

EARLY SEASON NEWSLETTER

MILFORD BOWLING
CLUB

November 2015

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

We're swinging into summer and things are heating up – just like activities at the Club, and good heavens, we are already thinking Christmas! And that's just what the team has done with a super Christmas Showtime Special on December 4th. Please register your intentions early as we intend inviting our neighbours to join us if there are any unsold tickets by 8 November

And as they say, "That's not all; there's more!

Melbourne Cup Day on Tuesday, 3rd November, and our first Open Triples on 25 November 2015. Get your team entry in, and don't forget.....

Happy Hour every Friday afternoon starting at 4.30pm
So come down and join us.

Cheers,
Stuart Glanfield

Melbourne Cup Day
Tuesday, 3rd November
1.00pm Roll up

**Design & make the most
glamorous hat and**

**Win the best hat
competition**

MILFORD 5000

This is the most prestigious event that Milford Bowling

Club runs each year, and has become a feature on the calendar especially for junior bowlers. The 2016 event will be slightly different – one bowler with no more than eight years' experience will be permitted per team. Spread the word and let junior bowlers of the North Harbour know.

To run this event we need volunteers to help with

- Grounds preparation
- Kitchen duties
- Salad dishes
- Day duties both days

Please let our organisers, Di Steel, Robbie McGrane & Ian McKenzie know how you can help.

And while you're helping..... our corporate event organisers would also appreciate your assistance. Please contact Ian McKenzie or Di Steel to let them know how and when you can help. This is essential fundraising and all of us must do our part to share the load.



Friday, 4th December
5.30pm Drinks
Meal & Cabaret
featuring

**Debbie Dorday &
Jim Jole**

**Only \$25.00 per
person**



**Order your tickets by
8 November 2015**
from
Ros Benton – 489-7791

Email bookings
milfordbowls@extra.co.nz
or **mckzees@extra.co.nz**

Trusts NZ Open 19th & 20th November

Volunteers are required for this event too. Please speak to Kathy Brown or Ian McKenzie and offer your assistance.

Mixed Championship Fours 2015/16

The first of the club's championships started on Labour weekend, but the semi-finals and final have had to be held over until Sunday 8th November at 1.00pm due to rain interrupting play.

The next championships are the Men's & Women's Singles on 21st & 22nd November. The entry sheets are now available, so enter your name and take part. The singles is excellent experience no matter the outcome, so you are genuinely encouraged to take enter.

In more recent years, the numbers entering our club championships has steadily reduced. Championships are serious of course, but more importantly, they are good bowls. This is a really good opportunity to test your skills. The winners in the men's and women's events go on to play in Bowls North Harbour Champion of Champion events.

Bowls North Harbour also run Centre Championship events. These are opportunities to play bowls against members of other clubs and therefore also great experience. Playing in these events is one of the best ways to improve your bowls whilst having good

fun at the same time. If you wish to enter a Centre event, make sure you have your entry form and entry fee to Jan Hutton, our Secretary, well in advance of the closing date for entries. Details of all the Centre Championship events can be found in the Centre handbook.

Coaching Clinics – Monday afternoons - 1.30pm

Each Monday afternoon at 1.30pm our club coaches are available for coaching. Basic skills are important and our coaches are friendly and encouraging.

Kitchen Duties – Are you on the list?

Our club is renowned for its hospitality and the quality of the morning teas etc that we provide our visiting teams. It is one of the reasons they continue to support us. To continue our high service level we need volunteers to assist in the kitchen on tournament days. If your name is not already on the list for kitchen duties, please check out the roster attached to the fridge and add your name to one of the dates. More volunteers means the load is spread among us all. And when you add your name to the list you will find one name is repeated frequently - Marlene Moses. Marlene has volunteered to help us once a month – a greatly appreciated contribution – thank you!

Dress Code

Before coming down to the club to play, it is a good idea to check your club diary to make sure that there is not a

Bowls North Harbour or Championship event being held that day. If there is, please wear your whites.

Saturday Roll-Ups

The Match Committee have reintroduced Saturday roll-ups. Names in by 12.45pm for a 1.00pm start. We're hoping that many members will join the roll-up regulars including our first year players, and enjoy the competition that is now available. Dress is mufti unless (you've just read it) there is a Bowls North Harbour event being held on one of our greens.

Our greens are in superb condition!

Have you noticed how wonderful our greens are this season? Opening Day revealed greens that were light to the "touch" and running at speeds expected later in the season. Our thanks go to Greenkeeper Hamish Russell and the team of volunteers who assisted with the renovations during the winter break.

There's still several weeks until we take a very short break over Christmas/New Year, and we look forward to seeing you on the greens.

Best wishes to you all,

Your committee.

***PS Remember to book
your seat for our
Christmas Party cabaret***