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LEVEL 3

Auckland is currently at Alert Level 3
The Clubrooms & Greens are closed

Coming Soon
LEVEL 2

Auckland is moving to Alert Level 2
Clubrooms open Monday 31 August
Members Only
No guests, visitors or children
Social distancing restrictions apply

Open Again?

The Club reopens Monday 31st August (greens remain closed) from 3.30pm. We are excited to welcome back our members, but we are limited, due to social distancing restrictions, to the number of persons in the Club. We are open to members only, No Visitors, guests or children and reciprocal visiting rights have also been temporarily suspended. Contact tracing, a simple written register is available at the main entrance or members may opt for the government's NZ COVID Tracer App, QR codes are in place at all entry points.

There are social distancing restrictions in place, seating, gaming lounge and more. No pool or darts. Members are to be seated at tables, with tables and seating spaced out to give the required 1m social distancing. Adhering to the regulations/directives allows the Club to open under Alert Level 2. Members that ignore or flout these may find themselves denied entry until Level 1, as they put Club's livelihood and enjoyment of other members at risk.

On the Greens

Both greens are currently CLOSED.

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

Friday 28 August - ~~1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2)~~ - **CANCELLED**

Wednesday 2 September - ~~10am Club Day~~ - **CANCELLED**

Friday 4 September - ~~1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2)~~ - **CANCELLED**

Wednesday 9 September - ~~10am Club Day~~ - **CANCELLED**

Saturday 12 September - 12.30pm Opening Day Mini Tournament
- 4pm Official Opening of the Summer Season & the greens

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

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

Friday 18 September - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP 2-4-2) - Team & Single entry - mufti

Wednesday 23 September - 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry)

Wednesday 30 September - 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry)

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

Saturday 3 October - Allan Meekings Memorial (AC, Drawn, Single Entry)

Inside this Weekend

Friday 28 August - Club Night - **Club Closed**

Saturday 29 August - **Club Closed**

Sunday 30 August - **Club Closed**



The Good Home Birkenhead
\$6,500 Women's Pairs
Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 February

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Bowls North Harbour Club of the Year

First for Updates

In these ever changing yo-yoing times the Club will continue to utilise electronic means to update members. Facebook is the most timely means of updates
<https://www.facebook.com/BowlsBirkenhead/>

Contact Tracing Under Alert Level 2

It is now mandatory for businesses including clubs to display the NZ COVID Tracer App QR Code for contact tracing purposes. The rules for contact tracing have changed slightly since May and there has been a little confusion around the requirements. The current COVID-19 Public Health Response (Alert Levels 3 and 2) Order 2020 requires businesses to:

- display a copy of the QR code for the business or service in a prominent place at or near the main entrances to the workplace; and
- have other systems and processes in place to support contact tracing of persons who enter the workplace or carry out work for the business or service;

Those other systems and processes are mainly focused on having a manual solution for people who do not have a smart phone or the NZ COVID Tracer App. All those entering the Birkenhead Bowling Club premise are to use the NZ COVID Tracer App QR code or complete the manual contact tracing form, this applies to everyone, no exceptions, club entrances are covered by CCTV for the safety of all our members.



Club Night Fridays

Club Night Fridays have survived Level 3 lockdown but have changed under Level 2. Friday week (Friday 4 September) as we adjust to Level 2 restrictions in the Clubrooms we see the return of the Friday meat raffles and Joker 500 both on sale, but they will not be walked. The Members Draw will remain on hold until social distancing restrictions are reduce to a suitable level.

TAB and Gaming

The TAB and gaming machines will be back in operation under Level 2. The area around the TAB, marked on the floor in yellow is a one person only space, one person in, one person out. This is to meet social distancing requirements. The Gaming Lounge is only three players at a time with 1 metre separation and no spectators. Players are asked to be mindful of other members waiting to have their turn to play the machines. The Birkenhead Bowling Club is committed continuing to promoting responsible gambling.

Play Cancelled Until

All play out on the greens has been cancelled through to and including Friday 11 September. Sunday 13 September will see the greens open at 9am for our first Sunday Tournament of the 2020-21 season.

Quiz Night - Free Entry
7pm Thursday 10 September
Non-members welcome

Quiz Partners: Barfoot & Thompson Birkenhead, Bill Hansen and Tim Roskrug

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Working Bee

The paths around the greens have been sprayed and to aid the safety of players and spectators moving around the surrounds now need to be cleaned up to bring them back to a slip free surface. Tommy Winton has a working bee organised for a 9am start the first Monday back under level 2 (31 August), bring yourselves, a water blaster if you have one, morning tea supplied. Due to the current Alert Level 2 we are limited to 10 persons only. If you are willing to help please contact Tommy first 0274 400978

Note: All those at the working bee must be signed in for Contact Tracing as required by the government restrictions, even Sandy the supervisor.

