

Matua Bowling Club

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Newsletter Autumn 2021

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News and Views From President Cliff



I am very grateful to you all for the support and the many visitors to see me in hospital. I missed the club and your company, but was very encouraged by the board's resolve to carry on as normal. A special thanks to Brian Bluck who as acting President did a wonderful job.

I was sorry to hear of Paul Gregory's board resignation for family reasons. On a board like ours we need men and women with different skills. Paul's career in the customs sector brought with it a keenness for detail and compliance and his legacy will be found in a new and improved corporate process that we trialled just before my heart attack. (no, it didn't cause my attack!) We will now be formalising the new process via a small Board sub-committee. I especially want to thank the corporate events team for their patience while we conclude this.

I had my first board meeting on Friday 16th and we are very aware that the most important thing to a club our size is communication. Our club captains do their best to keep you up to date but they need to be supplied with the information especially about results. We encourage you to make your feelings known to the board, especially our club captains.

I am very aware of the frustrations we all have with regard the project synthetic's delay and the loss of our green 1. Regards project synthetic the Board is more encouraged by the likelihood that our contractor based in Victoria, Australia will be able to commence work in NZ this year. As you will also know that there is increasing pressure forcing the Australian and NZ governments to agree to a trans-Tasman bubble without the need to quarantine. We have the carpet stored in Tauranga and our supplier is paying for this, including insurance.

Behind the scenes we are in discussion as to return green 1 to its former playable state and the provision of a nursery. The board recognises the disruption to you as we juggle play on a synthetic and a grass green. But we ask you to visualise the installation of two crisp, state of the art synthetic surfaces this year. We are in the home straight.

All the best and look forward to playing with you or against in the near future.

Cheers Cliff.

Farewell Mike Spring



Whanau, friends and fellow bowlers acknowledged the full and active life of Mike Spring with a post funeral service send off at the Bowling Club. Mike made a large contribution to both Bowls Matua and Bowls NZ during a time of change for the sport. He will be fondly remembered by many.

The Life of Dick Flowerday

Marge Flowerday and family invite the friends and clubmates of her husband Dick who passed away during covid last year. With no funeral allowed at that time Marge has arranged an informal gathering to remember and celebrate his life. This will occur on the afternoon of Saturday 10th April.



News From The Board

Current membership as of 31st January 2021

	Men	Women	Total	DEC 2020	DEC 2019
Full Playing	87	37	123	122	139
Limited	12	10	22	22	16
Associate	9	5	14	14	6
Social	25	41	66	66	51
Sub Total	132	93	225	224	211
Casual from 1 st April 19	32	62	94	94	98
Corporate from 1 st January 20	17	0	17	527	578
Totals	49	62	111	845	887

Full membership \$240.00 Limited membership \$160.00
 Associate membership \$60.00 Social membership \$20.00.

First year membership to be 50% of the Full or Limited membership
 Student membership to be 25% of the Full or Limited membership.

- The Board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Paul Gregory as secretary. Until the AGM Chris Neilson will fill the role. Thanks you to Paul for your contribution in this key position this season.
- As part of the Building Licence the first person into the building must check all exits are operational and then sign the register by the alarm at the entrance.
- The Club Health and Safety policy requires that all injuries must be reported.



We welcome guests but remember they must be signed in the visitor register to be able to have a drink

