

A Great Turnout at the AGM

It was great to see 62 members at the 2026 AGM of our club. Apart from the formal events we were all there to see two new life members of the club honoured.

Brian Cooper has filled most offices at the club on one occasion or another, and has been the vital cog in the running of Business House Bowls for over 30 years. The financial value of this venture to the club is extraordinary and shows no sign of going away.

Trevor Turnbull has made a telling contribution to the club. He was club president for three years and is almost solely responsible for filling the signage around our greens - which is another major contributor to club funds.

It was also an appropriate time to say our last farewells to five members lost to or club over the past year - Rob Cotter, Arne Jansson, Rex Spicer, Dennis Crone and Maree Anstis.

A new season is just around the corner starting with our Presentations on Saturday 29 August (that's next month!) and the usual Balloted events.

July - August Events

		July
Wed	8	Triples Gala
Fri	10	Matariki
Sun	12	2 x 4 x 2 Pairs Gala
Wed	22	Triples Gala
Sat	25	Shanghai Singles
		August
Wed	5	Triples Gala
Sat	15	Mixed Fours champ. qualifying
Sun	16	Mixed Fours champ. post section
Wed	19	Triples Gala
Sun	23	2 x 4 x 2 Pairs Gala
Sat	29	Opening Day & Presentations

Centre Awards 2025-26

The annual centre awards were held at the Raumati club. Our main success was that of **Adam Batty** who was named *Junior Men's Player of the Year*.

The overall *Player of the Year* was **Audrey Stevenson** of the host club whose tally reached an amazing 65 centre titles this season.

The *Club of the Year* was **Paekakariki**.

The Club Board 2026-27

Patron	Margaret Griffin
President	Duncan Mann
Vice President	Brian Hoy
Secretary	Grahame Law
Treasurer(s)	Dave Grigg
	Chris Hogan
Elected Members	Jim Winter
	Bruce Prescott
	Barnaby Hamid
Club Captains	Diane Dunlop
	Brian Cooper
Match Convenor	Pat Brown

Match Committee 2026-27

Convenor	Pat Brown
Members	Nick Bailey
	Dave Bond
	Joburg Cockerell
	Bob Liddall
	Don Newton
	Graham Stevens
	Erica Whittaker

The Mixed Triples Championship

There was no play on the first day of this event which meant that all teams were qualified and post section began on the Sunday. Twelve teams of triples competed over 12 ends in this event.

The final was played on Thursday 10 June on a very cold, frosty morning between the teams of Michael Heather and Les Galloway. It was an absorbing game and could have gone either way as the scores remained close throughout. The 4th, 6th and 10th ends were all tied so it came down to the last two ends. **Michael Heather's** team kept their cool and played great bowls to take out both ends. The final score was 16-11.

Winners: **Michael Heather (s), Graham Williams & Chloe Eastham**

Runners Up: **Les Galloway (s), Paul Gardner & Liz Galloway**



Graham, Chloe & Michael

Four Formats Pairs Gala

This event was again generously sponsored by Levin Cars. A good field of 16 teams entered including visitors from other clubs. At the end of the day the main winners were:

1st: **Maurice and Beryl Carter** – 3½ wins, 21 ends, 33 points.

2nd: **Ronnie Crone and Joburg** – 3 wins, 19 ends, 48 points.

3rd: **Mary van der Velden and Brian Hoy** – 3 wins, 18 ends, 33 points.

4th: **Brett Connell and Dianne Short** – 3 wins, 18 ends, 30 points.



***Beryl and Maurice Carter
with Dick from Levin Cars***

New Members

Please welcome the following new members to our club: **Jason Anderson, Mike Ansell, Mark Gardner, Kace Shaw and Brent Simpson.**

The Tiger Turf Gala

Tiger Turf sponsored our gala again this year. It was played on Wednesday 20 May and drew a good field of 25 teams of triples in good conditions. The major results were:

1st **Wayne Judd (s), Paul Gardner & Nick Bailey** with 3½ wins, 18 ends and 37 points

2nd **Brian Cooper (s), Jim Winter & Arnie Taiaroa** with 3 wins, 22 ends & 48 points

3rd **Noel McCutcheon (s), Peter Brown & Jenny Watt** with 3 wins, 20 ends & 44 points



Winners Wayne, Paul and Nick

Subs for the New Season

Full Playing Member	\$ 232
First Year Playing Member	\$ 127
Limited Playing Member	\$ 137
Associate Member	\$ 50
Student Member	\$ 25
Social Member (non playing)	\$ 40
Winter Member	\$ 36
Daily Rate	\$ 5

Subs must be paid before Full Playing Members can enter club championships.



Renee with her new Aero bowls

Raffle Winner has Connection to Our Club

The winner of our club raffle of a set of 'build your own' Aero bowls was **Renee Bullen** a second year bowler from the Silverstream club in the Hutt Valley. Renee bought her ticket while she was representing the Wellington development team at an inter-regional tournament at our club recently.

