

Hot Line Number 68 - 8 November 2018

Talofa from Samoa

Good morning. A big apology for the late delivery of your Hot Line but due to Wi-Fi frustrations here in Samoa I have not been able to get this edition to you any earlier. Still it is worth the wait with a bumper edition. I have been in Samoa for the past 4 days in my role as Lawn Bowls Technical Delegate for next July's Pacific Games. My task has been to view the Greens in company with Glen as well as discussions with Games management in regard to logistics, accommodation, catering and other matters needed for a successful Games.

Sponsors

As part of the Sponsorship package that John Phillips (Bayleys) has with the club is a donation of \$1000 to the Club for the successful sale of a member's house and also for any successful referral of a neighbour, friends or other family members house sale.

Last Saturday John Phillips presented a \$1000 voucher to President Philippa Johnston following the sale of Don Lyall's home. This payment represents a "win, win and win" result for Don, John and our Club.

Thanks John.

Bowls Canterbury news

Bowls Canterbury are hosting the National Under 23 Singles (previously Under 21 Kittyhawk Singles).

The event is endorsed by Bowls New Zealand and means a New Zealand title will be up for grabs! The event has been scheduled in our Playing Programme on Saturday 30 March to Sunday 31 March 2019.

This date does clash with the Champion of Champions Under 8's Singles. To ensure players are not disadvantaged and have to choose between these two events, we are rescheduling the C of C Under 8's Singles to Sunday 7 April 2019.

Duty Team

The Duty team for this Saturday morning is – David Crombie, Sandy Terrinoni, Tony Dell, Jack Trengrove, Don Thurlow, Brian Burney, Neil Anderson and Peter Bartosh.

Bar Duty

Monday	12 November 2018	Early	Mike Weeks
Monday	12 November 2018	Late	Mike Small (Shift Manager)
Friday	16 November 2018		Murray Croy
Saturday	17 November 2018		Peter Quinn

Bar News

By popular request, the Lounge Bar now has low alcohol Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Gris wines available.



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New Members

We have 2 new members, both 10 years old. Welcome to Daniel Seaward (John Church's Grandson), and Sam Foote. Please make Daniel and Sam most welcome.

Match Committee news

Entries close this Saturday (10 November) for:

- Men's Colts (1st + 2nd year) singles
- Men's Under 8s singles

Saturday 10 @ 1330pm is the 5th round of the Men's 4s. If BOTH teams have had either; 4 wins OR, have had more than 2 losses, then there is no requirement for the game to be played. If this is the case, please communicate with the other team. Note - if either team still wants to play, then please show good sportsmanship and play the round as scheduled in the programme.

Players not playing the 5th round of fours may like to make use of the afternoon to play club singles or pairs. The Match committee thanks all those who have played their games by the due dates.

Stop Press

Put the date for our **Club Christmas dinner** in your diary - **1 December, Happy Hour 5.30pm**. Tickets for the catered dinner will be \$40 pp. More details to follow.

Etiquette and the game of bowls

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Older members of our current bowls clubs will often speak about bowls etiquette and a part of any induction for any new bowlers was to learn about etiquette as well as the laws of the sport.

So, what is bowls etiquette? According to J. P. Munro, a well-known lawn bowls historian. "It is those little acts that help make our game such a wonderful creator of sociability and friendship."

Friendly and sporting acts towards your teammates and your opponents should be appreciated and reciprocated. We should all approach our bowls with enthusiasm, friendliness, good company and tolerance.

Etiquette is relevant to attire, politeness and general behaviour and adds to the feel of the game.

Tips for good etiquette:

- Be punctual and always welcome visitors.
- Be polite and friendly to your opponents including not using offensive language.
- Introduce each other at the start of play.
- Respect the laws of the game and the role of the umpire.
- Do nothing to distract the bowler on the mat and make sure you are not standing in front of the view of the boundary pegs.
- Do not move at either end of the rink where it may distract the player on the mat.
- Watch your bowl until it stops and learn from the shot.
- Concentrate on the game and the state of play.
- Commend your teammates, and your opponents, when they play a good shot.
- Admit a fluke shot when you play one and remember it when your opponent gets one later in the game. Team members should not clap a "lucky" bowl - remember it's a poor bowl with a great result.
- Remain behind the mat and within the confines of the rink and walk up the green, after the player has left the mat and in a direction that allows the player to see the path of their bowl.
- Excuses for bad play should not be blamed on the condition of the green, wind or other weather conditions. These conditions are the same for all players.
- Keep silent while others are delivering their bowls and remain outside their gaze.
- Mobile phones (unless for emergencies) should be in your bowls bag turned off or on silent.
- If music is playing it should not impact on how the game is progressing.
- Not leaving the green and your opponent to have a cigarette.
- Offer refreshments at the end of your game.
- Remember that you get out of the game what you are prepared to put into it.

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Blind Nationals

We remain short of markers for Monday 26 November and Tuesday 27 November for the NZ Blind National Championships. The slow response has been a little surprising given the usual culture of the "Burnside" way. It has been suggested that some folk may be uncertain about the role when marking for visually impaired people. Rest assured it is no different than marking for any sighted players! Every visually impaired player will have a director or guide working with them and so all the marker hasn't to do is all of the usual duties. The director looks after the player. Please step up and offer your services for even half a day. Place your names on the lists on the board in the men's match committee room or phone Kevin Smith on 0223121632 to offer your services. Many thanks.

Fly Fishing night

Tuesday 4 December 2018

Bowlers show Fishers how to play bowls then Fishers show Bowlers how to fish
The Fishers will put on a BBQ at NO charge to Burnside members. The only expense is for drinks.
Please put your name on lists in Match Room if you wish to attend (Male or Female) to assist catering.

From the Editors Desk – (Apia, Samoa)

Here is another in the series – "Getting to know your Executive – Don Lyall"



Family - Met a Christchurch girl called Jill in London whom I married 45 years ago. We returned to Christchurch where I worked as a Patent Agent before becoming a teacher at both Boys' High and Girls' High. We have two daughters and two grandchildren all living in the South Island.

Bowls- My family home in the north of Scotland was next to the village bowling green and we played the odd game every summer. Have achieved very little, especially on the green. Enjoyed being "rubbish man" for the various World events (with the help of my grandson on occasion).



Books - I try to keep 3 or 4 books on the go at any time and replace them every fortnight at the library. Always non-fiction. I try to exhaust a topic by reading everything remotely relevant. Recent topics include quantum mechanics, evolution and Himalayan mountaineering. "Only two for Everest" was a fascinating, and alternative, insight into NZ's contribution to the exploration of the Himalayas.

Dinner Guests - They say you should avoid religion, sex and politics but silence would be boring so: God and Mohammad and Stephen Fry to explain why God didn't turn up. Darwin to explain the relevance of sex to evolution, Rosalind Franklin to explain to Darwin how it works and Marie Curie to balance the Biology with a good dollop of Physics.

Bucket List – I have been to Africa, Asia, Arctic, Antarctic, Europe, North and South America. Seen the fossil beds of the Cambrian and the dinosaurs' and toured the large Hadron Collider at CERN so I've covered the ends of the Earth and the range of the age of life so what's left? Always fancied free-fall parachuting but not tandem, maybe in a couple of years.

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