



NZ INDOOR BOWLS NEWS

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NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

Our thoughts are with the Indoor Bowls fraternity of Christchurch as they examine the options available to them to enable them to frame a programme for the coming season. The damage to the Centre Hall is substantial and the outstanding facility they have in Kearneys Road is likely to be closed for at least 12 months. NZIB events scheduled to be held in Christchurch will be affected with the opening game of the North Island team's tour of the South Island on 5 August being played at Rangiora and some other district will be asked to host the Henselite Singles on 27 August. Hutt Valley is a likely candidate.

The Road shows start on 13 March and I am looking forward to the exchange of views and ideas which I am sure will come from the discussions which will be an integral part of the presentation. If you have had success with membership drives, coaching or promotion of the sport or you have ideas about securing the future of our sport come along to the Road show and share them. Trevor Rayner, President, NZIB

2011 ROAD SHOWS

All surrounding districts are asked to support these Road shows as it is important to look and discuss the future of the game. The coaching segment will include tips of gaining and how to treat new members.

Sunday 27 March
Saturday 2 April
Sunday 3 April
Saturday 9 April
Sunday 10 April
Sunday 17 April



Hawera Community Hall-10am
Masterton IB Hall- Hogg Crescent-10am
North Wellington Indoor Bowls Hall-9am
Nelson-Indoor Bowls Stadium, Stoke-10am
To be decided
Dunedin- Otago Indoor Bowls Stadium-12pm

HOW CAN WE HELP CHRISTCHURCH BOWLERS?

We have heard the Te Atatu Indoor Bowling Club is donating \$100 towards the people in Christchurch and has suggested that other clubs do the same.

We all know the importance of sport to the community but obviously it will not be a priority for the Council.

One of the key challenges is simply to deliver sport in Canterbury and that includes getting indoor bowling clubs up and running and providing an important social link for stressed people.

Maybe other clubs around the country should be following Te Atatu's lead by directing their fund raising or donation directly at the indoor bowls fraternity? NZIB will certainly be looking at ways of how it may assist.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE BEEN SELECTED TO PLAY FOR NEW ZEALAND AGAINST AUSTRALIA IN BALCLUTHA 12-14 MAY

Mens		Womens
Grant l'Ami TA	Singles	Lisa White UV
Grant l'Ami TA Ashley Diamond CY	Pairs	Fiona Wilson TG Lisa White UV
Blair Spicer CY Grant Rayner NW Mike Phipps TA	Triples	Sandra Keith AS Carol Wright AK Gina Owen BP
Blair Spicer CY John Zittersteijn NT Ashley Diamond CY Mike Phipps TA	Fours	Sandra Keith AS Fiona Wilson TG Carol Wright AK Maureen Pruden WK

AIMS NATIONAL SPORTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Indoor Bowls has just been added to this prestigious event to be held in Tauranga 28th August- 2 September The sporting championships gives Year 7 and 8 students (11, 12 and 13 year olds) an opportunity to compete as an individual or in a team against the best of their age in New Zealand in fifteen different sports. In seven years, the NZCT AIMS GAMES have gone from a small festival of sport, to what are now considered the National Championships for Intermediate and Middle schools. The 2010 NZCT AIMS GAMES were embraced by 107 schools from throughout New Zealand (approximately 3,870 students and 880 coaches/managers). Hopefully indoor bowls will attract lots of entries as we do need juniors being introduced to our sport. Check out more details on www.nzaimsgames.co.nz

NEW GAME FOR JUNIORS

Yes time to make changes and NZIB has introduced the game of sets in the above event and it will also be trialled at the College Sport Wellington Championships- try it in your clubs and district and let us know what you think. The format is very simple. Normal game of Bowls is played in 2 sets. 1 set consists of 5 ends for singles and 4 ends for pairs. After the last end the player (team) with most points wins set. After 2 sets if 1 player (team) has won both sets game over. If it is 1 set all a tie breaker of 1 end is played to get a winner. The object of game is to keep bowler's interest as if they lose 1 set they are still in the game.

Mixed Fours

Simon Thomas CY
Grant Rayner NW
Julie Thomas CY
Gina Owen BP



Mixed - Pairs

Simon Thomas CY
Julie Thomas CY
Mixed 8 - Pairs
John Zittersteijn NT
Maureen Pruden WK

Reserves Men

Robert Lochrie MN
Michael Lawson AS

Reserves Women

Linda McCurdy WK
Teri Anderson AK

Manager Trevor Rayner Captain Simon Thomas



BOWLING FOR \$5 NOTES

National coach Craig Whiteside often suggests in this session a good way to encourage players to play draw bowls was to put a box in the middle of the mat then place a \$5 note near the end of the mate and invite players to bowl a bowl to come to rest on the note. If

successful the bowler keeps the \$5. Often no money changes hands but Peter Smith coaching a new novice Warkworth Special Olympics indoor bowls team tells another story. He did what Craig suggested and by the end of the session had parted with eight \$5 notes! Incidentally they won eight of their last nine competition games so I am sure Peter has been repaid his money!

DO YOU WANT YOUR OWN COPY OF THE NEWSLETTER?

It is easy to get one- just go to www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz and download a copy now. If you do not have a computer I am sure you know someone who has! This website is kept well up to date and tells you everything you need to know about the game and much more. Also up coming tournaments with big money being offered to winners!

50TH ANNIVERSARIES COMING UP

Bush Ruahine Indoor Bowls will be celebrating these with a tournament and dinner on 9th April. Contact Karen Cuming – Ph 06 3768675 or Email dkcuming@windowslive.com
North Taranaki will also be celebrating the Queens Birthday 50th Jubilee weekend 3-6 June with a dinner on the Friday, Fours Saturday, and Pairs Sunday and Triples on the Monday. Contact Berys Rowe, 50 Pioneer Rd, New Plymouth 4310 or Email murrayandberys@xtra.co.nz

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 20 April- Entries close with District Secretaries for the 2011 National Championships and South Island Championships
Thursday 12-14 May Australia v New Zealand at Balclutha

NEWSFLASH-Price rise!

We have heard that the price of bowls will be increasing very soon which is no surprise with the value of the NZ dollar depreciating. Send your money and order in quickly if you want to secure at the old cost.

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