

## **25th Anniversary Hastings 21st - 25th February. 2024**

It has been 25 years since our 55+ Association was formed and what a celebration we had.

On arrival at Hastings Super Strike we were each presented with our own silver bag containing an embroidered 55plus bowling cloth, a pen also with 55+ printed on it, and some goodies. We have celebrated our 25th year in the very same place that our very 1st "Ice-breaker" Tournament was held. We also helped our oldest, active bowling member celebrate her 90th -

Congratulations Rosemary Bensemen.

Rosemary and Cecelia Jenner are both Founding Members. Thanks to Cecilia for letting us peruse the very first Entry Sheet - "Ice Breaker Tournament"

To our Hastings members we must thank Marie, Preston, Barbara and Ady for their continued support and to the new Owners of Superstrike, Gary and Beepti.

Everybody in the centre has been welcomed or helped with smiles from the service centre, the ordering and delivery of food and drinks. We wish you all well with your future endeavours. Hope everything goes well for you all.



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We once again Thank our sponsor *Summerset* who again helped with spot prize vouchers throughout the tournament and our Medals and Cups. Along with the Men's 250 Scratch Game, we are now going to have a Medal for Ladies 225 Scratch game and these have been kindly donated by Ron Morgan. Guy Bankston and Ron Morgan both had the highest Scratch Mens games of 235 and Margaret Chitty had the highest Ladies Scratch of 223! "Thanks and best wishes" to Preston Epplelett, who after eight years has now resigned as our President but who will continue with our Web Page and help wherever /whenever he is needed, along with being the Hastings Delegate. Along with Preston, we would like to Welcome our other new Delegates - Delwyne Edwards - Waitakere and Lesley Soto - Petone, who are stepping into their roles with the resignations of Paul Watts, Cecilia Jenner and Marie Whittaker. Thanks to everyone from both our old and new Delegates for the work which is involved in looking after their own 55+ Members. We Welcome Ian Baldwin who has accepted the role of our President. Ian, we am sure you will be able to make your own mark in this position.

Congratulations to our 55plus Hastings 2024 Champions

Ladies CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS  
Connie Dixon (*Tauranga*)

Runner Up  
Janine Wakelin (*Petone*)

Men's CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS  
Rob Hill (*Hastings*)

Runner Up  
Ron Morgan (*Rotorua/Tauranga*)



### **Rotorua**

Congratulations to Ron Morgan who made the final. Ron lost but was pleased overall with his performance. A disappointing entry from Rotorua with only 3 of us but hoping for better at Palmerston North. Thanks to Judy Reed who did our entries.



*Rotorua cont...*

On a personal note, "Thank you" to those who helped me with Shirley. Shirley still enjoys coming and watching and also meeting up with all the friends that we have made over the years.

Chris

### **Greetings from Tauranga .**

Well here we are almost at the end of March already having had our first 55plus tournament last month(February)and the next one only a couple of months away. (June)

A very big Thank you to Marie Whittaker and her Hastings team for all the organising and work you did for a thoroughly well run Tournament. The dinner was superb and the venue was awesome. Plenty of delicious food, great laughs (thanks Judith) entertainment from Mona and her guitar and a wonderful array of costumes on the evening.

Thanks also to the Management and staff at the Hastings Bowling Centre you all did an amazing job.

Congratulations and well done to all of the Tauranga bowlers who won medals and to those who just missed out.



Ron Morgan      1st Men's Mystery Pairs, 1st Men's Open Singles, 2nd Teams, 2nd Men's All Events Scratch, 1st Men's All Events handicap and

***Runner Up - Hastings 2024 Men's Champion of Champion***

Connie Dixon      2nd Ladies Open Singles 2nd Teams, 1st Ladies All Events Scratch and

***Winner - Hastings 2024 Ladies Champion of Champion***



Richard Reed      2nd Men's Mystery Pairs, 2nd Teams, 3rd Men's All Events Handicap

Mac Manawaiti      2nd Men's Open Singles

Judith O'Rourke      2nd Ladies All Events Scratch

Judy Sinclair      2nd Team Barbara Morgan

Singles

3rd Ladies B Grade

Lastly we are all very pleased to hear that Brian did find his shoes 😂  
Look forward to seeing you all in Palmerston North in June.  
Judy

### **Greetings From Palmerston North.**

Firstly we wish to thank Preston for the Stirling job he has done as President over the past 8 years and wish him well for the future. Congratulations to Ian who has taken over the job. I am sure that he will do well.

