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Well it is happening, its here, and there is no doubt in my mind that it will be enduring

So what has it meant for you?

I suppose for the ladies, the greatest impact will have been the physical move from one clubhouse to another, and just getting used to the new home, and to the men, the fact that there are just as many women around the place, but, that ain't half bad.

All of us are coming to terms with the developing new culture of the Glen Eden Bowling Club 2004 version. The Bowls Committee are working hard to introduce and incorporate mixed bowls while

maintaining the usual men and women's championships and other events. While other areas of management are striving to maximise use of the clubhouse and facilities.

For my part, I have been thrilled to see the more gentile atmosphere emerging within the clubhouse and the way in which members have accepted the many small but important changes.

Cobbers Night two weeks ago was an excellent reflection of how far we have come. Over 100 people, 30% of whom were women, enjoyed really good music, lots of fun raffles, and volumes of old fashioned fun It was one of the

most enjoyable evenings held in many years. So good in fact, that that a second is to be held on 5th. November' Please look out for the notice's and come along, bring your mates, friends, families. Lets keep up the momentum

Paul du Chateau-
Harcourts

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Special points of interest:

- Read about Amalgamation, it is working.
- Read about your Bowls Committee, and how they are succeeding.
- Have you paid your subscription. Do you wish to stay in the most progressive club out west???
- Enjoy the Social side of your club

Bowls Report

Jennifer Davidson (Chairperson)

The season got underway with the Walker Memorial being played in trying conditions on 18th September.

All who played enjoyed themselves in the first mixed tournament at our club. The winners were:
Skip: Ray Dunn
Three: George Hunt
Two: Kathy Lipsham
Lead: Ross Hulme
Handicapped Singles

were next up and unfortunately the weather washed out the first day, however a full day was played the second on the Sunday. Seven people are left (all men), and is due to be played on 18th December at 1pm.

First tournament was sponsored by Paddy Orr (Solicitor), we had 27 teams, which was a great turn out. 11 ends, no time

limit was played, however, the feeling was that it ran on too long. The next tournament will be nine ends or 1hr 20min limit. It would be great if we could fill all our tournaments, so as the season progresses and the weather improves (ha ha!), maybe more club members will participate. To all members, please read notice boards for closing dates of all club events, as unfortunately

Bowls Report

Continuation

read notice boards for closing dates of all club events, as unfortunately these were not printed in the handbook. Also, a gentle reminder when you enter an event, please ensure you can fulfil your commitment and arrive before the stated start time.

Interclub:

3 Men's teams, Premier, Division One and Division 5 and 2 Ladies teams were representing the club on the greens around Auckland. This is a new venture for the Ladies, one which I am sure they will adapt to very quickly.

The first two rounds were played on 2nd October, with everyone returning to the club after having a respectable day on the greens. Special mention to the Ladies Section One team and Men's Division One for winning both rounds. Congratulations to all players of the day. Let us all pull together and start encouraging each other, both on the greens and in the club rooms. Cobbers Nite was a great success although no bowls was played. Over 100 people attended the BBQ and Karaoke. If you missed this please note

that we will repeat this again on 5th November. So come along for a "Cracker" of an evening, with "Sparkling" entertainment. I do hope you all are enjoying the season so far, and do not hesitate to contact any bowls committee member with any suggestions you have. Thanks to all who are helping run the events including Men's and Ladies aggregate

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Interclub report

For Ray Newell

Whilst the men's teams are down to three from previous season, does not mean we are down on the quality of bowlers who have put their names forward for selection, in fact as we begin this season the selectors of these teams, myself Ray Davidson and Bob O'Brien, with the ladies of Jennifer Davidson, Bev Nash and Jenny Tough, are quietly confident of good results of the men's Premiers, Divisions One and Five, as are the ladies with Two Divisions (yet un-graded).

For the players edification, here are the clubs the men's divisions will be playing at over the five playing dates. Premiers; Pakuranga, Hillsboro, St Heliers, Glen Eden, Henderson. One; Glen Eden, Oratia, Glen Eden, Bridge Park, Oratia. Five; Epsom, Glen Eden, Howick, Mt Wellington, Glen Eden.

