



## Palmerston North

### Black & White

June 2024 our members have met this time in Palmerston North at Bowlarama where we have been welcomed with hugs and smiles from the crew checking us in and selling Raffle Tickets.

Marty, Hannah along with Frank and Shelly, were on hand to welcome us to the centre and to ensure all was going to plan. The Centre is undergoing an upgrade/extension but the paint was dry and the toilets were all working by the time the Tournament opened, but I did hear a little titter that the Urinal was only made for the *very, very* tall types! This matter was fixed by the next day!

We had our Dinner at the Palmerston North Golf Club where everybody was dressed in something Black & White and our winners for the night were:

#### Ladies

Glenice Brooks  
& Del Edwards

#### Men

Wayne Woods  
& Steve Thorpe

Congratulations to

55+

**Palmerston North 2024  
Champion Of Champions**

#### Ladies

Winner Raylene Nixon  
(Palmerston North)

Runner Up Donna Verburg  
(Petone)



## Men`s

Winner        Ron Morgan  
(*Tauranga*)

Runner Up     John Parsons  
(*Palmerston North*)



During the Palmerston North tournament there were about 40 games of 200+ being scored over the four days.

Guy Bankston and Ron Morgan were both presented with the 250 Medal.

Thanks to all our Marshalls, to those that worked the kitchen and food bar and to all others who helped where and whenever help was needed. To all the Palmerston North Members a big Congrats on a well -run, friendly and fun tournament.

Just a little titter –

A note was found under the wiper of one of our Members from New Plymouth. It suggested that the driver needed some Parking Lessons – apparently the way the car was parked was causing other drivers trouble getting past when going in or out of the gate!

Thought that we were back in Waitakere with the “Dry” conditions that we found ourselves in. No Alcoholic Drinks with Meals at the Chinese Restaurant that we visited and then with the drinks again at the Club which Shirley had to sort for us so that we were able to take a “Tipple or Two!”

Palmy going Dry? Surely not!

The band “Double Click” kept most of us on the Dance Floor and the Line Dancing by members was great to watch! Must learn a few steps before the next one.

A big “Thankyou” to Graham Barrow who has taken the photos of our Winners, our Dinner and our Finalists. My photos have become a bit fuzzy, so no longer reliable! To others who submitted photos to our Web Site “Thanks for sharing, much appreciated”.

Now from your delegates!

## Tauranga

Firstly. A big Thankyou to the Palmerston North Bowling Centre and staff for an amazing job they did over the 4 days of bowling. Also, to Shirley for all the baking, making sandwiches and all she did to make the dinner a memorable night, it really was appreciated so Thankyou from the Tauranga team. Thank you also Kerry, Judith and Benny who without what they do we wouldn't be able to have our tournaments. You all do an amazing job.

It was lovely to see everybody in their Black & White attire at the dinner on the Wednesday evening and the food was delicious. The band had almost everyone up dancing and thanks to Ron Morgan for his take on singing "Alice" we all had a great time.

Congratulations to all our medal winners and special mention to Ron Morgan and Judy Sinclair who both took home 5 medals each and due to Judy bowling so well she has gone from B Grade to Open grade. An amazing achievement. Well done Ron for winning the Men's Champion of Champions. Tauranga added two new bowlers to their team who both thoroughly enjoyed the experience and bowling. We did have one mishap with one of our bowlers. Wane Dunn had to pull out after only playing 3 games as he jammed his little finger in the car door and after spending hours in the waiting room at the Emergency Clinic, had it stitched. I am pleased to say that it has healed well – just the top part of his little finger has been left a little numb. Wayne has now started back bowling. Looking forward to Invercargill in September.

Judy



## New Plymouth

The Palmerston North tournament was awesome again. It was well run by the Palmerston North team and of course Kerry, Judith, Benny, Shirley and Ian.

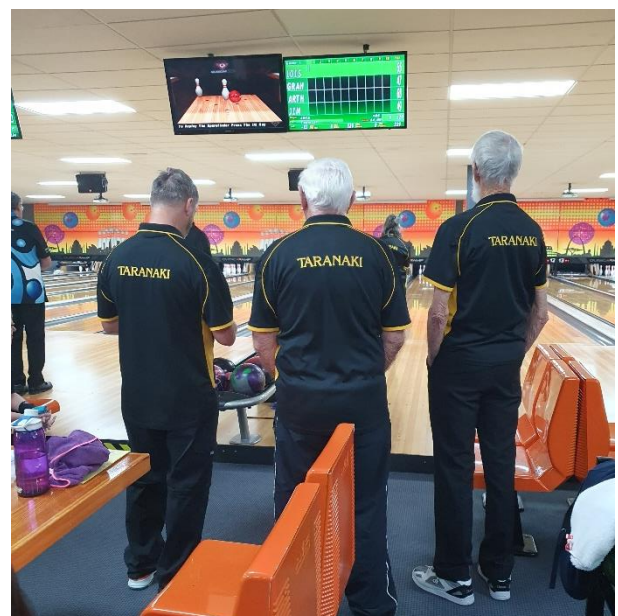
We really do know how to party and how to spend money, all those raffle tickets we bought. Awesome games and company. So many scores over 200 and our own

