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The Birkenhead Bowling Club

Wednesday, 5 November 2014



## On the Greens this week

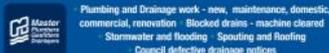
November 5 Wednesday - 10am Club Day (AC)  
November 8 Saturday - Pennants Day 5 (morning & afternoon)  
**Due to Pennants Divisions being played Saturday afternoon, Handicap Pairs has been postponed. A rescheduled start date to be advised.**  
November 9 Sunday - Sunday Fours (OACF) lunch provided  
November 10 Monday - 6pm United Travel Birkenhead Social Bowls (3)  
November 12 Wednesday - 10am Club Day (AC)

## Diary Dates - Open Tournaments

Wednesday Triples (OACT) 9.30am Wednesday 19 November, lunch provided  
Ham Tournament - Sunday Fours (OACF) 9am Sunday 14 December, lunch provided  
Rotary Charity Tournament (OACF - mufti - non bowlers welcome) Friday 6th February  
Ryman Healthcare Open Men's Pairs (2day) Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th February  
The Good Home Birkenhead Open Women's Pairs(2 days) Sat 14 & Sun 15 March  
Seafood Tournament (OMF) Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 April.



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## Like Guy Fawkes It Finally Arrived

Guy Fawkes arrives each year with a bang on this day and this year the Centre has provide a wee sparkler for all BNH bowlers. The much awaited Bowls North Harbour Centre Book for the 2014/15 season has finally arrived. Members may pick up a copy from the club.

## The Giant Killers

BNH Men's Centre Pairs and Men's 1-5 Year Pairs kicked off last Sunday with section play. Birkenhead fielded some much favoured sides with all falling by the way and failing to progress to post section this Sunday, with one exception. The nephew and uncle combination of Curtis Ennor off the front and Gary Cooley skipping progressed through section play to qualify after negotiating what some would call the pool of death, defeating Vaughan Marks Bart & Robertson (Riverhead), John Walker & Colin Rogan (Browns Bay) & Ian Coombe & Larry Cain (Mairangi Bay). They start their post section campaign Sunday (last 16 at Browns Bay) against Brian Wilson & Neil Fisher (Browns Bay)  
BNH Women's Centre Fours the Birkenhead fours combination of Leanne Chinery (s) Denise Samuel, Connie Mathieson & Christine Wafer waved the club flag high and have made post section and are one win off a semi-final spot (playing Sunday at Browns Bay).

## Who Is This?

Entering the club around 9.20am Saturday 25 October and exiting around 9.30am this person helped themselves to an umbrella from the club, had a good look through various cupboards in the club rooms and helped themselves to various items from a handbag alongside the green.

There was also a strange incident early Monday afternoon involving a women entering the club and approaching the bar. Members are asked to be vigilant and don't leave valuables unattended. For some reason we seem to be getting our share wackos entering the club rooms of late.



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## Club Membership Draw

Drawn Wednesdays between 4.30pm - 5.30pm, and Fridays between 5.30 - 6.30pm.  
Members must be present at the draw to claim the prize.  
Draw #4 tonight, got to be there to claim the prize.

## Friday Club Nights

Merv "the swerve" spins the raffles from around 4.30 onwards

Happy hour 5 - 6pm.

Free Nibbles around 6pm

Club Membership draw between 5.30 - 6.30pm

Bring a friend along, they may enjoy it and join as a social member or a 1st year bowler!!

## Spotlight on Sponsors

This week we put the spotlight on our Honorary Solicitor and sponsor John Cox. Thanks John for your continued support and your assistance on our legal matters.

*Source Blomkamp Cox website*

John Cox has been in private practice as a barrister and solicitor for twenty years. He has been the principal of Blomkamp Cox Solicitors since 1999. He specialises in business and property law, residential and business conveyancing, estate and financial planning and trusts, insolvencies and civil litigation and family law. He has appeared before all courts and tribunals up to, and including, the Court of Appeal.

He has been a Senior Trustee Member (MNZTA) of the NZ Trustees Association since 1999, the Honorary Solicitor of the Birkenhead Bowling Club Inc. since 1999, and a legal advisor at the Birkenhead Citizens Advice Bureau since 1990. He has been a member of the Public Issues Committee of the Auckland District Law Society Inc. since February 2009, and has drafted several issued papers for the committee. John founded and led the Campaign for the Privy Council in 2003 and 2004, opposing the abolition of appeals from New Zealand to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in London.

Outside the law, John Cox has had a lifelong interest in general and military history, politics, heraldry and vexillology, genealogy, anthropology and archaeology. He was a member of the Auckland Division of the Royal New Zealand Navy Volunteer Reserve, HMNZS Ngapona, from 1995 to 2009, serving as a Lieutenant. He was a correspondent of the International Institute for Strategic Studies (London) from 1996 to 2002, and an occasional book reviewer for the Australian Defence Force Journal.

He has been a member of the Defence of New Zealand Study Group since 1997. John Cox is also a leading New Zealand vexillologist. He was the founder of the New Zealand Flag Institute Trust in 2004, and remains the trust's Executive Director. He was a founding member of the Monarchist League of New Zealand Inc. (now Monarchy New Zealand) in 1995. He was a councillor from 1999 to 2008, and treasurer from 2000 to 2004. He was a member of the Heraldry Society of New Zealand (formerly the Heraldry Society (New Zealand Branch) Inc.) from 1983 to 2008, serving as councillor 1994 to 2008, and legal advisor 1995 to 2008. John has been a councillor of the Royal Commonwealth Society (Auckland Branch) since 2013. John's other hobbies include classical music, running and gardening. John is married, with one son.

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