

Another Summer Season Coming

Winter bowls is finished for another year. The last Wednesday and Sunday galas have been held and enjoyed. We have had regular visitors from Waitarere Beach and Central Levin taking part in them and in our mid-week roll ups. The club's AGM has been held and all of our offices have been democratically filled. After a bit of arm twisting all the committee appointments have been made and a new team of selectors tasked with choosing players and teams to represent the club. There have been a trickle of new members to welcome to the club so all looks in order to welcome summer. Good bowling all when Covid allows.

Levin Bowls Website

Webmaster Stuart Fieldes is busy updating our club website at

[www.sporty.co.nz/levin bowls](http://www.sporty.co.nz/levin%20bowls)

On it you can now access our club Programme for the 2021-22 season, as well as the list of Gala details, club Officers and Appointments for the season. And, there is more coming.

Coming Events (Covid willing)

September

- Sat 04 **Opening Day Summer Season & SGM.?**
- Sat 11 Mixed Balloted Triples qualifying?
- Sun 12 Mixed Balloted Triples post section?
- Sat 18 M & W Balloted 2 x 4 x 2 Pairs qualifying
- Sun 19 M & W Balloted 2 x 4 x 2 Pairs post section
- Fri 24 Horowhenua Fives Round 1: Foxton & Beach
- Sat 25 Foxton & Beach Challenge (away)
- Sun 26 Women's Triples champ qualifying

Obituary

*It was a shock to read of the death of our former member **Dave Scrivener**. Dave was a very competent player and respected skip until he moved back to Whanganui a couple of years ago. From there he continued to drive Intercity buses until recently. Son **Gavin** is now a very highly ranked singles player on the P.B.A. lists. Sincere condolences to Shelley and family.*

Your Elected Leaders for 2021-22

President	Jim Bagnall
Vice President	Grahame Law
Secretary	Liz Galloway
Treasurer	Dave Grigg
Executive Members	Kay Lahman
	Les Galloway
	Jim Winter
Match Committee	
(Convenor)	Margaret Wilson
	Kathy Field
	Margaret Griffin
	Heather Stempa
	Julie Stichbury
	Wendy Whitelaw
	Rob Cotter
	Wayne Judd

Many to Thank

Once again there has been a full and varied programme of winter bowls - a much larger programme than any other club in the centre offers. Thanks are due to the match committee for running four championships over the winter as well as mid-week roll ups. Special thanks to Rob Cotter for the work done organizing and running all of those galas. There were also special events, the Cobb & Co Classic, the 2-bowl 2-end Pairs and Singles and Queens Birthday Mixed Pairs for members to enjoy, especially our junior bowlers.

Club Champions

Mixed Singles

Winner: **Bronwyn McMahon**
Runners Up: **Liz Galloway**

Club Responsibilities 2021-22

Greens Superintendent	Arne Jansson
Greens Spraying	Trevor Turnbull
	Graeme Mathie
Dales Green Manager	Greg Hutchings
Match Convenor	Margaret Wilson
Gala Convenor	Rob Cotter
Rotary & Horowhenua Fives	Carol Turnbull
	Trevor Turnbull
Business House Bowls	Brian Cooper
Club Coach	Grahame Law
Bar Manager	John Dunlop
Purchasing Officer	John Dunlop
Maintenance Convenor	Jim Winter
Kitchen Convenor	Ralda Adams
Publicity	Grahame Law
Bowls NZ Liaison	Ken Hayward
House Manager	Alice Spicer
Health & Safety	Kathy Field
Signage Advertising	Trevor Turnbull
Handbook Advertising	Margaret Griffin
Raffles	Margaret Wilson
Handbook & Newsletter	Ken Hayward
Gala Sponsorship	Margaret Griffin
Legal Adviser	Doug Rowan
Webmaster	Stuart Fieldes

Rules with Jules

Rule 40 Skips Duties

40.1.10

Skips can at any time delegate their own powers and any of their duties (except those of Law 40.1.7) to any other members of the team so long as they tell the opposing skip immediately.

40.1.7

The skip MUST be responsible for the card.

Appendix A 4 Restricting the movement of players during play

A 4.1.1.1 ... a Singles player can walk up to the head after delivery of their third and fourth bowls.

But

A 4.2 *In exceptional and limited circumstances, a Singles player can ask the marker for permission to walk up to the head...*

(This makes sense as in team games the player has someone on the head to advise them of the situation of the head.)

Pennants 2021-22

This season Pennants fours will be played over 16 ends rather than 18 ends. This brings it into line with the Open and C-of-C fours.

As a result play will begin at 10 am.

The Mixed Singles

This year's Mixed Singles turned out to be a bit unique for several reasons. For one thing two of our leading women fought out the final which has not happened before. But, even more unusual was the drama of Saturday's qualifying games. A number of games went the full distance - 21-20 was a common score, but, most unusual was the third qualifying game between Rob Cotter and Graeme Mathie which ended at 6.15 pm under lights. In the end Graeme won the night 21-20. And, on the Sunday the final between Bronwyn and Liz also finished under lights, though not quite as late.

Many thanks to the match committee for sticking it out to the end.

Next season the Mixed Singles will be played in the summer. This will help keep the club's electricity bill under control and, more importantly, it will allow more than sixteen players to take part.