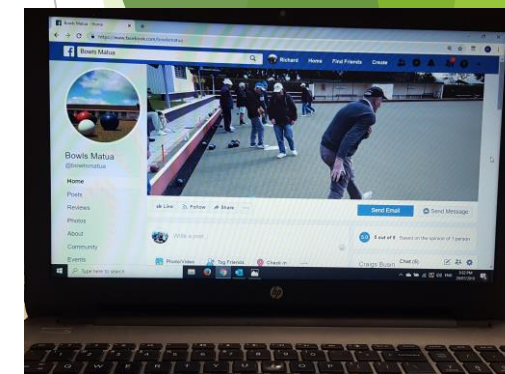
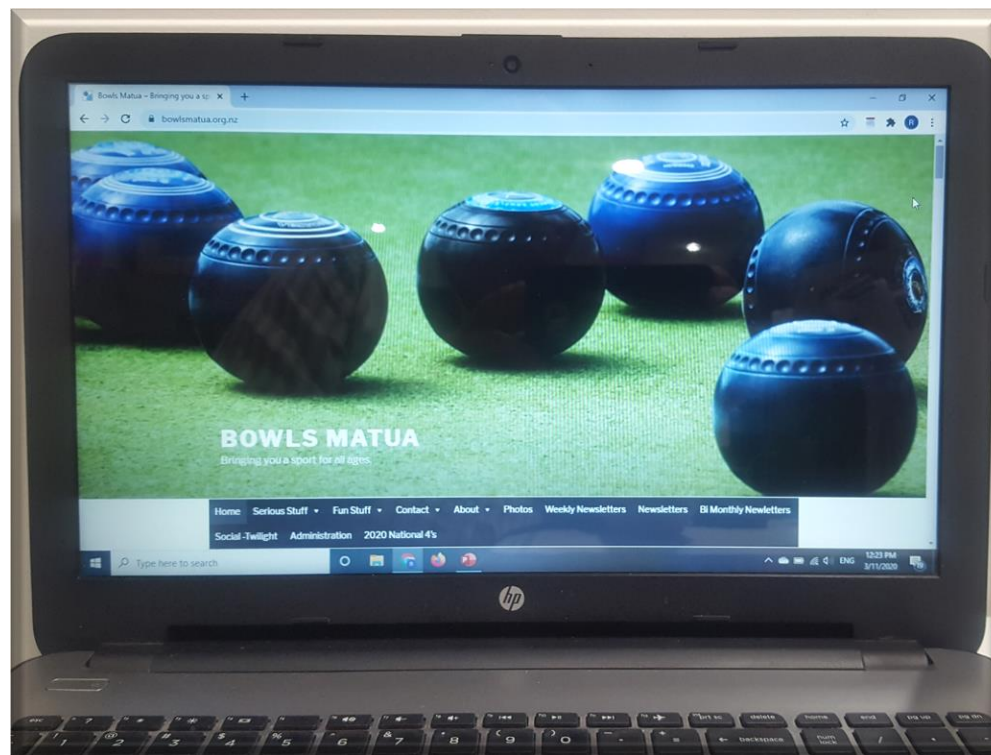
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www.bowlsmatua.co.nz

- ▶ We welcome your contributions, especially photos of our members in all types of activities, well almost all.



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Bowling Etiquete

- ▶ There is little doubt that one of the greatest attributes of the game of 'lawn bowls' is the opportunity it gives to foster camaraderie and sociability amongst fellow bowlers. It is important that the conventional courtesies and standards of etiquette be observed on the greens as well as in the pavilion.
- ▶ **It is courteous...**
 - In a singles match when your opponent has won the previous end to hand them the mat and jack
 - When the match is completed to thank the marker and to congratulate your opponent
 - To stand still and behind the bowler when they are delivering a bowl
 - When playing at home and as hosts to make visiting players welcome
 - When your team loses to congratulate your opponents
 - Never to use strong language during play or display signs of ill-temper
 - To commend a good shot played by your opponent.



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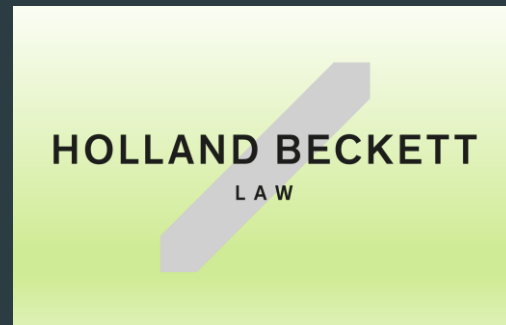
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Laughter - The best medicine

A man buys a parrot and brings him home. But the parrot starts insulting him and gets really nasty, so the man picks up the parrot and tosses him into the freezer to teach him a lesson. He hears the bird squawking for a few minutes, then the parrot is quiet. The man opens the freezer door, the parrot looks up at him and says, "I apologize for offending you, and I humbly ask your forgiveness." The man says, "thank you. I forgive you." The parrot then says, "If you don't mind my asking, what did the chicken do?"



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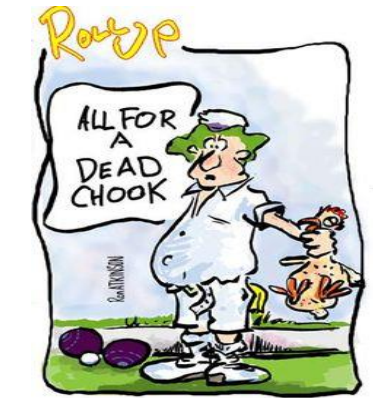


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I asked my wife if she ever fantasizes about me, she said yes - about me taking out the trash, mowing the lawn, and doing the dishes.

