

INDOOR BOWLS NEWS

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YOUNG BOWLERS PROGRESSING WELL

Good to see Bush Ruahine's Anthony Mason again achieving the distinction of representing the district at both the NZ Junior Singles and the Henselite Champion of Champions. South Canterbury's Ashley Diamond is another who will this year be attending both events. He has really come of age as a bowler this year and also played in the district's Paterson team. This is the first time that a junior has won the Henselite competition in South Canterbury. Good luck to them both in Nelson 23 August for the Junior event and Hamilton on 6 September for the Champion of Champions.

HAWKES BAY MASTERS GAMES

Hawkes Bay is this year introducing a Master Games (similar to Wanganui) to be held from Friday 24 October (HB Anniversary Day) until Sunday 26 October. In excess of thirty sports are participating including Indoor Bowls.

Depending on entries it is envisaged that the Indoor Bowls will be held in the Napier Assn Hall, Wakefield Street, Napier. The Singles will be held on the Friday, the Pairs Saturday and the Fours on the Sunday. All games will be of 8 ends with appropriate time limits. Gold medals will be presented to the winners, silver to the runners-up and bronze to all equal third placegetters. The age limit is 40plus. Evening entertainment will be held in the Hotel Bluewater Event Centre, Taradale. The admission is included in the registration and also all prizegiving will be held at the Event's Centre. Registration is \$20 per player plus \$5 for each Indoor Bowls event.

Entry forms can be obtained from the following:

Rod Fleming- phone 06 8352281 or email:

realest8@xtra.co.nz

HB Masters Games- phone 06-835-5505 or email:

hbmasters@xtra.co.nz or visit their web site

www.hbmg.co.nz for further information.

Entries close 30 September.

CAN ANYONE BEAT THIS?

Waikato's Murray Bryant has won his fourth gold bar for his gold star by winning his 25th Waikato Centre Title. In the Waikato only the Champion fours, triples and singles and the Champion of Champions fours, triple pairs and singles count towards a gold star. He has now won 45 Waikato events.

He also has a bar to his gold star for North Taranaki, which has been achieved at their Queens Birthday events.

At New Zealand level he has won the Henselite Champion of Champions singles and four national championship titles.

He also has 10 Welch Trophy titles and has represented the North Island. Murray who is 55 started playing bowls aged 12 and won his Waikato title, the champion of champion singles in 1968 aged 20 years.

NZ MIXED FOURS

Upper Hutt Valley's Patrick Hoult, Neil Semple, Lisa

Hoult and Sylvia Leck won the New Zealand Indoor Bowls Mixed Fours final at the Ngongotaha Community Hall, Rotorua recently.

Both Patrick Hoult and Semple are New Zealand representatives with Hoult being the current New Zealand captain. They together with Lisa Hoult won this event in 1996 and then they all combined with Sylvia Leck to win in 2000.

It was a closely fought round robin competition and in the final round Upper Hutt met North Taranaki. A win to Upper Hutt Valley meant the title and a win to North Taranaki would have meant a count back on ends. In this crucial game the score was 5 all after seven ends. Hoult had had to play some aggressive bowls to get his team out of trouble. A four on the eighth end was the break Upper Hutt needed to close out the match going on to win 10-8.

In this round Counties represented by Roger Andrew, Joyce Wilson, Brian McDonald and Shirley Ingram beat Ashburton 11-7 to secure second place.

INDOOR BOWLS GOES TO OTAGO UNIVERSITY

On Friday 25th through to Sunday the 27th July 20 students from the School of Physical Education at Otago University had Indoor Bowls Coaching from the Southern Regional Coach, Julie Dalley.

On the Friday evening 2 hours was spent going through the theory of the sport and showing them the coaching video and the video of the New Zealand v Australia game. Saturday and Sunday was spent at the Mornington School hall where all the theory was put into practice. Ian Roberts, an Otago umpire gave up his time to show the students how to measure and also ran through the Laws of the Game. On Sunday Alan Nicols, from Sport Otago spoke on how Sports Trust can help sport. NZ team member Grant l'Ami addressed the students on how he got into the game and what it is like to play for your country in Indoor Bowls. He then played some of the students in singles. The students then put into practice what they had learned by coaching some juniors who had come along. Special thanks to Jeanette Virtue of the Mornington Club and their members for all their help.

David Edgar

Executive Coaching Coordinator

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF AFFILIATION

Why do I have to pay that fee and what do I get out of it? This is a question that I am often asked so I thought for the newsletter I would give a break down of some of the benefits. This will give all Clubs the information they need to answer the question, which I am sure they are all, asked as well. Apart from belonging to a forward thinking National Sporting Organisation some of the additional advantages are; Everyone who is part of an affiliated Club has the ability to be part of our National coaching structure. We have four regional coaches around the country and many Club coaches who are up to speed in teaching people the skill of indoor bowls. Any affiliated member can take part in the National Championships, there is no pre qualifying criteria. There are also many other National events that all

members are eligible to play in. All National events are well run by the current executive team who are very experienced in this area. A person at Club level has the ability via a very clear structure and process to participate in the decision making process to the National level. Mats and Bowls can be purchased through the National office at reduced costs. Draw books are available from the National office for a small cost. All members have the opportunity to represent their Island and Country. We are also working towards The World Cup of Indoor Bowls in 2006. This newsletter is distributed to all Clubs seven times pe season and at no cost. Clubs and Districts have the opportunity to access an Insurance scheme at competitive rates. There are of course more, however there are other important items for this newsletter.

Most of all we are happy to help and get involved in local issues as we see fit. The current executive team is approachable. I can remember when I first started attending National Championships that the people in the Black jackets were the people that you couldn't talk to because they were far to important and busy. We are busy at National events however we always have time to talk, listen and help. After all it is you people who elect the National executive so we are accountable to you all.

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EVE RIMMER GAMES 2004

The biennial Eve Rimmer Games, a disability sport event, intended for athletes of all abilities from first timers to paralympians, will happen again 19.20.21 March 2004. It is a true multisport event with a range of individual and team sports on offer including indoor bowls.

Those requiring more information please contact Glenn Boyd at Sport Bay of Plyenty- 07 578 0016 ext 802 or email: glennb@sportbop.co.nz or everimmer-games@drct.co.nz

REGIONAL COACH WANTED

Due to the resignation of David Wadsworth the Regional Coach position to cover the top half of the South Island is available. If you are interested please contact David Edgar on 03-204 8227.



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