The Glen Eden Bowling club

GAZETTE

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Dear Members, Families and Friends,

The Trumpeter has spent 40 days and nights in the wilderness, and was called back to reality by President Bruce Horscroft (my it was lonely out there).

This *GAZETTE* will be revolving around the many facets of improvements that are taking place under this years new Leaders and Committees, but some not all to be mentioned, will not take place without *all Members Imput*.

Let us begin with yes:



BOWLS

We have a calendar of Events much improved on recent seasons requiring all playing members to participate in as many as possible of our Club Championships, Consistency & Handicap Singles (these two are played in you and your drawn players timeframe), Graded Fours, (this is a must) as *all* participants have a chance for a Club Title, Saturday Aggregate. (Prizes monthly), and all Junior play should you be eligible.

The **BIG INDUCEMENT**, NO ENTRY FEE!!!

As the notices go up, just enter your names or Teams on the sheets provided and lets play, there is now no reason why we cannot all participate for the building up of our Bowling *INCLUB* Events.

TOURNAMENT PLAY

Twilight events, Wednesday and Sunday Open Tournaments, (some Optional Mixed of any combination) which now is the norm in many clubs

will cost \$7 per player, but the changes are, tea or coffee and scones for morning tea, *WITH A FREE LUNCH INCLUDED*, this is for all Home and visiting Teams.

The Prize List will increase depending on the type of Tournament to upwards of 12 Team Prizes, as decided by the Tournament Convenor. please bear in mind that all

Of the events mentioned so far are sponsored by our generous sponsors, so to show our appreciation to them, we must turn out in force, invite your mates from other clubs to come along and also enjoy the *best greens in town*.

FIRST OPEN TRIPLES (OPT MXD) SUNDAY 28th. SEPTEMBER

To increase Teams entering from other Clubs of course we must support them, and the *Trumpeter* implores our club to make up teams and go forth and advertise, especially in tournaments in our local western area, *THIS IS A MUST*, ask me, where possible I will play in a Team or skip one of my own, (Who wants me???) to ensure our club is mentioned on the day, at those clubs.

ALL OF THIS IS NOW UP TO EACH AND EVERYONE OF US SOCIAL:



How long is it since **you & your partner or your friends**, have attended you're Clubrooms on a Friday evening? to participate in a raffle or two, partake of an ale or whatever at the most competitive prices in Auckland, meet and talk with your mates, play our state of the art "Pokies" (two others are being discussed) and generally enjoy the conviviality your club provides, the GEBC is the place to be each and every Friday from 3pm. Onwards.

Whilst on Social, **the Trumpeter** displays this advertisement that appeared in the Western Leader two Fridays ago, did you read it, have any friends or neighbours passed remarks about it??? to proceed further in our Club we need more bottoms on seats and it is up to us to pass on the message of what we as a social club have to offer.

THE GLEN EDEN BOWLING CLUB

25A GLENDALE ROAD GLEN EDEN IT IS NOT ONLY A BOWLING CLUB

WIND DOWN AT OUR CLUBHOUSE OPEN DAILY FROM 3PM TO 8.30PM

Don't Drink & Drive

Toddle on in and take advantage of the following: WHICH INCLUDES

- Family Orientated Lounge
- ➤ Low priced alcoholic & non alcoholic drinks plus Tea & Coffee
- ➤ Limited Bar served Food requirements
- > 9 State of the Art "Pokies" with a Jackpot
- ➤ 2 X 8 Ball Pool Tables
- ➤ 2 Dart Boards
- ➤ Large & Small Screen TVs
- ➤ All Sky Sports Channels
- ➤ Social Events & Happenings
- > Youngsters welcome with their Parents, Friday-Saturday-Sunday
- ➤ Ad Lib Bar-B-Ques
- Meat and other Raffles
- **BOWLS** include:

Tournaments

Championships

Daytime & Twilight

Floodlit Greens

Mixed Club & Social Bowls

Mufti Social Bowls

- ➤ Kiddies Christmas Party
- > Age Groups 0 to 100 plus

JUST CALL IN AND INTRODUCE YOURSELVES

This is what your New Committees are doing by way of promotion.

The Friday Evening happenings going on, are just part of their duties, they are promoting the use of our 3 TVs, for the watching of our major sporting fixtures along with food available these nights, and of course the normal Social days and evenings planned for the whole year, they are:

- ➤ Men Only Night, which normally *strips* down to a night to Remember, the naked truth!!!,
- Our Bi-Annual Race Nights
- > 'Casino Evening' (win a Million Dollars) and cash it in for a tee shirt.
- ➤ 'Karaoke' Night with our own Don Hooper
- ➤ Challenges, Pool Darts etc. from other local RSA & Sports Clubs.
- ➤ Children's Christmas Party.
- And other Ad Lib nights that just happen, with the aid of some members on the night.

