

# **NZ INDOOR BOWLS NEWS**

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### PRESIDENTS REPORT - TREVOR RAYNER

Spare a thought for those stalwarts in every Centre who give freely of their time so that their colleagues can enjoy our great sport. Many of the tasks they do are essential to the successful running of tournaments, and the day to day running of our Centres. However this all happens behind the scenes and as a result is taken for granted. Remove those people from the scene and all hell breaks loose because no-one else knows how to do the job which they have been doing for years. Suddenly it is discovered that things just didn't happen, someone had to plan, organise and do things. It is essential for Districts to have core tasks documented so that if anything happens to key personnel someone else can pick up the manual and keep the Centre and events operating smoothly. It is also essential that these core people are recognised in our Centres for the contribution they are making. Without them the players do not have a stage to perform on. For this reason NZIB have initiated a Volunteer of the Year Award. Are you aware of this? A nomination form can be downloaded from <a href="www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz">www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz</a>

Let's make 2012 the Year of the Volunteer.

### **NATIONAL UMPIRES EXAM**

Registration close 5 April and it is disappointing that very few names have been received for the National Examination to be held on Sunday 6 May. Examiner Graham Gerrand however would welcome more names so contact him on 07-345 8556 or email <a href="mailto:grahamgerrand@gmail.co.nz">grahamgerrand@gmail.co.nz</a>. We need to be up-skilling our officials so please make use of the trainers around the country. They are:

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### LAST CHANCE FOR NATIONAL ENTRIES

20<sup>TH</sup> April is the closing date with your District Secretary so get your entry in quickly. For those who have not been before the draft programme is: Saturday 9 June Singles qualifying; Sunday Pairs qualifying; Monday Singles Post Section; Tuesday Pairs Post Section; Wednesday Triples qualifying; Thursday Fours qualifying; Friday Triples post section; Saturday 16 June Fours post section. There has been a great response for houses being available so if you need any further information contact <a href="mailto:sibc@xtra.co.nz">sibc@xtra.co.nz</a>. Nomination forms for the Academy and Masters fixture to be held at the event have gone out to districts so make sure your Selectors are aware if you are keen to be considered. The entries for the North Island Championships to be held in Palmerston North also close 20 April.

# ��� GET WELL SOON ����

Best wishes and a speedy recovery are extended to National Publicity Officer Delwyn Hughes who has recently had a knee replacement operation and not to be out done Umpire Representative on the Executive Viv Hudson who has had a hip replacement operation.

# SPORT DEVELOPMENT ADVISOR Indoor Bowls - 20 hours per week

An exciting opportunity has become available for someone with a passion for Indoor Bowls. The Sport Development Officer – Indoor An Active Healthy Toranaki Bowls will work closely with North Taranaki Indoor Bowls Association and Taranaki Indoor Bowls Association to implement a variety of strategies to up-skill and support coaches, officials and players. *Applications close on Friday, 13 April* 2012. To find out more about this role, an application form and job description can be downloaded from our website (<a href="https://www.sporttaranaki.org.nz">www.sporttaranaki.org.nz</a>) or by contacting Maree at ph 06 759 0930 ext 716 or email <a href="https://www.sporttaranaki.org.nz">https://www.sporttaranaki.org.nz</a>)

### AIMS GAMES FOR INTERMEDIATE STUDENTS

Last year the introduction of Indoor Bowls was a big success with approximately 90 entries in the tournament. NZIB's Development Manager, Craig Whiteside said there was considerable interest in the Tauranga, Bay of Plenty area and large numbers were expected to attend this year's event which is being held at TECT Arena at Baypark, Mount Maunganui. Even though the event is not until 9-14 September entries close 11 May so if any Intermediate Schools in your area want to know more visit <a href="https://www.nzaimsport.co.nz">www.nzaimsport.co.nz</a>

### DID YOU RECEIVE YOUR NEW HINTS FOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP AND DVD?

Please let us know if you haven't and we would also be keen to hear if you have and will find them useful? NZIB can't do more than supply the tools and it is up to clubs and districts to make it happen. You will have read in the Newsletter about two other National development initiatives that your Executive is trialling. Let us all work together and make 2012 the year when we can turn around the declining membership and be able to look at a positive future for the game.

### **FUTURE OF THE GAME - WILL THERE BE ONE?**

Your NZIB Executive has decided that urgent steps must be taken to try and arrest the declining membership and get more younger people into the game. Craig Whiteside has been appointed as a Sports Development Manager and will be promoting the game in the Tauranga, Bay of Plenty and

Poverty Bay-East Coasts Districts. A Memorandum of Understanding has also been made with Sport Taranaki for the position listed above. It is hoped that these will be two successful initiatives that can then spread elsewhere in the country.

## NORTH AND SOUTH ISLAND REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

The change in rotation of the Island tours has meant that this year the North Island Indoor Bowls team will again be visiting the South Island with the Inter Island clash to be held in Ashburton on 18 August. Nomination forms have been sent to districts and they close on 18 May.

## **SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST**

### NEW BOWLS AND MATS WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE

We recognise that it is annoying to pay for equipment and then be told it will not be delivered for a month or two. Unfortunately it is completely out of NZIB's hands and we have to rely on the manufacturer in Australia. However if you do want to order do so as once received the cost will not rise. Last year we were told another increase would happen mid 2012 so get that order in now.

### SCORECARDS

These are readily available so contact National Office if you need some. The only cost involved will be distribution charges.

# NATIONAL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED IN APRIL

Please note that the Executive Officer will be on Annual Leave 5-30 April and the office will be unattended. President Trevor Rayner will handle any general enquiries on 04-232 5615- <a href="mailto:trayner@xtra.co.nz">trayner@xtra.co.nz</a>. Delwyn Hughes is to be contacted for anything regarding National Championship Entries: 07-345 6609 or <a href="mailto:dhughes.indoorbowls@xtra.co.nz">dhughes.indoorbowls@xtra.co.nz</a>

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