

<p style="text-align: center;">NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS INC JUNE 2010 - UMPIRES NEWSLETTER</p>
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Lion Foundation National Championships

Thank you to all those umpires and measurers who attended and helped at Taupo. However a lack of umpires at times meant some umpires had to do more sessions than normal. Despite this success was achieved by helping each other on blocks. Some good comments came from players regarding the standards of dress, which was pleasing. This is where you can gain more experience, if you are a qualified measurer or umpire. The triples and fours provide good practice as heads seem to be tighter and they were, with some interesting measures.

Viv Hudson- Umpires Representative

National Examination

Twelve candidates sat all or part of the examinations with 6 gaining full passes and 2 partial passes. This is a disappointing number and some districts are not providing the necessary training to ensure there is a supply of new umpires joining the ranks. Your Executive recognises that is necessary to have new umpires and established umpires participating in refresher courses to keep up to speed. There is help available if you can not provide training within your district. Contact your umpires' representative Viv Hudson- vivs.place@clear.net.nz or phone 06-368 7191 if you need any help at running courses or the coaching of umpires.

National Examination By Laws

As your will be aware the NZIB's Constitution has been reviewed and you would have received a copy of it. The By Laws are not included in this document although changes can not be made without approval of the Annual General Meeting. A copy of the amended By-Laws is enclosed

NZIB Website www.indoorbowls.co.nz

How often have you visited this site and have noticed the umpire's tips? Have a go as there as there is lots of interesting information and some useful tips included.

Umpires Representative – Elections

Another year has gone by and the nomination form for election of an Umpires Representative, on the NZIB Executive is attached. Note the return date for the nomination forms, **25th July**. Once again we appeal to all Districts to get involved in this very important annual event. I will be the Returning Officer so please direct any enquiries concerning the election process to National Office.

Membership Returns

I have attached a list of umpires from you district taken from the current database. Please update the records and return to National Office by 31 July.

Umpires Equipment

We have a plentiful supply of monograms, scarves, ties and ribbons so contact National office if you want any.

National Events

A copy of the form is enclosed giving details of what is required for those districts hosting 2010 National events. Please complete and return as soon as possible.

TIP OF THE MONTH

Don't get into conversation with players as you may miss a call.

Email Addresses

Lastly the desired communication link with both District and Umpire's Secretaries is by email. If possible we would appreciate an email contact address for Buller, Manawatu, Marlborough and South Canterbury. Please email me on ngaire@nzindoorbowls.co.nz if you can provide the missing link! The latest list of Umpire Secretaries is enclosed.

Thank you all for your help and best wishes for the rest of the season.

Regards

Ngairé Drake
Executive Officer