

### ***The New Season***

**It was a fine cool day for the official start of the new season on Saturday 7 September. There was a good turnout to enjoy an hour or so on the carpet before retiring to the clubrooms for a nice afternoon tea.**

**The cotula green is looking in great shape. Arne and his team have re-sown some patches and all proved to be in order when he opened the green for play on Thursday 19 September. The green ran at a decent speed no doubt assisted by the spell of warm, fine weather, so it looks like it will be hard to justify any complaints this season.**

### ***Coming Events***

#### **October**

Wed 02 Foxton & Beach Challenge: Levin  
Sat 05 M & W Triples qualifying  
Sun 06 M & W Triples post section  
Tue 08 Pennants Round 1  
Wed 09 Rotary Round 1: Levin RSA  
Sun 13 Kapiti v Whanganui 5 yrs & under  
Wed 16 Margaret's Mixed Pairs Gala  
Fri 18 Horowhenua Fives Round 2: Levin  
Sat 19 BKC Women's Open Triples  
Sun 20 BKC Women's Open Triples  
Mon 21 BKC Women's Open Triples Final  
Tue 22 Pennants Round 2  
Wed 23 Rotary Round 2: Foxton & Beach  
Sat 26 BKC Men's Open Triples  
Sun 27 BKC Men's Open Triples  
Mon 28 BKC Men's Open Triples Final

#### **November**

Fri 01 WKWM 5 yrs & under: Manawatu  
Sat 02 BKC M & W Open Fours  
Sun 03 BKC M & W Open Fours  
Mon 04 BKC M & W Open Fours Finals  
Tue 05 Melbourne Cup Day Mini Gala  
Wed 06 BKC Mixed Veterans: Otaki  
Sat 09 Women's Interclub / Men's Pairs qual.  
Sun 10 Men's Interclub / Women's Pairs qual  
Mon 11 Open & Junior Bowls 3Five

### ***Club Champions - Results to date***

Mixed Balloted Triples

***Rob Cotter (s), Stuart Fieldes & Linda Moy***

Men's Balloted Triples

***Murray Griffin (s), Bob Whitelaw & Ron Evans***

Women's Balloted Triples

***Hazel Rose (s), Sylvia Woollett & Gloria Michael***

Men's 2 x 4 x 2 Balloted Pairs

***Murray Griffin & Jimmy Adams***

Women's 2 x 4 x 2 Balloted Pairs

***Dianne Short & Valda Anderson***

### ***Error:***

*Oops. In the August newsletter the winners of the Mixed Triples were named incorrectly. They should have been:*

***Alice Spicer (s), Rex Spicer & Joe Wnek***

### ***New Members***

*Welcome to the following new playing members to our club **Gloria Michael** and **Jan Lillico** (from Waitarere Beach), **Jim Winter**, **Rob Krivan** and **Garry Coley** (Juniors), **Gordon Moore** and the return of former members **Larry Auckram**, **Michael Hill** and **Murray Griffin**.*

*Adding these new members may go part way towards compensating for the loss of a number of players to greener, or imagined greener pastures.*

### ***Centre News***

**Graham Fairburn** has been elected as the new Chairman of the Board of Bowls Kapiti Coast.

**Eileen Jones** is the new convenor of the awards sub-committee.

## **The Club Website**

The club website is up and running again !

After a long period of little action largely thanks to **Stuart Fieldes** our website is up and running again. You can access it via the old address

[www.levin.bowls.org.nz](http://www.levin.bowls.org.nz) or the new

[www.sporty.co.nz/levinbowls](http://www.sporty.co.nz/levinbowls)

While it is by no means complete at this stage there is content under a number of tabs. Checkout the following:

- Administration for contact details
- Members tab for hints on coaching
- Selections - the men's selectors are now publishing their teams
- Newsletters
- News - for the Laws of the Sport of Bowls
- Results for this season's events

More content will be added but a good start has been made.

Thanks Stuart

## **Our Women Bring Home the Banner**

The Horowhenua Women's Banner was played at the Foxton & Beach club on Friday 11 October by two teams of triples from each club. Levin's women had a great day winning seven of their eight games to run out the winners on the day.

The teams were:

Irene Poletti (s), Lana Mahupuku

Linda Moy 3 wins

Bronwyn McMahon (s), Liz Galloway

Kay Lahman 4 wins

## **Trans-Tasman Over 60's Test**

The following players have been selected for this year's test on the Gold Coast in late November.

**Men:** **Kevin Robinson** (Tokoroa), **Lance Tasker** (Tauranga), **Rob Ashton** (Johnsonville), **Ray Park** (Whanganui), **Dave Archer** (Taieri)

**Women:** **Reen Stratford** (Aramoho), **Serena Matthews** (Southbridge), **Margaret O'Connor** (Queenstown), **Bev Corbett** (Hinuera), **Christine Buchanan** (Queenstown).