The club connection does not stop there. Renee's husband Danny Bullen (also a second year rep bowler) is the grandson of our late life member and patron **Wynn Bullen** who passed away age 106 a year or so ago.



On the green at the WKWM

Regional WKWM 5 yrs & Under Tournament

This annual event was played at our club on Saturday 2 May. The women's event was won by Wellington and the men's by Manawatu with the overall winner being Manawatu.

Our only representative was **Don Newton** in the men's singles. Don won his games against Manawatu and Wellington but lost to his opponent from Wairarapa.

The results were:

Men

Manawatu 8.5 Wairarapa 8 Wellington 4.5 Kapiti Coast 3

Women

Wellington 9 Manawatu 7 Wairarapa 5 Kapiti Coast 3

Overall

Manawatu 15.5 Wellington 13.5 Wairarapa 13 Kapiti 6

Many thanks to our members who marked the singles games on the day and to Kaye Lahman and Mary Van der Velden who prepared a splendid afternoon tea for over 70 people.

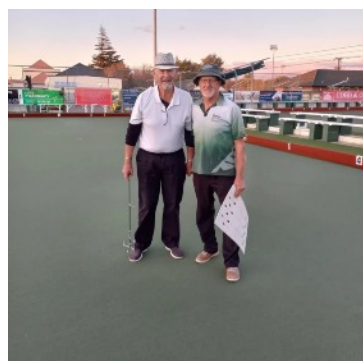
Year 1 and 2 Singles

Five Year 1 and 2 players played a round robin on a lovely May day to decide the winner of this event - Don Newton, Ray Grout, Karen Muir, John Calton and Nick Bailey. At the end of the day Don Newton was the only one to win all four games and come out the winner while John on three, Nick and Karen two each and Ray one.

Winner: **Don Newton**

Runner up: **John Calton**

Ray Grout and John Calton on the green



Don Newton

The Mixed Singles Final

The final of the Mixed Singles which could not be played on post-section day resulted in a win for **Don Newton** who beat **Paul Gardner** by 21 points to 7.

Finalists Don and Paul



Carrell Knight and Bill Gibbons Trophies

These two Bowls Kapiti Coast centre triples events for men and women players with up to an including 10 years playing experience have been hosted by our club over the last two years. We picked up these events mainly because other clubs, for various reasons, were not interested in hosting them any more. Our club thought these events were too important for player development to let lapse.

The Carrell Knight Trophy

Eight teams from six clubs competed for this trophy. Our two teams did very well taking first and third equal placings. The main results were:

1st Mary Van der Velden (s), Chloe Eastham & Karen Muir (Levin)

2nd Jenny Rose (s), Karen Hutton & Angie Rooker (Waitarere Beach)

3rd Erica Whittaker (s), Elisabeth Glinkowska & Diane Dunlop (Levin)

The Bill Gibbons Trophy

Sixteen teams competed in this event which was won by Paekakariki. The main placings were:

1st Dylan Thomas (s), Elijah Minnell & Spike Thomas (Paekakariki)

2nd Mike Hunter (s), Alan Hutchinson & Laurie Flynn (Raumati)

3rd Graeme Cockerill (s), Brian Hoy & Don Newton (Levin)

The King's Birthday Mixed Pairs

There was a very good field of 26 pairs to contest this year's two day event generously sponsored once again by our club Patron **Margaret Griffin**. There were eight visiting players from other clubs to add to the flavour on pleasant sunny weekend. At the end of the first day the top 16 pairs went into a new pool for play on Sunday. At the end of competition the major results were:

1st Adam Batty & Elisabeth Glinkowska	3.5 wins	20 ends	
2nd Erica Whittaker & Nick Bailey	3 wins	23 ends	+ 33 pts
3rd Colin & Anne Leslie	3 wins	23 ends	+ 8
4th Roger Athersuch & Pat Brown	3 wins	21 ends	
5th Don Newton & Clare Hack	2 wins	23 ends	



Elisabeth and Adam

In the other section the top two teams were:

Sandy Patterson & Lee Jeremy

and **Brett Connell & Dianne Short**

Junior Men's Pairs

With four pairs entering this event the best format was a round robin. At the end of the day the results were:

1st Don Newton & Steve Tustin 3 wins + 17 pts

2nd Richard Cowles & Brett Connell

3rd Brian Hoy & Ken Sterne

4th Nick Bailey & John Calton

North v South

The annual North v South was played at our club and resulted in a very narrow victory for the North team.

The results were:

	North	South
Women	5.5 wins + 18	4.5 wins - 18
Men	5 wins + 6	5 wins - 6
Overall	10.5 wins + 24	9.5 wins - 25

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