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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

As I sit here writing this report we have about 5 inches of snow around the house and no power. The weather has cancelled the Jolly Quadrangular that South Otago, Central Otago, North Otago and Otago compete for. I think this is the first time this has happened in all the time I have been playing indoor bowls. It has also disrupted the Waikaka club 50th tournament and their celebration dinner that was going to be held tonight and that we were looking forward to. It is quite amazing that small areas like Waikaka manage to field a team of 12 players for our interclub. Perhaps it is the country can do attitude and approach to life. The Nationals are now over the Executive is very happy with the event. Having the Northern v Southern Zone teams, selected from those attending the event, was a very good idea and was very well supported by players and supporters. I am sure that when we review the Nationals we will look favorably at continuing with this event. Special thanks to Tournament Controller Ian Fraser, the Executive for their work and North Taranaki who did every thing that they were asked of and more. I had a phone call the other night from a bowler who wondered how many high schools play indoor bowls when they have a inter school sports day. I said that I did not know but that I thought that it was a good way to promote the sport. The next Executive meeting is July 14 and some hard decisions will have to be made if the sport is to remain financially viable. Contact any of the Executive members if you have any ideas or issues you wish to discuss.

David Edgar

JULY EVENTS

Monday 2 July

2-4 July

North Island Secondary Schools Championships- Tauranga

Saturday 7 July

NZ Mixed Fours Zone finals

Northern: Western Hall, New Lynn

Eastern: Whakatane IB Stadium

Sth Eastern: Takaro Sports Centre, Palmerston North

Southern: Orongomai Hall, Upper Hutt

South Island

Nth Western: Grey Main Hall, Greymouth

Eastern: Athletic RF Club, Oamaru

Southern: Southland IB Hall, Invercargill

Friday 20-22 July

Paterson Trophy Competition will be at

Zone 1 Pukekohe Cosmopolitan Club

Zone 2 Whakatane Indoor Bowls Stadium

Zone 3 Central Hall, Belt Road, New Plymouth

Zone 4 North Wellington IB Hall

Zone 5 Motueka Memorial Hall

Zone 6 Roncalli School Gym, Timaru

Saturday 28 July

NZ Mixed Fours Final- Ashhurst Community Centre

Go along and support these events and see some top bowls being played.

MILESTONES ACHIEVED IN NORTH WELLINGTON.

North Wellington players Reece Wickenden and Graham Stronach achieved personal milestones when they were in the winning team at the recent North Wellington Open Fours Championships. It was Reece's 10th Open Title making him the second player after Neil French to achieve a bar to his Gold Star, and it was Graham's 5th Title giving him his North Wellington Gold Star. When she played for North Wellington ladies against Manawatu ladies former Executive Member Alison Cowan-Page achieved her 150 game badge for North Wellington. The day was also significant with North Wellington achieving their first win ever over Manawatu albeit on a count back of ends.



LUCKY WINNERS FOR FREE ENTRY TO NEXT YEAR'S NATIONALS IN TAURANGA ARE:

The draw was done from bowlers who attended this year's event in New Plymouth

Gerrard MacInnes	Waikato	Nacey Hooper	North Taranaki
Gwen Duggan	North Wellington	Enid MacLellan	Bay of Plenty
Ray Shand	North Taranaki	Carol Wright	Auckland
Jennifer Sackfield	Horowhenua	Les Reed	North Taranaki
Ross Eagle	Horowhenua	Lionel Haldane	North Taranaki
Peter Smith	Northland	Neill Inglis	GB-Motueka
Robert Hansen	North Wellington	Hazel Liddell	North Taranaki
Sheryl Byrne	Manawatu		



WHAT A GREAT GAME- ENJOYED BY BOTH THE ELDERLY AND THE YOUNG!

The Merrilands Indoor Bowling Club, New Plymouth had much pleasure in welcoming back to their ranks Colleen and Peter Clough, especially when they brought with them their two children, Pamela 11 years and Richard 8. Coming from a sporting family both children play soccer, are keen competitors in athletics and both enter the cross country events at their school. They are already showing great potential on the bowling mat with Pamela being runner-up in the Junior Singles. It is great to see these young ones taking part and we trust they will carry on and enjoy this wonderful sport of Indoor Bowls. This article was submitted by Club Reporter Olga Bailey (aged about 86!) Great to see at the National's North Wellington, Terri Anderson 13 years young who qualified in the singles and pairs. What's more she was skipping her mother in the pairs!

Vi Roser, Horowhenua, who won the pairs in 1967 with Husband Roger who has passed away will be turning 90 on the 3rd of August. She is still playing bowls at Ihakara club level and is interested in what is happening around the bowling scene.



MORE 50th ANNIVERSARIES

The Marshlands Indoor Bowling Club has been holding special events throughout the year and their membership has remained steady. A number of current members have been with the club over 30 years. Several trophies pre-date the commencement of the club in 1957, being donated by the Marshlands Cricket Club when that club ceased about the same year. Further information on the upcoming activities for this exciting year for Marshlands Indoor Bowling Club, can be obtained from Graeme Liddicoat, Secretary, 15 March Street, Spring Creek, Marlborough or tele 03 570 5767.

Also in Marlborough the Rapaura Indoor Bowls club will be holding a tournament and dinner on 15 September. Past club members interested in more information should contact Kevin Parks, 10 Ashford Grove, R D 3 Blenheim The club started with 27 foundation members with two Jim and Leonie Allen still active members today.

NORTH ISLAND TEAM CHANGE

Congratulations to Bob Lochrie Manawatu who replaces Simon Poppleton who has withdrawn.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

COLLEGE SPORT EVENT IN WELLINGTON

The Secondary School Championships were recently held in the North Wellington Indoor Bowls Hall with entries received from 65 students who all enjoyed the day immensely. Turned out to be a family affair with Sacred Heart sisters and daughters of NZ team Captain Pat Hoult playing off in the semi finals. Danielle beat last year's winner Rachel and went on to retain the Hoult Cup for the family by beating Ashleigh Eden from Tawa College. The Johnson brothers Scott and Michael from Tawa College beat Nathanael Lucas and Marcus Scott also from Tawa College in the Pairs Final. Thanks to North Wellington IBA for hosting the event.

STILL PLAYING AT 100!

Great to hear stories like this and congratulations to Featherston's Sid Ward who on 5 August reaches the age of 100. The Kaiwaiwai IBC has asked if any other persons of this age are still active in the sport in New Zealand. If so please let Jim Hamilton know on phone 06-308 9729 as the town is putting on a special function to mark the occasion.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE INTERNATIONAL BOWLS ON TELEVISION?

Coming up soon will be the Semi finals and finals singles and pairs highlights package from the National Championships. These events were shown on Taranaki TV and DVD'S of each of the games are available on request to National Office. The cost is \$30 per DVD which includes postage.