



# Bowls Kapiti Coast

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### Administration Changes

**The administration changes to the Centre's operation are now all in place. The new website is now fully up and running at**

**[www.bowlskapiticoast.com](http://www.bowlskapiticoast.com)**

**and the e mail address established at**

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**Best wishes to all bowlers for the many events which are still on the calendar for the rest of the summer bowling season.**

### Coming Events

#### March

Wed 04 Horowhenua Cup: Waitarere Beach  
Sat 07 C of C Singles: Central  
Sat 07 Arohanui Hospice Gala: Levin  
Sun 08 C of C Junior Singles: Waikanae Beach  
Mon 09 M & W Masters: Hutt Valley / Whanganui  
Tue 10 M & W Masters: Hutt Valley / Whanganui  
Sat 14 Junior Mixed 2 x 4 x 2 Pairs: Raumati  
Sun 15 Junior Mixed 2 x 4 x 2 Pairs: Raumati  
Mon 16 Paraparaumu Beach Women's Classic  
Tue 17 Paraparaumu Beach Women's Classic  
Thu 19 National Intercentre: Wellington  
Fri 20 National Intercentre: Wellington  
Sat 21 National Intercentre: Wellington  
Sun 22 National Intercentre: Wellington  
Tue 24 Melva Ritson Graded Fours: Raumati  
Wed 25 Melva Ritson Graded Fours: Otaki  
Sat 28 BKC M & W Open Singles: Levin / P Bch  
Sun 29 BKC M & W Open Singles: Levin / P Bch  
Mon 30 BKC M & W Open Singles: Levin / P Bch

#### April

Wed 01 North v South: Central  
Sat 04 BKC M & W Open Pairs: P Bch / Levin  
Sun 05 BKC M & W Open Pairs: P Bch / Levin  
Mon 06 BKC M & W Open Pairs: P Bch / Levin  
Wed 08 Seddon Shield: Levin  
Fri 17 President's Cup: Otaki

### Paekakariki at the National Fours

Two Kapiti Coast teams from Paekakariki took part in the just completed National Fours played in the Tauranga area with varying degrees of success. **Peter Thomson's** team with **Kurt Burgess, Scott Sinclair-Paton** and **Robbie Garraway** found the going tough losing to teams skipped by top players **Maurice Symes, Aiden Takarua** and **Chris Waterson** and not going on to post section.

It was different story for **Geoff Bovey's** team. With him were **Ged Ebbrell, brother Neil Bovey** and **Henry Yee**. They qualified with four good wins including an easy win over **Rob Ashton**, but losing to **Shannon McIlroy**. In the post section they began with a very good win 19-17 over highly-rated **Ray Martin** to reach the last 16. There they met recent National singles and pairs winner **Dean Elgar** going down 15-19. So, well done to the lads from Paekakariki on the national scene.

**Gary Lawson** win a 14<sup>th</sup> title with his composite fours team of past international **Jamie Hill** and young stars, **Caleb Hope** and **Sheldon Bagrie-Howley**. In the final they beat **Lance Pascoe's** team 18-16 in the final.

The Women's Fours was won by a composite team of **Sandra Keith** with **Clare Hendra, Sharon Smith** and national rep **Tayla Bruce** who beat **Wendy Green's** team 21 - 12 in the final.



**The Levin team winners of the Godfrey Bowen Trophy for 2019-20. (L to R) Liz Galloway, Arne Jansson, Paul Gardner, Irene Poletti, Graeme Mathie, Kaye Lahman, Bronwyn McMahon, Bill Clelland and Alice Spicer.**

## Interclub Roundup

The final results for the BKC Interclub competitions were:

Women	Premier I		Premier II	
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Paraparaumu Beach</b>	<b>26 pts + 149</b>	<b>Central</b>	<b>31 pts + 70</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Central	20 + 62	Paraparaumu Beach A	26 + 89
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Levin	16 + 20	Otaki & Railway	26 + 54
4 <sup>th</sup>	Waikanae	14 - 27	Waikanae	25 - 16
5 <sup>th</sup>	Raumati	8 - 115	Levin	18 - 36
6 <sup>th</sup>	Waikanae Beach	6 - 89	Paekakariki	17 - 15
7 <sup>th</sup>			Paraparaumu Beach B	14 - 75
8 <sup>th</sup>			Levin Women's	11 - 81