Let Us Try Again

Our second attempt to hold Prize-giving 2020 was kicked out of play by Auckland going back into Level 3, as was our Opening Day, along with the Centre Prize-giving, not the ideal start to the season we had hoped for.

Mark in your diary 6.30pm Friday 11 September for Prize Giving 2020, third time lucky, where we will celebrate our Club successes for the season past both at Club and Centre levels.

Current President Randall Watkins and immediate Past President John Croy will perform a double act awarding the Club Championships and alike. While Bowls North Harbour President, Maureen Taylor, will be our guest for the evening to hand out the Centre prizes from the cancelled Centre Prize-giving and Awards. Come see our champion men's interclub team receive their prize, Ruth Lynch pick up her fourth bar for twenty five centre titles and Birkenhead "Club of the Year".

The following day Saturday 12 September we will have another go at opening for the 2020-21 season. The guest speaker has confirmed their availability, the greens are looking great and fingers crossed we will be able to hold it.



Birkenhead Bowling Club Opening Day

New date
Saturday 12th September 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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Third Time Lucky! Prize-giving 2020

New date
6.30pm Friday 11 September
 Now incorporating Birkenhead's BNH Prizes & Awards

Remember Level 2 Last Time

Those same rules apply, yes it is seated drinking only, no standing. Bubbles are to be no more than ten persons and jumping bubbles/tables is not permitted under the governments Level 2 rules.

All members must remain aware that our bar serving area and parts of our main lounge upstairs are clearly visible from the street.

Unfortunately these rules won't please everyone but they are required to be followed to remain open and operational. Members are to adhere to social distancing rules throughout the different areas on the Club.

- **Members only, No visitors, guests or children.**
- **Contract Tracing - Sign in using the Tracing App or manually.**
- **Sanitiser is available at various locations in the Club.**
- **Sit in your group at one table.**
- **Tables have been set up for social distancing, Do not move them.**
- **Fresh glass with every drink, no refilled glasses.**
- **Only 3 persons in the Gaming Lounge at a time, no spectators.**
- **Downstairs Level (Wrong bias bar and bathrooms) are closed.**
- **Greens are closed.**
- **If you feel unwell or have flu like symptoms stay home.**

No Paper Copy

During Level 2 the Bee Express is continuing to be published and delivered to your email in box weekly or the current publication may be found along with back issues on the Club's website. There will be no printed copies left out at the Club, although a printed copy is available from the Club Secretary on request.

There will also be no TAB fields on a Saturday printed during Level 2.

PPE Party

Our friends down the hill at Northcote Bowling Club and Petanque are having a party on Friday 25th September and asked if our members would like to join them. Get a group together and book a table or just come along and join a table. They are grateful to have sponsors for the event so are looking forward to a good night. 6.30pm Friday 25th September - Dinner, Dance, Raffles - Price \$30 per person

Dress Code: PPE - Personal Protection Equipment eg. Bee Keeper, Fire Fighter

Tickets/Inquiries: June Hieatt 027 5977 577 or Mary-Ann Taylor 021 0276 2382



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Sunday 13 September - 9am

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

Rob Parrella Revolutionary Influence

Reproduced from Bowls Australia website, By Domenic Favata

Through the ages, there are not many athletes that can lay claim to have single-handedly changed the way their sport was played.

Sure, there have been a number of breathtakingly brilliant teams who have broke new ground and forward-thinking coaches who have been credited as revolutionaries, but few athletes have been labelled the same way.

Jack Nicklaus overpowered golf courses and set the trend for today's big-hitters, Steffi Graff was arguably the first aggressive baseliner in women's tennis, while the NBA has made a series of rule changes since the mid-90s to replicate more Michael Jordans. While he may lack the global profile of the aforementioned names, Rob Parrella's arrival on the international scene in the early-80s brought swagger and aggression to the sport of bowls that upended the way the game was traditionally played.

Parrella represented Australia on 127 occasions (cap no. 71), including at three Commonwealth Games, in three different countries (Brisbane 1982, Auckland 1990, Victoria 1994), for all three possible medals in the blue-ribbon Men's Singles discipline.

