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On the Greens

Both greens are currently closed.

Saturday 22 August – 12.30pm Opening Day Mini Tournament

- 4pm Official Opening of the summer season and the greens

Wednesday 26 August - 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry)

Friday 28 August – 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) – Team & Single entry – mufti

Wednesday 2 September – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry)

Friday 4 September – 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) – Team & Single entry – mufti

Wednesday 9 September – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry)

Better late than never!
Prize Giving 2020, 6.30pm Friday 21 August

Inside this Weekend

Friday 14 August – Club Night

Raffles, Members Draw, Joker 500

Racing – Wanganui (Thoroughbreds), Addington (Harness), Addington & Wanganui (Dogs) and from across Australia

NRL* – 8pm Warriors v Panthers

Saturday 15 August – Note: Club closes 5pm & reopens 6pm for Arabian Night

Racing – Pukekohe, Riccarton (Thoroughbreds) and from across Australia

7pm Arabian Night – Sold out, ticket holders only

Sunday 16 August – Note: Club Open from 3.15pm

Racing – Oamaru (Harness), Manukau (Dogs) and across Australia

Super Rugby Aotearoa* - 3.35pm Blues v Crusaders

NRL* – 4pm Knights v Sea eagles

- 6pm Wests Tigers v Bulldogs

* viewing selection is determined by the members.

Club Hours this Weekend

Friday
 Club Night, Happy Hour, Raffles, Joker 500, Sea Eagles v Warriors

Saturday 11am - 5pm
 Arabian Night 6pm till late

Sunday 3.15pm - 8pm
 late opening due to Centre Prize-giving & Awards

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Sunday Tournament (OACT) - lunch provided
 Sunday 13 September - 9am

Wednesday 16 September (OACT) - BYO Lunch
 Wednesday 16 September - 9.30am

Here We Go

Here we go for the 2020-21 season, the Bee is refreshed and raring to go and on target to publish the 250th edition of the Bee Express early January 2021. The Club's playing and social calendars are busy. As the playing calendar goes the Centre pretty much takes up the bulk of weekends up until December, just hope the weather plays its part. It's a tight programme ahead but there is plenty of top bowls to be had at Birkenhead, with five extended tournaments to liven up the greens and clubrooms along with the usual one day triples tournaments. The entry fee for Club members only events/championships for the coming season has been raised to \$10 per person.

The Centre have asked for eleven greens on eight days, not including the BNH NZ Masters which the Club is once again Headquarters. We missed out headquartering the Centre fours last season due to Covid, but this coming season we have again been allocated to be headquarters for the Centre Fours.

The enlarged social committee is on a mission to revitalise this side of the Club not only with regular Saturday evening events but also mid-week, watch the Bee Express and notice boards for details. Act quickly if there is a social event you would like to attend. The popularity of the coming "sold out" Arabian Night has left many disappointed with tickets selling out a month prior the night. We haven't seen any being scalped on Trademe yet.

Scones and Pikelets No More

It was a sad day in late July we received word that Peter de Roo had passed away. Peter joined the Club as a social member in 1999 before changing to a first year in 2000. In 2003-04 he was two in the Shane Gibson skipped junior fours team, along with Curtis Ennor and Kevin Croasdale, that took out the Club Junior fours championship that year, Peter's only appearance on the honours boards. But it's not just about names on honours boards but also your contributions in other areas in the Club.

Peter was a quite unassuming type of guy, very much flying under the radar. A commercial chemist in the paint industry by trade. Keith Burgess recalls Peter was responsible for developing some top end paints that were used on New Zealand's America's Cup boats over the years, he was a very smart cookie.

Many members will know Peter for the scones and pikelets he would bake for the Wednesday Club Day players. Last season even though he was no longer playing he would still turn up with fresh scones and pikelets for everyone. Club Days will not be the same again without his contribution.

Unfortunately no news of a funeral or memorial service for Peter, we can only assume that it was a private affair. RIP Peter.

First In Winter

Winter Cup delayed due to Covid got underway late June. The men's completion had an impressive twenty eight teams with Birkenhead fielding four teams. The Women's equivalent, Birkenhead had one entry in the 14 team field.

