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OPENING DAY THIS SATURDAY 4PM

On The Greens

Both greens are currently closed.

Saturday 9 September – 12.30pm Opening Day Mini Tournament

Wednesday 13 September – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry)

Friday 15 September – 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2)

Sunday 17 September – 1pm Free!! Have A Go & Open Day – public open day, bring the family, friend, neighbour, work mate.

Inside This Weekend

Friday 8 September – Club Night

Raffles, Happy Hour, Membership Draw, Joker 500
Racing – Te Awamutu (Thoroughbreds), Addington (Harness), Addington & Wanganui (Dogs) and racing from across Australia
Mitre 10 Cup* – 5.45pm Canterbury v Southland (RS),
- 7.45pm Manawatu v Bay of Plenty

Saturday 9 September

4pm Official Opening of the 2017-18 summer bowling season

Racing – Eilersie, Wanganui & Riccarton (Thoroughbreds) and racing from across Australia including Rosehill – Golden Slipper, Moonee Valley – Dato Tan Chin Stakes
Mitre 10 Cup* – 2.35pm Auckland v Taranaki
- 5pm Northland v Waikato

Investec Rugby Championship* - 7.35pm All Blacks v Argentina

NRL* - 6.10pm Storm v Eels

Sunday 10 September

Racing - Ragiora (Harness), Manukau (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

Mitre 10 Cup* – 2.35pm Tasman v Wellington

- 4.35pm Hawke's Bay v Otago

NRL* – 6.10pm Sharks v Cowboys

* viewing selection is dependent on the members.

Opening Day - This Saturday

This Saturday 9 September Birkenhead opens for the 2017-18 summer season, our 75th year.

12.30pm with Opening Day Mini Tournament, Single Entry - Open to Full members, entry is free, names in by 12.05pm.

4pm Official Opening, formal speeches, guest speaker (sponsored by Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead), opening of the green, followed by a selection of finger foods for everyone's enjoyment.

Dress: Partners and Social Members: smart casual

Full Members: Club Uniform or bowling attire where appropriate.

The day is for all Club members, Life, Full, Honorary, Social, Sponsors.

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Register your interest - Jubilee tournaments & social events

75th Jubilee – Register Your Interest

At Opening Day there will be forms for members to register their interest in which tournaments and social events they wish to play or attend. This will not only give us an indication of interest but will form part of a preferential list. Team and Single Entry available.

Please advise the Club Secretary urgently names, address and emails of ex-member/s whom you wish the Club to contact.

Any past members, friends or relatives who would be interested in joining with us to mark this special occasion, please register your interest with the Club Secretary outlining your ties to the Birkenhead Bowling Club. email: secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz or phone/text 027 6661618

There is something for everyone during the five days of celebration.

Thursday 29 March

Jubilee 2-4-2 Pairs (Open Any Combination Pairs - mufti - half day)

Jubilee 70s v 80s

Jubilee Meet & Greet

Jubilee Quiz Night

Friday 30 March

Jubilee Classic (Open Any Combination Fours - playing fours & pairs) - day 1 of 2

Club Night - Raffles, Membership Draw, Joker 500

Live Music – Love Jones - *ticketed event*

Saturday 31 March

Jubilee Classic (OACT) - day 2 of 2

Jubilee Classic Prize Giving

Evening - A chance to catch your breath, chill out, socialise in the club, Live sport on the screens.

Sunday 1 April

Jubilee Triples (Open Any Combination Triples)

75th Jubilee Black Tie Dinner & The Mermaids Dance Band - *ticketed event*

Monday 2 April

Jubilee Social Bowls Afternoon

End of Celebrations BBQ

And The Greens?

By Randall Watkins (Greens Superintendent)

Hi to all members and welcome to a new and hopefully successful season.

Just a quick update to where we are at with greens. The weather has not played ball over the last month. Thus, we have been limited to what could be done.

- Our Green Keeper Glen has managed to spray to kill the moss, started sowing new seed in areas of concern and started the fertilising cycle.
- Both greens have been aerated too help with drainage by shooting compressed air twelve inches into the greens.
- The bottom green has had its back boards replaced now all the same level, many thanks to Terry Henshaw, Colin Barrow and the boys.
- Working Bee has completed laying concrete around the greens to cancel out any trip hazards.
- John Lindridge, Barry Reyland and Kevin Croasdale have done a great job as always with their contributions.
- Birkenhead's Work Horse Colin Barrow is still grafting away laying the astro around the surrounds etc.
- In the following weeks, Glen will be spraying the greens to harden up the leaf preparing for a long and busy season.

