



September 2026 Club Newsletter

Opening Day

1pm. Saturday 12 September

Gather at the Club rooms between 1pm and 1.20 pm in your club uniform. Brief opening address from the President, welcoming members for the 2026 / 2027 season. All members intending to play Interclub should be present on opening day as entry's close on the 21 September.

A meeting was held on Saturday 5th September where the match committee and the selectors outlined their expectations for all players. They will briefly go over this again. The Match Committee will explain how club championships work, plus an emphasis on encouraging teams to compete in the Club Championships where the winners of each event compete in the Champion of Champions tournaments which are now in April 2027.

The club entry sheets for Club Competition are now displayed. We should have more information from the Centre coming through shortly on competition formats.

Weather permitting, roll-up and Interclub teams will practice on Opening Day.

Presidents Cup

Saturday 19 September

This is an important cup and will give everyone a chance of competition play before the season starts. Format: Drawn fours, three games 10 ends, starting at 11am, lunch – BYO, 2 games in the afternoon. Please be at the club, in uniform, by 10.30.

BBC Website

www.beckenhambowls.co.nz

Clint McInnes has done an amazing job in creating this site. Each week we will be updating the site. Currently it is a work in progress and ongoing content such as:

- Attracting people for the site. (We have had several overseas visits to the site already such as people from Australia, Poland, France, etc)
- Communication about the club and its values.

- Gaining new members and events.
- Aiding in Gaining sponsors and sponsor recognition.
- Promoting and marketing of events.
- Gaining facility hire opportunities and promoting team building.
- Member recognition & fun activities.

We are working on closing our old Sporty website and earlier Facebook site and then updating our Facebook look to match the website.

From the Board room

New uniform tops are being ordered, with a sponsor's logo on the sleeve which is SNAP Fitness.

New shade clothes are being ordered to replace the existing cloth at the southern No1 green.

The Board are looking for members to join a fund-raising committee. Please contact Beverley or John Sheard if you can help out.

Trevor's coaching corner

PRACTICE It is important to have a structured practice regime.

Motivation will get you started but only good habits will keep you going. We have good coaches at the club. *"Roll ups" are not good practice – all you are doing is practising your bad habits.*" Suggested practice routines are:

- Jack delivery – short, medium or long
- Draw to displaced jack – forehand and backhand
- Draw around/under bowls
- One metre through shots
- Draw to ditch Run shot Drives

Quiz

1. How many actors have played the movie role of James Bond?

- a. 7
- b. 9
- c. 10
- d. 8

2. The Green Mile is a...

- a. An athletics' track in Wanganui where Peter Snell set the world mile record on grass.

- b. Located in the province of Quebec its s where the British army ceded victory to the Canadian militias.
- c. A movie based on a Stephen King Novel.
- d. A stretch of the sea off the coast of Stewart Island where green lipped mussels are farmed.

3. How many outdoor World Lawn Bowls championships have been played in total?

- a. 12
- b. 15
- c. 10
- d. 16

4. The All Blacks play the Springboks in which American city at 9am on Sunday 13th September?

- Chicago
- b. Miami
- c. Austin
- d. Baltimore

5. The English outlaw Dick Turpin rode overnight from London to York. What was the name of his horse?

- Black Beauty
- b. Bess
- c. Beatrice
- d. Bonneville

6. In the world of Austin Powers where is Dr Evil's henchman 'Fat Bastard' from?

- Scotland
- b. Finland
- c. France
- d. Spain

Lawn Bowls Questions:

7. The game of Lawn Bowls was developed in the 13th century in what British city?

- Edinburgh
- b. Plymouth
- c. Cardiff
- d. London

8. A player is entitled to carry a bowl when inspecting the head.

- True or False.

9. Touchers rebounding from the face of the bank to the ditch or the rink shall remain in play.

- True or False.

10. If the jack is displaced by the equipment being used by a player during measuring, an opponent should put it back to its former position.

- True or False

Answers:

- 1-9
- 2-c
- 3-15
- 4-d
- 5- b
- 6-a
- 7-d
- 8-True
- 9-True
- 10-True

If you got 10 correct you are a genius; 10 – 8 You are bright; You are 7 – 5 You are average; 4 – 0 You are thick!