

# NZ INDOOR BOWLS NEWS

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK

It has been a busy time for Indoor Bowls since the last newsletter. It started with the South Island Championships held in Invercargill and these were a great success. The four Executive Members who played in the event went on the Friday night to the club night of the Young Spirits Club. These are junior bowlers who run their own club under supervision of some older bowlers. We talked to them about their future in the sport and answered any questions that they may have had. Southland Centre always organise a good event and this was no exception. Unfortunately there were other events in the South Island that weekend and I think some districts should give more consideration as to when they hold such events.

The Nationals Championships started a week later in Tauranga and the theme was the "Nationals with a Difference" celebrating 100 years of Indoor Bowls in NZ. Life Member Reg Motion attended and it was good to discuss stories from the "old days." Reg also wrote a book on how to play this sport. Noel Stevens put a very good collection of items from the past together. Tauranga will also be remembered as the triples `with time out' as the fire alarm went twice during section play. The inaugural Masters event joined the Academy game on the Tuesday night and a large crowd supported the event seeing a very good display of bowls.

Congratulations to all the winners and also to all the bowlers who participated in both of these events. My thanks go to Tournament Controller Trevor Rayner for the work he put into these Nationals and also to the local organizers and bowlers of Tauranga. Players arrive at an event and it just happens but a lot of work goes on behind the scenes. Winter has arrived in the south with snow around the house on Tuesday and the school was closed. The long range forecast for next June at Nationals time is looking very good so it would be a good idea to get a team together and make plans to go to the nationals in Timaru. Till next time, take care and enjoy your bowls. David Edgar

#### JULY EVENTS

There will be some great bowls happening around your area so go along and give your support. 5 July the NZ Mixed Fours Zone finals will be played with the winners from these eight events qualifying to attend the National Final to be played in Napier 26 July.

The Premier event for districts is the Paterson Trophy with the winners from the competitions below playing in the Welch Trophy Final 5-7 September. All the games will be played over the weekend of Friday 18-Sunday 20 July Roskill & Districts Hall: Zone 2 Illminster Intermediate School Gym Gisborne; Zone 3 Ashhurst Hall; Zone 4 Horticulture Hall, Lower Hutt Buller- Community Hall, Westport; Zone 6 Balclutha Memorial Hall Zone 5

#### COLLEGE SPORT EVENT IN WELLINGTON

Not often a Secondary School Championships will have among it's entries a bowler who is the current Pairs champion from Nationals. All those who were in Tauranga would have been blown away by the outstanding bowling of 14year old Newlands College student Teri Anderson and Tim Veale her partner. Teri became the youngest bowler ever to win a National title and she also won the trophy for the junior progressing the farthest in the Singles. More remarkable is these wins come despite a battle Teri has with juvenile arthritis which she has suffered from since birth. In the Wellington event Teri will be playing with fellow Newlands College student Kyle Waldron and it will be a good warm up for when they compete in the inaugural National Secondary Schools event 30 August- 1 September. Both of these events are being hosted by the North Wellington IBA who is extremely supportive of promotion of the game to juniors.



#### LUCKY WINNERS FROM THIS YEAR'S EVENT FOR FREE ENTRY TO NEXT YEAR'S CHAMPIONSHIP IN TIMARU ARE:

Charles Martin	Wanganui	Ray Haslip	Nth Taranaki
Greg Baxter	Auckland	Steve Dowman	Tauranga
Marg Milne	Buller	Neil Bartosh	Tauranga
Bob McKinley	Northland	Brian Hardgrave	Taranaki
Bob Everson	Tauranga	Rae McCurdy	Thames VIIy
Stephen Horneman	Auckland	Katie Burnley	Hutt Valley
Christine Hamilton	Counties	Gordon Gibbison	Waikato
Donna Reynolds	Waikato	Willie Rudolph	Tauranga
Pat Schischka	Tauranga	Brenda Stringer	Waikato
Derek Owen	Tauranga	Murray Weal	Tauranga

### INDOOR BOWLS A POPULAR SPORT FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Special Olympics Far North is hosting an Indoor Bowls Regional Games in July at Kaitaia. In the past only a few teams have travelled from other Special Olympics groups to participate. However, this year, teams from North Harbour, Auckland, Manukau, and Counties are all travelling together in a bus - bus and accommodation funded by the Lion

Foundation. For more info - contact Snow Bray 09 408 1857, or Laurie McDonald email lgmcdonald@kol.co.nz



## PAST WINNERS ACKNOWLEDGED AT TAURGANGA

At the nationals we celebrated the Introduction of Indoor Bowls into New Zealand. The ceremony began with a March Past of 87 National Champions which included the three new ones from this year. The parade was led by Stan Dick from Rotorua (pictured far right) who was the skip of the winning four in 1956. He was followed by Ron

Loader from Tauranga (centre) who was the skip of the pairs in 1959 and 1962 and Wilmot Oliver from Tauranga (on the left) who won the pairs in 1967. Lloyd Bellis, Canterbury, who won the singles in 1964 as a 18 year old was one of the earliest winners. Among the champions was gold star holder Paul Psaila from Auckland. Following the parade, President David Edgar introduced Life Members Delwyn Hughes and Reg Motion (left) who cut the centenary cake which had been baked for the occasion by Iris Ross. Sadly Ron Loader has



passed away suddenly while competing in his club pairs following the Nationals.

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

## **UMPIRES NEWS**

who recently passed the National examination. It was great to see them taking orders for full sets of black/yellow at a cost of \$900 per set. both performing so well at the National Championships. National Office has a plentiful supply of monograms, scarves ties and ribbons available COACHING DVD'S for purchase so make contact if you want them.

### YELLOW BOWLS

Congratulations to Snow McFarland and Roland Glass the two Umpires These have proved so popular we have run out of half sets and at the moment only

The two coaching VCR's have been combined and are now available on a DVD at the cost of only \$25.

