

55+ Tenpin Bowling Association of New Zealand



New Plymouth Tournament June 2022

Shirley Clare has been doing our Newsletter and had been doing a wonderful job! But with deep regret Shirley has handed in her resignation and I have been asked to take it on! So – with big shoes to fill I will give it a try!

We were welcomed to the New Plymouth Bowlarama and were welcomed by smiling faces, handshakes and hugs! Catching up with all our old friends was once again a great feeling, but I did notice a few familiar faces missing – away overseas visiting family, some not yet comfortable enough to yet attend and others feeling unwell or having got the sniffles or the dreaded lurgy – COVID. Preston – I hope you have recovered from your bout of Laryngitis, which finally got the better of you even though you were doing your best to fight it off! Congratulations to Justin, Janet and their band of helpers for running a great tournament. We were running before time in every event – Well Done -to everybody for being at the centre well before the 30 minutes requirement! The theme of **Down on the Farm** saw all dressed up with Shirley Wilson dressed as a Queen Bee and Ian Baldwin as a Rooster take the baskets of goodies. The dinner at Sunworld was all you could eat – the staff kept on filling dishes until we had had our full!

Judith had us all laughing with her jokes – Kapiti ladies wanted to know if they could look for the ant in any of those present with moustaches – Kapiti men only wanted to know where was the stewardess!

To the New Plymouth Centre, for Welcoming us to this tournament, Shelly, Marty, Frank and their many helpers, a big Thank you! Machines and Lanes were kept running over the four days without too many problems!

Congrats to all those that took medals home! A great effort by you all.

**Champion of Champion
Ladies**

Susie Mann (North City)

Sue Beckford (also from North City) Runner Up

**Champion of Champion
Men's**

Richard Reed (Tauranga)

Kerry Williams (Waitakere) Runner up

Snippets

This is an area of the newsletter that Shirley had been doing and I would like to keep it going. So, if you do have any snippets could you email them to me

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A man named *Murray*, I believe from Waitakere, entered the address for the dinner into his GPS, and followed the directions given to the letter, only to find that he had travelled less than 150 meters from the bowling centre!

Have since heard from Judith that she has had many requests for copies of her jokes- especially the Ant one!

AGM

This was held at the centre and are available on our website.



From around the Centres

Until now these are the only bits that I have received but I am hoping that the next newsletter will contain a few more pieces.

Rotorua

Shirley has reported to me that it is very hard to get people to report any news from other centres and *it was like getting blood out of a stone*. Very frustrating.

Shirley has reported that they have decided on a theme for their next tournament (depending on a suitable venue):

The Circus

Chris has been making enquiries into suitable venues and this is still ongoing.

Shirley Clare

Rotorua Delegate

Palmerston North

What a pleasure to be among our bowling friends! The weather in New Plymouth was a bit wet and wild, with wind, rain and thunderstorms!

We also welcomed back our Aussie supporter and our biggest fan – Janet's sister Marilyn. It was great to catch up – it has been a while!

Mount Taranaki remained shrouded in cloud from the day we arrived till the day we left but never mind, maybe next time we visit.



We Ubered in Fish`n` chips to our motel room, the next two nights we visited The Club enjoying our meals, surroundings and company.

Sunworld Restaurant was a mass of different dishes – being replenished constantly and our table enjoyed the seafood!

Everybody had once again dressed for the occasion, with Shirley (Queen Bee) taking away a basket of country goodies.

– We remembered our bowlers George Proctor

and Jan Reeves who had both passed on.