Congratulations Birkenhead Stingers: Shane Gibson, Peter Nathan, Keith Burgess and Lionel Drew (s) 2020 BNH Men's Winter Cup winners. Birkenhead Bullets finished in second place just three game points behind. While Birkenhead Bees came in at ninth position.



2020 BNH Men's Winter Cup winners: Birkenhead Stingers Shane Gibson, Peter Nathan, Lionel Drew (s), Keith Burgess

With the Birkenhead Wasps finishing well down the field of twenty-eight teams. but finishing the final day off on a high with wins over Beach Haven and Milford Mariners.

Over in the 2020 BNH Women's Winter Cup, our ladies "Birkenhead Stingers" have finished a respectable third out of fourteen teams.

Two Titles and Two Near Misses

As the USA celebrated Independence Day, the delayed 2019-20 BNH Champion of Champions got under way Saturday 4 July with the Women's and Men's Champion of Champion Singles.

But it wasn't until the pairs that Birkenhead had results that open eyes. Ruth Lynch (s) and Barbra Staal, in the Women's made easy work of Northcote (8-25) before claiming the second round win by default against Browns Bay. The semi and another win to knock-out Helensville's Deb Presland, Kelly Clark (12-19) and a place in the final Sunday. The same day Birkenhead's President Randall Watkins (s) and Tony Grantham were out doing battle in the men's equivalent. First two rounds proving their dominance with a sound spanking of Orewa (25-6) and good win over Takapuna (22-11). The Semis and Northcote's Brent Malcolm, Greg Taylor gave Birkenhead a bit of a hurry up before Birkenhead come away with a narrow win (12-10). Riverhead's Steve Cox and Duane McDonald were waiting for Grantham and Watkins in the final Sunday morning.

A team in each of the finals, the Sunday promised much, from total elation or total disappointment. Grantham and Watkins were first to finish with a win in a close contest (19-15), Grantham's 21st and Watkins's 6th centre titles.

Lynch and Staal up against Mairangi Bay's Sheryl Wellington and Theresa Rogers unfortunately came up just short going down (12-17).

The following weekend Lynch was back out on the green but with Milika Nathan and Amy Little chasing the Women's Champion of Champion Triples. Starting the weekend of with a tight game and a win over Warkworth (21-18), round two and Lynch's triple sent Sunnybrae packing (16-10) The Semis and Manly were sent home early (25-10). Birkenhead had made the final and found themselves up against Mairangi Bay's Jan Gledhill, Gaye Horne and Theresa Rogers. Was this to be Lynch's revenge for going down to Rogers the previous weekend? In a tight final Lynch's triples combination finished strongly to beat Mairangi Bay (19-15) with Lynch claiming her 25th centre title to add a fourth bar to her gold star. Nathan, by contrast, is at the opposite end of her bowling career and is still a 1-5 Year, but with the weekend's success she already has two open centre titles to her name. In completing the team was Belmont's Amy Little who this past season has been a dual member at Birkenhead.

Pre Covid Milika Nathan had made the decision to play in the BNH Champ of Champ Women's Singles and forgo the BNH Champ of Champ Women's 1-5 Year Singles due to both being played on the same weekend. But with the Covid lockdown the Centre re-scheduled the two events on separate weekends enabling Birkenhead's Nathan to have a go at both. First up was BNH Champ of Champ Women's Singles, Nathan went out first round in a hard fought tussle with Sunnybrae's Jan Jones (20-21). The BNH Champ of Champ Women's 1-5 Year Singles, some three weeks later, Nathan progressed through each round, Takapuna's Trish Hardy (21-17), Helensville's Sharon Parker (21-15) and Hobsonville's Hanna Shahwan (21-18) to reach the final and up against Warkworth's Michelle MacDonald. Nathan got off to a lead (4-0) on the carpet at Warkworth before MacDonald caught up and passed Nathan to lead by five shots (4-9). MacDonald pushed out to get closer to the twenty-one shots and the win (11-6). When a bit of rain came and Nathan pegged MacDonald back to scores all square (11-11). MacDonald then stepped out to a four shot lead (15-11) a lead she retained to the end. Leaving Nathan in second place and bowing out (17-21).