Men	Premier I		Premier II	
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Paraparaumu Beach</b>	<b>29 pts + 149</b>	<b>Otaki &amp; Railway</b>	<b>28 pts + 7</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Central	23 + 74	Central B	26 + 72
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Raumati	16 - 20	Central A	25 + 54
4 <sup>th</sup>	Paekakariki	15 - 8	Paekakariki A	24 + 30
5 <sup>th</sup>	Levin	15 - 64	Levin	22 + 30
6 <sup>th</sup>	Waikanae Beach	13 - 84	Paraparaumu Beach	20 + 33
7 <sup>th</sup>	Waikanae	7 - 43	Waikanae	11 - 91
8 <sup>th</sup>			Paekakariki B	6 - 135

### Division III

### Open Triples Section 1

### Open Triples Section 2

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Paraparaumu Bch B</b>	<b>28 + 7</b>	Levin	10 + 14	<b>Otaki &amp; Railway</b>	<b>8 + 22</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Paraparaumu Bch A	14 + 22	Raumati	8 + 24	Levin	8 + 16
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Raumati	11 + 9	Para Bch	6 - 1	Para Bch	8 + 1
4 <sup>th</sup>	Central	10 - 23	Central	4 - 14	Raumati	4 + 7
5 <sup>th</sup>	Levin	10 - 33	Otaki & Railway	2 - 16	Central	2 - 41

## Black Jacks Teams for World Champs

The national selectors have chosen the team for the World Championships to be played on the Gold Coast from 26 May to 7 June - at the Broadbeach, Helensvale and Musgrave Hill clubs. The team is:

**Men:** **Shannon McIlroy** (Singles and Pairs lead), **Gary Lawson** (Pairs skip and Fours), **Ali Forsyth** (Triples and Fours skip), **Mike Kernaghan** (Triples and Fours) and **Andrew Kelly** (Triples and Fours).

**Women:** **Jo Edwards** (Singles and Pairs skip), **Tayla Bruce** (Pairs and Fours), **Katelyn Inch** (Triples and Fours skip), **Val Smith** (Triples and Fours) and **Debbie White** (Triples and Fours.)

Of the men's team all except Forsyth play their bowls in New Zealand but of the women only Debbie White is New Zealand based. It is a very experienced team with most of the women based at the clubs where the champs are being played. A number are already world title holders from recent years.

## Final Pennants Results

The final results of the Tuesday Pennants competitions were:

Men	Division I	Division II	Division III
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Paraparaumu Bch 64 + 145</b>	<b>Paraparaumu Bch 1 36 + 60</b>	<b>Raumati Red 53 + 94</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Central 57 + 112	Central 33 + 60	Central 36 + 48
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Levin 34 + 7	Paraparaumu Bch 2 28 + 8	Para Bch 33 - 11
4 <sup>th</sup>	Raumati 28 - 25	Otaki & Railway 28 - 32	Levin 30 - 32
5 <sup>th</sup>	Waikanae 20 - 116	Levin 24 - 46	Raumati Blue 29 - 50
6 <sup>th</sup>	Waikanae Beach 14 - 123		

Women	Division I	Division II Section I	Division I Section 2
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Central 46 + 103</b>	<b>Levin 32 + 66</b>	<b>Para Beach 35 + 44</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Paraparaumu Bch 45 + 89	Otaki & Railway 26 + 11	Central 32 + 70
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Levin 24 - 15	Waikanae 21 + 9	Levin Women's 23 - 16
4 <sup>th</sup>	Waikanae Beach 21 - 67	Raumati A 13 - 86	Raumati B 3 - 98
5 <sup>th</sup>	Waikanae 11 - 110		

### Some Statistics

Over the season there were 13 Interclub and Pennants divisions contested by a total of 72 teams from 10 of the centre's 12 clubs - including the composite Otaki & Railway teams. Only Levin RSA and Waitare Beach did not enter any of the competitions. Those 13 divisions attracted an average of 5.53 entries. The trend is noticeable - the number of entries to these competitions is continuing to fall as club's playing numbers continue to fall. The table below gives some indication of the relative playing strengths of the clubs:

Club	No of Teams Entered	Average Finish Position	Playing # Membership	No of Members Per Team entered
Central	13	2.13	83	6.38
Paraparaumu Beach	15	2.48	134	8.93
Otaki & Railway	6	2.66	60	10.00
Levin	12	3.50	110	9.16
Raumati	10	3.50	121	12.10
Waikanae	7	5.00	142	20.28
Waikanae Beach	4	5.50	61	15.25
Paekakariki	4	5.50	41	10.25
Levin Women's	2	5.50	27	13.50

# Playing membership is as stated in the 2019-20 Centre Handbook.

These bare statistics conceal a number of factors. For example, Levin Women's cannot take part in men's competitions, and Paekakariki made no entries into mid-week Pennants as they generally have a younger, working age playing profile. At present Central and Paraparaumu have the greatest overall playing strength which is reflected in the average competition placing winning 8 of the 13 competitions ( Paraparaumu Beach won 6 of the 13 competitions and Central 2) and entering more teams in relation to their membership size than other clubs. The 6 teams representing the Otaki and Otaki Railway clubs did well winning two competitions. Other clubs such as Waikanae (especially) and Waikanae Beach are fielding few teams compared with their overall playing membership.

At the end of the Pennants season there were some defaults. In one case a Paraparaumu Beach Men's Open Triples team travelled to Levin to play a morning game knowing they had a bye in the afternoon. Their morning opponents did not turn up so the Paraparaumu men went home without playing a game - a total waste of their time and fuel. Byes and defaults are very annoying to players when travelling to other clubs up and down the worst section of highway in the country.

## ***The Octagonal***

The regional Octagonal tournaments for men and women were held in New Plymouth over the weekend 15 - 16 February. The final results were:

Men: Played at the Paritutu club.

1<sup>st</sup> Wellington 24 points    2<sup>nd</sup> Taranaki 23.5    3<sup>rd</sup> Manawatu 22    4<sup>th</sup> Wanganui 18.5

5<sup>th</sup> **Kapiti Coast 17**    6<sup>th</sup> Gisborne-East Coast 15    7<sup>th</sup> Hawkes Bay 13.5    8<sup>th</sup> Wairarapa 6.5

Women: Played at the West End club

1<sup>st</sup> Wellington 28 pts    2<sup>nd</sup> Manawatu 20.5    3<sup>rd</sup> Wanganui 18    4<sup>th</sup> Hawkes Bay 17.5

5<sup>th</sup> Taranaki 17.5    6<sup>th</sup> Gisborne-East Coast 16    7<sup>th</sup> **Kapiti Coast 12**    8<sup>th</sup> Wairarapa 10.5



***The Men's Octagonal Team***



***The Under 8's Men's Hexagonal Team***

## ***The U 8's Hexagonal***

The Men's and Women's Under 8's tournament played in Whanganui was a Hexagonal event as Gisborne-East Coast and Wairarapa did not enter teams. The final results were:

Men:

1<sup>st</sup> Wellington 38 points    2<sup>nd</sup> Taranaki 28    3<sup>rd</sup> Hawke's Bay 27

4<sup>th</sup> **Kapiti Coast 23**    5<sup>th</sup> Wanganui 18    6<sup>th</sup> Manawatu 16

Women:

1<sup>st</sup> **Kapiti Coast 34 points**    2<sup>nd</sup> Wellington 30    3<sup>rd</sup> Hawkes Bay 29

4<sup>th</sup> Manawatu 26    5<sup>th</sup> Taranaki 22    6<sup>th</sup> Wanganui 9

*Congratulations to the Women's U 8's team, and the selectors and managers for this great result. Both the men's and women's U 8's teams fared better than their senior counterparts - perhaps a good pointer to the future.*

## **Teams Selected for the Masters Tournament**

The Centre selectors have named the following teams for the Masters tournaments to be held on 9 -10 March. The men will be playing in the Hutt Valley and the women in Whanganui.