*Hard luck. The selectors have overlooked you again !*

## **Subscriptions Reminder**

**Our subscriptions are now overdue. From this point on you are not eligible to enter club championship or centre events unless your sub has been paid.**

## **Men's and Women's Triples Championships**

### **Women**

Winners: **Maggie Copland (s), Linda Moy & Bella Law**

Runners Up: **Heather Stempa (s), Mary Judd & Wendy Whitelaw**

### **Men**

Winners: **Arne Jansson (s), Grahame Law & Les Judd**

Runners Up: **Rob Cotter (s), Jim Bagnall & Stuart Fieldes**

## **Congratulations !**

**To Maggie Copland playing with our former member Dylan Thomas - this year's winners of the Kapiti Coast Open 2 x 4 x 2 Mixed Pairs title.**



**Happy Banner Winners**

## **From the AGM of Bowls NZ - September 2019**

**Elections: President                      Mark O'Connor (Wellington)**  
**Vice President         Jan Tucker (Dunedin)**  
**Board Chairman     Tony Lepper (Dunedin)**

### **Major decisions affecting our club**

#### **1. Affiliation Fees:**

*The motion to change the method of collecting fees from clubs was passed with about an 80 % vote in favour. Instead of it being called a 'Capitation' fee, which meant a fixed fee per head of playing members, it is now an 'Affiliation Fee' charged to the club, and is not on a per player basis.*

*From the 2020 -21 financial year onwards the fees charged to clubs will be based on their membership as at 31 December 2018. This outcome means that clubs will be able to collect their total fee in any way they decide e.g. they could levy all of their members, not just playing members. They could levy associate, winter, social and casual members, or raise the fees in other ways - garage sales, raffles etc - if they choose to. Our club will need seriously to consider the options over the next year. Clubs with a large social membership e.g. Waikanae, will be able to spread the load more widely.*

**2. Types of Membership** There were also motions to define types of 'Playing Membership' more accurately than was the case in the past. The new definitions are:

**"Playing Member"** means a person who wishes to enjoy the full playing and non-playing rights and privileges of being a member of a Club, including playing life members, and students. Only playing members are entitled to play at other affiliated Clubs and to enter Club Championships, Centre, Regional and/or National tournaments and events.

**"Limited Playing Member"** means a person who wishes to play **bowls at their Club only**. The rights and privileges of membership as a Limited Playing Member shall be specified in the Constitution, regulations and/or rules of the Club, but cannot extend beyond specific club tournaments and events. A Limited Playing member can only play in bowls events within the boundary of the physical club, and may not participate in club championships, centre or national events, or at any event at another bowling club.

**"Non-Playing Member"** means a person who does not play bowls but enjoy an ongoing association with a Club including participating in social activities at the Club, and includes non-playing life members.

**"Casual Member"** means a person who participates in any bowling event or competition held by or at a Club(s), Centre(s) or Bowls NZ in accordance with Rule 9.2(c) and becomes a Member for the period of that event or competition, and/or while present at the bowling venue. The rights and privileges of membership as a Casual Member shall be specified in the Constitution, regulations and/or rules of the Club, Centre or Bowls NZ (whichever is holding the event or competition) and/or as set out in the written agreement with the Casual Member to participate in the event or competition. Such a rule / agreement must comply with the Bowls NZ Regulations.

#### **Explanation:**

A number of clubs like ours already have member categories such as limited members, social playing members, business members, winter members etc. Bowls NZ regarded these members as "Playing Members" therefore they incur a membership fee (under the current system). They are not captured by the Non-Playing and Casual Member definitions as they can be entitled to play throughout the year, not just a one-off event. A new membership category, the Limited Playing Member has been added.

This really brings Bowls New Zealand into line with the definitions we use in our own club. It also reinforces our own ruling that our Limited Playing Members cannot expect to play at galas or tournaments at other clubs, or represent the club in any outside event.

## **Bowls New Zealand Awards 2018-19**

### **Player of the Year Awards:**

**Male: Shannon McIlroy**

**Female: Jo Edwards**

**Development Male: Taylor Horn**

**Development Female: Debbie White**

**Supreme Award: Shannon McIlroy**

**Club of the Year: Bowls Orewa**

### **Opening Day 2019-20**



***Ian Wenham delivers the first jack and Neville Turnbull the first bowl***

### **Half a Century of Bowls - Congratulations Noel**

*This year marks 50 years since a young, 37 year old **Noel Larsen** joined the Levin bowling club in 1969. Always a very competent lead Noel very early teamed up with **Ray Mitchell**, one of the club's outstanding players from the past. Together they won the pairs title at least 8 times - the exact number is not known because the men's pairs honours board for that period of the 1980's has been lost. Ray won the singles 14 times and with Noel in the team they also won the triples and fours a number of times.*

*After Ray moved to Queensland Noel teamed regularly with **Ian Wenham** and they won the pairs as recently as 2006-07.*

*Fifty years of continuous membership is a record few in New Zealand would be able to match. Noel is now a limited member but has already been down for his first roll up of the new season.*



***Noel Larsen on the green in 2012.***

***Club Handbooks are available from the office for all members of the club. Your name is on the cover and there are spares if your name has been missed. Centre handbooks will be available soon.***

***Ken Hayward - editor***