Once again the committee did a great job and everything went well in Hastings. We are sad Barbara has sold her centre after many years of great service. We wish her well and look forward to meeting up with her at future Tournaments.

Welcome to the new owners, however, they need to keep the centre somewhat warmer - our old bones need warmth!

With 22 of our members going to Hastings it was enjoyed by all. Congratulations to all our Medal Winners.

Look forward to catching up with you all in Palmerston North.

We have live music for Thursdays "Black and White" themed party

So...Dust off your costumes and dancing shoes.

We will see you there

Kay and Shirley.



### **New Plymouth**

We went on an adventure to the brown region of the East Coast. We hope that the gentle rain comes your way soon. Along the way we visited heaps of Op Shops to find treasures for others. Morning tea in Waipukurau was yummy so we called in there on the way home to get nibbles for our long trip home. I was a very happy person being able to knit for a week. Thanks to those who gave me wool to help my charity cause. It was fun sharing my hobby with you all.

Once again we had an awesome time in Hastings catching up with old friends and of course, making new ones. So good to see more people coming into our ten-pin family.

The Centre was well run as always, and there were some really good scores. The lanes were a pleasure to play on. The food was brilliant. Loved the baking that Barb did. Lemon cake!!!! So, so good...

As usual the tournament team were onto it. We weren't aware of the hiccups. Kerry, well, just so Kerry. A BIG THANKS must go to Preston for his service as President over the last eight years. And also welcome to Ian.

The get together on Saturday night went really well. Loved the costumes. We just had to laugh at some of them.

We also had to try to work out who the-player was underneath those costumes. Keep it up everyone. It really makes the night.

We only had a small team in Hastings, but we came home with 9 medals from some good bowling scores. The tournament score averages changed for some players to reflect their awesome bowling. Some of us were lucky to win Raffles as well, with a little return from scratching.

Graham came home with Covid so we hope everyone else is well. He was unable to fly to Christchurch on Tuesday. Larry is still hearing Robin telling him to "put it down the middle".

David and Barbara took their pussy on a trip to Tauranga and Auckland. Justin and I returned home to two happy cats and a week of extra night shifts instead of days off - just the nature of my job. We are looking forward to the next tournament in Palmerston North and we already found the costume for the dinner. Janet and Justin Jones



### **Greetings from Petone**

A very big thank you to Hastings for hosting the 25th Anniversary 55+ Tournament. They did a magnificent job with lots of good food at the Centre and a really lovely dinner at the Club Hastings, it was enjoyed by all our bowlers. Thank you to the Members and the staff for the smooth running of the Tournament. It is always great to catch up with all our friends.

A very big congratulations to all the Petone bowlers who managed to master the Hastings lanes and collect medals, especially Jannine who came top of the Ladies Handicap All Events and made the play offs, we expect a good performance at next Tournament in Palmerston North in June, "No Pressure!!"

Hopefully we can do better there.

Congratulations to Ian Baldwin for accepting the job of President and a big Thank you to Preston for the great job he has done over the years running the Association as President.

Wishing everyone a Healthy Happy winter with lots of bowling practice and see you all at Palmerston North in June.

Cecilia

### **Hi to all from Waitakere**

February saw 55+ bowlers meet up in Hastings. A wonderful chance to meet up with friends we have made over the years and hopefully win a medal or two. Waitakere added four new bowlers to their numbers. They all thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were surprised that everyone was so friendly. Great to see newcomer Mona McKenzie entertain us with her guitar at the dinner. Most enjoyed a great singalong singing some old songs us oldies remember. Unfortunately some of us didn't bring medals home but Covid instead. Myself included! Thanks Hastings for hosting another wonderful tournament. Looking forward to seeing you all in Palmerston North in June.

