



Bowls Kapiti Coast

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Competition Changes for 2021-22

After an extensive period of consultation with clubs the Tournament Committee has now completed its review of the centre's competition structures. Throughout the process the attitude and involvement of the clubs has been very positive. There was a strong feeling that it was time for change so it will be interesting to see how the new structures for Interclub and Pennants, in particular, work out in practice.

Details of the changes are outlined on Page 5 of this issue.

Obituary Beryl Doyle Q.S.M.

Beryl Doyle, a Past President of Bowls Kapiti Coast, passed away recently. She was also Past President and Life Member of the Paraparaumu Beach club, Past President of the centre's Women's Umpires and an international umpire in the early 2000's.

Beryl was a great administrator and was awarded the Queens Service Medal for services to the community.

Coming Events

July

Sun 25 **AGM Otaki BC 1 pm**

Sept

Sun 19 **Pennants entries close**

Oct

Sun 31 **Interclub entries close**

Bowls Kapiti Coast Officers 2020 - 21

President: **Noeleen Davies**
Vice-President: **Graham Fairburn**

Board Chair: **Trish McKelvey**

Board: **Bea Gray**
Viv Hudson
Eileen Jones
Sam Kwok

Selectors:

Men: **Danny Madden**
Women: **Jim Swift**

BKC Centre Officers for 2021-22 Year

The Centre needs to appoint Officers for the 2021-22 season at or before the AGM on Sunday 25 July.

Elected Officers - President

- Vice President
- **Convenor of the Tournament Committee** (a new selection process this year)

Appointed Officers

- **Board Members** - 3 positions (available on rotation)
- **Convenor of Selectors** - Men's rep teams

This is an important opportunity to make direct contributions to the Centre and its functions, an opportunity to do more than just talk and be frustrated by current efforts.

BOWLS KAPITI COAST AWARDS 2020-21 SEASON

The annual Bowls Kapiti Coast Awards sponsored by *Nulook Kapiti* were presented at the Central Levin Bowling Club on Saturday 19 June before an audience of about 100 players and supporters. Well-known radio personality **Nigel Hopkins** was an able and amusing compere who ensured that the proceedings flowed smoothly.

Trophies, certificates and badges were given out to the winners of all of the centre's Open and Champion-of-Champions events, Interclub and Pennants competitions. As well the aforementioned presentations the following special awards were made to players based on points accumulated in centre competitions over the season.

The following players were awarded their Gold Stars:

5 Titles: **Kurt Burgess** and **Peter Thomson**(Paekakariki) and **Neil Bovey** (Central Levin)

10 Titles: **Helen Bethwaite** and **Rochelle Stevenson** (Paraparaumu Beach) and **Rhys Hakkens** (Waikanae Beach)

The centre selectors **Jim Swift** and **Danny Madden** made awards to the two players they considered to be the leading representative players of the season. They were:

Jane Selby-Paterson (Otaki) and **Graeme Corlett** (Paekakariki)

The major awards for the 2020 - 21 season determined by points earned in centre events over the season went to:

- Female Junior Player of the Year: **Gloria Michael** (Waitarere Beach / Levin)
- Male Junior Player of the Year: **Ron Olivecrona** (Raumati)
- Female Open Section Player of the Year: **Marei Bevan** (Central Levin)
- Male Open Section Player of the Year: **Eddie Martin** (Waikanae Beach)
- Female Veteran Player of the Year: **Berenice Crowther** (Paraparaumu Beach)
- Male Veteran Player of the Year: **Rex Holmes** (Paraparaumu Beach)

The two major awards were:

The Bowls Kapiti Coast Player of the Year was Eddie Martin (Waikanae Beach).

Eddie won three centre titles – the Open Pairs, Champion-of Champion Fours and the Mixed Fours, as well as being runner up in the Mixed Pairs, a great series of results.

The Bowls Kapiti Coast Club of the Year was awarded jointly to Central Levin and Paraparaumu Beach who were the two most successful clubs in competitions over the season as well as hosting regional events and maintaining high standards in administration and community involvement.

Many thanks to **Kurt Burgess** of *Nulook Kapiti* who sponsored the event and to the **Central Levin Bowling Club** for hosting the event on behalf of the Board of Bowls Kapiti Coast.



Eddie Martin receives the Bowls Kapiti Coast 'Player of the Year' award from Awards sponsor Kurt Burgess.



The Paraparaumu Beach women receiving the certificate and pennant for winning both Premier I Interclub and Division I Pennants.

Paraparaumu Beach also won the Women's Aggregate trophy while Central Levin took out the Men's Aggregate.



Some of the Winners

Changes to the Centre Programme

The major changes to the centre programme for the coming season are:

Interclub

Premier I and II Interclub for men and women will be largely unchanged - sides of 7 playing singles, pairs and fours. There will however be a Finals day with the Top Four teams from the round-robin competition in each division playing off to decide the winner. If there are byes in Premier I the winning Premier II teams from last season will be invited to enter Premier I. If there are fewer than 8 teams in a division the number of teams qualifying for the finals will be reduced.

Division III Interclub will be an 'any combination' competition with sides of 5 - a 2 x 4 x 2 pair and a 3 bowl triples team. It will also culminate in a Top Four playoff on the final day.

Pennants

The major change to the competition is that for **Men's Divisions I and II** and **Women's Division I** instead of entering two teams of fours in a division clubs will now be able to enter one or more teams of four. There will be a maximum of 16 teams of four in any one division.

Women's Division II will be teams of triples.

Division III will be 'any combination' teams of triples. This change should make it a lot easier for the smaller clubs to compete in Pennants.

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Clubs will run their own competitions with their winners going on to centre finals at Paekakariki.

Centre Open Events Instead of being completed on Mondays this season's Centre Opens, perhaps as a trial, will feature finals days to be held at the end of the season at Otaki. This is in response to considerable demand from a number of clubs.

Champion-of-Champions are reverting to being played throughout the season as they were in the 2019-20 season. The first will be the Triples in early December.

Mid Week Events

The following mid week events will not be contested next season:

Melva Ritson Graded Fours

Horowhenua Cup

Leila Secker Fours

Seddon Shield

The rationale for these changes is that clubs want to encourage their players to represent their clubs in the centre's weekend competitions and reduce their commitments to hosting mid week events.

This pruning of mid week events could be of assistance to clubs though it is the plethora of weekend centre events which provide the limitations that clubs have to cope with in setting their own programmes. Perhaps some of the 'less important' weekend events might face the axe if the current changes find favour.

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