



Matthews Memorial Pairs - Today
Open to all Birkenhead full & life members 60 years of age & over
Names in by 9.30am for a 10am start.
Supported by Club Partner: RJ Don Panelbeaters

On The Greens

Wednesday 6 March – 9.30am Matthews Memorial Pairs (AC 60+, Single Entry)
Saturday 9 March – 8.30am 1-5 Year Championship Fours (Any Combination)
- 8.30am Northcote Bowling Club Championship
Wednesday 13 March – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry) – Club uniform or creams
Saturday 16 March - 8.30am 1-5 Year Championship Pairs (Any Combination) - day 1
Sunday 17 March - 8.30am 1-5 Year Championship Pairs (Any Combination) - day 2
Wednesday 20 March – 9.30am Wednesday Tournament (OACT) – lunch provided
Friday 22 March - 1pm 2-4-2 Pairs (OACP) – mufti
Saturday 23 March – Allan Meeking's Memorial (AC. Drawn, Single Entry)
Wednesday 27 March – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry) – Club uniform or creams
Club Day Partner: Bert Sutcliffe Retirement Village
Saturday 30 March – First Year Championship Singles (Mixed)
Sunday 31 March – continuation of First Year Championship Singles (Mixed)
Wednesday 3 April – 10am Club Day (AC, Single Entry) – Club uniform or creams
Saturday 6 April – 9am wheels on Wairau Seafood tournament (OACF) – day 1
Sunday 7 April – 9am wheels on Wairau Seafood tournament (OACF) – day 2
Wednesday 10 April – 10am Club Day – Ross "Trust Me" Murray Tournament
(AC, Single Entry) – Club uniform or creams
Saturday 13 April – 9am Darrington Lanigan Singles (mixed, 65+)

Inside This Weekend

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Friday 8 March February – Club Night

Members Draw, Joker 500

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

International Cricket* - 2nd Test - Day 1 - Blackcaps vs Bangladesh

Super Rugby* - 7.35pm Hurricanes v Highlanders

Saturday 9 March

Racing – Ellerslie, Trentham (Thoroughbreds), Invercargill (Harness), and racing from across Australia including Randwick – Randwick Guineas, Flemington – Australian Cup, Newmarket Handicap

International Cricket* - 2nd Test - Day 2 - Blackcaps vs Bangladesh

Super Rugby* - 5, 15pm Crusaders v Chiefs

7.35pm Blues v Sunwolves

Sunday 10 March

Racing – Gore (Thoroughbreds), Reefton (Harness), Manukau (Dogs) and racing from across Australia

International Cricket* - 2nd Test - Day 3 - Blackcaps vs Bangladesh

ANZ Netball – 4pm Central Pulse vs Mainland Tactix

* viewing selection is determined by the members.

1-5 Year Championship Fours (Any Combination)

Entries close 5pm Thursday 7 March (tomorrow)

8.30am Saturday 9 March





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Birkenhead into Semis!!

Bowls3Five Interclub Semi-finals Tomorrow!!

6pm Thursday 7 March Takapuna Bowling Club

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Matthews Memorial Pairs - Today

There is still time to enter "The Matthews Memorial Pairs" is held today. This Championship is open to all full and life members 60 years of age and over. Played over one day with four games of ten ends, single entry (entry \$5), drawn pairs. Names in by 9.30am for a 10am start.

This year Club Partner RJ Don Panelbeaters are kindly stumping up some cash to put a smile on the winners and place getters faces. First place \$100 to go with the trophy presented to the winners, second \$60 and third \$40.

Drew Drives to Title

Doug Parlane and Mick Moodie had reached the final of Birkenhead's Men's Champion Pairs beating Jack Huriwai and Randall Watkins (18-14) back in late January. The same day Mark Rumble and Nigel Drew had seen off Evan Thomas & Daymon Pierson (22-9).

Over a month later and the final was played last Saturday afternoon. Parlane/Moodie jumped ahead after picking up a four, three ends in (5-1). The follow five ends all went Drew's way to lead (5-9). Moodie levelled the scores after 10 ends (9-9). Drew picked up eight shots over the next three ends to have a handy lead after thirteen ends (9-17). A three to Moddie on the following end (12-17) but with four ends to play Drew had control of the board. Drew's accurate driving killed a number of ends to deny Moodie any chance of pick up large end. Parlane repeatedly out drew Rumble off the front but Drew's accurate driving proved to be the winning force in the end. Rumble and Drew Men's Pairs Champions for this season over Parlane and Moodie (19-15).
Winners: Mark Rumble, Nigel Drew (s)
Runners-up: Doug Parlane, Mick Moodie (s)



Men's Championship Pairs, winners: Nigel Drew (s) & Mark Rumble, Runners-up: Mick Moodie (s) & Doug Parlane

The Sun Goes Down

The sun went down on Birkenhead's 1-5 Year Twilight Interclub campaign Monday evening. Having made it into the semi-finals after taking out Northcote the previous week in the quarters. Monday was the trip up to Browns Bay to take on Mairangi Bay in the semis, while Beach Haven was up against Mahurangi East in the other semi. Gary Wallace went down in the singles by one shot in a time limited game (15-16). The pairs with Miliika Nathan off the front and Stacy Munro skipping were behind, but playing for the draw in the last end went down by three (13-16). The reason to play for the draw was the triples, Adam Richardson, Lauranne Croot and Robbie Henson had just destroyed Mairangi Bay's triples (27-5). The pairs draw would have seen Birkenhead through to the final, but the one win and two loses saw Birkenhead bow out. The other semi-final Mahurangi East made easy work beating Beach Haven (singles 21-11, pairs 25-5 and triples 29-4). Speaking to team manager Jimmy "Jandals" Heath after "It was a shame, everyone played well, we could have won that, Mairangi will win it now"



