

Newsletter

Welcome to your August newsletter.

Introducing your committee for the upcoming year



Rob Webber, Lorraine Davies (Secretary), Jill Aitchison, Christine Lineham (President), Sue Belin (Vice-President), Jo Johnson, Val Tapp (Women's Match Convenor), Liz West (Treasurer), Bruno Barnetta (Men's Match Convenor)

Coaches and Selectors (photo to follow next month)

This year's Coaches: Sue Wightman, Mona Guttenbeil, Peter Joyce and Bruno Barnetta This year's Selectors: Keith Lineham, Bruno Barnetta, Mona Guttenbeil and Sue Wightman

What's your committee up to

Well, your committee is up and racing. Lots of enthusiasm and ideas being floated around. We've had 2 meetings already since our AGM on the 29th of June.

The Programme book is at the printers and all going well will be available to you on opening day. Major work has gone into the amendment of our Constitution with all the motions passed at our AGM however we still have a bit more work after sending this to Bowls Northland.

We have someone looking into the Centre certificates and Pennants and how these can be best displayed in our Club. The Mangawhai Club has paid us the second of our quarterly sponsorship money, thanks Mangawhai Club. Did you know if we bring in a business to advertise on the surrounding fences bowls gain ½ of that advertising for the year. If you have anyone interested, please contact Christine for more details. Match Convenors Val and Bruno are beavering away coming up with all the upcoming events which will be coming out to you monthly via email and a copy put on the board.

Minutes from committee meetings are made available on our website and a paper copy will be on our Bowls noticeboard in the Club (found on the wall on the way to the pool tables).

Housie

Every Friday our dedicated volunteers run Housie at the Club. This is one of our main fundraising initiatives and goes towards assisting with the cost of replacement and enhancements to the artificial bowling green. If you would like to come along and try it begins at 12pm until around 2.30pm. Raffles, food and refreshments available for purchase. Arrive before 12pm to get your seat as doors shut at 12 when the games begin.

If you have some free hours to volunteer we would love help in either the kitchen or learning the ropes in calling or managing the money. For more information contact Jill ph. 022 414 0073

Upcoming Events

These will be emailed to you at the end of each month with the upcoming month's activities on them. Thanks to our Match Conveners Val and Bruno.

Bowls Opening Day

The wait is over – Opening Day is finally here, and we couldn't be more excited to kick things off with you!

Date: Wednesday 3rd September

Report time: 10.00am Dress: Club shirt please

2 games before lunch – Drawn teams – Names on board week before

Official Opening: 12.30 – 1pm Followed by BBQ and get together

Bring your energy, your smiles, and your bowling spirit – we so look forward to seeing you there!

Thanks, Val and Bruno

Subscriptions

Subscriptions for the 2025/2026 season are \$100 for Full members and \$40 for Limited members. Payment can be made on opening day by eftpos (no credit card) or cash. You will also receive an email re subs prior to opening day where details of on-line payments will be given. Payment of subscriptions is required to receive the Bowling programme.

Something to watch

Our own Chris Gore and Lee Warburton are playing in the 2025 National Champion of Champions Men's Pairs. 8th – 10th August at Frankton Junction Bowling Club in Hamilton.

We wish them all the best!

Coverage of their 3rd game will be on Bowls TV if you wish to tune in.

The match will be streamed live on Friday August 8, 2.30pm - 5.00pm.

View at: YouTube - Live bowls streaming 2025 - National Champ of Champs pairs



Website

This is currently undergoing a changing of the guard – a massive thank-you to Allan Stebben for his YEARS of looking after the website. He is now handing over the reins to Jo Johnson and Eric Backhouse. Patience will be required as we learn what to do and I can just see the soles of Allan's feet as he runs off into the distance...

Buy, Sell, Give away

If anyone has any bowling related items they would like to buy, sell or give away please let us know and we will put it on here. Contact: thebowlingsecretary@gmail.com

Placemakers Deal for Bowlers

Bowls NZ has partnered with Placemakers to bring you an exclusive offer as bowlers.

When you **shop in-store** mention the code **BOWLNZ4** at checkout to unlock **exclusive member-only** pricing.

Welfare Officer

We care about you and our bowls community and know we all may have things going on at different times. We have been discussing how we could better care for one another whilst respecting people's privacy.

If you or anyone you know needs any help from volunteers in our Club please let us know and we can confidentially connect the right people. Contact: thebowlingsecretary@gmail.com

A Bowlers' language

- "Good weight" = lousy line
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- "She's surprisingly good" = you're surprised she ever makes a shot
- "I'd bowl with him any day" = he always buys the first round

Great bowling everyone!

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