BNH Champ of Champ Women's Triples winners Birkenhead's Ruth Lynch, Milly Nathan (back) and Amy Little

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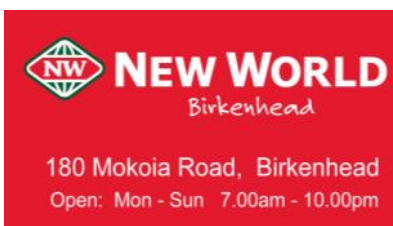
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Last weekend it was the turn of the fours. Birkenhead's women didn't feature as due to Covid the Club Championship wasn't played. Birkenhead's Men's Fours comprised of Jimmy Heath, Jack Huriwai, Daymon Pierson and Randall Watkins (s). With Watkins having a chance at claiming the coveted "BNH Male Bowler of the Year" title, but dependant on the Birkenhead Men's placing in the Champ of Champ Fours and one other factor, where Colin Rogan finished in the same event.

It was a late start for Watkins's Four as they had the bye in the first round so Browns Bay by 10am for round two against either Beach Haven or Hobsonville and it turned out to be Hobsonville. Second round and Birkenhead saw Hobsonville packing with a comprehensive win (28-10). Semis and it was up against Orewa, a tight semi but through to the final with a win (14-12). Browns Bay in the final with Brian Wilson, Colin Rogan, John Walker and Neil Fisher

Up (12-9) after Birkenhead had two ends to hold steady. But the fourth end saw Browns Bay's Fisher drive taking Birkenhead's shots off the head and Browns Bay picking up three shots. All even playing the last (12-12), Watkins four went down two on the final end (12-14), a disappointing way to finish what had the potential not only gain Centre titles but to award Watkins the converted "Male Bowler of the Year" title, but that accolade now goes to Colin Rogan.

\$1,000 Pairs Afternoon

Playing the National Singles and Pairs? Warm up with an afternoon of competitive bowls on the greens at Birkenhead. With a 12.30pm start, in mufti, a prize pool of \$1,000 what better way to warm up for your Nationals campaign and possibly a bit of cash for your efforts. Further details and entries open soon.

Early Opening

The opening of the summer bowling season is only ten sleeps away and possibly our earliest opening ever, Saturday 22 August will see the Club open for the 2020-21 summer season, our 78th.

As has become a much anticipated tradition in recent years a guest speaker is booked and ready to go. Thanks again to Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead making our guest speaker possible.

The day kicks off at 12.30pm with Opening Day Mini Tournament, Single Entry - Open to full members, entry is free, names in by 12.15pm, one green available so first in. Formal speeches get underway at 4pm, guest speaker, opening of the green, followed by a selection of finger foods for everyone's enjoyment.

Dress: Full Members: Club Uniform or bowling attire where appropriate.
Partners and Social Members: smart casual.

Bowls North Harbour Awards

Initially set down for Sunday 21 June but delayed due to Covid, the Bowls North Harbour Awards for 2019-20 will take place this Sunday afternoon at Orewa Bowling Club. John Lindridge has been nominated for Volunteer of the year. The Birkenhead Club for Club of the Year although we are up against some stiff competition in the likes of Takapuna. Terry Moverley having won the Administrator of the year award last year has been nominated again this year. To be awarded the title twice in a row would be an honour few have achieved.

Garry Moverley for Umpire of the year, again a past recipient of this award. Ruth Lynch lines up to receive her fourth bar signifying 25 centre titles and no doubt Carole will be smiling down from above. Birkenhead's Men's Sevens team will be honoured for winning the 2019-20 BNH Men's National Interclub Sevens title but due to Covid the competition was cancelled at the National level. BNH 1-5 year Interclub was won by Birkenhead, but was denied the opportunity of claiming the Mercedes Cup due to the regional tournament being another victim of Covid.

Also those that won centre titles along with those that represented Harbour in the various rep teams will also be up for well-deserved recognition.

The Club has also nominated our green keeper, Brendon Kelly, for Green Keeper of the Year at the Bowls New Zealand National Awards on Friday 11 September.



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Savoury Muffin!

First there was the bacon and egg pie bake off won somewhat controversially by Louise Fox with the inclusion of tomatoes. Then the chocolate brownies and they were delicious, with Warren Lush taking out the bake off. Sunday 23 August at 4pm sees the turn of the savoury muffin. As the Warriors kick off against the Bulldogs there will be a tasting at the Club to find the best savoury muffin. If you think you bake the best savoury muffin bring some samples along to the Club and let your muffin do the talking. There is a prize for the best savoury muffin, but it is more about the prestige of winning.

