

Welcome to our weekly newsletter ~

Coming Events ~

3rd April – Monday – Mixed Roll Up 12.30pm start

4th April – Tuesday – Open Optional Triples sponsors



5th April – Wednesday Hagggle 12.30pm start

7th April – Good Friday Triples 12.30pm start

10th April – Monday – (Easter Monday) Mixed Roll-up
12.30pm start

12th April – Wednesday Hagggle 12.30pm start

14th April – Friday Triples 12.30pm start

15th April – Saturday – Mixed Championship Triples
8.30am start

16th April – Sunday – Mixed Championship Triples –
Post Section play 8.30am start

17th April – Monday Roll up 12.30pm start

20th April – Thursday – Open Mixed Triples –
sponsor ~ Matua Radius Care



21st April – Friday Triples 12.30pm start

22nd April – Saturday – 1st & 2nd Year Singles
9.00am start

Results from the past week ~

29th March – Wednesday Hagggle

1st Murray Bruning, Lynda Boschat

2nd Graeme Troy, Eric Bartlett, Lynne Vincent

3rd David Powles, Warren Wilcox

29th March – Wednesday – Veteran Mixed Handicap Pairs

1st Ken Boyle, Diana Foster

2nd Barry Fordyce, Ave Andrews

3rd Grant Turner, Max Peters

31st March - Friday Triples –

1st Jean Sheary, Barry Sheary, Ross Mallon

2nd Ray Nicholas, Murray Bruning, Lynda Boschat

3rd David Powles, John Redshaw, Tony Price

4th Ray Hogan, Alf Williams, David Beaven

5th Trevor Hinton, Derek Vincent, Malcolm Gurden

6th Graeme Troy, Grant Edgar, Geoff Bird

Western Division Summer Programme

4th April – Tuesday – Matua – Optional Triples ~
sponsored by Craigs Investment



5th April – Wednesday – Te Puke – Optional Triples

8th & 9th April – Saturday & Sunday – Mount – Mixed
Classic Pairs

Omokoroa – Optional Junior Triples

11th April – Tuesday – Tga South – Optional 2 B Triples

15th April -Saturday – Katikati – Optional 2x4x2 Pairs

18th April – Tuesday – Papamoa Optional Triples

20th April – Thursday – Matua – Mixed Triples
sponsors ~



22nd & 23rd April – Saturday & Sunday – Tga South –
2 Day Optional Triples

22nd – 24th April – Saturday – Monday – Te Puke –
ANZAC Pairs

29th April – Saturday – Matua – Bowling Arm
Tournament 9.30am start sponsors ~



Results from the past week continued

1st April – Saturday – Jack & Jill Pairs

1st Mike Boyce & Hilary Stanley

2nd Noelene Schmidt, Grant Turner

3rd Anne Jeffries, Max Peters



Laws of the Game

As of the 1st April 2023 Laws of the Sport of Bowls (Crystal Mark Fourth Edition) came into effect including Domestic Regulations for Bowls New Zealand,

Law books can be downloaded from the Bowls NZ Website – hard copies of these will not be available to members to purchase for another 4 weeks approx., cost unknown at this stage.

Key Changes ~

Law 5.1.1 Trials Ends – Inclusion of Trial Ends when moving an interrupted game between a vegetation green and a synthetic or indoor green.

Law 13.3 Possession of the rink – New law to state that a player must not deliver a bowl before the previous bowl has come to rest

Law 26.3 Games play on one occasion – New law to clarify that there must be no further play in a knock out competition if it is impossible to win the game given the number of ends left

Law 29.1.4 Playing out of turn – If a bowl has been played by each team or player in Singles before the players discover that one of them has played out of turn, play in that end must continue in that order

Law 29.3.1.2 Changing Bowls – New law to clarify that a set of bowls may be changed when a game is moved between a vegetation surface and a synthetic or indoor surface on the same day

Law 37.1.3 Bowl Displacement – New Law, if a bowls in its original course is **deliberately** displaced or stopped by a member of the team that delivered the bowl, the defaulting team will forfeit the game to their opponent

Law 37.1.5.3 Displacement of a bowl at rest – New Law to introduce a penalty for **deliberately** lifting a bowl at rest to allow their own team's bowl in original course to pass

“If a player lifts a bowl at rest on their rink to allow their own team's bowl to pass, the defaulting team will forfeit the game to their opponent.”

