



# PT CHEVALIER BOWLING CLUB

June 2021



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## Presidents Message

What a great feeling it was celebrating the successes of our members at prizegiving, and again the following day, at the Auckland Bowls Awards luncheon. It may be the off-season but there is still plenty of bowls to be played. Junior coaching, Winter Interclub, and there are many clubs with artificial greens holding weekend tournaments.

I am looking forward to working alongside this years committee. We have many projects in the pipeline, and many of last years team have returned, keen to finish the work they started last year. Welcome to Simon Munro and Aiden Takarua, the new faces on the committee.

## Prizegiving

We had fun celebrating this years winners and our accomplishments for the season. Special congratulations to the recipients of our Special Awards: **Presidents Cup**—This was awarded to **Kevin Morris** for the 2nd year in a row for his work as Tournament Manager, Green super, Match Committee Convener and for coaching our new players.

**Most Improved Player**—This was awarded to our talented first year, Steve Campbell, who won both the club Junior Singles and Pairs and also the 1-5 Year Auckland Pairs. He also showed he can foot it with the 'big boys' when he made it to the last 8 in the Auckland Open Mens singles. Awesome stuff Steve!



## North Island Honours

Top performers Paul Wright and Alex Reed have been rewarded for their consistently good results on the indoor mats. Both have been entrusted with key positions in the recently named North Island Indoor Bowls team. Alex will be playing the singles and Paul will once again be skipping the pairs.

The North Island team fly into Nelson on Saturday 7th August. They then travel the length and breadth of the South Island, taking on local centres, before matching up against the South Island in Invercargill for the test match on Saturday 14th.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**4th Jul-1st Aug**—Winter Interclub

**31st July**—Auckland Bowls AGM

**7th/8th Aug**—Canoe/Camp  
Tournaments (Juniors)

**14th/15th Aug**—  
ABCA Tournament (Juniors)

**21st Aug**—Handicap Pairs

**22nd Aug**—Mixed Pairs

**28th/29th August**—Auckland U26  
Pairs

**Membership Subscriptions are due!** Pay now and beat the increase! Social Subscriptions increase to \$40 from 1st September.



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## Darts

The Pirate darts team are continuing their winning streak and are still unbeaten!

Come and join in and support their Shanghai Nights on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday each month. Just \$2 entry, everybody welcome.

## “The Voice of Alexander Park” Aaron White

Many of our punters may recognise Aaron’s name and his dolcet tones from racing commentaries. Others may have heard his voice around the club or at the recent North Island Greenkeepers Conference Dinner where he was guest speaker. Let’s find out more about more about Aaron White—The Voice and The Bowler!

**Birth town?** Helensville

**Favourite food?** Roast Pork/Lamb

**Favourite holiday destination?** Queensland

**Favourite song?** It’s my life (Bon Jovi)

**How many years have you been bowling?** 2

**What bowls do you use?** Taylor 4 Heavy

**What got you into the game?** I’ve always had bowling in my blood, just took time to itch the scratch

**What did you enjoy most about your first season at Pt Chev?**

Grass Greens for sure. Plus it’s always good to test yourself against great players. Also so many players were willing to help me along my bowling journey. Lastly our President Ian McKenna, love his passion for everything, even avacado with prawns on pizza!

**What is your bowling career highlight?** Last seasons Hobsonville BC Open Pairs Championship with Hitesh Ranchhod (Both first year Bowlers), winning this seasons Pt Chev Champ 4’s with Henry Fane, Kevin Skinner and Callum Height and going through the Pt Chev I-8yr Classic unbeaten with Hitesh, Steve Campbell and Stu Parker.

**Hard luck stories?** Losing the Milford Classic by a solitary point. Drawing the jack for the Junior Inter-club win only for the bowl to fall-out. Ouch, but still an enjoyable weekends of bowls.

**What bowler you would most like to include in your team?** Scotsman Alex Marshall - I’ve learned so much about bowls just watching Alex ply his trade.

**What words of wisdom do you have for other bowlers or people thinking about taking up the game?** Don’t delay, get on the greens and be part of the action and as the Pt Chev club shows, it’s a game for ALL ages.

**Lastly, if you had one word to describe bowling, what would it be?** Entertaining, in all it’s meanings!

