

Edition 3

Opening Day: It took 2 attempts but the day turned out to be very successful **AROUND THE GREEN** and the weather man did his bit. Warmish sunshine to welcome in the new season. A good number of members turned out looking splendid in the new club shirts. It was great to see so many new members who have been coached during the winter with Bill. Welcome enjoy this wonderful game.



The Club lost 3 members recently and we pass on our condolences to the families of Brian Bradford, Jean Wright and Errol Dun.

Executive 4's: 4 members of the Executive played in the Centre Executive event at Tauranga Domain. After a slow start in the first game results got better and better with a superb win against Ngongotaha with all players hitting their straps. Many favourable comments about the shirts.



Winter Tournament: Once again thanks to splendid weather we were able to get all 6 of our tournaments and as normal because other facilities are closed for green maintenance, we had full fields each day. Thanks, must go to the match committee members who help run these days.

1 > 5 year Centre Representatives: Congratulations to Alison, Terry and Lynne being selected to represent BOP Bowls. The first outing resulted in a close defeat by Gisborne / East Cape but their team was made up of 1 > 8 year players. They all have again been selected to go to Auckland for an inter-centre event 6th Oct. Well done, do us proud.

Umpires Corner: No2

Continuing on from the last issues exciting questions and answers. (Next issue will see the start of more testing questions).

So here goes, some basic ones to start with. Answers at the end of the newsletter. No peeking.

- Question 1 What is meant by the term "Delivery?"
- Question 2 What is the definition of an end?
- Question 3 What is the definition of a head?
- Question 4 What is meant by the term 'Neutral Person?'
- Question 5 What is the Mat Line?

SITUATION VACANT:



The position of clubrooms cleaner has come available. This work includes vacuuming and washing the floors, cleaning the cloakroom area, ordering supplies including paper towels, toilet paper and consumables for the kitchen. This work may take between 1 and 1.5 hours weekly. Normally a Monday but that is your choice.

For further ring Lynne on 0274787813

Shanghai Singles: This event went off really well on Saturday. 21 players turned up to play in this new format and by and large most people enjoyed the day. First to 31 points and a little bit of cheating made for a heap of fun.

Excellent effort Barry Fielder winning the final
31, 29, 15.



Umpires Corner Answers:

- Q1 Deliberately releasing the jack or bowl from the hand in an underarm movement. (Not when it arrives at the head).
- Q2 The delivery of the jack, delivery of all the bowls required to be played by all of the opponents in the same direction on a rink and deciding the number of shots scored.
- Q3 The jack and any bowls which have come to rest within the boundaries of the rink in play and are not dead.
- Q4 A person who is not a player on the rink of play. This includes the marker and umpire.
- Q5 The edge of the mat nearest to the front ditch. All measurements involving the mat and a jack or bowl must be taken from the centre of the mat line.

Finally you have all the cry of HOW FAR UP IS THE MAT!

To determine this you measure from the 2 metre mark to the front (mat line) of the mat.

If in doubt of how far the jack has travelled you measure from the mat line to the nearest point of the jack. It must be at least 23 metres to be considered a legal delivery.
(A bowl must travel at least 14 metres. If not, it is dead and must be removed).

Joke:

The Bowlers' own language - how to translate

The Sport of Bowls has its very own language which can totally mystify anyone who hears it, but hasn't had the pleasure of throwing a bowl in fun or earnest. For the information of the uninitiated, here are a few terms translated into standard English.

"Good weight!" = lousy line

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"Good back bowl" = you were lucky you didn't put it in the ditch

"That's in their way" = that's in my way

"That could be useful up there" = that bowl is closer to you than it is to the jack

"Get it next time" = you sure didn't get it this time

"He's surprisingly good" = you're surprised he ever makes a shot

"I'd bowl with him any day" = he always buys the first round

Maintenance: Well done to John Keen and his little helper for putting the new safety rail on the deck. As in real life one thing leads to another and this means John is to carry on and install a new handrail system on the steps. Notwithstanding this further bright ideas have come in that the ramp fence now looks out of place and should match the deck.

See you **ROUND THE GREEN**

THE TEAM