

Hot Line Number 14- 21September 2017

Festival Bowls

Under clear blue skies in pleasant warm conditions, but with a breeze that reminded everyone that autumn had not yet deserted us, 76 players stepped on to the greens on Saturday at Burnside to welcome in the 2017-18 bowling season. The greens were praised by all for their speed and trueness of line.

Make sure of your entry for this week's **Festival Bowls event (23rd September)** which is being organised by Arjan van Hasselt and Ken Reid. This event promises to be a standout and will certainly be different and lots of fun – **NOT TO BE MISSED!**

International Technical Official

Congratulations to Vincent Chia who has obtained his ITO qualification from World Bowls and is now available to officiate at International Bowls events.

U26 Burnside Invitation Singles

This annual event takes place at Burnside on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 6th- 8th October. Kerrie Bruce and her team have assembled a great field and the bowls standard will be very high. To complement the players, we are still short of markers and need a minimum of 5 additional markers for each of the 4 rounds on the Friday and Saturday. If you can assist then please contact Bill Fowlie at either 022 6973560 or at bill@fowlie.co.nz

Greens

Glen Miller advises that the greens will be closed up to and including Friday 22nd. Saturday play (23rd) will be weather dependent. Decision will be made on Friday afternoon. **The OPEN DAY will go ahead wet or fine** 10am to 4 pm on Sunday 24 September

Note from Selectors

Members have two days to notify your Inter Club preferences. If you would like to play inter club bowls pre-Christmas, then please place your request in the box by the office door. Alternatively, you (both men and women) could email Mike Small direct on mikewsmall@hotmail.com.

As at Wednesday 20th we have the following numbers interested in playing either mid-week or on Saturdays. So far 34 women and 92 men have indicated their playing preferences. Thank you.

Women:

- Veterans am - 4
- Double Pairs Tuesday 6pm - 2 with 1 reserve
- Women 5's Wednesday am - 13 with 2 reserves
- Rowntree Cup Wednesday pm - 3 with 1 reserve
- Development Triples Thurs 6pm - 4
- Development 4's Saturdays - 2 with 2 reserves
- Women's 2 x 4's Sat - 24 with 3 reserves



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Contact: **Barry Bunting, Business Manager, 021895063.**

Men:

Veterans am - 9 with 2 reserves

Veterans pm - 2 with 2 reserves

Mens Double Pairs Tues 6pm - 6

Men's Double Pairs Wed am - 21 with 1 reserve

Development Triples Thurs 6pm - 11 with 2 reserves

Development 4's Saturdays - 18 with 1 reserve

Men's 3x4's and 2x4's Saturdays - 64 with 1 reserve

Vets and Development competitions can be mixed with any combination.

If you are thinking that you may wish to play in any of the above events please let us know. Even if you are a brand-new player, there is a great competition for you on Thursday evenings and Saturdays where you will be with players of your own ability/experience. There is room for everyone.

Remember: Those in by this Saturday will have playing priority in the teams.

Bowls New Zealand Annual Report

This report is available on their website www.bowlsnz.co.nz

From the desk of the Editor

"Elections belong to the people. It's their decision. If they decide to turn their back on the fire and burn their behinds, then they will just have to sit on their blisters." Abraham Lincoln