

# INDOOR BOWLS NEWS

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## LION FOUNDATION SUPPORT CONTINUES

After an extremely successful event held in Wanganui recently the Lion Foundation has agreed to continue their sponsorship of the National Championships to be held in Nelson 7-14 June 2003. It is great to have their commitment so early and planning has already started to ensure that the event runs well. Make sure you don't miss out. Book now all types of accommodation by contacting Latitude Nelson, Ph 03-546 6228; Fax 03 436 9008 Freephone 0800 Nelson (635-766) or E-mail [info@Nelsonzoom](mailto:info@Nelsonzoom). For all other information contact Kay Forsythe, 35 Nikau Street, Stoke, Nelson. Telephone 03-547 7485

making his sixth appearance and Darryn Le Frantz (GB-Mot) his fifth. The youngest players in the field this year are two eleven years olds, Shane Moore (Poverty Bay) and Andrew McMillan (Roskill & Dist). Also included is Andrew Townsend (Buller) who has played in the Special Olympics twice and won two gold, one silver and one bronze medal. Good luck to them all.

## FATHER AND DAUGHTER DO WELL!

A family combination of John Dufty, current Northland representative player and his 12-year-old daughter Sarah, took the major spoils at the Northland Centre Singles Championships. John won the senior Singles Title from a field of 57 players from throughout the North. Sarah, who has been playing indoor bowls for the last 2½ years, played steady and consistent bowls to beat off 15 other junior contenders for the Junior Title and the right to represent Northland at the National final.

## THE PASSING OF NORTHLAND'S PATRON AND LIFE MEMBER

Members of the Northland IBC were recently saddened by the death of their Patron Alan McAdam who died recently. He was a prominent figure throughout the bowling halls of Northland and Auckland, having represented Northland many times between 1975 and 1995 and has been Patron of the Centre since 1996. Alan was the Northland President from 1981-87, served as both Selector and Coach of the Northland team for many years during the eighties and nineties. He was made a Life Member on the Northland Centre in 1994.

## SCORECARDS

Thank you again to the Lion Foundation for sponsoring another order of scorecards. These are provided free of charge to all affiliated clubs throughout New Zealand. Supplies should be available through your district secretary.

## NZ ACADEMY AND NZ MAORI TEAMS

Nomination forms for these teams have been sent to all districts and closing date for nomination is 30 August. The teams will be announced at the

conclusion of the Welch Trophy on 8 September. The NZ Academy team will play firstly against a team representing the Cook Island on 19 October in Auckland and the following day against the NZ Maori team in Hamilton. It is hoped that the Maori Queen Dame Te Atairangikaahu will be able to attend this inaugural fixture. It is an exciting time for the sport and event coordinator Greg Baxter is pursuing possibilities for further fixtures against other ethnic groups.

**MARKETING AND PROMOTIONS MANAGER**  
NZ Indoor Bowls has recently advertised this newly

created role as it seeks to further develop the initiatives that have been happening this year. More details can be obtained by contacting President Shane Cuthbert, 10/53 Mays Rd Auckland or e-mail: [nzib-shanecuthbert@xtra.co.nz](mailto:nzib-shanecuthbert@xtra.co.nz)

## INTERNET

Jock Jamieson who was responsible for setting up and maintaining the web-site has been delighted with the response and to date there have been over 3,200 hits. This will increase as more and more bowlers realise that the results of events are quickly available. Another interesting develop-

ment is the archive section, which includes all the results of National events since 1950. Publicity Officer, Delwyn Hughes has also written about the history of each event which makes interesting reading.

See for yourself- visit [www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz](http://www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz)

## SOUTHLAND WESTPACTRUST SCHOOLS COMPETITION

The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Secondary and Intermediate Schools Indoor Bowls Pairs competition was held at Invercargill last month. Unfortunately, due to the recent Secondary teachers dispute the school which normally had the greatest number of teams entered were absent due to the cancellation of most school sporting activities. However there was still an increased number of 42 teams from nine schools from throughout Southland competing. As the timing of the competition has to suit country school buses, the event starts at 9.30am and has to be concluded by 2pm. The teams play five 30 minute or 8 end games. Although the entry form states competition is for students who have gained a proficiency in this sport some bowlers had obviously not played before. How quickly though they adapted and with the help of numerous members to assist they were soon competing with the more seasoned indoor bowlers.

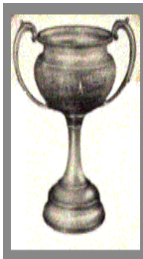
As well as a cup being awarded to the winning team there are also medals and spot prizes to make it a fun day for all.

## NORTH ISLAND TEAM WINNERS AGAIN

After a slow start the Dunlop Tyres North Island Team came back strongly to defeat the South Island 30 points to 18 at the Test match held in New Plymouth. A full report of the South Island's Tour throughout the North will be included next edition.

## WEBSITE:

[www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz](http://www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz)



## WELCH TROPHY

This premier inter-district competition will be held at the Roskill and Districts Hall 6-8 September. The shock failure of last year's Welch Trophy champions, Otago, to qualify has thrown the door wide open for the 2000 winners Manawatu. The Welch Trophy is held annually and is contested by the six districts that have won their Paterson Trophy round robin competitions. Only Manawatu and Canterbury have survived from last year's final. The other finalists are Auckland, Upper Hutt Valley, North Taranaki and Southland.

## NZ MIXED FOURS FINAL

Steve Mills, Gavin Eccles, Linda Mills and Noma Whitehead from the Mairangi Bay, North Shore won this title held recently in Napier. The competition involved eight teams, which had already won their district and zone finals.

The final game between North Shore and Otago decided the title. The game ended in a draw 7-7, which was sufficient to give North Shore the win with a total of 11 game points. Hutt Valley took out the runner up spot with 10 points with Otago finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> with nine game points.

## NZ JUNIOR SINGLES

An extremely talented field of 36 young bowlers have won their way through to play in the 25<sup>th</sup> national final to be held at the Barbar Hall, Palmerston North on Saturday 24 August. They include the defending title holder 13 year old Kyle Hinton, Central Otago, as well as last year's runner up Brandon Fuge, Hutt Valley. Hinton featured at the South Island championships this year finishing third equal in the triples with his grandparents Ken and Marj Hinton. Also in the field is Jason McAdam, Upper Hutt Valley, who won the Cliff Thompson Trophy at this year's Lion Foundation National Championships. Another competitor is Hayden Warnes (Nelson) who is the youngest player to have won a national championship title. He also finished third equal in the 1999 national championship pairs with his father Nigel. This is his third trip to the junior singles final. Anthony Mason (Bush Ruahine) is



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