Honours Boards

Our Honours Boards have been had no space for the past few years, the last names on the boards were back four years ago, the 2016-17 season's Champions. Members will see a change happening to the wall that is home to the Club's honours boards. Over August new boards will go up and the Champions for 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 will be added. The new boards will be able to accommodate the Club's records of champions for at least the next sixty years. Club member Barry Reyland is putting his skills to good use and is manufacturing the new honours boards. They are something a little different to what is traditional found in a bowling club, but after all this is Birkenhead and we do things differently to other Clubs.

Lunch! Provided or BYO

After a rethink and much lobbying by Sandy Cleghorn, the Board has back tracked on its original split decision to do away with "Lunch provided" on all one day tournaments. Wednesday triples was BYO lunch last season and will stay the same with the exception of the "Rod Mahon Memorial" it will be "lunch provided". All Sunday triples will be "lunch provided" but due to the increased cost of food the entry will be increased slightly, no discount if you bring your own lunch. All extended tournaments are fully catered.

Cheers Guppy

The handbook is at the printers and we expect to have it available to members any day now. The playing programme for the coming season is available for download from the Club's website, www.bowlsbirkenhead.com/club-programme
 A big thank you to those who spent more than a few hours collating, proofing and producing the handbook and club programme for the coming season.
 The handbook has been published for the past ten years and continues to be done so free of charge by Akarana Publishing Company. Thanks Graham Lambert (Guppy) for your great service and continued support.

Regular Open Tournaments, Masters Plus

No season at Birkenhead would be complete without our regular open tournaments. The popular Friday 2-4-2 Afternoon Pairs returns. Enter a team or Single Entry. Dress is mufti. If you can get Friday afternoons off this is the perfect way to spend it.
 Evan Thomas is again at the reins of our monthly Wednesday Triples starting 16 September, there will be some nice meat packs for those that step up on the day. Included in the Wednesday series of tournaments is the Rod Mahon Memorial in December with lunch provided and ham prizes, this will be as popular as ever, enter early if you want to play in this. February's Wednesday tournament is standing down as Birkenhead Headquarters, for a second year running, the Bowls North Harbour NZ Masters.
 Sunday Triples are again Merv Garred's baby and this year Sandy Cleghorn is back giving a hand or will it be supervising. Not quite monthly but pretty close to it. September 13 sees the first for the season, Lunch is provided at each Sunday tournament with ham on the menu for our annual Sunday Ham Tournament on December 20. Easter Triples, Seafood, Carpet Mill \$5,500 Men's Pairs and The Good Home Birkenhead \$6,500 Women's Pairs all return along with a new extended tournament at the end of May. There is plenty happen on the green at Birkenhead this coming season.

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Painted On Ears

What traditionally has been hard to get off the ground, in fact near impossible, has been winter indoor bowls. Many have tried and all have failed, we repeatedly hear "it's been tried, there is no support".

Thankfully Louise Fox, Debbie Jones and Fay Kingham have "painted on ears". Covid delayed it for some two months but eventually Social Indoor Bowls got underway, early July. The first Monday evening of Series One looked promising with four mats in use, but that was the first night, would the number hold or drop off, as has been the case in past years. The "Doomsdayers" had indoor bowls written off before the first night was even run. Marketed as a series of four evenings with a meal and prize-giving on the final night. The second week everyone waited to see the numbers and to everyone's surprise the numbers increased from eight teams to ten teams, The fourth and final night of Series One saw ten teams, some players stood back to avoid a bye. Series One was won by "Alba" Ken, Jill and Tommy followed by "Xfit" in second place, James, Graham and Rob.



Series Two started three Mondays back with ten teams and pecked at twelve teams week two.

Social Indoor Bowls - Series One Winners: Team "Alba" Ken, Jill & Tommy

Alba currently comfortably sits in first place followed by EDD and Tuis on equal points in second while Xfit and Lemonz also on equal points are within striking distance of second. With the final night next Monday 18 August when Series Two winner and runner-up will be named at the prize-giving there is still a lot to play for.