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Members Draw \$325 Today 5-6pm Joker 500, Happy Hour 4.30-5.30pm

Lush, Richardson, Nathan

Four teams stepped out on to the greens at Birkenhead on Saturday to chase the 1-5 Year Championship Triples title. The day was made to order for lawn bowls, an absolute stunner and the green looking magnificent and playing quick. The format for the day was a round robin with the two top teams to play a final to find this season's champion. First up was the battle of this year's 1-5 year singles winners. Milika Nathan with Adam Richardson and Warren Lush up against Gary Wallace's trio including Ray Tomes and Adam Croy. A game that many had pegged as the final itself. Wallace held the upper hand throughout the game taking the win (10-17). The other opener the Judi Farkash skipped trio with Vaughan Henderson and John Hannan took on Lauranne Croot (s), Barbara Staal and John Stevens with Farkash coming away with the win (12-9). Round two and Wallace and Nathan came away with a win each.

Round three and a Wallace / Nathan final was looking like the most likely scenario, but no one told Croot and company this who after thirteen ends

was all square (14-14) playing Nathan. Croot then went on to pick up four shots to Nathan's one to win (14-18). Farkash, Croot and Nathan all had one win. Wallace finished clearly on top with three wins. While the other finalist would be found on best shot differential, with Nathan coming through with the best differential. A Wallace / Nathan final and Nathan stepped out to a (1-5) lead after five ends, before Wallace came back with a three and one to level the scores (5-5). Richardson and Lush went walkabout for a couple of ends enabling Wallace to pick up a two, a four and a one and sneak through to a four shot lead (12-8) after twelve ends. Nathan held her team together as they refocused, they were looking like runners-up down (13-9) with two ends to play. With Richardson and Lush returning from walkabout the last two ends were all Nathan's picking up a three and a two to claim the 1-5 Year Triples title by one shot (13-14).
Winners: Warren Lush, Adam Richardson, Mililka Nathan (s)
Runners-up: Adam Croy, Ray Tomes, Gary Wallace (s)



1-5 Year triples winners: Milika Nathan (s), Warren Lush (lead) and Adam Richardson (two)

Quadrangular Reps

Bowls North Harbour has named its representative teams to contest the Quadrangular on Sunday 10 March at Howick. Included are Birkenhead's Daymon Pierson and John Hindmarch in the BNH Men's Development team, while Adele Ineson and Connie Mathieson have made the BNH Women's Development team.

Club Night - Wrong Bias Bar!

Our friends at the Birkenhead Primary School next door are celebrating 100 years over this coming weekend with various events planned. The Birkenhead Bowling Club will be playing its part Friday as the school holds its "Natter and Nibbles" evening in the upstairs lounge of the Club.

The upstairs lounge will be closed to members from 5.30pm. The regular Friday Club Night will be held in the "Wrong Bias Bar" downstairs. There will be the usual Members Draw and Joker 500. Although due to technical difficulties there will be no meat raffles or "happy hour" this night and the Joker 500 will be drawn at 5.30pm (not the usual time of just after 6pm)



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Milk Bottles Pay Dividends

Adding a bit of flavour to the Housie/Bing evening was the brownie bake off. After the tomatoes in the bacon and egg pie episode some weeks ago this was sure to be something a bit different. Warren Lush beaten somewhat controversially by a tomato or two in the bacon and egg pie challenge was out to win this time round. Various trial runs with Minties, raisins soaked in Cointreau, chocolate raisins and a phone call to his cousin in England, Lush finally settled on a Kiwiana themed Brownie, one with a milk bottle sweet on the top of each piece. Louise Fox went for a more traditional approach, just like mother use to make. After tasting by all those present it came down to a three vote differences with Lush's Kiwiana Brownie taking out the converted first place, with all enjoying the milk bottles on top!

Easter Triples – Entry Now Due

With a guaranteed \$1,000 first prize, total prize pool of \$2,500, Morning tea and lunch each day, and limited to only sixteen teams Birkenhead's Carpet Mill Archers Road Easter Triples was sure to fill quickly and it did. There have been enquiries from teams that have missed out and they have been placed on the waiting list. The entry fee of \$120 per team is now due and to be paid before Friday 22 March. After this date unpaid entries run the risk to being balloted out to allow teams on the waiting list the opportunity to enter. Payment can be made over the bar at the Club or direct into the Club's bank account. Birkenhead Bowling Club, ASB Birkenhead Account No: 123035-0699644-01 Use skips name and the abbreviation "-ET" of the tournament (eg. Jones-ET) as the reference.

An Evening with "Scratchy"

Thursday saw the return of Housie/Bingo hosted by bingo caller extraordinaire Kevin "Scratchy" George. With a good crowd in it was "eyes down and looking" with the House worth in excess of \$200 in many of the games. Scratchy will be calling the numbers again from 7pm Thursday 21 March. All welcome, it's only \$1 per card per game.

Wheels on Wairau Seafood Tournament - Full

Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 April are two days that should not be miss in your bowling calendar. Two days of Open Any Combination Fours competition, seafood morning tea and seafood lunch provided each day, over \$3,000 in seafood prizes. For the food alone this is a bowling tournament not to be missed. The tournament has proved as popular as ever and is now full, although Sandy is starting a waiting list. Entry payment (\$200) can be made over the bar at the Club or direct into the Club's bank account. Birkenhead Bowling Club, ASB Birkenhead Account No: 123035-0699644-01 Use skips name and the abbreviation "-SFood" of the tournament (eg. Jones-SFood) as the reference.

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