

## President's Podium

### Grenadier Stewart Buttar Burnside Pairs

It was a very busy few days, but what an event! There were 96 bowlers from 46 clubs with many title holders of local, national or world events among the field.

The Masterclass held on Thursday, run by Jo Edwards and Val Smith was limited to 20 ticket holders who absorbed information that will help them with their own game of bowls. Jo and Val were happy to share tips on how to cope with various periods of the game, and also practice skills. It was a great opportunity to learn from world class bowlers and enjoy lunch together.

The tournament ran well and by Sunday we were enjoying watching semi-finals and finals with several pairs teams on Orchard Green wearing our Burnside uniform! We are proud of our Burnside teams who played well throughout the weekend.

Jo and Val reached Division 1 for the first time in 6 years of playing in the tournament. A sudden downpour of rain interrupted the final but quick work from green keeper Glen and the helpers meant play was able to resume. Congratulations to Isaac Denny (Burnside) and Matt Gallop who outplayed Jo Edwards and Val Smith to win the final.

This was Isaac's second success at the tournament together with a runner up finish a couple of seasons ago. So many people played a helpful part organising, preparing, and performing tasks during the event – thank you everyone. You all know who you are and to start naming individuals means we would surely miss someone. We have had great feedback and messages of appreciation from many participants and spectators.

You can still watch four of the games that were live streamed by opening our Burnside website, and clicking on the highlighted links.

## Centre / National News

**Centre Finals** – Burnside are hosting this event for Bowls Canterbury 30-31 January – many Burnside members will be playing in semi-finals and finals.

**Senior Northern Quadrangular Tournament 6-7 February** – run by Bowls Canterbury at Burnside. There will be 4 women's teams and 5 men's teams representing Centres from the South Island.

**National Interclub Sevens Tournament 15-18 April** – run by Bowls NZ – 27 Centres likely to be involved.

**Clubs NZ Men's National Outdoor Bowls Tournament 8-11 Feb** – (note our Burnside Monthly Wednesday Triples tournament will take place as planned).

Bowls **Canterbury Newsletter** – a very full and informative newsletter is available on their website at – [www.bowlscanterbury.co.nz](http://www.bowlscanterbury.co.nz)

## Bar Duty

The roster for next week is as follows.

Monday 25 January	4.00 to 6.00 pm	Ken Wilson-Pyne (also Shift Manager for the week)
Friday 29 January	4.00 to 6.30 pm -	Barry Williams
Saturday 30 January	4.00 to 6.30 pm -	Neville and Clare Churcher



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## Selectors

**Interclub** - Events gets under way on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> with the under 5's triples. Burnside has 3 teams in this comp with one section being hosted this week by Mike Strange, John Sugden and Mitch Kerr. Watson Shield is underway this Saturday with two teams and the remainder of competition starts in earnest from Monday. All other Saturday events will get under way on February 6. Check the website and / or match rooms for details. Have a successful competition everyone.

**Under 60's Monday Sevens** - Our Club has entries from just 21 players who wish to compete in the Centre's Over 60 Sevens Competition. We have entered 3 teams in this singles pair & four competition, but as you can imagine, we are concerned that we have no 'back-up' should anyone be unable to front on competition day. Ideally, we would like 4 or 5 more names, men or women, to indicate their availability for this Monday morning competition which commences on February 1 and concludes 7 rounds later on March 22. If you are available to play or be a reserve, even occasionally, please contact Barry Bunting on 021895063 or at the Club no later than 5pm on Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January. Thanks

## Match Committee

Men's club Triples entries close this Sunday 24th January.

Men's handicap Singles and Pairs plus Morrison Cup entries are extended to Friday 22nd January. The following Men's Pairs games need to have their games scheduled by Wednesday 27th January or will be scratched.

Cam Bailey vs Ross Bell

Geoff Clarke vs Peter Dell

Please, please, please. play your games when they fall due. The matches and teams currently facing the red pen are in excess of a month past the played by date. The match committee does not enjoy scratching teams but does so in order to keep the competitions moving towards their conclusion so that the winner can play in the champion of champion event.

## Umpire's Corner

### Question (XLVIII)

Can a player change bowls after trial ends?

### Answer

Yes. (So long as the replacement bowls pass inspection by the umpire)

### Question (XLIX)

A knockout game is drawn after the scheduled number of ends have been completed.

From which end of the green should the extra end be played?

Who delivers the jack?

If the extra end is tied (e.g., two bowls touching the jack – no live bowls left on the rink) what happens?

## From the Editor's Desk



A big thank you for all the "Get Well" messages. Feeling somewhat better than this time last week. More tests next week after which I hope we have a handle on the issue. I also thank those of you as an "extra" carried on my Burnside Pairs duties after I withdrew my services at the last moment.

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