Club Selectors

Women: **Irene Poletti & Pat Segedin**

Men: **Ken Hayward & Neville Turnbull**

Interclub & Pennants Coordinator **Wendy Whitelaw**

Starting Dates

Interclub

Women **Saturday 20 November**

Men & Div III **Sunday 21 November**

Pennants **Tuesday 12 October**

Rotary **Wednesday 20 October**

Horowhenua 5's **Friday 24 September**

Keep an eye on the notice boards, fill in the intentions sheets and watch for details of practice games.

We need to enter our Pennants teams by 19 September and Interclub teams by 31 October.

The Cobb & Co. Classic

The annual Cobb & Co. Classic was held over the weekend of 7-8 August. The main idea of this event is to give 16 of the club's 'newer' bowlers the chance to play with some of the centre's most experienced and best performed players in a two day, two bowl triples tournament. The newer bowlers were drawn by lot to play with the invited players in sections of four teams on the Saturday. The section winners and runners up qualified to play in the Classic section on Sunday and the rest in the Plate section. Play was in sets with the jack placed on the three metre mark and each team could play a joker to try to earn double points in each set. The weather obliged except for not allowing the final game on Sunday to be completed. The final results were:

Classic Section

1st Trevor Tuatara (s), Diana McGill and Graham Williams

2nd Arne Jansson (s), Grahame Law and Linda Moy

3rd Gary Wylie (s), Brian Woolston and Norm Annand

Plate Section:

1st Daryll Johnson (s), Gary Croad and Elisabeth Glinkovska

2nd John Michael (s), John Thorpe and John Blackwell

3rd Brian Cooper (s), Paul Gardner and Gloria Michael.

Many thanks to Cobb & Co. Levin the major sponsors and the subsidiary sponsor Chris Edhouse of Property Brokers, Levin who donated entry vouchers for centre events to eight of the juniors.

And, of course, many thanks to **Neville Turnbull** who initiated this event eight years ago and continues to run it on behalf of the club.



The winning team: Graham Williams, Diana McGill and Trevor Tuatara.



Chris Edhouse with the eight juniors who received vouchers to enter centre events.



The new website masthead

Bowls Kapiti Coast is in the process of migrating its content to a new platform. The new address is

www.sporty.co.nz/bowlskapiti

If you go to the old website you will be directed to the new site. It will take some time to complete the process.

The new e mail address is

bowlskapticoast@gmail.com

Interclub and Pennants Start Dates

Women's Interclub begins on **Saturday 20 November** and Men's and Div III. (any combination) on **Sunday 21 November**. Each day's play will begin at 8.30 am regardless of how many games are to be played on the day.

Pennants begins on **Tuesday 12 October**. There is a change of start time to 10 am.

Running a Bowling Club in Queensland

Former members of our club **Bernie** and **Carol Rose** retired to Queensland's Gold Coast a few years ago. They are members of the Mermaid Beach Bowling Club - Bernie was the club president a couple of years ago. In an e mail to **Neville Turnbull** he outlined some of the costs of running their club.

The Mermaid Beach Bowls Club is a bowls club without the huge benefits of the massive investment in club facilities that clubs like Tweed Heads have. It has three natural greens all with lights for night play, it serves meals and has the usual pokies. Bernie mentioned the huge costs of insurance, rates and water. The insurance bill is \$ 594 a week, \$ 30,914 a year. Rates and water cost another \$ 517 a week, \$ 26,884 a year. To fund its operations the club has a massive *barefoot bowler* programme with 5,548 visits last year by these casual bowlers who spend an average of \$ 35 per visit - a total of \$ 194,180 over the year.

These sort of statistics highlight the key role that casual bowlers play in the operation of bowling clubs not only in Queensland but here as well. My estimate is that we have an average of about 100 casual players playing over 10 nights of Business House Bowls, plus maybe 100 visits from organized groups, a total of about 1,100 visits by our casual players a year. They pay about \$ 1,600 in entry / hire fees and even if they only spend only \$ 10 per head each evening (a total of \$ 11,000) their contribution to our income is about \$ 12,600, significantly more the our members pay in their subscriptions.

Could we earn more from casual bowls ? No doubt we could but that would depend on the enthusiasm and energy of our ageing bowling membership who already contribute to the operation of our club in many ways.

Former Member Playing Great Bowls

Great to see our former member **Stacey Thomas** playing top bowls in the PBA. In the Singles Ranking games and International Singles qualifiers at Naenae recently Stacey made two finals and one quarter final.



**Mermaid Beach
Bowling Club,
Gold Coast,
Queensland**

Special General Meeting

The club will hold a Special General Meeting on **Opening Day Saturday 4 September** to consider the following Notices of Motion.

Notice of Motion 1 *'That the Constitution be changed as follows:*

19. REVIEWER

"That the words ' Unless the Clubs accounts are prepared by a professional accountant' are inserted at the beginning of the clause."

Notice of Motion 2

'That apart from the major club championships of women's and men's singles, pairs, triples and fours that all other championships awards shall be certificates with the trophy being presented on the day and returned to the trophy cabinet'.

Summer Opening

The Opening Day for the summer season and the SGM have been postponed until they can be held safely under the terms of Covid restrictions. Members will be advised by e mail when the new date has been set.

Club Development

We have been awarded a grant from to replace the two old entrance doors to the club. The work will be done when restriction rules are eased.

Ken Hayward - Editor