

**Peter Harris – Bowls New Zealand- Don Manson Memorial -
Administrator of the Year for 2010 – 2011**

This is a most prestigious Award and you can be very proud of your recognition and achievement.

Don Manson was a former Chairman of Bowls New Zealand who showed inspired leadership and foresight.

It is fitting, Peter, that your drive, hard work and courage have been acknowledged for the vision that you have shown to our sport, here in Canterbury. You were the “stand out’ nomination.

There were 5 areas that the nomination required to be addressed.

Firstly, Outstanding contribution:

This area detailed your leadership in supporting the “One Bowls” One Vision” concept, the change implemented to improve the Bowls Canterbury structure from an Executive Committee to a Board with Governance responsibilities and Management procedures through the CEO.

Secondly: Leadership, Planning and Plan implementation

Peter continues to develop strategies to meet the changing environment as a result of the earthquakes. He faced some very fierce and vocal opposition when he and his Executive addressed the short comings of the Bowls Canterbury administration and structure, but he maintained his dignity and professionalism to redefine the structure. The result of his leadership and drive is now evident in Bowls Canterbury.

Thirdly – Contribution to promoting Bowls NZ initiatives

This is demonstrated by working through and gaining approval from his Executive and then clubs in general, the One Bowls One Vision concept.

Since the appointment of Colin Reynolds as the CEO of Bowls Canterbury and the Southern Region, Peter has given untold hours working through issues with various stakeholders to ensure there was commitment on their part to the implementation of OBOV.

He led the development of the Bowls Canterbury strategic plan after working through a consultant and the Board who have made a significant contribution to progress.

Fourthly: Respect within the community.

His referees, Tom Doocey and Colin Reynolds, have praised Peter's professionalism and handling of the changes with a firm and caring hand, which were required for all bowlers and participants in Canterbury.

Lastly - Implementing positive change.

You will note from that above that Peter has ably demonstrated his foresight, leadership and achievement of the desired outcome to improve the culture and efficiency of bowls in Canterbury.

Congratulations Peter, you are a worthy winner.

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