Best of health to you all.

Del Edwards

### **North City**

We had so much fun at another great tournament with good results from North City, though most of us came home with Cold?Symptoms. Thoroughly enjoyed meeting old and new bowlers and are looking forward to Palmerston North in June.



Stay warm and keep smiling.

Alma

### **From Hastings**

It was great to welcome you all to our February Tournament and to catch up again after so many months. This was the first tournament hosted by the new owners of Superstrike Hastings, so were a little apprehensive as to how it would go. A special thanks to Barb Nona who came out of Retirement to make sure the cafe would meet everyone's expectations .

I think everything went smoothly and another great tournament was held . Thanks to the team who worked the raffles which were again. A great success. A big thanks to Jan Johnson who does not bowl in our tournaments anymore but sat selling raffles for most of the tournament .

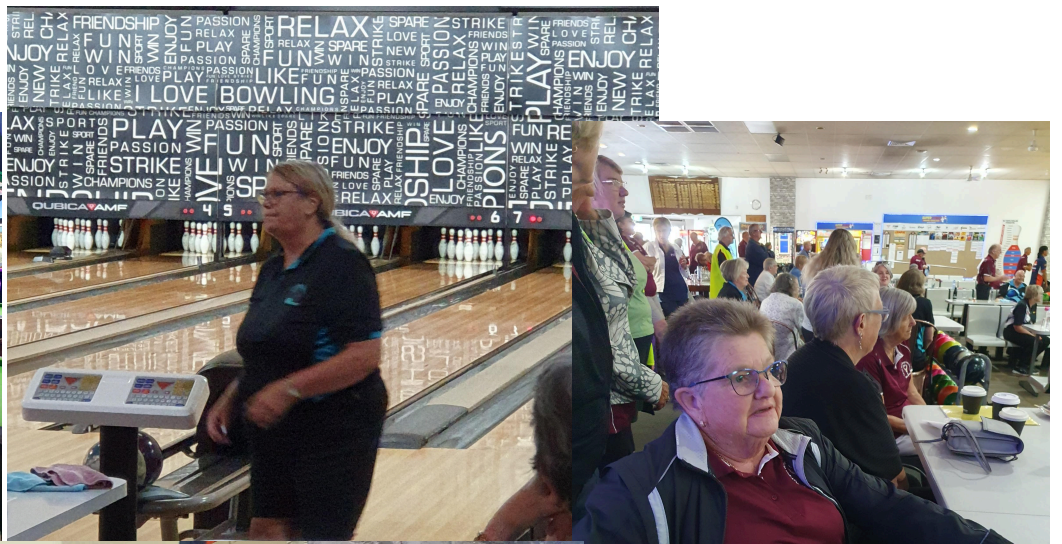
A big congratulations to Rob Hill who was the men's overall winner. It was pleasing to see the number of new bowlers from Hastings who thoroughly enjoyed the tournament. So much so that some of them will be joining us at the Palmerston North Tournament.

Congratulations to Ian Baldwin on being elected President and thanks to Marie Whitaker who has been our delegate for many years. Marie has retired from that position. Marie and her team did a fantastic job with the dinner organisation. We look forward to catching with you all the next tournament in Palmerston North

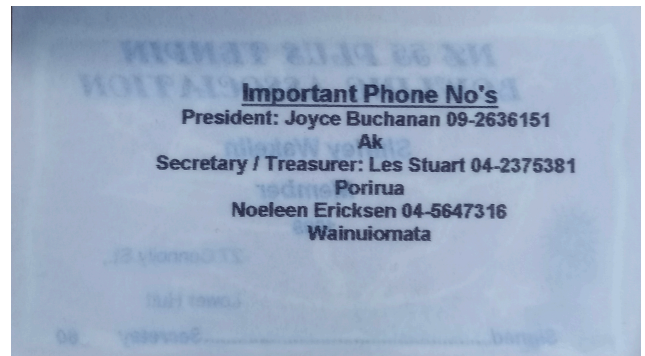
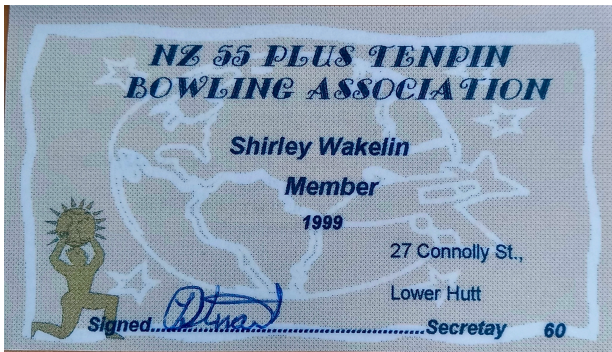