The ladies first selection team are at, Hillsboro, Sandringham, Rocky Nook, New

Lynn, Pakuranga.

Section Two, Mt Eden, Rawhiti, Papatoetoe, Mission Bay Ladies, Howick.

We know we wish our teams well, and all of the selectors trust that each team will return to our clubhouse following each days end, to gather around and discuss each teams days play.

INTER-CLUB PLAYERS

See where you are playing each inter-club day as listed on this page, all team players on usual chalk board

Tournaments

On behalf of the Tournament Managers.

By the time this newsletter reaches you, our first Tournament will have been held with some twenty seven teams entered for the 3rd. of October sponsored by Paddy Orr our Solicitor.

We have an excellent calendar of well sponsored tournaments again this season and are looking forward to a

good turnout at each one, and as **all the Open Tournaments are Optional Mixed**, this we trust will bring in numbers of teams that were unable last season as so many were men only, for enjoyable days out in the sun with your friends, (and maybe) a meat pack to take home, we trust everyone will try to make up a

team and also invite your friends from other clubs. All dates are in your Club Handbook, and will be up on our boards, showing the dates, days & sponsors?

Our two Extended Tournaments are being dealt with at present, with pleasing entries coming to hand for the Jubilee Event on Anniversary weekend.



Social & Bar

Of Kevin Wood, Les Dunn, Gail Hatton,, Jeff Tough, Dennis Judd

. This team are performing well under the direction of Kevin, with Les to the fore front of running the raffles, indisputably his forte with Gail's assistance at times.

The Social happenings do not just happen! With other input, we had an opening day par excellence, with great band that did begin somewhat belatedly but played well once underway, and on the Cobbers Friends and Family Evening, Don Hooper did us

proud with his Karaoke with one or two unlikely contenders taking over the singing agenda well into the night, (a couple of wines does help).

The Committee are planning other social evenings, notifications of these will be well advertised.

The large 100 number board is underway with our first Ham, I/2 Ham and Turkey raffle so get your \$2 in the slots now, and Ham Raffles

will begin shortly, with the prizes to be collected on the day.

Our newly appointed barperson, is Norma Turner, who will be looking after your wants from hereon, along with Dawn Edwards (when required) to cover the busy summer programme ahead.. The recently increased prices in some areas, have been accepted and only increased because of excise tax

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Our Greens

By Donna Cross and Peter Walker

We are pleased to draw your attention to the following few problem areas, that we would appreciate your noting'

The keys to the equipment shed has now been moved to accommodate shorter people and is now situated on a hook behind the seat nearest the shed door. Please ensure that it is returned to the same spot immediately after

use. Single scrim are available for practice play, these being the light grey ones. Please place them length ways down the green not sideways as we do with the long black scrim. Please remove all pins from scrim before rolling up to prevent damage to the scrim and the greens.

The Green keeper has noticed that there is a little dumping going on and he asks that perhaps the club coach could suggest some ways to help correct this. If any one has any suggestions or problems regarding the greens please see Donna .Happy bowling From your Greens Team



Welfare

PaKirkham & Margaret Sawell

Brother & Sister Bowler.

This winter, some of our members have passed on and others have fallen ill, some seriously

Laurie Mathews struck a problem which was life threatening and gave us all some anxious moments, but being the fighter that he is, has mainly overcome his problems and is now back with us enjoying our company. He is still a little weak but is getting stronger by the day.

Another in Des Hoffman who again caused a great deal of anxiety, is now back home making a slow but steady recovery and we have no doubt he will be back in the club shortly, giving us a hard time as usual.

Fred Riddick is another who had to have an urgent operation of some magnitude has been to the club last week, also put on a bet or two at the TAB, good on you Fred.

Jim Tough has had a hard

winter, after knee surgery and heart problems, and may be unable to play bowls this season, to you all we of the GEBC wish you a brighter improvement over the summer months and trust we will see you in the club.

Margaret asks that should any of our lady members need visiting etc. that you will contact her for assistance.

The Importance of these three reports are your;

Participation and Socializing With fellow members as times allow

Membership, Publicity, Coin Machines.