He became the first Australian to win a singles gold medal at Auckland 1990, paving the way for future singles gold medallists, Kelvin Kerkow OAM (Melbourne 2006) and Aaron Wilson (Gold Coast 2018).

Prior to his arrival, the sport was largely conducted in a genteel fashion, with graceful draw play and for the most part, a mild-mannered temperament on the green.

Parrella instead likened his approach to the sport to that of a boxer in the ring, endeavouring to physically and mentally batter the opponent, with an aggressive style of play and a level of charisma unmatched by his peers. This is where his famous driving style came to the fore, which has since formed the blueprint of many modern-day bowlers.

"You see in those days, it [driving] worked a bit more than what it does these days, because now you have the re-spot [of the jack]," Parrella said.

"In the first few ends, I used to attack a lot; if my opposition got very close to the jack, I used to attack at the head as much as possible.

"Of course, I was good at it. I didn't miss much!

"I used to use it like a boxing match; the first few ends you soften them [opposition] up and then they go into defence.

"That was the way I played the game, in the singles especially."

Parrella was born in Italy and made the natural progression from bocce to bowls when his family arrived in Australia in the 1950s, settling in Inglewood before eventually moving to Brisbane in the late-60s where he would discover the sport of bowls.

He credits his childhood playing bocce as having a significant impact on his weight-control ability in bowls, while years of manual labour on his father's tobacco farm when growing up added a hardened edge to his psyche.

Parrella cut a polarising figure with his playing style during his years of dominance in the 1980s and 1990s, but the 76-year-old would like to be remembered as an "entertainer of the sport."

"There were a lot of ups and downs in my career, but I enjoyed every minute of it," Parrella added.

"I always wore my heart on my sleeve and I always will. I played the game the way I wanted to play it. I did it my way, in other words."



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BNH Centre Updates

Executive Fours and Centre Opening Day

As a result of the COVID decision Monday this has been postpone, and are looking at the possibility of holding it on Sunday 13th September. To be confirmed in the next few days.

Mixed Pairs 19 & 20 September.

Online registration open now, entries close on Friday 4th September

Ivan Kostanich Memorial Open Men's Premier Singles 26 & 27 September

Online registration open now, entries close on Friday 11th September

Spotlight on Club Partners

This week we put the spotlight on "The Birkenhead Licensing Trust". Although not a sponsor, but with the Trust's support over the years the club has benefited from many grants. These grants have enabled the Club to expand and provided a modern environment for members and guests to enjoy.

Source <http://www.birkenheadlicensingtrust.org.nz>

The Trust is a net proceeds-committee of the Lion Foundation and is responsible for approving grant funding to the local community groups in Birkenhead and surrounding areas from gaming funds generated by Lion Foundation.

The Birkenhead Licensing Trust was established in 1967 after voters decided that the Birkenhead Council area should change from 'dry' to 'wet' under the control of a licensing trust.

In 1970 the Birkenhead Trust Hotel was opened, with catering facilities designed to cater for all locals.

A period of expansion was followed by the economic slump of the late 1980s, the recipe for a loss-making enterprise. In 1992 the trust hotel complex was sold and only the wholesale outlet retained.

The Birkenhead Licensing Trust then sat for a number of years, accumulating revenue through the wholesale outlet and distributing interest accrued to local community groups. Meanwhile local licensing reins were loosened, allowing other operators to apply for licenses.

In the interim the Trust sought other suitable sites. In 2002 the Slipp Inn Pub had been opened by Allen Vaughan, who had a long history with Lion Breweries. In 2006 the Trust approached Mr Vaughan with an offer to buy the Slipp Inn, as it seemed a good fit for several reasons: the Trust is a net-proceeds committee of the Lion Foundation; grant funding to the local community comes from funds generated by Lion Foundation; the Trust was already the pub's landlord; the pub fitted the family-friendly ideal of the Trust; and the gambling facility was a source of revenue. The Pub undertook extensive renovations and was reborn as "The Good Home Birkenhead"

But, you ask, what is the difference between a Trust operation and a private or brewery-owned enterprise? Well, all profits from bar and restaurant sales and gaming proceeds are distributed in the local community through the Lion Foundation, rather than going into a big national pool for distribution nationally.

As Mr Vaughan points out, "The Trust does a lot of good in the community, it is not self-rewarding or ruled by self-interest, there are no paid directorships, and all six trustees are chosen by the electorate in the local body elections. As a result close to \$1 million annually has gone back into the community in recent years."

The Trust also owns the Glenfield pub Inn Field; revenues go back into the Birkenhead, Glenfield and Northcote areas from both establishments.

