Hot Line Number 117 - 21 November 2019

Blind Bowls Nationals

The last week in November is going to be an exciting time for two Burnside members -Tom Boyd and Deane Robertson. With the support of Pub Charity and their directors, Chris Iggo and Kevin Smith, they will be attending the annual New Zealand Blind Bowling Championships in Hamilton from Monday 25th.

They will play singles and pairs. Deane will be trying to achieve the three peat by winning the B2 singles for the third year in a row. There is a new challenge for Deane this year because unfortunately Tom's vision has declined over the year and he has shifted from the B4 to the B2 division. This will find Tom and Deane competing against each other. Both players have been practicing hard for this event with Deane currently in Wagga Wagga, NSW with Kevin, getting some practice and Tom preparing himself on the Burnside greens. It should be a fun time for all.

Bibs & Bobs

Saturday Afternoon Bowls Organised Roll Up - Saturday, 23 November starting at 1-30 pm

Format will depend on numbers, dress is mufti, the event is mixed, entry fee is \$3 per person if numbers warrant prizes. Enter on the Club website or on the entry sheets in the match rooms by 5-00 pm Friday. Please register at the office window on the day by 1-15 pm.

It was great to see so many new members among the 46 players who turned out last Saturday so if you are not involved in afternoon inter club or the Men's Championship Fours then the Organised Roll Up is for you!

Match Committee

Thank you to all those who have played their club singles and pairs. Charts are updated on the website weekly. If your name is highlighted yellow on the website, this means your match is classed as behind schedule and needs to be played ASAP to avoid being eliminated from the competition.

A huge thankyou to the men's colt singles who are the only men's discipline to play all their games by the due date.

With the Cancellation of the Canterbury 5s tournament on December 13th,14th,15th, we have been looking at how best to utilize this weekend for club championships.

The thoughts are that we would like to play the following finals on Saturday 14th subject to player availability.

- Men's club 4s Final
- Mixed pairs semi and final

We would also like to give the rest of the men the option to play a game and due to a clash later in the bowling calendar, the proposal is to play the first round of the men's Handicap Pairs. Handicap



















pairs is a drawn event and played on weekend dates this year. your handicap ranking is posted in the men's match room. Everyone is encouraged to enter. Look out for the entry form which will be posted on the men's match room wall later this week. Entries will close December 8th.

The schedule will be such that you can play in the handicap pairs even if playing in one of the above finals. The handicap pairs will also accommodate the under 5s interclub play offs if it involves Burnside players, meaning you can still enter even if you are involved in the interclub.

Sunday 15th will be reserved for anyone needing to catch up on any other club champs that are behind schedule or playing ahead if heading away for the holidays.

Umpire's Corner

Due to space limitations Umpire's Corner is taking a rest this week

Selector's Corner

Selector Vacancy - Mid-Week Teams

The Men's selectors are seeking someone to fill the role of the 'Mid-week Selector'.

This position would suit a retired person and one who enjoys playing in the mid-week competitions. This person would meet with the men's selectors on a Monday (or as required) where assistance in procedures will be available. The commencement date will be 1 December in time to select the teams for the post-Christmas competitions. The remuneration is non-existent.

All applicants will be considered and no previous experience is required.

Any questions that you may have may be asked of or directed to Mike Small 027 6712213.

Post-Christmas Interclub availability

Sheets are up in both match rooms for members to mark their availability for Post-Christmas Interclub competitions. You will have until Saturday 30 November to place your name on the list.

Bar Duty

Monday 25 November 4.00 to 6.00 pm - Jack O'Dea Friday 29 November 4.00 to 6.00 pm - Alistair Salt Saturday 30 November 4.00 to 6.00 pm - Lyn Haworth

Duty Team

The Duty Team for Saturday 23^{rd} November is Burnside $3 - 2 \times 4s$ teams skipped by Keith McFarlane and David Crombie.

Lost & Found

I have found a pair of black rimless classes was in my car, the brand is Veithdia. Contact Ross Bell.

Green Superintendent news

The Green Keeper is in sole control of how the green are set up i.e. Direction and number of rinks available for use. Members are not to make their own judgement in changing these setups. They are made for a reason – number of scheduled games to be played (more later) and / or protecting an area of green le. No play. To have the correct number of rinks and placement the Green keeper relies on number of Interclub games and number of championships games to be played on any day and time. This latter information comes from the whiteboard just inside the gate WHERE ALL INDIVIDUAL MATCHES ARE TO BE NOTED. This system is not being used as it should be and members are requested to abide by the rules and provide the Greenkeeper via the whiteboard the event, competitors, date and time e.g. Fowlie vs Smith, Colts Singles, 23 November 2pm. This will ensure that on the day the Greenkeeper will prepare green/s, assign a rink and write it next to your details. Too many matches lately are not being recorded and members are just rocking up looking for any spare rinks. For newer members who are unsure how the system works then please ask a senior club member to give you some guidance. Your cooperation is requested.