Congrats to the following bowlers on winning their medals:

Ladies Mystery Pairs

3rd

Unis Devany

Teams

1st

Guy Bankston

Debbie Bankston

Bryan Yuille

Royce Prentice

Teams	2 nd <i>Teamed with</i>	Guy Bankston <i>Chris Clare</i> <i>Susie Mann</i> <i>Yvette Vasey</i>
Men's Open Singles	2 nd	Guy Bankston
Men's B grade Singles	1 st	John Burmester
	2 nd	John Spackman
Men C grade Singles	2 nd	Brian MacKenzie
	3 rd =	John Grainger
Ladies All Events Hcp	3 rd	Debbie Bankston
Men's All Events Scratch	1 st	Guy Bankston
Men's All Events Hcp	1 st	John Grainger



Tauranga

Hi everyone,

I have resigned after 8 years of being the Delegate for Tauranga. I have not bowled for a few years now, and feel that it's probably a good idea if that the delegate is an active bowler. I have enjoyed my time as delegate and bowling and also the friendship of the club and hope to get back to bowling next year. Injury and health issues has meant I haven't been playing.

When I became delegate in 2014, Tauranga had 6 members and was under Rotorua. Decided it was time Tauranga had its own area and delegate and the numbers grew. At present we have 24 members which is great and I am sure there are more that will join.

Judy Reed is now the new delegate and I wish her all the best. Hopefully Tauranga will be hosting a tournament in the near future. We were in the process of organising one and Covid reared its ugly head.

It was also sad to hear that Kapiti Bowling had closed – was a great centre to bowl.

Bowl well everyone.

Jenny Hynds

Tauranga

A huge thank you to Justin & Janet Jones and the rest of the New Plymouth team. A well-run tournament and a great 4 days. Dinner on Saturday night was superb as was the venue. A very eventful tournament for Tauranga in the medal department as well.

Judy Reed	3 rd	Ladies Mystery Pairs
Brian Craig	1 st	Men's Mystery Pairs
Richard & Judy Reed	1 st	Mixed Doubles
Judith O'Rourke	2 nd	Women's Open Singles
Judith O'Rourke	3 rd	Women's All Events Scratch
Judy Reed	3 rd	Women's Open Grade
Judy Reed	2 nd	Women's All Events Scratch
Pauline Hine	2 nd	Women's A Grade Singles
Judy Sinclair	3 rd	Women's A Grade Singles
Ruth Couch	2 nd	Women's B Grade Singles
Wiki Bidois	3 rd	Women's B Grade Singles
Doug Couch	2 nd	Men's A Grade Singles
Richard Reed	3 rd	Men's All Events Handicap
And:		
Richard Reed	1 st	CHAMPION of CHAMPIONS

Congratulations and well done to all Tauranga bowlers who achieved 4th placings, just missing out on Bronze medals.

Lastly a big Thank You to Jenny Hynds who has resigned as Tauranga delegate. Jenny has held this position for the past nine years and has done an amazing job over that time. (I hope I can do an equally as good a job).

Look forward to seeing you all in Dunedin in October.

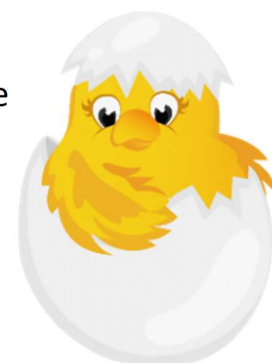
Judy Reed

Tauranga Delegate

Kapiti

As many of you are aware the Kapiti Ten Pin Bowling Centre closed on 30 June 2022.

This is not something that the owners wanted but circumstances were that they had no choice. At this stage I have not heard of what the current position is with the centre.



However, I understand that the Centre will not be re-opening and that the equipment is to be removed.

This has meant that Kapiti 55plus bowlers have had to look elsewhere to bowl.

The majority have gone to Porirua to bowl but Max and myself have gone to Palmerston North due to that Centre being closest to Levin.

The Kapiti 55plus bowlers are committed to playing in the 55plus tournaments under the Kapiti banner.

We are always hopeful that something will turn up and one day a new centre will open in Kapiti.

Irene Good

Kapiti Delegate



Next time when we all get together,
Is to enjoy the **southern comfort** of the deep south

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But don't forget your **Pjs**