

Hot Line Number 40 - 22 March 2018

Interclub Under Eights Triples Final

This event which had 5 Burnside teams in the top 7 qualifiers saw Burnside 4 skipped by Kevin Maguire get home ahead of Burnside 3. Kevin writes "Kevin Maguire, Mark Hawthorne and Brad Sinclair would like to thank all those "stand-in" players who helped us through section play and the post section play-offs of the inter-club triples. We couldn't have done it without you all. We would also like to thank the selectors for having the faith in us as a team."

Further Successes

Further to my article last week of winning streaks (7/7 wins in Interclub events) the team of John Switalla, Wayne McWhirter, Terry Paterson and Merv Rogers also achieved this feat in Div 4 of the Interclub 8's.

Tayla Bruce and Angela Boyd were in a tight match for the Burnside Women's Singles final last weekend with Tayla coming out on top 21-18. This is Tayla's 6th success in this event.

Bits & Bobs (A lot of Bits & Bobs)

The 2017-18 Season is drawing to a close. In addition to our mid-week tournaments and club days there are just five weekends of play remaining at Burnside.

1. Saturday 24 March. Burnside v Bowls England's President's Touring Party

Mixed, whites, fours and lunch (\$15). Thanks to the large number of members who have indicated that they are available to play in this event. We needed 32 players and unfortunately some will miss out. If you do miss selection you will be given priority in the teams to play Bowls Papanui on Saturday 7 April as long as you enter your name for that event. Teams will be notified on Thursday night or Friday morning. Unless you hear otherwise the tour party's ETA is 9-30 am. Trial ends at 9-45 am with play starting at 10-00 am. Fours, 18 ends (with a few twists) to finish about 12-30/12-45.

This will be followed by a few brief speeches and maybe presentations and get together in the lounge. Lunch will be provided thanks to Jan Harmon and her helpers. It is hoped that our players will join our visitors for lunch - cost \$15 pp. For catering purposes please tell your skip if you are staying for lunch. The after-match function continues after lunch and if you can it would be good if you can stay a while to join in. Other members are also welcome to join our visitors if they so wish!!

N.B. During all this the Bowls NZ Inter Centre Tournament will continue. The Men's section play concludes at Burnside with two rounds this day. The Women's quarter finals start at Burnside at 3-30 pm. Semi-finals and Finals for both Men's and Women's teams are at Burnside on Sunday. These will be great games to watch. Mandy Boyd, Angela Boyd, Tessa Hocking and Richard Hocking are in their respective Canterbury teams so we have a vested interest in the progress of our Canterbury teams.



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The green used for the Burnside/England match will be available for members' use after 1-30 pm. This may be a good time for any outstanding championship or men's handicap games to be played or just a roll up. The only proviso is that whites must be worn by anyone playing on this green. There is a reason – this is because of the Bowls NZ Inter Centre event which will be on the other two greens and when this happens the protocol is that whites are to be worn by all.

2. Saturday 31 March (Easter Saturday). Pre April-Fool's Day Tournament

Starts at 1-30 pm, mixed, mufti, \$3.00 pp entry. Format depends on numbers. Please enter in the match rooms or on the internet. Enjoy the good times on the last day of Daylight Saving.

3. Saturday 7 April. Good Neighbours Cup – Burnside v Bowls Papanui at Burnside

Starts at 1-30 pm, mixed, whites, triples or fours depends on numbers, at Burnside. This cup was first contested in 1978. It was then men only. It was incorporated in the LBJ tournament but only to keep it going. This 2018 fixture will be the first time this cup will be competed for by mixed teams – be part of history. Get your name on the entry sheet or enter on the internet. Festival Bowls is also on the programme for this afternoon. 1-30 pm start, mixed, mufti and \$3.00 pp entry. Enter on the internet or in the match rooms.

4. Saturday 14 April and Sunday 15 April. Nor-West Sixes Tournament

This iconic Burnside two-day tournament is sponsored by Ryman Healthcare. Teams of six players can be mixed or all female or all male. Each player plays 2 games of fours, one game of 2x4x2 pairs and one game of 2 bowl triples each day. It's a really enjoyable event to play in – whatever the results..... Convenor is Kevin Harris kjharris@xtra.co.nz cell 021 116-7567 Get a team together (don't be shy to ask around), contact Kevin or enter your team on the sheet in the match room.

