Hot Line Number 74 - 20 December 2018

Ken Balch

It is with sadness that we inform you of the death of Ken. Ken, was a member at Burnside for 32 years and passed away peacefully on Monday at Christchurch Hospital. His service will be held at St. Mark's Church, 150 Withells Road at 11am Friday 21 December followed by a private internment. RIP Ken

"This little piggy went to market"

The Christmas Ham raffles have been drawn and the lucky winners are – Brian Burney, Mike Small, Vincent Chia, Murray Croy, John Reese, Brenda Turner, Peter Quinn, Ross Bell, Carol Dawe and Don Lyall. For all you other "non-winners" a quick trip to Meat at Millers, 205 Waimairi Road would be beneficial to yourself as well as our sponsor.

Santa delivers as promised as good Santa's do....

Santa John made an early Christmas trip to the Club last Saturday and delivered another \$1000 to President Phillipa. On behalf of all members I wish Santa John Phillips all the best for the festive season and trust he doesn't get "bowled out" in his spare time. We look forward to Santa John making many more happy returns to Burnside.

Executive Meeting notes

Club Bowls – An audit of our stock of Club Bowls shows we have a number of sets "missing". Would members who have secreted away a set would you be so kind as to return them to the trolley. It is important that this be done this week as we have a commitment to loan these bowls to our international deaf bowlers who will be at Burnside in the New Year. (See later article).

Sun Shades - The new Sun Shades for Orchard Green are scheduled to be erected this week just in time for a very hot summer!!

The Lift – Our apologies for the lift still being out of action. It is being worked on and parts are on their way.

Thanks – The Executive appreciate the help and support of all members who have assisted in big or small ways to get tasks done around the club. Each small input makes it possible for so many people to play bowls at Burnside. A big THANK YOU to each and every one of you.

Greens Availability- Christmas & New Year

There will be a green open and available over the period Tuesday 25 December to Friday 4 January, weather permitting –

Tuesday 25 December – unrolled Wednesday 26 December – unrolled Thursday 27 December – rolled Friday 28 December – rolled Saturday 29 December – rolled Sunday 30 December – rolled Monday 31 December – rolled Tuesday 1 January – unrolled Wednesday 2 January – unrolled





















Thursday 3 January – rolled Friday 4 January – Normal greenkeeping activity resumes

Thanks to Glen for the excellent state of the greens. This schedule will be displayed on the whiteboard just inside the gate for your reference. During this period, we ask that you be extra vigilant when last leaving the club and ensure all doors and gates are locked and the chain across the carpark is in place.

World Deaf Bowls

We are privileged to have the 8th World Deaf Bowls Championships at Burnside in the second week of January. The schedule is as follows:

Saturday 5 January	13.00pm	Practice	
Sunday 6 January	10.00am	Official Opening at Burnside	
	13.30pm	Practice	
Monday 7 January	09.00am	Men's & Women's Singles / Fours	(5 Markers)
	13.30pm	Men's Pairs and Triples	
Tuesday 8 January	09.00am	Men's Singles / Fours	(3 Markers)
		Women's Pairs and Triples	
	13.30pm	Men's Pairs and Triples	
Wednesday 9 January	REST DAY		
Thursday 10 January	09.00am	Men's & Women's Singles / Fours	(5 Markers)
	13.30pm	Men's Pairs and Triples	
Friday 11 January	09.00am	Men's Singles / Fours	(3 Markers)
		Women's Pairs and Triples	
	13.30pm	Men's Pairs and Triples	
Saturday 12 January	REST DAY		
Sunday 13 January	09.00am	Men's Singles / Fours	(5 Markers)
		Women's Singles / Fours	
	13.30pm	Men's Pairs and Triples	
		Women's Pairs and Triples	
	17.00pm	Medal ceremonies and Closing Ce	remony

Markers - Sessions are from 8.40 till 12. Marker volunteers to contact Bill Fowlie at bill@fowlie.co.nz **Loan Bowls** - International visitors are in need of loan bowls to use during the tournament. If you are in a position to loan your bowls for the duration of the tournament (5-13 January) then please contact Bill Fowlie at bill@fowlie.co.nz . We are looking for all sizes of bowls from 00 to 4. Important that bowls have a date stamp of 19 or higher.

Bar Duty – Weekly

Bar Shift Manager			John Switalla
Monday	24 December 2018	Early	Jack O'Dea
		Late	No Rotary
Friday	28 December 2018		John Church
Saturday	29 December 2018		Peter Kearney

Bar Duty - Special

The club require Bar staff for both the Deaf Bowls (5 - 15 January) and Burnside Pairs (18 - 20 January). Please signal your availability to Kevin Callaghan or Alan Perry.

From the Editor's desk

There will be NO Hotline next week, next edition will be published 3 January 2019. All the best for the Festive Season – Take care out there. See you in the New Year.

Canterbury Premier League - Explanation

Since this event has publicised in social media in the last few days the Editor has asked Mike Small to contribute an article to give members some background as to origins and outcomes of the event. His article follows -

Approximately a month ago, Jason Dunn of the Halswell Bowling Club, asked Barry Williams if he/we wished to enter a team into the Premier League that he was organizing.

The conditions of entry to the event were/are as follows;

- Entry Fee of \$2000.00
- 8 nominated players per team.
- A maximum of 2 'marque' players per team. These players could come from any club in New Zealand.
- There would be a maximum of 6 teams in the event.

Rangiora Club had entered a team initially, but had since withdrawn from the event. As a result, Jason asked Barry Williams if he could enter a team. This was discussed with Richard Hocking, Kevin Gore and Mike Small when we as a team were playing in the Centre 4's section play. We decided that the cost of the entry was not something that we were interested in participating. We then turned Jason Dunn down for that reason.

Approximately 10 days later, Graeme Rees emailed Barry and I (Mike) with a further request for us to try to get a team together. Barry and I suggested that the only way that we could play was if a 'sponsor' could be found to offset the cost of the entry fee. Barry approached someone who agreed to sponsor a large percentage of the entry fee and then the 5 players from Burnside who formed the team that played in the Canterbury Fives recently (Hamish Wilson in addition to those mentioned above) agreed to pay the balance of the entry between them.

Then we five discussed who else should be included in the team. There had to be a maximum of 8 players nominated because no one could substitute if any one of the original 5 were unavailable. We (five) decided to ask John Lindsay, because of his financial contribution to the Burnside Club and because he has been asked several times to 'help out'. Then we decided on Kerry Becks and Paddy Stewart who had asked Barry and myself on several occasions to play in events that they were involved in. This was a way of 'rewarding' them for their support to us

I must reiterate that whilst this team is called 'Burnside' it is not a Burnside selected team as such, but a group of players who had sought and received sponsorship support and enjoy playing the game together. In no way should any other Burnside member think that they should have been included because of right or for any other reason. This team could have been called anything, but because the majority of players were from Burnside, Jason Dunn has called the team "Burnside".

Ultimately, there is a sponsor who has contributed funds and 5 players who have also contributed a considerable personal amount, and we wanted a competitive and compatible team in the event.

Mike Small on behalf of the Team