

President's Forum

Thanks to Christchurch City Council, the trees between the pavilion and the park were trimmed this morning, and the grass around the carpark has also recently been cut to keep the area looking safe and tidy

Busy days and nights at the club – We have a steady stream of corporate visitors or groups of people coming along to play bowls and enjoy our facilities. They are so appreciative of the Burnside members who are making sure they have a great time; the visitors are helping support our club with the \$'s they spend. Last Friday, just one day, was a particularly busy, but we gained almost \$3000 for our efforts. We have some great organisers and wonderful volunteers – many thanks to everyone for their support.

Christmas Dinner at Burnside on Saturday 19 December from 6pm – 49 bookings noted to date. If you have not got your tickets yet (\$40pp), please let Brenda know final numbers by this Saturday evening. Phone: 351 2638 or 0274855622

Masterclass with Jo & Val on Thursday 14th January, \$45 for a 'session' and lunch - This would be a lovely Christmas gift for someone when you cannot think of something to buy! Tickets available from either Brenda or Alan Bryce.

Bar matters

We are looking for a Barman/woman for this Saturday night, the 12 December. This is a paid position, from 6.30 – 11.30pm. If you are interested, please get in touch with Derry Johnston - Phone or text 027 221 9205

The roster for next week is as follows.

Monday 14 December 4.00 to 6.00 pm - Selwyn Manning (also Shift Manager for the week)
Friday 18 December 4.00 to 6.30 pm - Kevin O'Malley
Saturday 19 December 4.00 to 6.30 pm - Richard Mitchell and Kevin Gore

Please note, there is a new Harringtons Pilsner on tap replacing the Triple Hop Pilsner. The price of this is \$14 per jug and \$7 per handle. All other prices remain unchanged. There are new keys (close to the other tap beer keys) on the till for ringing up sales of this beer.

Centre Triples

Richard Hocking (S), Barry Williams and Mike Small played at Belfast on Sunday and are through to the Final against Kerry Becks from Rangiora to be played on Finals weekend. – Congratulations!

The 3 teams of women skipped by Kirsten Rowe, Tracy Fickling and Tayla Bruce played well in Post section games but did not proceed to the Finals,



John Phillips

Harcourts GRENADIER



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Selectorial matters

As Christmas approaches some of the inter club competitions have concluded last Saturday. These include division 1 and 2 of Men's 3x4's and division 1 of men's 2x4's. Therefore Burnside 3 of 3x4's and team 2, 3 and 4 of 2x4's have two more weeks to complete their competition. Women's division 1 and 2 of 2x4's pennants have also completed, and Burnside 3 still have two weeks remaining. Mid-week inter club for all concluded this week with their final round and under 5's pairs finished last Thursday.

A number of teams have achieved success whilst others are at the top or close to it with the remaining two games to be played. All team results may be viewed from Bowls Canterbury website under events and results. At this stage Burnside 1 of the men's 3x4's will play their final on Finals weekend. All team results may be checked on www.bowlscanterbury.co.nz/events/results

This coming weekend we have 6 teams of Sevens playing across women's, men's and under 5's. The top two teams from each section will play again on Sunday. We wish all teams the best. And finally, a reminder that names are required on the lists in the match rooms for all inter club after Christmas. You need to enter your name by 5 January so that the selectors can enter the teams for the New Year. We hope you have a very merry Christmas and keep rubbing the chalk from your bowls.

Mike Small – Convenor of Selectors

Sevens

The Club urgently needs Markers to officiate at this weekend's Sevens. Thanks to you who have volunteered but we need more -

Saturday – We require 4 Markers for each round as follows-

9am – Brenda Turner, Robin Howman – **TWO SLOTS STILL TO FILL**

12.45pm – Mike Sykes, Robin Howman – **TWO SLOTS STILL TO FILL**

3.45pm – Robin Howman – **THREE SLOTS STILL TO FILL**

Markers will need to be available 20 minutes prior to start times.

Sunday – Slots have been filled thanks to -

Mike Sykes, Robin Howman, Clare Churcher and Neville Churcher with John Reese in reserve.

With just a few days remaining I ask any available markers for Saturday to contact me URGENTLY PLEASE on my cellphone – **021 069 2625** or email david.conroy1944@gmail.com

DO NOT call my home number – I am not there at the moment.

Many thanks in advance,

David Conroy

Ken's section

Saturday Afternoon Bowls – 12 December 2020 Festival Bowls starting at 1-30 pm; Please register by 1-15 pm; Dress code – Club uniform; mixed; format depends on final numbers. Entry fee \$3.00 per person for prizes. Enter on the entry sheets in the match rooms or on the website. Entries close on Friday at 5-00 pm. Entries so far are pleasing but at present there are at least 5 vacancies. Late entries (after 5-00 pm on Friday) will be accepted only if there are still vacancies. Forecast looks good.....

Any queries or late entries please contact Ken Wilson-Pyne 3582457

Don't forget to enter for next Saturday's (19 December) the AJ (van Hasselt) & Ken (Reid) Christmas Special starting at 1-00 pm. Entry sheets are in the match rooms or enter on the Club's website. Prizes galore and a good time guaranteed. There will not be a money scramble.....

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Umpire's corner

Question (xxxxvi)

Team 'B' delivers a bowl which comes to rest very close to the side boundary of the rink. Both skips examine it and agree that it is in play. Later, when declaring the head, skip 'A' concedes three shots – stating that the bowl which was examined by the skips now looks to be out of play (it had not been moved since it was examined). Skip 'B' claims four shots – including the disputed bowl. What should happen?

Answer

The skips should decide if the bowl in question is dead or not. If it is NOT dead, it can be measured for 4th shot.

Question (xxxxvii)

Skip 'A' declares their intention not to play their last bowl and the directors start measuring. Skip 'A' then rolls his bowl towards the front ditch. What should happen if that bowl should roll into and disturb the head whilst the directors are still measuring?

Match Committee

A number of the Men's club champs are falling behind schedule. The following games need to be completed or have the games at least scheduled on the white board at the front gate by Wednesday 16th December to avoid being scratched from their respective competition;

Men's Pairs;

Ross Bell vs Peter Doell

Grant Ellis vs Mike Brereton

Cam Bailey vs Neil Cornelius

Kevin Rowe vs Cameron Wood

Mark Hawthorne vs Hamish Wilson

Men's Singles;

Peter Quinn vs Bruce Wakefield

Men's under 5s Singles

Wayne Huddy vs Kevin Mckay

We ask that everyone be proactive in getting their games played by the due date stated on the charts.

Regards

Match Committee

From the Editor's desk

My quote of the week is particularly apt this week in light of the report on the Mosque terror attacks and the anniversary of the Whakaari / White Island eruption.

"It has been said, 'time heals all wounds.' I do not agree. The wounds remain. In time, the mind, protecting its sanity, covers them with scar tissue and the pain lessens, but it is never gone."

Rose Kennedy – Mother of President John Kennedy

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