

## President's podium

**Green Keeper update - Glen Miller** has accepted the green keeping position at Stoke Bowling Club in Nelson, Glen will be with us until the end of the season, 24<sup>th</sup> April.

The Executive are pleased for Glen in that he has found a role that will fit his lifestyle, and to know that he is excited about the new challenges ahead. We will miss Glen when he leaves as he has been an excellent green keeper for Burnside, often going above and beyond to make our greens the best possible, and to have rinks available for our members. Glen has our support and best wishes.

We have a small committee overseeing expressions of interest/applications from potential green keepers who are interested in our Burnside role, and we will let you know when there is any appointment.

**Centre Sevens** – We had 5 Burnside teams playing in Post Section during the past weekend. And congratulations to the Burnside U5's Sevens Team, managed by Cameron Wood who defeated the Halswell team to win the trophy. The team members were:

**Singles:** Matt Small

**Pairs:** Tracy Wilkinson, Jude Main

**Fours:** Ang Mitchell, Brian Southern, Brad Sinclair, Les Fickling

Thank you to all those who marked games for the Sevens singles matches at Burnside on Saturday and Sunday with special thanks to Mike Sykes and Robin Howman for their exceptional effort. Robin marked every session throughout the weekend!

We appreciate all who helped with this event, preparing greens, looking after the tea/coffee, tidying up, and David Conroy for organising markers and umpires, and Robert Clark for umpiring support.

**Centre Pairs this weekend** 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> December – Best wishes to the 7x women's teams and the 4x men's teams who will be playing in various locations on Saturday and Sunday

**The Christmas Dinner Party this coming Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> December.** We are looking forward to having a great night, tasty food in the company of friends – 55 tickets are booked, starting from 6pm.

**Masterclass Tickets** for a session with Jo Edwards and Val Smith on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January – there are only 5 tickets left, so if you want one (or two), please let Alan Bryce or Brenda Turner know quickly.

**Busy at Burnside** – It has been a hectic few weeks for many people with events and corporate functions. The financial benefits have been great for the Club, but the work load on some has been heavy at times. In the New Year, we will have a look at how we run the Corporate events to make sure we are not overloading anyone. Thank you again to all who have been involved in the major fundraising effort and/or bowling events. You have been amazing!



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## AJ's and Ken's magical event



### AJ and Kens Festival Bowls Christmas Special

The field has been limited to the first 100 for this special event.

Various bowling challenges continue to be the order of the event.

Plus there is more... for your \$5 entry fee you get free entry into the photo contest.

The prizes for this fun part of the day are \$20 and \$10 meat vouchers.

Play starts at 1:00pm but get there early to have a go at the photo contest.

Many of the prizes have been donated and there is plenty go around.

There is also a great prize for the best Christmas dress so get creative.

Please get your name on the list by Friday lunchtime ... or earlier.

Don't miss out on this fun event... the last one for this year.

## 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 23rd December to avoid being scratched from their respective competition;

Men's Pairs;

Vincent Chia vs Ross Bell

Kevin Rowe vs John Switalla

Neil Cornelius vs Geoff Clarke

Mike Small vs Peter Doell

Men's Singles;

Les Fickling vs Mike Brereton

Brian Southern vs Bruce Wakefield

Richard Hocking vs Mark Hawthorne

Brad Sinclair vs Ross Bell

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

## Umpire's Corner

### 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?

### Answer

Any bowls subsequently displaced should be replaced by the opposing skip.

### Question (xxxxviii)

Can a player change bowls after trial ends?

## From the Editor's desk

**Dedicated to our green keeper** – "Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it." – Lou Holtz

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