# ICE BREAKER TOURNAMENT AT HASTINGS

27TH & 28TH FEBRUARY 2000

Get a team together, come to Hastings. Its daylight saving and a Beautiful area. Try and get at least 1 gorgeous man or 1 beautiful young lady in the team. If you can't it really doesn't matter we are here to have fun.

One problem, " we must be 55+Association Members or potential members".

THIS IS TO BE A FUN  
TOURNAMENT

SEE ATTACHED ON  
HOW IT WILL BE FUN

Organised by the  
NZ 55 Plus Tenpin Bowling Association



Who said I was to old  
too have fun

## Hastings Superstrike Menu

### *Smorgasbord Menu*

*Roast Beef  
Roast Chicken  
Roast Potatoes  
Cauliflower & Broccoli with  
Cheese Sauce  
Glazed Carrots  
Cold Meat Platters  
Four Delicious Salads  
Hot Fruit Crumble with  
Whipped Cream*

***A MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED FOR, ON SATURDAY  
EVENING, ON COMPLETION OF THE DAY'S BOWLING.***

***THIS WILL BE A GOOD TIME TO TELL ALL THE TALES  
OF WHY, "THAT BLASTED", SECOND, MAYBE FIRST  
BALL, TRAVELLING SO SWEETLY TOWARD THE MASS  
OF WHITE PINS, DRATTED THINGS ARE STILL  
STANDING," OR, "THAT'S THE BEST I HAVE EVER  
PLAYED", OR; AND SO ON.***

**The cost of the meal as per the menu is:  
\$12.00 each.**

**Provisions have been made on the Registration form as  
to your acceptance as to attending the meal after  
bowling.**

**Please circle the appropriate answer so we can get an  
idea of the number attending the function.**

**Payment for the meal will be required on the day of  
the Event.**

**The Committee for the Ice Breaker Tournament is:**

**Gail Hatfield Les Stuart Del Girven**

# ICE BREAKER TOURNAMENT

## Hastings Rules.

This is to be a fun Tournament to break the Ice, for the newly formed NZ 55 plus Tenpin Bowling Association and the Hastings Bowling Members, who were the first to join the Association.

The following will be the order in the two-day event on the weekend of the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> February 2000.

Day one Saturday: Check in Time 9.00 a.m.  
Bowl: 9.30 a.m.

Scotch Pairs. 2 Standard games per Bowler.

Teams from all centres to be on registration form attached.

Saturday's Scotch Pairs:

No person will know, until prior to bowl, whom they will be teamed with.

The idea is, we can get to know other folk and "BREAK THE ICE".

Singles. 3 Standard Games

Graded A, B, C, HANDICAPPED.

After bowling, get together, prize giving and meal.

Meal: See Menu attached: Cost \$12.00

Day Two: Sunday

Early Start: Check in time 8.00 a.m.  
Bowl: 8:30 am

Mixed Doubles: 3 Standard Games  
Taken from original Registration Form.  
Handicapped.

Teams: 3 Standard Games  
Taken from original Registration Form.  
Handicapped.

After Bowling:  
Prize Giving, Speeches.

Total Games = 11. Cost: \$48.00

The Committees decision will be final.

Closing Date: 20<sup>th</sup> January 2000.

***Palmerston  
North***



***Tuesday 18th - Friday 21st June***

***Dinner to be held @***

***Palmerston North Golf Club***

***Theme***

***Black & White***

***We will see you all there***

