

WRONG BIAS

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Issue 1—2010/11 season

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



Sandy Cassie

Well the days are lengthening and Spring is appearing. Thanks to the efforts of **Graham, Gundy, Bruce** and helpers, Number One green is showing great promise and will

hopefully allow use over a longer period this season.

Concrete has been renewed and the green surrounds and clubhouse will be looking good for our 50th Anniversary celebrations.

With the end of **Helen's** Presidency and **Dave Richard's** decision to stand down as Secretary we have lost a lot of experience from the Executive. **Dave's** service to the Club over thirteen years been key to the Clubs success and we will be relying heavily on him for advice.

Thanks to the efforts of our membership campaigners we have a good balance of newer members. We must welcome them and provide playing opportunities and encourage them to enter events which broaden their experience. **Dale Lang's** achievement of gaining Commonwealth Games selection after a relatively short outdoor career show what dedication can achieve.

Above all, we should enjoy the friendship and activity of Wellington's biggest (and best) bowling club. Have a Happy season !

RECRUITMENT 2010/2011

Our major recruitment drive for next season is about to start.

This issue is both a request and a means of advising all Club Members about our pre season membership activity.

It is important that we make every effort to maintain our club membership at a high level. This year, in order to do that, we will be running a series of **"Have a Go"** days. These will be held every Sunday morning during August from 10.00 a.m. till noon.

Your help is needed to get people out of their houses and bring them down to the Club on these days and show them how much fun bowls can be. For many recent new members, this was the way they started Bowls. It is a great way for non Bowlers to **have a go**, it is good fun, Club members enjoy themselves, and lunch is provided.



Lynda & Les Wightman are again the Membership Convenors for the 2010/11 season. They are very enthusiastic Club members and participate in many Club activities. They themselves joined our Club through one of the "Have a Go" days and are we all pleased they did so.

"HAVE A GO" SUNDAYS IN AUGUST (WET or FINE)

**START 10.00 a.m.
FINISH 12.00 midday**

**Followed by a light lunch
provided by the Club**

1. **1st August**
2. **8th August**
3. **15th August**
4. **22nd August**
5. **29th August**



The letterbox drop to the whole of Tawa will be done by 28th July and in plenty of time to let householders know.

Start talking to your neighbours, friends, family, and get them down to our Club on one or more of the Sundays.

Our Club must get new members every year to retain our current healthy state for the coming season and beyond.

Please do your bit and get new people to come to the Club on the Sunday **"Have a Go"** days.

AT THE VERY LEAST COME DOWN YOURSELF AND GIVE A HAND, WE NEED LOTS OF HELPERS ON THESE DAYS.

A big thank you to the many volunteers who are helping

Easy to remember, every Sunday in August

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Whilst the Editor endeavours to provide correct and accurate information, errors can occur. Articles in the "Wrong Bias" reflect the views of the Editor and not the view of the Tawa Bowling Club unless specifically stated. The Editor will consider including articles from Club members and particularly Office Bearers. These can be Emailed to the Editor at <g-savell@ihug.co.nz>

BOWLS COACHING

Once again, our 2010/11 coaching team are away to a flying start. Winter has proved to be a good time to start coaching as Bowlers are more likely to be available and Green 2 is always available on Sundays. Many have already participated in coaching sessions and look to these Bowlers to be playing well right from the beginning of the summer season. The session that the Editor attended was extremely helpful and I can honestly say I learnt a lot.

These sessions have now concluded. One of the many positives to be noticed was the enthusiasm of the participants. Also, it has been noticed that many Club members have already started to go down by themselves and continue practicing the drills they were taught. Don't be surprised if the 2010/11 season again sees lots of new names on the Honours Boards.



The Sunday session coaches L. To R. Michael Johnson, Doreen McEnaney (Coaching Convenor), Mavis Woodman, and Bev Lindsay

Bowls Wellington Coach of the Year

In case you missed the announcement, at the Bowls Wgtn Centre awards, the Coach of the Year was awarded to our very own **Doreen McEnaney**. Well done **Doreen**, a most deserving award.

OUR CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2009/10

The Executive Committee

President	Sandy Cassie
Vice President	Ian Simmonds
Secretary	Peter Nixon
Treasurer	Mark Lucas
Delegate	David Wreaks
Exe Member	Gavin McLeod
Exe Member	Marion Connell
Exe Member	Sandy Hickey

Other Elective Positions

Greens Supt	Brian Gundesen
Match Convenor	Dave Connell
Licence Mgr	Dave Nolan
Selectors Men	L Fenwick, P McEnaney, P Mackie
Selectors Women	N Alexander, B Lindsay, M Woodman
Mid Week	Jury Turia/John Hollick
Coaching Conv'r	Doreen McEnaney
Asst Sec/Treas	Paul Huggins
Catering	Judy Toomer
Auditor	Gillian Cross

Other Positions

Club Capt	Lynn Fenwick
Social Convenor	Judy Toomer
Membership	Lynda/Les Wightman
InterClub Co-ord	<i>not known to Editor yet</i>
Wrong Bias	Graham Savell
Sponsorship	Ian Simmonds
Grants	John Mora
Welfare Officers	Dorothy Belz & Alex O'Hara

OPENING DAY ARRANGEMENTS

At this early stage this is what is intended.