Big thanks to the ladies with the "painted on ears", Louise Fox, Debbie Jones and Fay Kingham for putting the two series of evenings together. Doug Campbell for overseeing the smooth running of the games. Those that helped out each night and the players that have supported it.

We move into our summer season now and the indoor mats and bowls go away until Monday 17 May 2021 when we kick start Social Indoor Bowls off again for another winter.

Umpire's Tournery Coming January

The Bowls North Harbour Umpires Association hold a couple of tournaments a season and in recent years Mairangi Bay and Milford have been the venues. Under the leadership of tournament convenor Birkenhead's Garry Moverley the tournaments have seen full fields, testament to a well-run tournament, or is it the superb morning tea supplied at each venue by Birkenhead's Emmie Swart, Bernie Hall and Ruth Lynch.

This year they are throwing in an extra tournament and we at Birkenhead are hoping it will become a regular fixture in the Umpires Association's calendar. The Birkenhead leg of the Umpires Summer Tournament Series is sponsored by Emmie Swart Limited.

Pencil in Friday 15 January 2020 for hopefully what will be the first of many Umpires Association tournaments at Birkenhead. If you want to beat the rush grab the entry form the Centre book and get it in to secure your teams spot in what promises to be a great day out on the greens and in our clubrooms. The tournaments is Open Any Combination Triples (OACT), BYO lunch, features good prizes, morning tea provided, cost per team \$30.

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BeezKnits

The Club has been a great supporter of Hospice over the years and many members have seen out their final days with dignity and respect thanks to the work of Hospice. As we continue to support hospice, the Club is now utilising the resources within its membership to support the other end of the cycle of life, premature babies. These little ones need all the help they can get to give them a fighting chance to be future bowlers.

A number of members have been knitting booties, hats, mittens, vests and blankets to keep the premature babies and new-borns leaving Kidz First Hospital warm and an informal group has formed.

This group is now going to donate their knitting under the "BeezKints" name and formally operate from the Club, where the Birkenhead Bowling Club has become a drop-off point, delivering knitwear to Middlemore at least monthly, more frequently if demand requires.

If you're keen to help out the "BeezKnits" contact Emmie (0275 297 297) or Louise (021 2357121).

Talking to a member of the Middlemore Foundation Wool Programme they currently need knitted blankets, peggy squares and cardigans.

Donations of wool (4 ply & 8 ply) to the Club, or money to purchase wool, will be gratefully accepted at the Club, it is amazing how far one ball of wool or \$5 will go for the wee ones. Takapuna Bowling Club's "Knitwitts" are also donating knitting via Birkenhead. Nice to see members from clubs working together outside of our usual on the greens activities.

The BeezKnits first delivery was delivered yesterday along with some toys for the toddlers in the hospitals care.



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Stop Leak

The Club has suffered from roof leaks for a while as the roof that has been sheltering the members and visitors for many years is showing its age and coming to the end of its life. A few spots of water on the ceiling tiles and with the old fluorescent light fittings didn't worry anyone. But in recent times the installation of LED lights and the AV systems ceiling speakers it has become imperative that we don't lose these valuable assets through water damage. A \$300 light fitting is far more economical to run over its 18-20 year life span than the old fluorescent equivalent, but to have to replace them after eighteen months nullifies all benefits.

Much talk was had at Board meetings about what should be done, but as often in these circumstances it moved from meeting to meeting, with the roof leaking more and more each month. Until, thanks to a bucket load of roofing screws and washers donated by Mike Haggart, Colin Barrow as he often does took matters into his own hands. But we went into Level Four lockdown and everything came to a sudden halt overnight. Tuesday 28 March and Level Three lockdown kicked in with Colin Barrow grabbing the opportunity spending four days on the roof replacing all the lead-nails with roofing screws and washers, this was back when the weather was nice and sunny. As the winter weather has since come in all eyes have been on the roof with a few spots causing concern, identified and hopefully plugged.

The various roof penetrations have all been checked along with the roof ridge and have been sealed with a special roof paint that seals and provides for a certain amount of movement in the roofing iron. The water stained tiles along with the dead LED light will be replaced in the near future. A huge amount of gratitude goes to Colin for his efforts and saving the Club a huge outlay of funds.

