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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

President's Message

Well, what a fantastic last two months we have had! In September we had the Garage Sale at the beginning of the month and at the end we had the Corporate Day and the Club raised just on a total of \$18,000 – a great effort by everyone. A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped and volunteered their time in making September a huge success. It makes one feel very proud to belong to such a Club as ours. Opening Day was another great success.

We are now getting a great response to our greens and it is good to see so many outside teams coming back to play on our greens at our open tournaments. All those who played at our Club this month for Interclub gave their seal of approval that our greens are as good as any on the Shore.

As you all know our Club has been nominated for the Massey University Harbour Sport Excellence "Club of the Year Award" and the "Event of the Year Award". Zelda Bridgens has been nominated for the "Hall of Fame". I am pleased to announce that we have been picked in all categories as finalists and the Awards will be announced at a function at The Spencer on Byron Hotel on 21 November. We have 40 members attending and hopefully we will bring home the bacon – good luck.

Tony Rickerby – President



Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to the 21 winners of the **Melbourne Cup Sweeps**. Thanks to **Ray Prewett** who organised the Sweeps. **\$85 was raised for Club Funds**.

Congratulations are also due to Colin Crocker and Tony Rickerby who are now certified to handle the chemicals needed for our greens.

Happy Birthday to our two 94 year olds – Doris Cooper and Eloise Watts. Eloise was in the winning team for Vet Fours (which was actually Triples). Beat that if you can. We wish Doris a speedy recovery from shingles.

And a big THANK YOU to Betty Anderson for the pool table she has donated to the Club. It is much appreciated.

Bowling Clothing (men's & women's) for sale can be found in the Ladies Locker Rooms. New caps from Bar.



Come one, come all
to our fabulous Christmas get-together
on Friday
12 December 2008
from 4.30 pm
\$5 admission
Food and entertainment
The Bar will be open

Would you like to help us help others?

Bring a soft toy; baby blanket etc suitable for new born babies in need of operations in North Shore Hospital. Please wrap in Christmas paper with a label indicating whether a boy or girl.

Welcome to our new members – please see Gwen Speedy if you need a membership form or have completed one ready for processing. ICE (in case of emergency) forms are available from the entry table and should be handed in to the office when completed. Thank you.

SITUATION VACANT . . .

CLEANER for our Clubrooms. Do you know anyone who would be interested in this position? It is a part-time job of approximately 6 hours per week at \$12 p.h. If a suitable candidate can be found there could be kitchen duties as well. *Please speak to Tony Rickerby or Barbara Davis*

STOP PRESS Vera Burt – congratulations on becoming one of the LEGENDS OF HARBOUR, SPORTS HALL OF FAME award winners for representing NZ in both Cricket & Hockey. We are so proud of you and glad some of us were there to join in the celebrations.

Club Championship & other results

Mixed Fours Championships

Winners: Peter Clark, Pat Drake, Lois Cooper,
Maurie Young

R/up: Barbara Davis, Ted Davis, Tony Ryan,
Diane Rundstrom

Mixed Veteran Fours (Triples)

Winners: Eloise Watts, Audrey Harris, Tony Ryan

R/up: Sue Goudie, Margaret Shelley, Stuart Kahn

Women's Single Entry Graded Triples

Winners: Dawn Harper, Margaret Shelley,
Barbara Kuhn

R/up: Beth Hayter, Una Selwood,
Ngairie Waterman



Upcoming Tournaments

Now is the time to get your entries in for:

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| Dec 2 | Club Visit to Takapuna RSA |
| Dec 3 | Women's Open 3x (<i>Ham tournament</i>) |
| Dec 6 | Single Entry 2 4 2 Mixed Pairs
(<i>Milford Butcher</i>) |
| Dec 10 | A/C Open 2 4 2 Pairs (<i>Ham</i>) |
| Dec 14 | Mixed 2 4 2 Jackpot Pairs 9 am start |
| Dec 17 | A/C Open Triples 9.15 am start |
| Dec 20 | Mixed - Ham Tournament |
| Dec 31 | A/C Open 2 4 2 - 9.30 am start |
| Jan 13 | \$1 - 2 4 2 Mixed Pairs |
| Jan 14 | A/C Open 2 4 2 Pairs |
| Jan 17 | 5 Yr & under Singles - Women &
Men |
| Jan 18 | A/C Open Triples – 10 am start |
| Jan 21 | Women's Open Triples – 12.30 pm
start |
| Jan 24 | Championship Singles – Women &
Men |
| Jan 25 | Finals Championship Singles |
| Jan 26 | Gala Day BBQ 1pm start – Mixed |
| Jan 38 | A/C Open Triples 9.15 am start |
| Jan 30 | Mixed Champ Pairs –
5.30 pm start (<i>change from 10/11 January</i>)
Also Feb 20 th and 27 th with 5.30 pm start |
| Feb 1 | President's Day 1.00 pm start |
| Feb 6 | FOUNDERS CUP – Mixed (<i>Waitangi
Day</i>) |
| Feb 7 | Milford Cup qualifying round
<i>Finals to be played on Closing Day 2 May</i> |

REMINDER: If you have entered a Championship event and cannot play, you must find a replacement and inform the Tournament Organiser.

Our first SPICERS TOURNAMENT will be held on **Thursday 4 December at 1 pm**. Names in by 12.45 pm – wear mufti. Do come and enjoy the afternoon.

APOLOGIES to those who came for a Roll-up when Centre was using our greens. # in the right column of the Diary indicates that Centre requires a green and we do not know when the diary is printed whether it will be one or two greens. The next date is Saturday 13 December.

NOBODY'S DARLING

Up and down, walking, walking,
Often measuring – sometimes chalking
Shifting mats – keeping score,
Thirty ends – may be more.
Aching back – tired of limb,
Cheers for others – none for him,
Night draws on, darker, darker,
No one cares for he's the MARKER.

Some funnies from students' exam papers:

- A census-taker is a man who goes from house to house increasing the population.
- The spinal column is a long bunch of bones. The head sits at the top and you sit at the bottom.
- One of the by-products of raising cattle is calves.
- The four seasons are salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.
- The word trouser is an uncommon noun because it is singular at the top and plural at the bottom.

The Milford Rotary Club which meets in our Clubrooms has asked if they can try playing bowls. So on **Tuesday 9 December**, volunteers from our Club are needed between 5.00 – 5.30 pm to help Rotarians play bowls. A list for names will be put up in the Clubrooms or you can speak to Tony Rickerby.

On **Tuesday 20 January 09** the Milford Rotary Club have challenged us to a game of bowls with their Caterer supplying the meal (at a price). More details later.

2-4-2 Tournaments

As points are cumulative, it is important to try to keep the same team where possible, or at least one member of the pair in each tournament. This is because it makes it very difficult for our hard-working tournament convenors if the teams change every tournament. Thank you.

NB: Dates for **Mixed Champ Pairs** have been changed – now **30 Jan; 20 Feb; 27 Feb at 5.30 pm**. This is to avoid a clash with the Nationals.

A reminder that Subscriptions are now overdue and anyone who is not a financial member is NOT permitted to play in Club Championships. Membership cards have been distributed.