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Selectors Report

Our first team into play off mode is the Division 3 Under 8's team who won their section. They are playing their quarter final against Rangiora at 9.00am this Saturday morning at Papanui Club. Naturally, Dave Straker, Kevin Harris, Mark Hawthorne and Brad Sinclair, would appreciate any support from the members who could roll along to see them play. Should they be successful they will play a semi-final at 11.30am following their first game. Well done lads and all the best.

The second team through to play offs is also an Under 8 side of Dean Johnston, Paul Kerr, Kevin Callaghan and Lindsay Hodder. They will play their semi-final against Methven on a date and at a venue yet to be decided. Well done guys.

Other notable results came from the Rowntree Cup ladies who finished a close second, the Division 1 ladies team who tied for 1st place with Allenton and the men's 2x4's team in Division 6 who topped their section. The men's 3x4's team in Division 2 were tied for second place. Well done to all concerned and especially a huge thanks to those players who started out as reserves and helped out during the pre-Christmas season.

When you read this report and if you haven't indicated your wish to play inter club after Christmas, you need to act immediately. Especially if you have less than 8 years playing experience and especially the ladies who may have not seen the sheets for entering your name. Please contact Mike Small on 027 671 2213 by phone or text message by midday Thursday 7 December.

Experience is not important as you need to start somewhere in order to gain experience. We will find a spot in a team for you. The Club's playing teams (Number of teams only not players names), need to be at the Centre office by late Friday afternoon this week.

Mike Small Convener of Selectors

Non-Championship events

Entry sheets are on the match room boards or you can enter via the club web site for the following events:

- Saturday 9 December afternoon v Fendalton at Fendalton (Whites)
- Saturday 9 December afternoon Festival Bowls for members not playing against Fendalton
- Saturday 16 December Orchard Trophy at 1.30pm

Christmas function

This will be a relaxed evening immediately after the Orchard Trophy bowls on Saturday 16 December. We will take and confirm orders at 5pm for food (Domino's Pizza) to be delivered around 6.00pm for those who wish to stay. Partners of members are encouraged to join us for a social time, simple food, Christmas music and good company. For those staying a charge of \$10 per person will apply to cover costs - pay for your ticket after the Orchard Trophy.

























Lounge use

On Friday week, the 8 December, we will be hosting our Ladies flagship tournament, their Christmas Triples. Our Ladies will be using the lounge for their Prize giving but the lounge will still be open for (all) members on that afternoon from 4pm except we also have a booking on that evening for Harman's the lawyers. They are having their Christmas function at Burnside. Some will be bowling, others may 'settle' in the lounge and await the start of their dinner at 7pm.

The pointer is the need for **members to have vacated the lounge by 6.45pm**. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Markers

One more Marker is required for the Interclub Sevens (**Second round only**) which will be played over 2 greens at Burnside on Sunday 10th December - Approximate Game times: Round 1 9am, Round 2 12.00pm, Round 3pm

If you are available for this remaining slot then please contact Alan Bryce (027 232 1723) or Robert Clark (021 232 5281)

From the Editor's Desk

The Editor will be on leave for the next 6 weeks but do not panic as he will be attending to his Hot Line editorial duties in between spoiling 2 grandchildren in the United Kingdom.

Two quotes for the price of one this week.

"To travel is to live." - Hans Christian Andersen

"I really wanted to retire and rest and spend more time with my children, my grandchildren and of course with my wife" - **Nelson Mandela**