All the above are spaced not just through the bowling season, but throughout the year, to cater for your wants, and any worthwhile activities will be looked into for you and your friends and families pleasure, just leave a note in our suggestion box with any further preferences.

BAR AND TREASURER



PROGRESS, well here it is, along with Dennis Judd and his Team, Graeme (Golden B----) Burch have had installed a new and I do mean **State Of The Art** Computer screen Till Register and accompanying Computer, which registers **every bar sale by brand and product** down to a fine art.

The benefit to us all is that stocktaking will register what stocks are selling best, what % of white or dark spirits mixes etc have been sold, and this can be monitored down even to a minute by minute calculation which of

course we would not need, but it shows its capabilities. It will however give a clearer insight to out profit ratios on all bar sales, and Dennis and Graeme can look monthly as to whether prices charged to us for our purchases warrant any reductions over some areas, but also as to some product being too low, (heaven forbid).

Whilst this is costly at this moment, the savings by way of shortages etc can be monitored and the costs will be returned in a short period, our thanks must go to them for bringing us into the 21st. Century.

FURTHER PROGRESS The ceilings were recently cleaned down and re-painted, hot and cold air conditioning has been installed, and working extremely well, and as discussions take place at our next meeting, the balance of the up-grade from these ceilings down.

This involves the modernizing of the now varnished walls, with maybe a blended colored vinyl wall finish, to replace the badly faded and some torn Curtains, removing the lower wall heaters, and depending on new legislation, air Extractor units, should smoking still be allowed in our premises under those conditions, (for this we will have to wait and see) Because of the limits of our finances are now stretched to the fullest, we may be requiring a grant to finalize these grandiose but much needed upgrading, as you will all concur.

MEMBERSHIP



We have 279 Life, Bowling, Associate and Social Members on our computerized membership list, of which at this date some 160 have their cards in their wallets and purses, which my mathematical mind tells me there are 119 still to uplift theirs, are you one of those???,

On receipt of this *GAZETTE*, the *Trumpeter* asks on behalf of Cleve and Ray Dunn if you can look in your wallet and come to the aid of the party. Should you not wish to remain members (and we trust not), then please telephone us on 818-4532 Club, or direct to Cleve on 826-1513 where in

tears he will note your resignation. Please assist us to bring this important list up to date.

Full members	\$100.00	Over 80	Nil
Over 65	\$75.00	1 st . Year	Nil
Associate	\$45.00	Social	\$25.00

These prices are to refresh your memory.

INSURANCE



Do you want to save some of these?

The *Trumpeter* and his wife, some while ago after ringing around, found that Tower Insurance has a Bowls Package for all your Insurance areas at, as we found out, much reduced rates than many others, plus it gives a % of this Bowls Package back to our Club, this applies to Bowlers and non Bowlers, just a thought, and we do like to save dollars???

INDOOR BOWLS RESULTS WINTER 2003



- > FOURS. Des Hollings, skip, Ron McKeown, Frank Viskovich, Jack Cluitt.
- **PAIRS.** Fred Carr, Brian Preston.
- > **SINGLES.** Des Hollings.

All of these were played in great spirits by the burglars who participated, and the singles finals were played over three games, with Des coming out on top.

Thanks to all of you to finalize these events so late on the winter program.



A little cannon ball historical information!

In the heyday of sailing ships, all war ships and many freighters carried iron cannons. Those cannon fired round iron cannon balls. It was necessary to keep a good supply near the cannon. But, how to prevent them from rolling about the deck?

The best storage method devised was a square based pyramid with one ball on top, resting on four resting on nine, which rested on sixteen. Thus, a supply of 30 cannon balls could be stacked in a small area right next to the cannon.

There was only one problem -- how to prevent the bottom layer from sliding/rolling from under the others. The solution was a metal plate called a "Monkey" with 16 round indentations. But if this plate was made of iron, the iron balls would quickly rust to it. The solution to the rusting problem was to make "Brass Monkeys."

Few landlubbers realize that brass contracts much more and much faster than iron when chilled. Consequently, when the temperature dropped too far, the brass indentations would shrink so much that the iron cannon balls would come right off the monkey.

Thus, it was quite literally, "Cold enough to freeze the balls off a brass monkey"! and all this time, you thought that was an improper expression.

Trust this mayhem of information regarding our Club, brings you up to date with 'Whats What'

Back out in the wilderness meanwhile, but like the late General McArthur, I shall return.

Good Bowls and socializing to all at **OUR** Bowling Club

The Club Trumpeter.

P.S. B. Horscroft, J. Tough, M. Cornall, J. Roper, Shanghaied a meat pack from the Executive Fours, by having a Professional Gambler at hand to select a high numbered card, (from his sleeve)??? E&OE