

# Omanu Bowling Club Inc

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## Greetings folks.

Nomination forms are available in the club - until 30 April - with a list of positions to be filled. Please consider if you, or a colleague, might like to fill any position.

We had a lovely **Founders Day** and a fine BBQ lunch. We enjoyed the company of our sponsor '**Vision Papamoa**'. Likewise we welcomed Pat Bull & Hugh Miller from **BoP Coaches** and they presented Josephine Connolly with her **BowlsNZ 1** coaching certificate. Well done, Josephine. We are already seeing evidence of your coaching coming through our newer players.

We have had two Open Split Fours tournaments. I hope to see more of these in the future - they were well received. Again Graham & Marion were there with the BBQ, capping off good days. Special thanks to Lynlie & the Match committee.

Darcy Knuckey, one of our founders, celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday 21 March. Your Executive committee sent him a beautiful basket of 'goodies' from club members. Sadly, the day after Darcy's birthday his wife Dal passed away. She will be sorely missed by many and always remembered as our Founder.

Our **40<sup>th</sup> anniversary** went off very well, but it was a little sad that more present members did not attend. Never mind! Those who attended enjoyed it. As usual, we had enough food to feed an army. Thanks to the club for providing a big leg of ham & quite a number of savouries, as well as nibbles and a free drink. The beautiful cake looked even better when placed on the lovely '**signature cloth**', donated by Josephine. Thank you for that work, Josephine. There is still a little time left to sign - just see Josephine. Thank you also to **Cora Frew & family** who donated the anniversary pens. Especially, thanks to our organizing sub-committee, **Margaret Dalley, Joan Owen, Val Body, Bev Shea, Cora Frew & Jimmy Pratt**. They did so much to make the day go so smoothly. Thanks to Jimmy for his job as our M.C.

Well, this will probably be my last newsletter as I intend to step down from Exec committee work and rest up for a while. I have enjoyed the committee work, even though it has been a little challenging at times. To all Exec committee and to all members who have supported me while in the chair, a big thank you from my heart. I wish you all good health, happy holidays and I look forward to seeing you next season.

**Mary Hingston.**

## Annual General Meeting:

**Friday 23 May 2008 - 1 pm - at the clubhouse.**

**Please note your diaries now.**

***It won't be the same without you - we need you.***

This has been an excellent season - good greens - competent Executive committee members and a great group of capable volunteers. In early May you will receive the required notice of meeting etc, with full reports. Please study them and support your club by attending the meeting. Good clubs succeed through members' participation.

## **"Cometh the hour - cometh the man."**

Members would wish the Newsletter to record our sincere thanks to our friend **Clive Phillips** who stepped up to assist the club with work on our greens. Congratulations, Clive, you certainly maintained the standard very well indeed. Thank you, we appreciate your work.

## **New Green Keeper at Omanu.**

The club welcomes **David King** as our new **Contractor Green Keeper**. David has been Green Keeper at Matua club for many years and is well known to many members. He is

now **Contractor Green Keeper** for both clubs. I look forward confidently to working with David and we wish him well.

**Contributed by Tom Clarke Greens Superintendent.**

### ***A great big HI to Wal.***

Recently and unexpectedly Wally McLennan found it necessary to lose a leg. Not surprisingly, Wally is handling this situation with vigour & humour. We sympathise with him & Colleen in their rehab. We wonder if Wal will sympathise with us when he gets back to the greens. Best wishes to them both.

### **The Good Oil - Permission to experiment in domestic competitions.**

World Bowls have agreed that Bowls NZ can experiment, in **time limit games**, with the following variations to **Law 23 & 31**.

**Law 23.** If there has been one improper delivery of the jack in an end then the opposing Skip may direct the Lead where to place the mat within the limits stated in Law 19 & then place the jack in a legal position on the centre line.

**Law 31.** Any end declared dead after the time limit bell has gone shall be counted as a played end.

Please note that these variations are an experiment only & permission has been granted under World Bowls Reg 8.5. It will be reviewed by World Bowls Board in 12 months time. This variation is not to be used for any Championship match at Club, Centre & Regional or National level or for any Bowls NZ National Competitions.

**Quoted from Bowls NZ Circular 1/2008 dated 12 March 2008**

### **“Aisle be seeing you.”**

Have you ever wished that you had a Sat Nav fitted to your supermarket trolley, if only to find those regular purchases that are constantly being relocated to a different aisle?

*I wandered lonely as a cloud  
gazing at things I'm not allowed.  
Among the biscuits and the chocs  
should be gravy, cubes and stocks!  
Up the aisles and down the rows  
dodge the trolleys - mind your toes.  
Tins in a pile, bread in a stack  
Now she's found someone to chat.  
Some bright spark's redesigned the store  
Can't find anything anymore  
Now takes twice as long to shop  
With the new extended layout  
Will we ever reach the checkout?*

*Omar Jones.*

### **Last Newsletter's Quiz.**

Just in case you wondered, the answers were:

1. Bruce Blanshard 1989-93
2. Darcy Knuckey 1974-75
3. Jean Browne 1999-2000
4. Horses.
5. 849 hits
6. Burnside Chch.
7. 50 non-members played twilight this season..

*That now is all  
Ray Connolly*