Editor's note: The Club has recently received a quote in excess of \$100,000 to replace the roof.

Dale's Day - Bathurst 2020

They don't call it "The Great Race" for nothing. The jewel in the V8 crown always produces memorable moments. This legendary race in motorsport draws petrol heads to their TV screens around New Zealand and Australia every year. One such petrol head was Birkenhead's the late Dale Ineson. In recent months the Club has experienced a number of new social members joining up with a passion for motorsport. One such social member is Dan Evers, Dale's son in-law, you won't see him out on the greens but he can be seen in the Club enjoying a pint or at Quiz Nights.



This October, Sunday 12 will see the petrol heads assemble in the Club as we remember Dale and watch this legendary race that Bathurst is, with multiple screens turned into all the action from the pre-race build-up all the way through to the post-race interviews we will have every minute live.

Come and watch this legendary race live on the big screens at the Club, Sunday 12 October.

Sadly Dale can't physically be with us but he will no doubt be there in spirit. Pencil in the date with further details to be announced. We will probably fire up the bbq at some point.

Housie! - Thursday 20 August
 Caller: Kevin "Scratchy" George
 Cash Prizes First Game 7pm
 Housie cards only \$1 per card
 Further info ph: 0275 297297, Entry restricted to 18 years and over
 Housie! Bingo! every third Thursday in the month

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Fibre, Free WiFi Here!

Mooted over eighteen months back by Terry Moverley was to upgrade the Club's internet connection to fibre giving superior streaming and also enabling the availability of Wi-Fi access to members and guests. Unlike a home Wi-Fi set up, the Club has legal obligations when providing such services. There are various options out there and pros and cons on all. The security of the Club's network and information held is imperative. One "Managed Wi-Fi" system stood out twelve months ago, but the initial financial layout was beyond justification to use Club money. Over the past twelve months the Joker 500 funds have been building and this has been used to fund the installation of a "Manage Wi-Fi" system into Club for the benefit of members. Over the month of July the system was installed, the alarm system was updated, the eftpos, CTV and AV systems within the Club were all checked to make sure they were fibre compatible. Our Spark plan was changed and as a result some significant savings from our previous plan with a few extra benefits we hadn't even planned on. The fibre installation date was set down for Thursday 30 July but after few hiccups with getting the installation underway, it looked as though this was going to be a while before we could enjoy the benefits fibre brings. We are fortunate to have members that work for many different companies and it just so happens some work for Chorus. Our fibre was installed and up and running on Thursday 30 July, the original install date. Members and visitors now have access to free Wi-Fi while frequenting the Club. The Wi-Fi password, which will be changed periodically, is above the main bar. The Club's streaming will also be a lot smoother and clear..... welcome to the future. Thanks goes out to the Friday evening Chorus guys, Tristan, Dominic and Dave, for their assistance in getting the installation completed on time.



Now Available in the Club

Five Draws Left

Counting today's members draw, there are only five members draws left (12, 14, 19, 21 & 26 August) utilising the 2020-21 season membership numbers. The draw on Friday 28 August will utilise the new 2020-21 season membership numbers. To be in the membership draw from Friday 28 August onwards you must have paid your 2020-21 sub in full by or on the Sunday prior to each draw. Members Draw is drawn Wednesdays between 5pm - 6pm, and Fridays between 5 - 7pm. Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize (members have two minutes to make themselves known to the draw caller).

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 Peter Belliss MBE
 Aramoho Bowling Club

15 - 19 February 2021 Headquarters - Birkenhead

\$10,000+ For Over 60s

After a successful inaugural Bowls North Harbour NZ Masters headquartered at Birkenhead last February, Bowls North Harbour in partnership with Ryman Healthcare are holding the second instalment of this popular new event in the North Harbour calendar from Monday 15 February culminating in Finals day on Friday 19 February 2021. Again part of the Bowls New Zealand "Summer of Bowls" calendar with Bowls New Zealand broadcasting selected finals on finals day live from Birkenhead.

Not much has changed from the inaugural event and why would it? The feedback from those that played has been fantastic.

