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Corporate Events and Volunteers

The club has been very busy over the last few weeks with corporate parties enjoying the time on our greens and the associated hospitality. These events do not run themselves and requires a lot of teamwork from our volunteer members to make it happen. To hear that a number of volunteers being abused or spoken to rudely over this last weekend is very upsetting. Our volunteers do the best they can for the club and do not deserve to be treated in this way. Every volunteer needs to be appreciated and thanked for the time they put in to help others. The critics need to step up and help around the club rather than sitting back and making unhelpful comments.

Volunteers – you are appreciated and the actions of a few is not the manner of the rest of the members. So, a big thank you for those that have looked after our visitors recently and those over the new few weeks. Your efforts are appreciated by our visitors and we have received emails from participants praising the people who helped them have a great time at Burnside events.

Interclub Playoffs

Results of Sevens Division 1 Semi-Final - Elmwood 3 Burnside 0 Results of Men's Tuesday evening Interclub Double Pairs – Congratulations to Bill Fowlie, Michael Murphy, Paul Beecroft, Paul Kerr and sometime substitute Kevin Maguire in winning this event. 14 matches, 9 wins, 2 draws, 3 losses

Teams to play in playoffs over next few days -

Under 5's Division 1 Pairs Semi-Final v Bowls Hornby at Elmwood Park Thursday 12 December at 6pm

Under 5's Sevens Final v Rangiora at Papanui Club Saturday 14 December at 9am

Under 5's Division 2 Triples Semi-Final v Cust at Papanui Club 14 December at 11am

Get along and support these teams in their endeavor to capture an Interclub final.

Christmas Party

Saturday 21 December – 6pm with live entertainment by Clare Churcher and the Mixers and dinner.

Tickets \$35 and can be purchased from Philippa or Brenda. Don't miss out. For those members who are Single then don't be shy – Bill Lawton will be on hand to welcome you to your own table. Come along and enjoy yourself.

Bar Duty

The roster for the above week is as follows;

Monday 16 December. 4.00 to 6.00 pm - John Reese (also

Shift Manager for the week)

20 December, Friday 4.00 to 6.00 pm - David Conroy 4.00 to 6.00 pm - Don McClelland Saturday 21 December.















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Saturday Afternoon Bowls

Festival Bowls, Saturday 14 December starting at 1-30 pm

The Canterbury Fives Tournament listed in our programme to use all three of our greens has been cancelled. This means that we have greens to play on this weekend - Friday to Sunday.

There will be a Festival Bowls event for all members who want a game on Saturday afternoon.

Format will depend on numbers, dress code mufti, entry \$3.00 pp for prizes.

Entries close on Friday 13 December at 5-00 pm but late entries will be accepted up to Saturday 11-00 am if there are vacancies. Enter on the Club website (click on "Tournaments" in the top menu bar, find the "Enter Club Competitions On-Line" box and follow the 3-step entry procedure OR enter on the entry sheets posted in the match rooms.

Please register at the office window between 1-00 pm and 1-20 pm!

The Christmas Ham Raffle will also be drawn today..... after play.

Don't miss next Saturday's big events - put them in your personal diary now. This is an event not to be missed. Saturday 21 December

1-00 pm AJ & Ken Christmas Bowls Special and 6-00 pm Burnside's Christmas Party.

More news in next week's Hotline.

Umpire's Corner

Question corner (x)

You are marking a Singles game on rink 4. A bowl delivered on rink 5, travelling in its original course and on a correct bias, is going to collide with one of the bowls at rest on rink 4. What should you do? Answer

Stop the bowl and return it to be replayed. Laws 37.6.2 & 37.6.3

Markers must NEVER pick up a bowl to allow passage of a bowl from a neighbouring rink. If a collision DOES occur your bowlers can replace their head or, if disagreeing, declare the end dead.

Question corner (xi)

During a singles game a player wants to change all four bowls for a set which takes a wider draw. Is this permissible?

Christmas Ham Raffles

Our annual Christmas Ham Raffle is on sale and as of today we have 13 numbers left to sell. Get your tickets now! There will be 10 draws for \$80 hams from our sponsor "Meat at Millers". As well, there will be 10 "hard Luck" prizes from our raffle man's treasure chest. These "hard luck" prizes can only be won by those ticket holders who are present at the raffle draw this Saturday at approximately 4:15 pm. This raffle is not only for you to support your club but also for the club to support "Meat at Millers". Winning Hams will be available on Saturday at the club.

NB. Winning raffle numbers drawn WILL NOT be returned for the following draws.

National Singles & Pairs

Burnside is a key element of the National tournament starting 2 January 2020. In this regard we need to recruit members to act as Markers. I have had a great response BUT I need a few more as follows on the following days:

- 1. 2 January Men's Singles (2 Markers for Session 1 & 2, 10 Markers for Sessions 3 & 4)
- 2. 4 January Women's Singles (3 Markers for Session 4)
- 3. 6 January M/W Post Section (4 Markers for Session 4)

Members who are available to Mark then please contact Bill (bill@fowlie.co.nz) or (0226973560) as soon as possible. For those members who have already volunteered your services then I will email you personally this weekend with the schedule. When received please check that I have recorded

your sessions correctly. I would then appreciate an email confirming session or changes you want made.

If you feel in need of tuition and would like to play an active part as a Marker in this National event please contact for some training:

David Conroy 358 5555 or 021 069 2625; Robert Clark 260 1273 or 021 232 5281

Match Committee

This weekend will see several club finals be played and titles awarded.

- -Saturday 14th @10am the Mixed Pairs Semi-Final sees Crombie/Christie vs Harper/ G Bunting and Croy/Davidson vs B Bunting/Oliver
- -Saturday 14th @ 1pm the Mixed Pairs final
- -Sunday 15th @ 930am the Men's club 4s FINAL sees Mike Small vs Richard Hocking

Due to a lack of entries, the Men's Handicap pairs has been postponed until after Christmas and entries remain open.

A number of Men's club championships are behind schedule. With the busy holiday season and Nationals just around the corner, it is important that these games are caught up over the next couple of weeks. I must again congratulate the Men's colt singles for their prompt play.

With the above in mind, players in the following game of Men's club singles will be scratched if the game is not completed or a default recorded by the 15th December - Mark Hawthorne vs Kevin Gore

There are a number of other members behind in their games, and anyone having not played games dated 24 November can expect to see their name published here in next week's hotline! The Men's under 5s singles have a number of games in this category.

YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED!!!