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On The Greens

Both greens are currently closed for renovations.

Inside This Weekend

Friday 23 June – Club Night

Raffles, Happy Hour, Club Membership Draw, Joker 500

Racing: Otaki (Thoroughbreds) Blenheim, Alexandra Park (Harness) Addington, Wanganui (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

NRL* – 5.45pm Warriors v Bulldogs (Holden Cup), 8pm Warriors v Bulldogs

Saturday 24 June

Racing: Tauranga, Riccarton (Thoroughbreds) and racing from across Australia

NRL* – 5pm Cowboys v Panthers, 7.30pm Raiders v Broncos

Test Match Rugby* – 7.35pm All Blacks v *that touring team we aren't allowed to name*

Sunday 25 June

Racing: Te Aroha (Thoroughbreds), Blenheim (Harness) Manukau (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

NRL* – 4pm Dragons v Knights, 6pm Sharks v Sea Eagles

* viewing selection is dependent on the members.

Excellence Award

Greg Utting became the latest Excellence Award recipient when he received the award at the AGM. President John Croy read the following in support of the award being granted "The criteria for such an Award are set out in the Club's Constitution and General Regulations. These include being a Member for more than 10 years and giving long and meritorious service to the Club. Greg has been a Member for longer than 10 years. During his term of membership Greg has been:

- On the Executive/ Board of the Club continuously for at least 10 years and possibly for longer than that. This is (or must be close to being) the longest continuous term of service in the history of the Club.
- Vice President (the second highest Office of the Former Executive) for approximately 4 years – from 2007 to 2011.
- President (the highest Office of the former Executive) for 3 years – from 2011 to 2014. Following the approval of a new Constitution converting the governing Body of the Club from an Executive to a Board, Greg remained on the Board for 3 years and was President during the 2016 – 2017 year.

It should be noted that Greg is the longest serving Vice President of the Club and he appears to be the second longest serving President (of the Executive) after Rod Mahon and his current extra year as President (under the Board structure) only adds to Greg's long and meritorious service.

The process of developing the two-stage plan for renovating and upgrading the clubrooms, together with the completion of the first stage, happened during Greg's first term as President.

Greg has always been willing to take on responsibility. Sensible, constructive and definitely an asset. He has done more than can be expected of any club member.

Greg was not the only departing Board Member that was recognised. Emmie Swart's continued work for the club was also recognised and praised. Gary Stevens spoke at the AGM and thanked Emmie Swart for her input into the club. She has been on the club's Executive and then the Board since changing her membership to a full playing member in 2009 when the club opened up all categories of membership to women, previously she had been a member under the "partner's membership" that the club once offered. Swart has held the positions of Members' Representative, Secretary & Senior Vice President (at the same time), Senior Vice President, President and the past three years Chairperson. Those in attendance showed their gratitude in the usual way.



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History Making Mr Barrow

AGM 2016 Colin Barrow made history becoming the first social member to be elected to the Club's Board of Management. Last Sunday's AGM 2017 saw him continue on his history making path and not only re-elected but has been elected as Chairperson for the Board of Management. John Croy has taken over the bowling reins of President, with board new comer John Hindmarch the Vice President.



Colin Barrow - Chairperson

Mavis Smith returns to look after the books as Treasurer. Terry Moverley retains for a fourth year as Secretary after an election for the position.

The positions of Board Members went to an election with incumbents Colin Barrow, Jimmy Heath, Evan Thomas and Merv Garred all returning. Dave Moore is the new comer to the table.

There are a number of other positions on various committees that need to be filled to assist the continued smooth running of the club. If you can assist put your name on the board in the club or talk to a member of the Board of Management about how you can help out. Let us introduce your Board of Management for 2017-18 as elected by you, the members of Birkenhead Bowling Club.



John Croy
President



John Hindmarch
Vice President



Mavis Smith
Treasurer



Terry Moverley
Secretary



Merv Garred
Board Member



Jimmy Heath
Board Member



Evan Thomas
Board Member



Dave Moore
Board Member

Winter Coaching

Birkenhead winter bowls coaching will commence for those interested at Sunnybrae on Monday 12 June from 2.30pm onwards, weather permitting. Further information and details phone Keith Burgess 0274 824884

**Membership Draw*, Happy Hour & Joker 500*
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Bowls North Harbour Awards Function

Bowls North Harbour Awards Function, 1pm Sunday 25th June at Bowls Orewa. Dress - Club colours (preferred) or smart casual. A number of members are up for awards and receiving trophies in recognition of their achievements during the season. The function is free to attend and the club has tables reserved.