Cleve Sullivan, Jim Grogan.

Our membership (now close to 300), has been improved considerably with the Amalgamation that took place recently between the men's and ladies clubs. It is so pleasing to note a steady influx of new members brought may we say mainly by our lady members.


There is and will be a further attrition rate as we reach the final date in October to settle your fees, and would remind those who have let this slip their mind, to please settle at your earliest, as you are aware you cannot play in Club Championships unless financial.

A number of Social Members have arrears outstanding, and would appreciate their settlement as well. Just see Cleve, Jim or Les Dunn and cards and receipts will follow your payments.

We sadly lose two long serving members this week, and will have departed for Perth Australia by the time you receive this newsletter, they are Ray Dunn, 38 continuous years in the club along with his wife Emily who was a member of the ladies club over two periods spanning 20 years, we certainly wish them well in their retirement to family in Australia

This our first newsletter since Amalgamation is now in your hands, show it to your families and friends to promote growth in our membership once they have read the steady progress we are making already this season. It is our intention to have at least four such Gazette each year. Any newsworthy items will be added by contacting the 'Club Trumpeter'

Three exchange 2 cent coin machines should be to hand very shortly, for you all to make your fortune or conversely help the club's till. Already, five of our machines have been fitted with note acceptors for your convenience.




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A little advertised fact unknown to so many of our players, that we have another dedicated club member giving up his valuable time to be on the Operations Committee of the above.

This is of course; Dave McMurchy who deals with the Events side of Centre and must work in favour of the

GEBC as have past Presidents (both men & ladies along with others who have given their time in the past.

Dave, ever in the interest of Bowls and our club, will be pleased to advise us on matters of concern, particularly in the offices he holds.

His Home Phone is 416-1034,

Mobile, 027-241-4217 and Email superiortiles@clear.net.nz

Ron Reid has been very busy with the centre for a number of years, (more recently as President) and at this stage is on the Judiciary Committee. If you want to avoid adding to the Wrong Bias Tin maybe Ron can advise?

Emails

Cleve Sullivan

.The Computer Technology is advancing so fast that many of our older members are purchasing home personal computers, and are taking advantages of **free** tuition which is available in various areas around Auckland to join in this knowledge field.

This being the case, the GEBC would be very pleased to Email information to our members on

a more regular basis this way to improve a word lacking in so many clubs and other areas and it is; **COMUNICATION**

Should we obtain enough Email addresses, we would send out, to begin with our monthly Minutes, reminders of Tournaments, Championships and etc.

.For this we need a fair

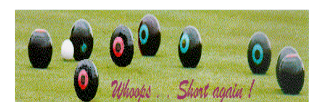
modicum of addresses for this to be functional.

At only a minimal charge of 4 cents per Email, please send to my computer address to go on our Membership List, **"yours"**

Send to;
Cleve.sullivan@clear.net.nz to register, these will be added also to the Club Computer..

Emails;

See the write up on this page and send your email now!



Gazette Witticisms

It is hard to understand how a cemetery raised its burial cost and blamed it on the cost of living.

* Just remember...if the world didn't suck, we'd all fall off.

* The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.

* It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end to end, someone would be stupid enough to try and pass them.

* You can't have everything, where would you put it?

* Latest survey shows that 3 out of 4 people make up 75% of the world's population.

* If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.

* The things that come to those that wait may be the things left by those who got there first.

* Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat drinking beer all day.

* As long as there are tests, there will be prayer in public schools.

* A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.

* Everybody lies, but it doesn't matter since nobody listens.

* I wish the buck stopped here, as I could use a few. I started out with nothing, and I still have most of it.

When you go into court you are putting yourself in the hands of 12 people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.

* Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

The Club Trumpeter



Glen Eden Bowling Club

Guy Fawkes Night

For one and all

**Come along and have a
Cracker
of an Evening.**

Friday 5th. November 5 pm on

**Members-Families of all ages-Friends-Cobbers-Mates
Try your arm at Bowling, (Teenagers upwards), win Raf-
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-B-Q and have a couple of drinks of your persuasion
This is a night for all to enjoy**



The Bowls Committee