

## **April 2015 Newsletter**

#### **Editorial**

Welcome to the first 55+ Association Newsletter for 2015. I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and were refreshed to start another tenpin bowling year.

As some of you will know and as stated in the October 2014 Newsletter, the reason that Fran and I were not at the Panmure Tournament was because we have just had a new single level house built at Waikanae on the Kapiti Coast that was handed over to us the week before the Tournament. Since then we have had curtains and blinds fitted and our current 3 level house is now sold, so we will be moving to Waikanae prior to ANZAC weekend. So our life in recent times has been somewhat hectic, but we did manage to get 4 weeks away in December-January in South Australia with most of Fran's siblings from UK and Australia, which was quite relaxing.

Congratulations to Wayne Milicich on bowling his 300 scratch game during the Panmure tournament. Certainly an achievement to be very proud of and for most of us, bowling a 300 scratch game is just a dream.

## **Obituary**



.Elaine Andrews. Andyroos

It is with sadness that I put pen to paper, (so to speak). One of our original members passed away recently after a very long illness. Some of you will not know her, but others certainly will.

Bev and I had known Elaine Andrews, whom I nicknamed ANDYROOS, for many, many years.

She was a foundation member of our Wanderers Group from Porirua and an original Association member. Some of you may remember the purple, black and white diagonal shirts we wore, plus a purple coat that went with it. Elaine was our Secretary / Treasurer for the Wanderers Group. As a group we travelled quite a bit and Elaine always had everything organized for the trips which were most enjoyable. Part of the social side of our group was pot luck dinners we held at different members of the group. Dinner at Elaine's home was always looked forward to as she was a great cook. You could always count on getting something interesting and different in her home.

Elaine was always available to help with all our tournaments and loved participating in them, and, I might add, was a very high average, left hand bowler.

Elaine was a great artist and her work was displayed in many art and craft shows around the Wellington area. We deem ourselves lucky to have some of her work in our home.

Elaine moved to Paraparaumu and became ill. She was forced to sell her beloved car and finally her home and was moved into a rest home in Tawa. Bev and I visited there on several occasions, but not enough, as we had moved to Napier. We could not believe what we saw when we last visited. Elaine was now wheel chair bound, gesturing more than speaking, but could laugh at a joke.

It was easy to know we were in the right place at her funeral as there were purple balloons everywhere. Talking to her eldest daughter at the funeral we were told the thing she loved most was being called ANDYROOS, she said that Elaine missed that most of all after we had shifted to Napier.

Elaine lives on in our memories and is survived by her three daughters and son, her many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Rest in peace Andyroos.

Les Stuart, President

### Pen Picture, Wendy Avery, Kapiti Delegate

My name is Wendy Avery. I am married to Warwick Avery; between us we have six Children, 13 Grand Children and 4 Great Grand Children.

Throughout the years I have been involved in a number of Sporting Bodies. I have served as



Secretary to a Queen Margaret College Old Girls Netball Club and Kapiti Table Tennis Association, Handicapper to Paraparaumu and Otaki Golf Clubs. Also, I have served on the Committees for Khandallah and Paraparaumu Tennis Clubs.

I started playing Tenpin in 2000 for the Wanderers League in Porirua. When the Kapiti Tenpin Bowling Centre opened in 2008 Warwick and I joined the newly formed Kapiti Krocks League playing on Thursday mornings. I have been Secretary of that League for a number of years now.

This year I have been elected as Delegate to represent the 55Plus Tenpin Bowling Association for the Kapiti Tenpin Bowling Centre. I promise to carry out this duty to the best of my ability.

Keep knocking those pins down Cheers Wendy

#### Our President's Corner

The summer season has almost finished and winter will be upon us.

The thing about Tenpin Bowling is that one doesn't have to worry about the weather just an umbrella and/or speedy run into the venue between the raindrops or snowflakes from your transport.

Lawn Bowling, however, is very much in the laps of the weather God.

Both are great sport and are very similar in nature, although the rules of lawn bowling are more comprehensive and complex.

There are Tenpin Bowlers playing Lawn Bowls and seem to be, dare I say it, very accurate with the driving of the ball to get rid of bowls surrounding the jack. Perhaps they think the bowls, are pins at the end of the alley?

Bev and I like the fact of being able to have a look around the country, seeing the differences each time we go to Tenpin venues, meeting the family of ten pinners from years gone by.

Although having trouble with the body that fires the ball toward those horrid pins, I do miss the game, but I am able to catch up with those still capable and enjoying themselves. Enjoyment and company of those participating are most important.

The game itself is secondary.

There are reports in this bulletin about the Panmure Tournament which says it all, so I feel that there is no need to elaborate further, but say, "Well done to all those members who made Panmure so memorable, great big thanks on behalf of myself and the committee. It is now time for your members to have fun at the next tournament".

It will be time for another venue, this time, HASTINGS. (Their turn).

To those having health problems, get well soon, we are thinking of you and family.

To those fit and well, HASTINGS in June is not far off, this means the closing date is only a short time hence.

#### From Our Tournament Director

Hi everyone just thought I would put together my report on the Panmure Tournament held last weekend.