"We had waited for such a long time to be able to take part in such a competition and you made it happen with such perfection. Eight of us travelled from Queenstown to take part in this tournament and we were not disappointed. Everything from the disciplines available, the length of games and the hospitality provided made our trip worthwhile. Meeting up with this age group of bowlers who still have a high level of ability and competitiveness makes the sport we all love so important to the wellness these great people."
 Margaret O'Connor, Queenstown Bowling Club

"The inaugural BNH NZ Masters 2020 Lawn Bowls was a fantastic experience from the organisation of teams/players/greens and management to meeting up with new and old friends."
 Gayle Melrose, Tauranga Domain Bowling Club

The games are still no time limit with the week's schedule allowing plenty of time to socialise. The free to enter Consolation Pairs returns, Birkenhead's Sandy Cleghorn and past member Tug Wilson finished in second place in the Consolation Pairs back in February. The one big change is that discipline/categories with less than sixteen teams will go ahead, but paying out on first and second places only and with reduced prize money. Entry forms are available from the Birkenhead Bowling Club or for the first time you can enter online at Bowls North Harbour's website.

The single entry (individual) option was hugely successful and is again available this coming event.

Birkenhead players, in fact any player, wishing to play but not in a team may enter their name, preferred playing position and contact number on the white board in the club and we will endeavour to place you in a compatible team.

Follow the Bowls North Harbour NZ Masters on facebook for all the latest updates and information.

Club for Hire

The Club is for hire by members as well as outside individuals and organisations not only during the summer but also over winter. Both lounge areas are north facing and offer a warm venue during the day. The facilities are available for hire for corporate functions, birthdays, wedding anniversaries and family reunions to name a few. We can assist you to run your own outdoor or indoor Bowls Tournament.

There are two bar areas. The main bar and large lounge located upstairs can comfortably seat 120 people buffet style or 220 for a cocktail function. The downstairs bar area is ideal for smaller functions and is right beside the bowling area, it can comfortably seat 45 people buffet style or 60 for a cocktail function. Relax on the deck off the main bar upstairs which overlooks the main green. Full catering options are available. A commercial grade kitchen and cooking facilities are also available.

All functions, including catering options, are to be booked with the club's Function Coordinator Emmie (0275 297 297)

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Late Opening this Sunday

Due to the Centre Prize-giving & Awards at Orewa this Sunday (16 August) the Club will be opening a bit later than usual at 3.15pm, just in time for the Blues vs Crusaders at 3.35pm.

Come celebrate Birkenhead's Centre successes and watch "The Rematch", Blues versus Crusaders sold out final Super Rugby Aotearoa game live on the big screen at 3.35pm.



Watch it live at the Club this Sunday 3.35pm



Birkenhead Bowling Club Opening Day

Saturday 22nd August 2020 at 4pm

Formal Speeches

Guest Speaker

(Sponsored by Barfoot and Thompson Birkenhead)

Ceremonial opening of the greens

This will be followed by selection of finger food

Dress: Partners and Social Members: smart casual

Full Members: Club Uniform or bowling attire where appropriate.

Opening Day Mini Tournament 12.30pm

Single entry drawn – open to Full members, Entry is free

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Prize-giving 2020 at Last!

Any Club trophies sitting at home need to be returned to the Club immediately. Originally carded for way back on Saturday 16 May, but Covid reared its ugly head and effectively shut the Club down for two months. Finally a date has been set for Prize-giving 2020, Friday 21 August at 6.30pm. The evening will be relatively informal so come along and share in the achievements of fellow Club member's during the disrupted 2019-20 season. This prize-giving will see the end of a tradition. As of Prize giving 2021 winners badges will only be given out for 1-5 Year Championships., it will also see the Club's cups and trophies not engraved with the winner's names (although they haven't been engraved for the past three seasons). Winner's names will only feature on the new honours boards.

