

THE TOUCHER



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From the President

Amazing to think that in a couple of weeks we have Closing Day, 30 April and as the summer season ends, the winter programme begins. Never ending!!

This year we have been nominated as the best club in "The Pak'n Save Kapiti Sportsperson Awards" and should know later in the week if we are one of the finalists - here's hoping! The presentation dinner will be at Southwards on the 2 May and unfortunately I will be in Christchurch with family. Lyndsay as Past President and Arnold will represent the club on our behalf. My apologies also for Club Closing Day. Sometimes we have to accept there is life outside bowls -.well even if we don't, our kids think so anyway!!

Claire, Lyndsay, Janet and I are off to the National Club finals in Hamilton Wednesday to try and qualify in the fours final on Thursday. On behalf of us all, a big thank you to everyone for the financial support that you have given us and also for all the good luck messages we are receiving. I hope we can do the club proud.

The Tigerturf tournament has again been confirmed for 10th July and this year we have been able to set the entry fee and it will only be \$60 - not \$90 as in the past. Prizes will be adjusted accordingly and your Executive felt that more people may enter at this reduced price. We are also looking at trying to find a co-sponsor for the day which should benefit the club greatly. Remember, 3 teams go to the Regional's at Lyall Bay on the 26th July - all expenses paid.

Good bowling for the winter season

Pat Taylor

General Items of interest from Executive Meeting held 16 March

Nomination of Bill Moffatt to become a life member and also Club Patron – Bill is being nominated for Life Membership at the AGM and was delighted to accept the proposal that he become Club Patron..

Nomination of Pat Taylor for re-election as Centre President – The Club is supporting Pat in her bid to once again stand for the role of Centre President.

Winter Bowls – The time for this is fast approaching so give it some thought if you wish to enter a team. Entry forms are with the organisers – Roger Matthews, David Bond and Ken Spencer.

Bar – Carol-Anne White is close to finishing her Bar Licence and will be working behind the bar shortly. The "Bar team" also welcomes Sara Searson to help out as a bar person. They also advise the resignations of Dave Kenchington and Keith Williamson from the bar volunteers.

Almoners – As both the men's and women's almoners have resigned the Club will be seeking volunteers to fill these very important positions at the AGM. If you think you would like to take on either of these roles, names can be put on the Nomination/Vacancy Board for the AGM,

Club Hire – Upcoming dates/times for hire of the clubhouse are

Probus, 19 April 4.00pm – 6.00pm

Placemakers, 19 May

Please be aware of these arrangements and avoid using the clubhouse on these dates if at all possible.

Club AGM – 18 June at 10.00am – this is an early reminder to keep this date free.

Centre News

Novice Singles – The Novice Singles has been played and our club has Ken Spencer is in the final which is being played at our club this Sunday – if you have some free time, please go along and show your support for Ken.

5 year and under Reps – Congratulations to Jane Bradbury who will lead for the triples in the Kapiti v Hutt Valley event on 1 May at Otaki **as well as** playing in the same position for the quadrangular event at Masterton on 7 May. Good luck for both occasions.

Champion of Champion Pairs – Our women's team of Lyndsay and Rosemary is drawn to play Levin Women's Club at Kapiti and the men (Ted and Brian Nicoll) are playing Otaki Railway at Kapiti on 23/24 April.

Champion of Champion Triples – This event is also being played at Kapiti on 28/29 May. Our teams are Claire, Pat and Janet – the men's team are Arnold and Chris and Bill Ward but the men will be unavailable for this event. The draw is not yet on the Centre website.

Club News

Coaches Report - Here we are nearly at the end of the season. Recently we've had Pat and Teri representing the Centre In Auckland and Gavin in the under eight's in the Hutt Valley.

Our latest and newest rep will be Jane Bradbury playing for the Centre in two tournaments in May. At the qualifying point in the Novice singles, we have 3 of our 5 bowlers through to the knockout stage. They are Jane, Ken and Kim. Well done to you.

It has also been satisfying to hear the positive comments coming from people outside the club. It is now time to wind down regular coaching sessions unless those involved wish to continue. One notice board will be set up for those who wish to have Winter coaching.

**Dennis Hawkings
for the Coaching Group.**

Club Captains' Report

While it seems not so long ago the season was starting here we are in the closing month.

Just about all competitions have been concluded after being generally very well supported. The men's handicap singles is nearly complete but the few games remaining need to be played soon.

The Dennis Hawkings inspired WHG tournament was a great success and the organisers are to be congratulated.

Winter bowls is now the focus and Roger Matthews, David Bond and Ken Spencer have taken charge. It is hoped this will be well supported by club skips and players. It is a great opportunity for budding 'skips' to try their hand and gain experience - it is a wonderful, if a little challenging, learning experience.

A blackboard is there for those that want to be included in a team to put their names on. Skips and prospective skips are encouraged to include these people in teams.

Roger and his team will need significant support on playing days and teams rostered for duty need to be punctual and diligent.

Club captains' player meetings will be scheduled shortly and agenda items should be advised to Sue or Ted. A competition review subcommittee is currently revising all club competitions so agenda items on this subject are probably not required. However any thoughts on how these could be improved would be welcomed by Sue and Ted. Club days have been well supported this year which is satisfying.

Ted

WHG Rotational mixed Triples Tournament – Saturday 2nd April

Although the day started with a little drizzle, the weather improved and the new tournament was an overall success. We had a full green of Kapiti Club players playing in this disc drawn event. The format worked well and it appeared from the comments heard, that the day was a fun and a relaxed event enjoyed by all.

We received very generous sponsorship from the Wellington Hospitality Group – who runs, with other venues in Wellington – The Woodshed at Kapiti Lights complex. They provided vouchers for all competitors and generous vouchers with a bottle of wine for prizes. Two of their staff cooked the barbeque meat and delicious salads were also provided by them. Bidvest donated the meats for the BBQ which was all extremely well-received by all the participants. Our thanks to both these companies for their generosity.

Raffles and entry fees have formed the basis for our new fund which will be used to provide support for representative players for Centre and National events.

Congratulations to the top 3 teams –

First: Chris Cobb, Brian Nicoll & Trudy Nicholson
Second: John Randle, Timeri Sanders & John Donovan
Third: Keith Williamson, Jean Bullement & Rob Nicholson

Thank you to all who assisted with the organisation both prior to and during the competition – after this year's success we plan that this will be an ongoing event.

**Please do support our major sponsor at:
The WOODSHED 17 Kapiti Lights, Paraparaumu [04-298-3955](tel:04-298-3955)**

Sue McFarlane

Winter Indoor Bowls -

The new season of indoor Bowls will be starting on Wednesday 4th May. Club days are Wednesday and Saturday. Discs should be in by 1.15pm. Edna will be pleased to welcome any new members who may wish to join.

Edna

Upcoming Centre and Club Competitions

C of C Pairs – men and women – 23 & 24 April

Closing Day – Johnny Simpson Cup – 30 April - names on board please

C of C Triples – men and women – 28/29 May