Saturday, 11th September 2010

- 1.30 p.m. Roll up, disks in by 1.15 p.m.
- 5.00 p.m. Opening day function
- 5.30 p.m. Happy hour
- 6.30 p.m. Meal
- 7.45 p.m. Entertainment

All will be confirmed closer to opening day but **place the date in/on your diary or wall calendar.**

2010/11 Programme summary is on last page



This trophy called "The King Hit Trophy" will be awarded on opening day to the person who obtains the 1st toucher in the opening day roll up. It was made and donated by Garry King a few years ago in response to a remarkable feat on opening day when Jim Adams had touchers with his first three bowls of the season.

The **WRONG BIAS** in 2010/11 will be on a similar basis to the previous summer season, namely.

- It will still be a weekly internet/Email publication. It will be called the **WRONG BIAS** & issued on Mondays most weeks. It will also be placed on the Club's website courtesy of Bruce Christie.
- Copies will be available in the Club rooms courtesy of **sponsorship from Southern Cross Building Society and their Wellington Manager, Anita Popple**

IMPORTANT NOTICE—MEN'S TOILETS

The Men's toilets will be closed from Tuesday afternoon 20th July until the afternoon of 22nd July for renovations.

The Tawa Rotary Club who hold their weekly meeting at the Club on Tuesdays have been advised to use the Unisex Ladies toilets.

The Wednesday roll up Bowlers can use the outside toilets or the Ladies if necessary.

Thank you for your cooperation

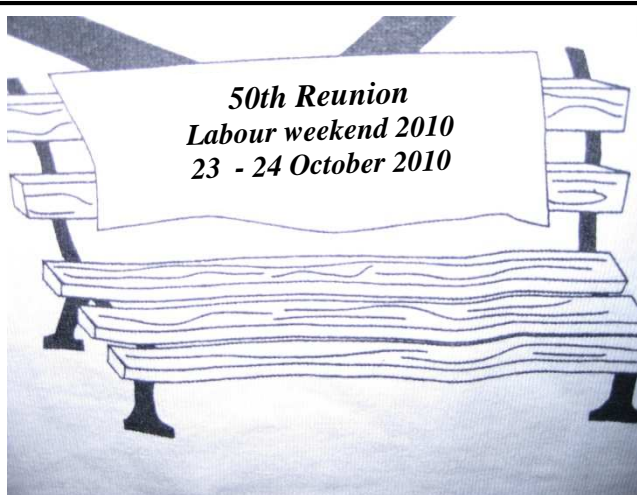
Lynn Fenwick, Club Captain



Guardian
Funeral Home
North City

Stuart & Maree Wheeler from the Guardian Funeral Home, North City who are again sponsoring our Membership drive which runs for the whole of August

*Thank you
Stuart & Maree*



Work and planning are proceeding very nicely for our 50th Reunion being held over Labour weekend. By now every Club member should have received the latest newsletter that had attached to it the all important REGISTRATION FORM. Those on Email would have received it attached to an Email. All other Club members had it either posted to them or delivered to their letterbox.

If you have not received your copy, please ring Graham Savell on 232 6979 now and he will make sure you get a copy.

So far we have approaching 60 registrations for the Saturday evening function. Many of them are from our current Club members but we have them from Queensland, Tauranga, Christchurch, New Plymouth, and the Kapiti Coast. The oldest person registered so far is about 97 or 98.

This “weekend end to remember” is just over 3 months away. The enthusiasm is building.

The 50th Reunion Committee is Paul McEnaney (Chairman), Marion Connell (Sec), Graham Savell (Treas.), Mavis Woodman, Jan Ferguson, Helen Wrecks, Barbara Adams (Book).

MID WEEK COMMITTEE

I had prepared a number of options for 10.00 or 10.30 or 11.00 starts for the 2 Thursday Galas held at our Club. Each of those options would produce earlier finishes. After discussions I gather that most other clubs holding similar events kick off at 12.00 midday. It was thought that to differ might create some confusion and as a result we decided to stick with the 12.00 midday start but reduce the ends played to eight per game. According to my arithmetic this should save ten minutes per game, thirty minutes in all, giving us an end of play time of around 4.15 p.m. or some half hour better than at present, plus the added bonus of ending up where your bag is.