	Women	Men
Singles:	<b>Annette Mulholland</b> (Waikanae)	<b>Peter Shepherd</b> (Central)
Pairs:	<b>Pat Taylor</b> (s) (Raumati) <b>Viv Hudson</b> (Central)	<b>Ged Ebbrell</b> (Paraparaumu Beach) <b>Allan Bradbury</b> (Paraparaumu Beach)
Triples:	<b>Bea Gray</b> (s) (Central) <b>Babs Hirini</b> (Central) <b>Dene Norton</b> (Central)	<b>Paul Selby</b> (Otaki) <b>Noel McCutcheon</b> (Central) <b>John Evans</b> (Paraparaumu Beach)
Fours:	<b>Heather Lawton</b> (s) (Waikanae) <b>Berenice Crowther</b> (Paraparaumu Beach) <b>Helen Bethwaite</b> (Paraparaumu Beach) <b>Sue McFarlane</b> (Raumati (Kapiti))	<b>Reg Goston</b> (s) (Raumati) <b>Trevor Rayner</b> (Paraparaumu Beach) <b>Marcel Hakkens</b> (Paraparaumu Beach) <b>Gary Burns</b> (Central)

*The Centre congratulates the players on their selection for this event.*

## **Opinion**

***A trend which must be of at least some concern to the Board of Bowls Kapiti Coast is the growing disparity between the clubs within the Centre. Of the 13 recently completed Interclub and Pennants competitions Paraparaumu Beach and Central placed either first or second 9 times each - between them taking 18 of the 26 first or second places. The only other clubs to place first or second in any of the divisions were Levin and Otaki and Railway with 3 each, and Raumati with 2.***

***The pattern is repeated in the players selected for the National Intercentre and Masters teams. Of the 34 players chosen 25 are from either Paraparaumu Beach or Central, with 3 each from Paekakariki and Raumati, 2 from Waikanae and one from Otaki.***

***Similarly, in the Under 8's teams 15 of the 20 players selected for the Hexagonal were from Paraparaumu Beach or Central, with the other 5 from Waikanae and Levin.***

***Such disparities between the clubs can lead to the migration of playing strength from the 'have not' clubs to the 'haves' for the perceived opportunities the strong clubs may offer. This in turn further dilutes the playing strength of the 'have nots.' Such player movements seem to have had a strong effect on clubs such as Levin and Waikanae Beach, just to name two, over recent seasons.***

## **Levin Bowls Singles Champions**



***Men's singles champion Wayne Judd (left) and runner-up Bill Clelland.***



***Women's singles champion Bella Law (right) and runner-up Bronwyn McMahon.***

## **Waikanae Bowls Singles Champions**

There were some great games and worthy winners in the singles championships at the Waikanae club.

In the men's events **Barry Sutton** bagged a double with his relaxed bowling style winning both the Junior singles over runner up **Ian Lankshear** and the Open singles championship defeating runner-up **Sean Scott** in the final.



***Sean Scott and Barry Sutton***



***Ian Lankshear and Barry Sutton***

In the Women's Open singles **Barbara Young** battled her way through against tough opposition in the qualifying rounds and post section play to eventually beat **Heather Lawton** in the final.

The Junior Women's championship was contested by a small field and won by **Helen Guthrie** who beat **Pat Hatwell** in the final.

**Heather Lawton** proved too strong in the Women's Handicap singles overpowering **Helen Guthrie** in the final while the men's competition is on-going.

The upcoming Novice singles has drawn a strong field of 12 new players.



***Heather Lawton and Barbara Young***



***Helen Guthrie and Pat Hatwell***

***Cheryl Henshilwood***

## ***Teams for the National Intercentre***

The selectors have named their teams for the National Intercentre to be held in Wellington from 19 - 22 March. The teams are

### **Women**

Singles:

**Diana McGill** (Central)

Pairs:

**Audrey Stevenson** (s) (Paraparaumu Beach)

**Rochelle Stevenson** (Paraparaumu Beach)

Fours:

**Eileen Jones** (s) (Paraparaumu Beach)

**Teo Thoreson** (Paekakariki)

**Fane Vessey** (Paraparaumu Beach)

**Carol Rolton** (Paraparaumu Beach)

Non Travelling Reserves:

**Denise Graham** (Paraparaumu Beach)

**Dot Collis** (Central)

### **Men**

**Geoff Bovey** (Paekakariki)

**Peter Thomson** (Paekakariki)

**Dylan Thomas** (Central)

**Ian Mahoney** (Central)

**Rex Holmes** (Paraparaumu Beach)

**Tom Henderson** (Paraparaumu Beach)

**Sam Neill** (Central)

*The Centre congratulates the players selected for this prestigious event.*

***Gary Lawson is congratulated after winning his record-extending 14<sup>th</sup> National title at Mt***



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