Feel free to approach me with any questions to save people butting heads over what is and isn't being done. Play well and enjoy.



Early start for some, 7am and Glen is finishing off spraying B Green before starting on A Green.

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BELIEVE IT OR NOT?
QUIZ EVENTS

Second Thursday in the Month
7pm @ Birkenhead Bowling Club

Next Quiz
Thursday 14 September

Register at the bar
or phone the club 480 7493

THURSDAY NIGHT IS QUIZ NIGHT

75th Jubilee – Social Bowls Afternoon

Easter Monday, 2 April, Jubilee Social Bowls Afternoon Tournament. We are proud to announce the Tournament Partner is none other than our regular Monday night social bowls Partner Caroline and the girls at YOU Travel Birkenhead.

Prize pool \$600 cash to be won, \$30 per team of three, includes BBQ. Played under the same conditions of play as the Club's popular YOU Travel Birkenhead Monday evening Social Bowls series. In mufti and either bare or soft flat soled heelless shoes. No heels (includes internal heels). YOU Travel Birkenhead have partnered up with the club on this one to enable us offer a great afternoon of bowls and socialising. The bar will be open and no doubt the wheel barrow will be doing the rounds to keep everyone hydrated.

It all rolls off at 1.30pm with four short games followed by prize giving at around 4.30pm. All players receive a meal ticket for the End of Celebrations BBQ early that evening at 5.30pm.

Pennants

Pennants starts Saturday 30 September & continues Sunday 8, Saturday 14 & Sunday 15. Teams to consist of club sides of nine (9) players playing: Triples – 2 Bowls – 21 ends or 2 hours 45 minutes Played in divisions of 6 Sides - Sides will play 2 games per day. If you're keen on playing put your name up on the white board in the club by Wednesday 13 September.

To Rival Waitangi!

It's the end of an era, our old steel flagpole has been taken down one last time. Sandy Cleghorn had the old steel flagpole constructed out at Air New Zealand over fifteen years ago, after the previous wooden one was found to be rotten or in Sandy's words "Rooted". Tony Grantham welded the cross arm, Terry Henshaw was responsible for the transportation to the club and we can assume Sandy erected it. It weighs a ton and has served the club well, but its sheer size and weight has made it unmanageable when maintenance is required on it. Lowering it down for the last time a few weeks back it ended up getting away and landed up on the shed roof!. The time before it narrowly missed hitting Paul Jones!. Various people have been up it, either shimmy up or used a ladder, to rescue tangled flags over the years, but under the regime that is known as "Health and Safety" this is no long an option.

The new flagpole has been constructed out of aluminium, complete with spreaders and a yard arm. It will make a fitting reminder of the Clubs 75th Jubilee to be held later in the season. If you have seen the flagpole at Waitangi the Bee understands our new flagpole will rival it!. The new flagpole will be hoisted on Thursday, initially set down for today but todays storm has forced a delay. Thanks must go to Barry Leyland and Ken Sharp for sourcing (in the process saving the Club a some dollars), designing and making this project a reality.



The base for the new flagpole waiting.....



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Typist Required

If anyone out there is able to copy type to provide a Microsoft Word or similar file, we need your assistance. Its for the 75th Jubilee programme, Club history, titles etc, some is from printed material and some will be hand written. At this stage there is no great urgency as we have time on our side. If you are able to help out contact Terry on 027 666-1618 or email secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.

Membership Draw - Terminating?

Today two draws of \$350 and \$400!. If the \$400 draw is not struck tonight it will become a terminating draw on Friday 8 September, must be won and number will be drawn until we find a winner.

Win Win!

In August, the LiteClub field teams visited sports clubs around the City of Sails thanks to funding from Auckland Council, The Lion Foundation, Infinity Foundation and New Zealand Community Trust (NZCT). Twenty-three clubs received efficiency upgrades at their clubrooms to free up money for more sport and reduce their environmental footprint. Birkenhead Bowling Club was one of those clubs to receive a LiteClub efficiency makeover - LED lightbulbs, water saving devices and recycling stations, when we were visited last week.

Nine lightbulbs upgraded to LED, pipe insulation installed, four water saving devices installed, five waste sorting bins set up, retail value of components installed in the club for free, \$264.

The changes are calculated to free up \$3,956, that can go straight back into the club!. Save 8,895KWh of electricity over the product lifetime and 40,000 litres of water per year. On top of that 1.61 tonnes of CO2 emissions will be prevented by the club being smarter with resources. Win win!