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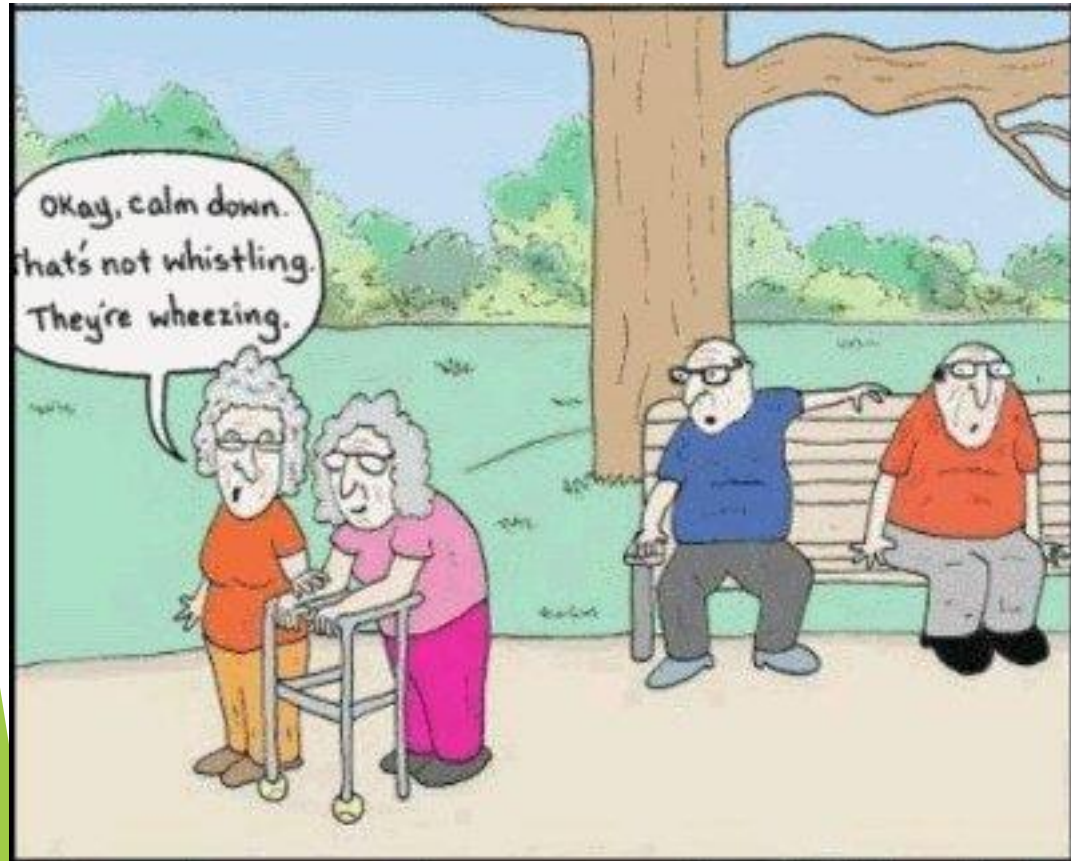


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An elderly gent was invited to his old friends' home for dinner one evening. He was impressed by the way his buddy preceded every request to his with endearing terms-Honey, My Love, Darling, Sweetheart, Pumpkin, etc. The couple had been married almost 70 years, and clearly they were still very much in love. While the wife was in the kitchen, the man leaned over and said to his host, "I think it's wonderful that, after all these years, you still call your wife those loving pet names." The old man hung his head. "I have to tell you the truth," he said, "I forgot her name about 10 years ago."



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I just asked my husband if he remembers what today is ... Scaring men is easy.



Whoever said that the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results has obviously never had to reboot a computer.

Haere RA Mike and Heather

- ▶ Wishing you all the best in Cambridge Mike and Heather. We have enjoyed your company in recent years. Thanks for your contribution to Bowls Matua



Founding members with Roger and Penny of the Bowls Matua Cambridge division. :

From The Greens

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Test your Bowls knowledge

Q.1: When does a team gain possession of the rink ?

Q.2: A player delivers a bowl belonging to a member of the opposing team. Another player immediately calls for the return of the bowl. What should happen ?

Q.3: A running bowl, which did not touch anything during its course, hits the face of the bank and rebounds onto the green. Is the bowl dead or alive ?

Margaret Sadler Memorial Tournament

On the 27th & 28th April Bowls Matua hosts the running of the **Margaret Sadler ladies Fours** tournament. The trophy was donated by the Sadler family. Daughter Carol Hubert is well known to bowlers.



Margaret was a member of Matua for many years and featured in Club and Centre roles.



2020 winners Tga South Club, the club with the most tournaments over the years.



▶ ANSWERS TO BOWLS QUESTIONS

- ▶ Q.1 As soon as their opponents bowl has come to rest, after allowing time for marking a toucher as soon as it comes to rest
- ▶ Q.2: Wait until the wrong bowl comes to rest, then replace it with the player's own bowl
- ▶ Q.3: It is dead