WEDNESDAY OPEN TOURNAMENTS
 Birkenhead Bowling Club

Open AC Triples
 BYO Lunch
 September 16
 October 21, November 18
 Rod Mahon Memorial
 December 16 (Ham)
 Lunch provided
 January 20, March 17
 April 21
 May 19 & 26
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Locked In For Summer 2020-2021

2020

- Saturday 22 August - Opening Day
- Monday 2 November – "YOU Travel Birkenhead" Social Bowls3Five (1)
- Wednesday 16 December - Rod Mahon Memorial – Ham (OACT) – Lunch provided
- Sunday 20 December – Sunday Ham Tournament (OACT) – Lunch provided
- Tuesday 24 December - Stuiie's Birthday Mini Tournament (OAC, Single Entry)

2021

- Friday 1 January - 12.30pm \$1,000 Pairs Afternoon Tournament (ACP - mufti)
- Friday 15 January – Bowls North Harbour Umpires Association Tournament @ Birkenhead (OACT)
- Monday 18 January – "YOU Travel Birkenhead" Social Bowls3Five (7)
- Saturday 6 February - Birkenhead Charity Tournament (OACF)
- Sunday 7 & Monday 8 February - \$5,500 "Carpet Mill" Men's Pairs
- Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 February - \$6,500 "The Good Home Birkenhead" Women's Pairs
- Monday 15 – Friday 19 February - Bowls North Harbour NZ Masters – Birkenhead Headquarters
- Friday 2 & Saturday 3 April - Easter Triples (OACT)
- Saturday 10 & Sunday 11 April - "Wheels On Wairau" Seafood Tournament (OACF)
- Saturday 15 May – Closing Day & Prize Giving.
- Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 May – Extended Tournament – *details to follow*

Rod Mahon Memorial Tournament
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Wednesday
16 December
Ham Tournament
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Bowls North Harbour (BNH) have developed an online entry system which will be used for entry to all future competitions and events arranged by BNH. The system is not password protected and can be accessed by anyone to enter an event. It is necessary to confirm the eligibility to enter an event when submitting the entry.

From 1 August 2020, all entries to events must be lodged through the online system. Manual entries will not be accepted and once closing date has passed there will be no further entries accepted online. Closing date will be closing date!!!

The online system will be available from Monday 10 August to accept entries beginning with the Executive Fours which has a closing date of Friday, 21 August 2020.

The system is really easy to use and will have certain checks and balances to ensure BNH receive the information required for each entry.

On opening the window for the "Competitions System" you will be presented with a number of templates leading to all the events which are open for entry. The templates can be further filtered by "Gender" or by "Match Type" if required.

The template for all events is in order of closing date irrespective of the entry type. There are basically two types of entry forms contained in the system which sit behind the template for each event –

1. One entry type is for those entries which are made by the club for club selected teams; and
2. The second entry type is for those entries which are made by the individual players to enter Centre events.

For the entries made by the club, the entry fees are anticipated as being paid by the club although they can be paid by anyone. After completing the entry online, an invoice will be sent to the email address entered on the entry for printing out and for the payment to be made to BNH preferably by online banking.

For each entry made by the individual, a credit/debit card payment is required to complete the acceptance of the entry.

The credit/debit card details are required as part of the entry form. Once the closing date for entry to an event has passed, the template for that event will no longer appear on the "Competitions System".

Whilst the completion of the entry system online is relatively simple, to complete the entry some basic information follows.

Access to the system is from the Bowls North Harbour website and selecting Competitions on the homepage and then select Enter Event.

For each team to enter an event you need to complete a separate entry form online. For example, if you have three teams to be entered in the Winter Cup then you need to complete three separate entries online. An invoice will be produced for each entry made. See Bowls North Harbour's website for detailed instructions.

<https://www.bowlsnorthharbour.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Online-Entry-User-Guide.pdf>

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Luxuries

The Joker 500 played for every Wednesday and Friday, on sale from 4pm and drawn just after 6pm, has not only put more than a few dollars in some lucky members pockets but has also enabled the purchase of what could be considered luxury items in a bowling club. It is with thanks to those members that support the Joker 500, purchasing numbers in the draws, which benefit the general membership and enhance the Club.
To date the Joker 500 has provided one hundred white dinner plates, side plates and desert bowls for catering of club functions such as the Jubilee Dinner and the upcoming Arabian Night to name just two, white outdoor tables on deck, 85" LED TV, Managed Wi-Fi system providing free internet access to those frequenting the Club and yes, there will be more to come.

SUNDAY OPEN TOURNAMENTS

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- Open AC Triples
- Lunch Provided
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- January 10
- March 21
- May 2

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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 are very popular with them. Along with the Birkenhead branch support, agents Ann 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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