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CLUB OPENING DAY 2023-2024 SEASON

(2nd September 2023)

This is the time of the year again. We are fast approaching the 2023-2024 Season in just a couple of weeks. The Official Opening of Blockhouse Bay Bowling Club for the new season has been fixed on Saturday 2nd September at 1.00 pm. It will start with the raising of the Flag, rolling of the jack and delivering of the first bowl. BHB members of all categories are encouraged to attend and support this special occasion. The Dress Code will be club colours (preferred) or whites. Light refreshment will be served after the ceremony. This will be followed by a gold coin "Corner to Corner" and a Drawn Tournament of Pairs or Triples, depending on the number of entries (\$ 5 single entry fee) or a Roll-Up. Please put your name on the white board in the dining hall now if you want to take part.

SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE 2023-2024 SEASON

By now all of you would have received the notice/email about the annual subscription. Thank you very much if you have made payment. If you have not done so, could you please pay into our Westpac bank account **03-0118-0002861-00** at a branch or through internet banking, or pay by Eftpos or cash at the bar by 31 August.

➤ Full Playing Member and First Year member are eligible to enter all Club and Auckland Centre events, including open tournaments at any other clubs within New Zealand and all Interclub events;

Annual Subscription:

Full Playing - \$ 230 First Year - \$ 115 Limited - \$115 Associate - \$ 115 Student - \$ 25 Social - \$40

- Associate Member can play in any club events except Club Championships and Interclub events.
- Limited Member can engage in club roll-ups and Open Club Tournaments and Social events only.

Note: Any member who wishes to play in the Auckland Centre event, he/she has to pay the full subscription before submitting his/her entry.

PLAYING PROGRAMME FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

Club Competitions

Handicap Singles
Saturday 9th, Sundays 10th & 24th September

Progressive Fours
 Lady Lou Cup Triples
 Tuesday 12th September
 Tuesday 18th September

Open Tournaments

Open Triples
Every Wednesday of September

Open Hong Kong Pairs
Every Friday of September

Bowls Auckland Events

1 – 5 Year Men's Triples
Saturday & Sunday 16th & 17th

September

➤ 1 – 5 Year Women's Triples
Saturday & Sunday 16th & 17th

September

➤ 1-5 Year Quadrangular Saturday 30th September

Just a reminder that the entries for both the 1-5 Year Men's & Women's Triples of Auckland Centre close on Sunday 27th August.

Note: Twilight Saving starts on Sunday 24th September

BOWLSHUB AOTEAROA

Bowls Auckland is shifting their events platform to BowlsHub Aotearoa in full. You will need a BowlsHub profile to enter Auckland Centre Events. If you have one already, awesome, continue to use your profile to enter an event. If you don't have one, it's easy to set up. Go to:

https://www.bowlshub.co.nz/signup

Follow the instructions to join. Please note you will need an email address.

Steve Ramsay – Our Green Keeper

Steve Ramsay has been our Green Keeper for slightly more than a year, dedicated and hard working. Read a bit more about him in "Keeping It Green" on Bowls Auckland web-site -

https://www.bowlsauckland.co.nz/keeping-it-green



CARE OF OUR GRASS GREENS





Our grass greens are two of the best among the many bowling clubs in Auckland. They are looking good as can be seen from the photos above taken today. Please help to minimise damage to them in the following ways:

- Wear the proper footwear which must be flat-soled or "heel-less" while on the greens;
- Avoid dumping your bowls during delivery, especially during the beginning of the new season when the greens are soft, ;
- Singles players or the Leads in the other disciplines should try to vary the positions of the mat from time to time;
- Don't leave your bowls on the greens when going for a break between games. They could cause burning of the grass;



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