Tasman annual event and the 8 Nations invitation tournament to be held in June at the Broadbeach Bowling Club on Australia's Gold Coast.

Gayle Melrose now from Tauranga. While a highly qualified bowls coach and a player of some distinction, with two National and four centre titles, it is her yachting achievements that she is potentially best known for. Her yachting resume including three Sydney to Hobart's and skippering the women's team at Rhode Island's Rolex World Championships. In naming these two Assistant coaches Kerry Clark stated that "while a well-qualified bowls coach it was her strong leadership qualities along with a great understanding of high performance processes and cultures that made her an outstanding candidate. Gayle fully understands the highs and lows of top level sport and brings with her, via her yachting experiences, an additional, and what I'm sure will be new perspective, on how the team can continue to improve on what was a very successful World Championship campaign."



Omokoroa Champ Pairs, Paul Fitzpatrick, Dennis Matthews with a slightly bigger cup than last years Champ Singles Cup.

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