We only had a small tournament this time total of 76 bowlers in total, which unfortunately dropped to 75 with the withdrawal of Delys Massey from Whangaparoa. We hope you get better soon, Delys. We had several new bowlers on board who won medals as well and I know they enjoyed themselves.

The AGM meeting was held and was well attended.

On the whole I found this tournament to be a happy one no matter where I went everyone was in a great mood. Thanks to Trevor Heath for filling in, in the women's mixed doubles and winning 2<sup>nd</sup> place. If that wasn't good enough I rang Judy Woods on the Friday night knowing she had just flown in from Australia and asked her if she would come and bowl for Delys in the teams. Judy arrived bowled at 9am Saturday morning and YES they won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the teams, so Judy and Sheila Newman came to the dinner with us to receive her medal. Judy that showed true loyalty to 55+ Tenpin Bowling.

The other great thing that happened, Wayne Milicich won 55+ Plus Tenpin Bowling Assn first 300-game in 15 years. This was wonderful to see.

Well that's about it for now, next tournament is in Hastings 18-19th 20th 21st June.

Hope to see a lot of you there come on Wellington members. The theme is BLACK AND WHITE with prizes for individuals and teams.

Regards and best wishes, Lorraine Heath Tournament Director.

#### **From Panmure**

Greetings Fellow 55plus Bowlers from a very warm/sunny Auckland Panmure Bowling centre, Home of Champion Bowlers. Well another 55 plus bowling tournament done and dusted, well run by the 55plus committee and staff of the bowling centre. What breakdowns were very minor and the lane tech was on the job very quickly and got the lanes up/running. Although it was a two day tournament it was enjoyed by all bowlers who came, let's hope Hastings June 2015 can be well run. "Bowling Results", Congratulations to Wayne Milicich for his 2<sup>nd</sup> 300 game, but a first for any 55plus bowler and he got both at Panmure Centre. Congratulations to all Panmure 55plus bowlers who won Medals and to those who missed out, never give up. Anne Faulkner Ladies Mystery pairs, 1st Gold. Wayne Milicich Men's Mystery pairs 1<sup>st</sup> Gold. Allan Lawgun Men's Mystery pairs 2<sup>nd</sup> Silver. Gordon Berry Men's B grade Single's 1st Gold. Wayne Milicich, Men's Open grade 1st Gold plus All Events Scratch 2<sup>nd</sup> Silver. Anne Faulkner, Ladies All events Scratch Silver. Joy Whiteley, Ladies B Grade Singles 1st Gold and a special award achievement for consistent bowling. Neil Boyd New 55 plus first time bowler 55 plus Teams 3<sup>rd</sup> Bronze. Wayne Milicich and Anne Faulkner, Mixed Doubles 1<sup>st</sup> Gold. Anne Faulkner Mixed Doubles, 3<sup>rd</sup> Bronze. Ron Winkle Mixed Doubles, 3<sup>rd</sup> Bronze. Ivan Kesha, Mixed Doubles 2<sup>nd</sup> Silver. Panmure Team one comprising Peter Smith, John Hutson, Cherie Roberts and Wayne Milicich 2<sup>nd</sup>Silver. Panmure Team two comprising Ivan Kesha, Barry Faulkner, Neil Boyd and Anne Faulkner 3<sup>rd</sup> Bronze. Well done Tenpin bowlers you have done the Panmure Bowling Centre PROUD by bowling well/above your ability compared to Midweek bowling. Many Thanks to Les, Bev, Shirley and Lorraine for a well-run Tournament also a BIG thank you to Anne Faulkner for organizing all our entries and the dinner on Saturday night went very well going by the photos on the website. Well that's it until Hastings in June 2015. So fellow bowlers enjoy your bowling and company of others, high scoring/good bowling.

"Breaking News" Panmure next year will have a new 55 plus bowler, Steven Roberts son of Cherie Roberts turns 55 next year so let's hope in time for mid-year tournaments. So other Bowling centre scribes get writing for news from your centre.

CHEERS PANMURE SCRIBE.

## They Do It Big in USA

Who would like to go bowling in a brand spanking new Tenpin bowling centre Costing US\$35 Million/90,000 square feet, 60 lanes/360 degrees viewing area and USBC bowling focused Centre. The US bowling Congress/Las Vegas events/Las Vegas convention visitors' authority will hold 122 days of tournament at the new South Point through to 2017. The partner will bring to Las Vegas including USBC Masters; USBC Queens; USBC Senior Masters and USBC Team USA trials.

So fellow bowlers eat your hearts out for something like this in NZ.

Thank you to Peter Smith for this information.

# **Upcoming Events**

Hastings, 18 to 21 June 2015. Saturday Night Theme is Black and White. Entries Close 18 May 2015. Palmerston North, 18 to 20 September 2015. Entries close 18 August 2015. If you are planning to attend this tournament, it is recommended that you arrange your accommodation as soon as possible as there are other events in Palmerston North at this time.

The Second Gil Evans Memorial Tournament will be held in November 2015 at Porirua.

Waitakere, 26 to 28 February 2016.

Hastings, June 2016.

Porirua, September 2016.

More details will be included in later newsletters.

Dave Hercus Editor