5. Saturday 21 April. President's Trophy and Charity Day

The charity chosen for 2018 is Prostrate Cancer Research. All money raised today goes to the chosen charity.

12-30 pm Charity Corner to Corner – throw your money (\$1 or \$2) in the bucket and have a go.
1-00 pm President's Trophy

Entry fee is \$5.00, mixed, drawn teams and to finish the season in style – whites. After all they maybe in the wardrobe for some time after today!

4-00 pm Presentation of 2017-18 Trophies in lounge. Raffles (so everyone gets a chance to take something home) and refreshments.

6. Sunday 22 April. Hibernation starts but not for Glen..... until mid-September 2018.

Rink Bookings

All games and corporate events are to be booked on the whiteboard for the Green Keeper to prepare rinks. If an event is cancelled or postponed, Glen Miller must be advised. Glen's phone numbers are on the front of our Club Programme book.

Development Singles Championship Trophies

Penny Pat's offer to donate 3 new trophies has been gratefully accepted.

The Mort Young Men's Development Singles Winner

The Pam Clark Women's Development Singles Winner

·The Women's Development Runner - Up

Trophies

Please return your last season trophies this week so they can be engraved for presentation

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Congratulations to Kevin Callaghan who has completed the Licensed Controller Qualification and now holds a Bar Managers License. Other members are invited to follow Kevin's example.

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Club Executive

Nominations are required for Executive and Non-Executive office for the 2018-2019 Season. Six of the current Executive will be standing down at the AGM in June. We thank Alan Bryce, Wayne McWhirter, Michael Haseman, Vincent Chia, Selwyn Manning and Beryl Murphy for their valuable contributions to the club. It is unfortunate but due to a variety of good reasons that so many are retiring at one time.

Burnside is renowned for being an excellent club, for having amazing volunteers to take on all sorts of tasks, encouraging all members to be part of the team, building friendships and playing lawn bowls to the best of their ability.

How can you help and what role can you take on to support the functioning of the club? What are your strengths? Interests? Nomination forms will be available from the club foyer next week, and all the various roles are listed in the front of our Programme Book.

Bowls NZ Intercentre

Thursday 22 March to Sunday 25 March

There are still vacancies on the Bar Roster – please advise Alan Bryce when you are available.

Thanks to the 20 members who have volunteered to Mark the Singles matches.

I require **6 Scoreboard Flippers for the Finals** which will commence at 11.15am on Sunday - Dress is whites or club tracksuit. Contact Bill on 0226973560.

Australia New Zealand Railway Institute tournament

Thanks to all members who in some way assisted in running this tournament. The Officials and players were generous with their praise of the greens, facilities and the members efforts.

The Bar turnover received a mammoth boost.

Your contribution to the Clubs success in hosting the event is greatly appreciated

Match Committee Report

The finals stages of the men's pairs, triples and fours are unfolding. The first final of these events will be this Saturday afternoon when the Championship Fours final will be played starting at 1.30pm.

Ross Bell's team will take on Murray Croy's team to decide our 2018 Champion. Your share of the luck to you all. Enjoy your match

Correction

Apologies for publishing the incorrect dates for upcoming Champion of Champions events in last week's Hotline. Correct dates are -, Triples Saturday 7 April, Fours Sunday 8 April, Pairs Saturday 14 April. Kevin and yours truly will make a walk to the pipe next time at the club.

Blind Bowls

All are invited to join in a half day Blind Bowls event on the morning of Good Friday 30 March. We plan to have a fun mini tournament. Maybe you want to better understand how to direct visually impaired folk playing bowls or just want to take part in the tournament. A list will be placed on the board in the next 24 hours. Please join us for a fun event that will run from 10am-1pm.

From the Editors Desk

“A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work.” – Colin Powell (US Secretary of State 2001 – 2005)

This quote is very true in the case of 2018 NZ Paralympian Adam Hall who won Gold and Bronze at Pyeong Chang, South Korea. Adam was also awarded the Whang Yeon Dai Achievement Award which is presented to one male and one female chosen as the athletes that best exemplify the spirit of the Paralympic Games and the Paralympic values.

Adam is the grandson of the late Alec Paterson, a member of Burnside in the 80s and 90's.

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