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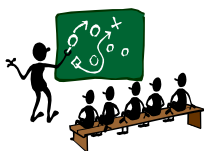
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FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK

It is hard to imagine that another month has gone by. At the start of June the Lion Foundation National Championships were held in Timaru which meant a 'full on' week for all the executive members. Much work is required to ensure the event runs well but it is very rewarding seeing great bowls being played and everyone enjoying themselves. History was created this year in the singles with Sue Burnand becoming the first woman to win the Singles title in the sport's 60-year history. Well done Sue, and our thoughts are with Grant Rayner who was runner up. Congratulations to all the other winners and also those who took the time to participate. The Island teams were announced and we look forward to the North Island team touring the South in August. To celebrate NZIB's National Championships Diamond Jubilee, a parade of Past Champions was held on Thursday afternoon. This was followed by the cutting of a cake to mark this historic occasion. Special mention has to be made about the workers from South Canterbury who did everything that was asked of them. As some of you may be aware, this is my last year as President with a new President being elected at the AGM in December. It is my intention to stand again for the executive and if successful continue for another two years before spending some time at home. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped in the last three years. It has been very enjoyable doing this job and I hope that we have improved the sport in some way. One of the things I like is the feedback I have received from writing this message. Till next month, take care, and if you have a problem with this sport, just drop me a email and we will do our best to sort it out. Contact: edgar-family@xtra.co.nz
David Edgar

GOOD SCHOOL COACHING BEING DELIVERED IN ASHBURTON



Following a successful 2008 School Coaching Programme, devised by the then NZIB coach, Michael Lawson, the Ashburton Association has had an outstanding response to a similar coaching series for the current season. A total of 7 schools are providing students for the two week schedule. Sessions last between 1 and 1 1/4 hours, with two schools

travelling to the host's stadium while the other schools are able to provide their own facilities on various days of the week. Close to 250 primary and intermediate age pupils are benefitting from the knowledge of 30 representative and enthusiastic bowlers, which also includes current South Island rep's Rosemary Bennett and Michael Lawson. Taking the coaching series to a successful conclusion will see the selection of 8 students from each school to play pairs, two games each day, of about half an hour's duration, on July 27th and August 10th and 24th.

COLLEGE SPORT EVENT IN WELLINGTON

80 secondary school students entered this popular event and not surprisingly the winner of the singles was new cap of the North Island team, Teri Anderson from Newlands College who beat Ashleigh Eden from Tawa College in the final. In the pairs final Luke Boyadjian and Alasdair Shariff from Aotea College beat Rachel Hoult and Grace Levien representing Sacred Heart. NZ team captain Grant Rayner presented the meals and addressed the bowlers which was appreciated by all. All districts are reminded that the NZ Secondary Schools event will be held 30-31 August and are urged to make sure they have entrants from their area. The inaugural event last year went very well and we will be hoping to build on that success. The current Government has shown a very definite focus on sport in schools and if NZIB wishes to receive government grants it must improve it's delivery in this crucial area. Both of these events are hosted by the North Wellington IBA who are extremely supportive of the promotion of the game to juniors.



DVD'S FOR SALE

Do you want copies of the TV coverage? There are 2 disks, a singles DVD and a pairs DVD, cost is \$30 each plus \$5.50 P&P. Send orders to rebecca@cuetv.co.nz and an invoice will be sent with the DVD for payment. Or alternatively, you can purchase using PayPal on Cue website. www.cuetv.co.nz click on the DVD link.

UMPIRES TIP OF THE MONTH

All umpires are encouraged to invest in some steel measures as the plastic ones are becoming outdated. The plastic measures arguably do not give an accurate enough measure when required at crucial times. Contact Viv Hudson at vivs.place@clear.net.nz if you wish to pursue.



LUCKY WINNERS DRAWN IN TIMARU FOR FREE ENTRY TO NEXT YEAR'S CHAMPIONSHIP IN TAUPO ARE:

Garry Flewitt	Otago	Bill Blissett	Waikato
Lillian Christini	Northland	Hughan Gould	Otago
Grant Simpson	Central Otago	Bevan Matthews	Canterbury
Russell Botting	South Canterbury	Jessie Moffat	Nth Wgton
Michael Lawson	Ashburton	Dennis Levers	Canterbury
Simon Poppleton	Tauranga	Pauline Gladding	Otago
Syd Parris South	Canterbury	Grant Harvey	Taranaki
Sue Richards	Ashburton	David Archer	Waikato

PLENTY OF INDOOR BOWLS ON TV

We have been receiving excellent feedback on the coverage from Timaru. If you missed it spread the word and enjoy the coverage on Cue TV Channel 23 on Freeview and Channel 110 on SKY Digital. Singles Semi Finals and Final (2.5hrs) will broadcast on Sat 18th July at 5.30pm and repeat on Sun 19th at 12noon & 9pm. The Pairs Semi Finals and Final (2.5hrs) will broadcast the following Sat 25th & Sun 26th at the same times.



JULY EVENTS

Congratulations to the 8 zone winners Auckland, Waikato, North Taranaki, Hawkes Bay, North Wellington, Greymouth, Ashburton and Otago who now go forward to the national final to be held in Wanganui July 25th. Last year's winners John Zittersteijn, Elizabeth Morrow and Barbara Batley from North Taranaki this year combined with Alister Wilson to win their zone and qualify to compete in the final.

The premier event for districts is the Paterson. Winners for each zone then compete for the Welch Trophy in the new Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua 4-6 September. Get along and watch some great bowls being played at the Zone Finals the weekend 17-19 July being held throughout the country at Whangarei, Napier, Te Kuiti, Masterton, Blenheim and Oamaru.

DEVELOPMENT FUND– congratulations to Canty IBA who are currently promoting a new initiative Jak Hi Bowlz commencing 31 July-report later

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

ANNIVERSARY

The Otago Indoor Bowls Umpires are celebrating 50th anniversary on August 14th/15th 2009 with a fours tournament and dinner. For full details contact Jean Cox phone 454-3103.

NOMINATIONS FOR UMPIRES REPRESENTATIVE ON NZIB EXECUTIVE

Districts are reminded that nominations close 24 July for this position.

WEBSITE GETS MORE POPULAR EVERY YEAR

www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz is a very popular website with 6495 visits during the month of June and 3999 unique visitors. Go and check it out for everything you want to know about the sport.