

President's Podium

Firstly, a huge thank you to all who have been working so hard over the last few weeks, preparing greens, the pavilion, umpiring, marking, looking after players with food and drinks, and cleaning up afterwards – it has been a wonderful effort, and much appreciated.

We enjoyed watching the Quadrangular Tournament bowls last weekend with bowlers from Dunedin, Marlborough, Nelson, South Canterbury, and Canterbury. It was an opportunity to watch the high level of bowling skill and meet up with many bowlers who have visited Burnside for other tournaments, or have been seen on TV Bowls3Fives, or have played for NZ. We are very proud of our Burnside members who bowled consistently well as part of the Canterbury team.

This week, we have had bowlers from the National Chartered Clubs Men's Fours Tournament at Burnside over 4 days. Coming from many parts of NZ, they have enjoyed playing at Burnside, and helped our bar takings considerably. It has been a busy time at the club and all who have been helping our visitors during this week will be looking forward to a little respite.

Our visitors have been very complimentary about the friendliness of our members, the greens, facilities, and the smooth running of the events.

Town v Country Development Team

Congratulations to Ang Mitchell, Tracy Fickling, Lyn Martin, and Matt Small who are part of the Town team to play at Darfield on Sunday 14 February.

Housekeeping

Please consider which receptacle you put your rubbish into – just like at home, anything going in the yellow bin for recycling should be clean, and any cardboard boxes broken down. Each week someone has had to sift through all our Burnside rubbish to sort it out and put it in the appropriate bin. I know we can do much better with a little thought. We do not want to have our bins rejected!

Welcome to our new members this season. As of this week, we have 250 members at Burnside, (the highest number for many years), with 215 of the 250 are playing members!

Bar Roster

The roster for next week is as follows -

Monday 15 February	4.00 to 6.00 pm	Pat Bonham (also Shift Manager for the week)
Friday 19 February	4.00 to 6.30 pm	Bruce Wakefield
Saturday 20 February	4.00 to 6.30 pm -	John Switalla and Kevin Rowe

Bike Racks

Attention cyclists: The executive is looking at getting new bike stands to accommodate the increasing number of members traveling by bike. One option is to put loop stands in one of the official's car parks by the Laing green. If you have any thoughts or suggestions, please get in touch with Clare at c.d.churcher@gmail.com



John Phillips

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Match Committee

Men's Club Fours Final this Saturday 13th @1330.

Kevin Gore	Ross Bell	Rodney Kearney	Brad Sinclair
versus			
Neil Cornelius	Eric Jarvis	Vincent Chia	Mike Weeks



Men's Triples first round gets underway on Saturday 13th @1330. For the teams that are unable to play Saturday due to the club fours final, we suggest the use of Sunday to get this round completed.

The Men's Fours Plate Final has been deferred to a later date and the Mixed pairs semifinal is now to be played by own arrangement due to other clashes, the mixed pairs final will be played on one of the club finals days.

Entries are still open for the under 8 mixed 2x4x2 drawn pairs. Entries close 21st February.

Club championships are getting down to the pointy end of the competition. Some good semifinal match ups taking place in the next couple of weeks.

Ken's Section

Saturday Afternoon Bowls 13 February - Organised Roll Up starting at 1-30 pm

With the U5 Fours playing a double header on Saturday i.e., playing inter-club in both the morning and afternoon, Manning Cup, Women's 8's and some Championship play offs the field for the Organised Roll Up may be smaller this week. Entries close on Friday at 5-00 pm and no matter how many players, there will be an organised game available for those who enter. Any queries please contact Ken Wilson-Pyne 3582457.

Umpire's Corner

Succession Planning – Umpires

A club of Burnside's calibre really should be self-sufficient in umpiring availability. Taranaki has recently qualified a 16-year-old as a Level 1 umpire, but this is the exception rather than the rule. Most umpires tend to be nearer the other end of the age range and, regrettably, subject to anno-dominitis.

I urge some of our younger bowlers to consider taking the umpire's course. You will learn so much more about the game and probably improve your game as a result.

Failing that, maybe we could persuade Bowls Canterbury to run a course on measuring so that bowlers could qualify as accredited measurers. They could pair up with a well-qualified, yet less agile, 'seasoned' umpire for law issues.

Talk to me or Robert Clark if you are interested in giving a little back to the sport.

David Conroy

Question (L)

An end is declared dead. Skip 'A' wants to replay in the opposite direction but skip 'B' objects. What should happen?

Answer

The end should be replayed in the same direction because the skips are unable to agree to play in the opposite direction. (Law 20.2)

Question (LI)

A player, while in the process of measuring, moves the jack with the end of the measuring tape. What action should be taken?

What action should be taken if the umpire moves the jack in the above situation?

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