What's Happening Out There?

The bottom green has been cored, the rubber removed from the ditches and the old back boards removed. New backboards will be put in place in the next few weeks. Thanks Colin Barrow, Kevin Croasdale and John Lindridge for their time and effort removing the old boards and the prep work to enable the new back boards to be secured with the minimum amount of fuss.

The top green was unable to be cored as per the bottom green. The make-up of the top green meant such action would have destroyed it. A different method/machine will be used to perform this task. Maniototo seed isn't available just yet but when it is, hopefully soon, some areas will be reseeded.

The Birkenhead Bypass bank Sandy Cleghorn is on a mission to eliminate the weeds and stabilise the bank and mulch as it sides down the bank in the rain. If you can spare some time to assist contact him.

Over on the Gold Coast

The recent Trans-Tasman held at Broadbeach Bowls Club on the Gold Coast saw Birkenhead's Mike Nagy and Tony Grantham both representing New Zealand. Unfortunately Australia walked away with the silverware this time round.

There was no time to rest after the Trans-Tasman as it was straight into the Gold Coast Multi-Nations Invitational featuring teams from New Zealand, Scotland, Malaysia, Wales, Canada, Hong Kong and two teams from Australia. Grantham came away with a gold medal in the Men's Fours (T.Grantham, M.Kernaghan, P.Girdler, A.Forsyth(s)) and in the Men's Triples Nagy picked up a bronze medal (M.Nagy, B.Signal, A.Forsyth(s)). Past club member Leanne Chinery, representing Canada won a bronze in the Women's Fours. Continuing on the Gold Coast the Australian Open is under with Nagy making it to the last 32 (knockout stage, 265 entries) in the Men's Singles where he went out to Narooma's Jay Breust.



Multi-Nations Men's Fours Gold Medallists':
A.Forsyth(s), P.Girdler, T.Grantham, M.Kernaghan

Records Updated

Have you changed phone numbers, address, email?. Do you now have a cell phone or an email address?. It's that time of the year when the hand book is assembled. Any change of details either email secretary@bowlsbirkenhead or fill in the fluro yellow form at the club and hand in to the secretary or across the bar.



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All Blacks v that touring team

7.35pm Saturday 24 June

Watch it live from Eden Park @ Birkenhead Bowling Club

Plates, Tables and Butt Collectors

The Joker 500 has been found twice since its inception and we are currently onto the third game. All proceeds go to a designated project within the club, currently it is towards the repair of B green. With a top prize on offer each Wednesday and Friday of \$500 it has proved popular. The proceeds generated so far have provided the club with

- 100 plates, 100 side plates and 100 desert bowls for corporate functions.
- 2 new lockable cigarette butt collectors for the smoking deck to deter undesirable elements from collecting the cigarette butts.
- 4 new tables for the viewing deck

“Joker 500” is easy to play, purchase as many numbers as you wish. If your number comes out you get the chance to find the “Joker” and the \$500. Every card has a cash prize with it. If you're not at the club when it is drawn you can nominate someone or the President or Chairperson will select a card on your behalf. Full terms and conditions are available at the club.

Still Open Over Winter

The greens maybe closed but the club is still open, don't forget to support your club during the winter. TAB[#] facilities with two screens of racing action, VIP Room[#], Sky Sport*, pool table, darts, indoor bowls all available during opening hours. With a northerly sunny aspect the upstairs lounge and viewing deck are pleasant spots to while away a winter afternoon socialising. Check notice boards, club website and club facebook for “just announced” events at the club.

Mondays – After work with Carole.

Pop in for a chat, catch up on the weekend's happenings.

Tuesdays – After work with Emmie.