Taranaki Goes Down

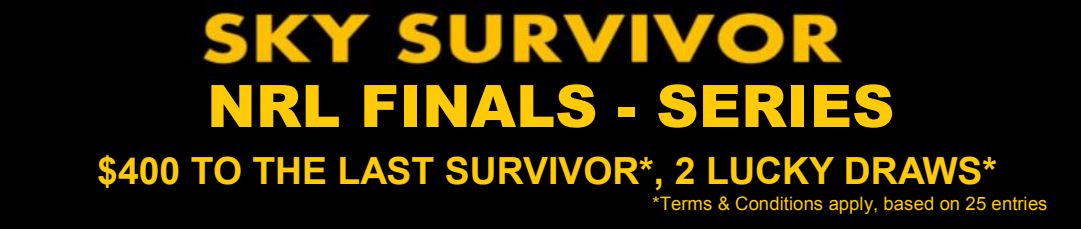
Over the past weekend Bowls North Harbour Women (Open, 1-8 and 1-5) took on Bowls Taranaki Women playing four rounds over two days on the inside green at the Pukekohe Cosmopolitan Club. Each side played two pairs and a triples for rounds one and two on Saturday and singles, pairs and fours for rounds three and four on Sunday, three games per round and nine with all sides combined (Open, 1-8 and 1-5).

Birkenhead's Trish Croot, Adele Ineson, Jacqui Belecher and Lauranne Croot all competed in their respective sides.

The first round saw the Open going down with three loses, 1-8 with one win in the pairs and 1-5 with one win in the triples, not a good start.

They picked themselves up for round two with the Open and 1-5 year taking two wins a piece while the 1-8 year nailed all three wins. The day ended with North Harbour nine wins and Taranaki nine wins, but with Harbour having the better differential by six shots.

Sunday and two rounds to play. Round three and both the Open and 1-8 nailed it with three wins each while the 1-5 didn't do so well only picking up a win in the pairs. Round four and the Open only secured a win in the pairs, 1-8 continued on their winning ways with three wins, while the 1-5 claimed wins in the singles and pairs. Sunday afternoon and at the end of round four Harbour sat on 22 wins with Taranaki on 14 wins. The women had beaten Taranaki just as the men had done so a few weeks back on the same green.



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NRL Finals kick off Friday 8 September. Join in for a chance of \$400* cash or one of the two lucky draws*. Only four weeks picking with the same rules as the regular season Sky Survivor but it's all over after four rounds and in the Grand Final (if you are still alive) you may pick a team you have already picked previously.

Entry & First finals round selections closes 6.30pm Friday 8 September.

Finals Rounds Two, Three and Grand Final selections to be made and in the Sky Survivor Box at the bar by 6.30pm the Thursday prior to the round commencing. Limited to 25 entries at \$20 each, entries and fee to John Hindmarch.

*Terms & Conditions apply, based on 25 entries

Handbook Membership List Updates

Eddie Turkington - 418-1075 or 021 640466, 1st First Year, Lead, handicap 10

John Janssen - change from Associate to Full, Skip, handicap 0

Jacqui Belcher - incorrect handicap, change to 5

Randall Watkins incorrect mobile number, change to 0275 404887

Michael Cartwright 021 0548542 (Full Member)

Mick Moodie - 443-1039 or 022 6412660 (Full Member)

John Dyksma - 027 3327683 Social to 1st Year, Lead, handicap 10

Peter Smith 483-3216 (Social Member)

Louise Fox 482-4101 or 021 2357121 (Social Member)

Sua Ky 021 1792995 (Social Member)

Resignations: Lisa Helmling, John Pilkington, Paris Barker

Please ensure that the Secretary is advised of any change of postal address, email address or telephone number.

FREE Have A Go & Open Day!!

Sunday 17 September

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- 1 - 4pm Have A Go @ lawn bowls
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\$5,000 1-8 Tournament
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To have an entry form emailed out to you email: secretary@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz

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Spotlight on Club Partners
This week we put the spotlight on Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead. Birkenhead branch assists the Club in number of areas by way of Membership cards, score cards, opening day guest speaker and a tournament. In the Clubs 75th Jubilee year they are the 75th Jubilee Platinum Partner assisting with the 75th Jubilee Black Tie Dinner. Staff members support the clubs social scene and regularly have a team or two in the Monday evenings Social Bowls and the monthly quiz nights. Along with the Birkenhead branch support, agents Anne Lepper and Tim Roskrige also sponsor in their own right. Barfoot and Thompson Birkenhead's support of the club is gratefully received. Thanks Pete Taylor and your team for the continued support of the club it's very much appreciated.
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