Law 42.2.1 The Markers Duties – New law added to the duties of a marker, checking that the mat is on the centre line of the rink

A.1.3.11 Conditions of Play – Must now include the method used for drawing rink numbers and opponents

Laws Committee Clarification

In the Laws of the Sport Crystal Mark Third Edition, the penalty for displacing a bowl on its original course was for the opposing skip to declare the bowl dead, Law 37.1.1. Similarly, the action of lifting a bowl at rest to allow their own bowl to pass or prevent it from being disturbed was also dealt with by the opponent by simply replacing the bowl to its form position, Law 37.1.5.1. These counter-actions were arguably what the offending player was trying to achieve and were not considered to be a suitable penalty. There was no other law to cover these scenarios other than using Law 36 Deliberate non-sporting action, by the time this is applied it is too late.

In the Crystal Mark Fourth Edition, two new laws were approved and included within Law 37.1 Bowl Displacement by another player, to alleviate the situation of a player stopping one of their own team's bowls from disturbing the head and gaining an advantage either by lifting a bowl at rest or stopping their bowl in its original course. These are: Law 37.1.3 and Law 37.1.5.3.

The Laws Committee felt that the clear deliberate intent by a player to interfere with their own bowls in this way should warrant a more severe penalty which would be the forfeiture of the game.

The new laws were not introduced to “punish” players that stop a bowls from entering the ditch that hasn't disturbed the head. The Laws Committee understands this occurs on a regular basis but it is a timely reminder and a key message from the Laws Committee that no bowl belonging to the players on the rink of play should be lifted, stopped or displaced. Other laws are available to deal with situations where bowls displace other bowls and the jack and these should still be applied accordingly

Duties of a Marker

1. Check the mat is placed on the centre line of the rink
2. Centre the Jack
3. Make sure that the jack is at least 23 metres from the mat line after it has been centred
4. Place the jack that comes to rest less than 2 metres from the front ditch on the centre line of the rink measuring a distance of 2 metres from the front ditch with the nearest point of the jack to the mat line
5. Stand to one side of the rink, behind the jack and away from the head
6. Answer any specific question about the state of the head which is asked by the player in possession of the rink
7. When asked, tell or show the player in possession of the rink the position of the jack
8. When asked, tell or show the player in possession of the rink which bowl or bowls the marker considers the shot
9. Mark all touchers with chalk and remove the chalk marks from non-touchers as soon as they come to rest
10. Stop any bowl that is from a neighbouring rink and could move a jack or bowl that is at rest
11. If both players agree, remove all dead bowls from the rink of play
12. Mark the position of a jack and any touchers which are in the ditches described in Laws 14.4 and 18.2
13. Not move, or cause to be moved, either the jack or and bowls until players have agreed the number of shots scored
14. Measure any shots if asked by the players
15. When each end has been completed, the marker must
 - (a) Record the score on the score cards
 - (b) If scoreboards are not being used, tell the players the score
16. When the game is completed, the marker must make sure that the score card
 - (a) Contains the name and signatures of the players
 - (b) Contains the time at which the game was completed
 - (c) Is dealt with in line with Conditions of Play
 - (d) Hand the Scorecard to the Umpire on Duty

When answering a question from the player **only** answer what is asked. If the question asked is not clear ask the player to rephrase the question.

Do not use the words "I favour"



Umpiring

If you are interested in becoming an Umpire, please contact Carol Hubert

You could become a Laws Umpire or an Official Measurer if you don't want to become a fully Accredited Umpire.

There are 3 levels of Umpiring

Level 1 – Club and Centre (**Local Umpire**)

Level 2 – Regional, National & Live Streams/TV (**National Umpire**)

Level 3 – International Events & World Championships (**ITO**)



Congratulations

**Jean Morris
Runner-up
Champ of Champ Women's Singles**

**Also
Grant Edgar
on reaching the Semi Final of the
Junior Champ of Champ Men's Singles**



Marilyn McLeod (Te Puke) Winner
and Jean Morris Runner-up