The joint mid week Convenors are John Hollick (left) and Jury Turia (right). Thanks John & Jury for keeping us informed



DON JOHNSTON



Don Johnston

After many years of being on the roster for the weekly mid week cleaning of the Club rooms, the Club Captain **Lynn Fenwick** has advised that he has retired **Don Johnston** from the task. On behalf of all Club members, **Lynn** has expressed thanks to **Don** for his faithful, cheerful, and valuable service. The mid week cleaning is just one of the many things **Don** has done over the years. A Past President, convenor of many Committees, cleaner, raffle organiser are a few jobs.

Enjoy your retirement Don

Memories over the past 50 years



Dale Lang

A major memory is of course a very recent one. The selection of **Dale Lang** in the NZ team last year and a few weeks ago **Dale's** selection to represent NZ at the Commonwealth Games being held in New Delhi in October.

An interesting fact to emerge (at least to the Editor) during the 50th Reunion planning is that **Dale** was not the first Club member to be selected to represent NZ. That honour went to



John Lambert on the right with his long time Pairs partner, the late Ken Fisher.

John Lambert who in 1981 was selected in the NZ Pairs team to play against an Australian team. Due to ill health, **John** had to withdraw and never again got the opportunity to represent NZ. However, that did not stop **John** from winning 27 Tawa titles, 8 Wgtn Centre titles, 3 Taranaki Fours titles, and at least another 6 Centre titles elsewhere. During his time at Tawa, **John** was a Wgtn representative for 15 continuous years, and a North Island Rep. from 1975 to 1980. Apart from playing, **John** also gave time to the administration of Bowls being our Club's Centre delegate for 11 years and a Wgtn selector for 15 years.

You will be able to meet John Lambert at the 50th Reunion

CLUB EVENTS

	<i>Entries Close</i>	<i>Event Starts</i>
Men		
Club Fours	12 Sep	18 Sep
Club Triples	18 Sep	25 Sep
Championship Fours	3 Oct	9 Oct
Barry Horsnell Pairs	3 Oct	6 Oct
Championship Singles	7 Nov	14 Nov
1-5 Year Singles	7 Nov	20 Nov
Championship Triples	9 Jan	15 Jan
Championship Pairs	29 Jan	19 Feb
1-7 Year Pairs	5 Feb	12 Feb
Over 60's Fours		7 Mar
Novice Singles 1-2 yrs	5 Mar	12 Mar
Intermediate Pairs	5 Mar	19 Mar
Women		
Club Triples	12 Sep	18 Sep
Club Fours	18 Sep	25 Sep
Championship Fours	3 Oct	9 Oct
Mid Week Drawn Pairs		6 Oct
Championship Singles	7 Nov	14 Nov
1-5 Year Singles	7 Nov	20 Nov
Championship Triples	9 Jan	15 Jan
Championship Pairs	29 Jan	19 Feb
1-7 Year Pairs	5 Feb	12 Feb
Senior Pairs	26 Feb	6 Mar
Novice Singles 1-2yrs	5 Mar	12 Mar
Drawn Pairs	19 Mar	10 Apl
Mixed		
Garratt Cup		9 Jan
Island of Origin Triples		6 Feb
Club Fours	19 Mar	26 Mar
Jack & Jill	26 Mar	3 Apr

Centre Events

(Entries normally close on the Monday of the week prior to the event –i.e 13 days prior)

	<i>Entries Close</i>	<i>Event Starts</i>
Men		
National Tournament Dun		28 Dec
Open Singles		27 Nov
Open Fours		11 Dec
Development 2-4-2- pairs		22 Jan
Veterans Tournament		27 Jan
Open Triples		12 Feb
Open Pairs		12 Mar
C of C Singles		19 Mar
C of C 1-5 Year Singles		26 Mar
C of C Pairs		2 Apr
C of C Fours		9 Apr
C of C Triples		16 Apr
Easter 2-4-2 Pairs		22 Apr
Mixed		
Mixed Pairs		23 Oct
Presidents Charity Fours		19 Jan
Women		
National Tournament Dun		28 Dec
Prestige Pairs		16 Nov
Open Singles		27 Nov
Open Fours		11 Dec
Development 2-4-2- pairs		22 Jan
Veterans Tournament		27 Jan
Open Triples		12 Feb
Open Pairs		12 Mar
C of C Singles		19 Mar
C of C 1-5 Year Singles		26 Mar
C of C Pairs		2 Apr
C of C Fours		9 Apr
C of C Triples		16 Apr
Easter 2-4-2 Pairs		22 Apr

Thanks to Dave Connell, Convenor of the Match Committee, for providing this information