Pop in for a chat, watch “The Chase”, try your luck in the VIP Room[#]

Wednesdays – 4.30pm – 5.30pm Happy Hour

5pm – 6pm Club Membership Draw

6.15pm Joker 500 draw (numbers on sale from 4.30pm)

Thursdays - Sky Survivor picks/selections close 6.30pm

Check notice boards and facebook for Thursday events

Fridays - Club Night

4.30ish Raffles

5pm – 6pm Happy hour

5.30pm – 6.30pm Club Membership Draw

6.15pm Joker 500 draw (numbers on sale from 4.30pm)

Horse racing: TAB[#] facilities and two screens of racing action

Live sport* on the main screen (NRL, Rugby etc)

Saturdays – 11am opening

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The Birkenhead Bowling Club is committed to promoting responsible gambling.

Club Membership & Joker Draws

Club Membership and Joker 500 draws drawn Wednesdays and Fridays. Club membership drawn Wednesdays 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 4.30pm - 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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Birk'o Juniors Massive Win

From Bowls North Harbour Facebook:

Two of North Harbour's most promising bowlers, Birkenhead's Jerome Rusk and Jerry Belcher, won the centre's final tournament for the summer season, the 2-4-2 Open at Manly, this weekend.

Still one-to-five year players, Rusk and Belcher, who have figured prominently in a range of junior events this season, beat a couple of solid performers, Glenfield's Stuart McKechnie and Mairangi Bay's Wayne Glogoski, 14-7 in the final.

It was an outstanding effort by Rusk and Belcher to prevail in what was a tough competition with bowlers from the Auckland and Counties centres also competing, including former Black Jack Danny Delany.

Browns Bay's Brian Wilson and Brad Riechart won the plate final.



BNH Open 242 winners: Jerry Belcher and Jerome Rusk

MAIN EVENT:

Semi Finals: Jerome Rusk/Jerry Belcher (Birkenhead) bt Duane McDonald/G. Smith (Riverhead/Pt Chev) 13/7, Stuart McKechnie/Wayne Glowoski (Glenfield/Mairangi Bay) bt Frankie Lim/Gary Cotter (Hunua/Pt Chev) 11/10
Final: J Rusk/J Belcher bt S McKechnie/W Glowoski 14/7

PLATE EVENT:

Semi Finals: Bradley Reichert/Brian Wilsin (Browns Bay) bt Pete & Cheryl Hunia (Manurewa) 18/5, Alan Blackman/Kirsty Hill (Blockhouse Bay) bt Peter Nathan/Joseph Korkis (Birkenhead) 15/6
Final: B. Reichert/B Wilson bt A. Blackman/K. Hill 10/9 on extra end

FLIGHT EVENT:

Final: J Hindmarsh/M Haggart (Northcote) bt B Kelly & S Mulholland (Browns Bay) 16/7

Special Sky Survivor NRL Finals

We will run a special Sky Survivor for the NRL Premiership Finals. Same rules as previous Sky Survivor games at the club but with two exceptions.

1. Only four rounds (Qualifying/Elimination Finals, Semi Finals, Preliminary Finals and Grand Final)
2. You may select a team you have selected in a previous round only in the Grand Final Name and entry fee of \$20 to John Hindmarch. A Sky Survivor game is limited to 25 entries with a prize pool of \$500. We will run multiple games if we get the numbers to run them.

Selections for Qualifying/Elimination Finals close 6.30pm Thursday 7 September.

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SKY SURVIVOR

NRL #2 (Green selection forms)
NRL #3 (Blue selection forms)

Round 16 selections close 6.30pm Thursday 22 June

Hibernating

The Bee will be hibernating over the winter months. The "Bee Express" will be published monthly from now until September when the summer season rolls round. Contributions to the Bee Express may be emailed to web@bowlsbirkenhead.co.nz Those playing winter bowls, all the best and those not playing, enjoy the break.



Spotlight on Sponsors

This week we put the spotlight on Barfoot and Thompson Birkenhead. The Birkenhead branch sponsors a number of areas by way of Membership cards, opening day guest speaker and a tournament. Staff members support the clubs social scene and regularly have a team or two in the Monday evenings Social Bowls. Along with the Birkenhead branch support, agents Anne Lepper and Tim Roskrigde also sponsor in their own right. Barfoot and Thompson Birkenhead's support of the club is gratefully received. Thanks Pete Taylor and your staff for the continued support.

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Club Open Daily Throughout Winter
Weekdays open from late afternoon
Saturday & Sunday open from 11am