Lois Goodman scored 201. It was a pleasure to watch Ron Morgan in the Champion of Champions getting so many strikes in a row. Makes us want to do better.

One frustrated Justin couldn't play. He is back playing now and enjoying it.

Sadly, New Plymouth didn't scoop heaps of medals, so bring on Invercargill.

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*New Plymouth cont...*

There are 5 of us already booked for Invercargill. Staying at the Queens Park Motel. So, we have a team and a supporter.

Cheers

Justin and Janet

## **Rotorua**

Great tournament at P.N.

Good to see Trevor Heath back in the fold after a few years away doing what a good husband does. Trevor's son- In-law, Wayne Woods has joined us in 55plus soon to be joined by his wife Michele in September.

On a personal note, I played well for a change and I'm looking forward with enthusiasm to Invercargill.

Chris Clare

## **Waitakere**

I hope everyone that attended the 55+ tournament at Palmerston North in June enjoyed themselves. Was great to be back in Palmy, catching up with everyone from around the country. Thanks to Shirley and her team for hosting another great tournament. With numbers down for Waitakere bowlers mostly due to health issues only 2 won medals. Myself and David Greaves. Congratulations to the medal winners. I would like to thank Lil McGregor a former 55+ bowler from P.N who took the time to pop in and see us. Was lovely to see her again.

Thursday night's dinner at the Palmerston North Golf Club was a great success. Food great, black and white decorations fantastic as was the music. Was a huge surprise when they announced the winners for best dressed. Del Edwards, Glenice Brooks & Steve Thorpe from Waitakere.

Unfortunately, I won't be going to Invercargill as I will be in Tekapo instead. I wish you all the very best for a great tournament. Hope it's not too cold for you all. It might even snow if you're lucky.

Good luck and good health to you all

Regards Del



## **Palmerston North**

Greetings from Palmerston North. It was wonderful to welcome so many bowlers to our centre for the 55+ Tournament. We had some very cold mornings, but beautiful days to follow just to let you see we have a great city. It was a pleasure to see so many at the dinner and all the Black and White costumes. Great to see so many showing their classy dance moves to the fabulous music by Double Click our band from Wellington.

We thank Ian, Kerry, Judith for all they did to make this Tournament a success.

We are delighted with all the raffles we sold and thank everyone for their support. Lots of us just donated with no returns.

Congratulations to all the medal winners. There was some great bowling with high scores.

Look forward to catching up with everyone again in Invercargill.

Kay & Shirley

## Hastings

Unfortunately, my health let me down again and I could not attend the Palmerston North Tournament.

Our Hasting bowlers enjoyed their bowling, but for the first time I can remember, came home without a medal. The feedback I have had is that the tournament and the dinner were a great success and a big thankyou to Shirley and her team.

We are all looking forward to catching up again in Invercargill. We have ten bowlers plus a support team heading south. It is almost a year since I have been able to bowl and I am determined to be back on the lanes in Invercargill.

Preston

## North City

Another great tournament this time in Palmerston North. Thanks to Shirley and her team, lovely meal and great music.

Congratulations to our team members and all who were successful in collecting medals.

Very much looking forward to Invercargill in September though we have only a small group travelling down.

See you then.

Alma

## Petone

Greetings from Petone, A big thankyou to Shirley and her team of volunteers from Palmerston North for another well -run Tournament, they did a great job keeping the food and beverages flowing during the Tournament. Shirley worked her magic to keep the dinner on track and the drinks flowing. I am sure it was enjoyed by all. Congratulations Shirley. Thanks also to Kerry, Benny and Judith for all their hard work keeping the games running smoothly.

Congratulations to the Petone bowlers who managed to collect medals and especially to Donna Verberg on getting into the Women`s Play-off for Champion of Champion. This is the third Tournament in a row that a Petone player has been in the Play-offs, well done Petone.

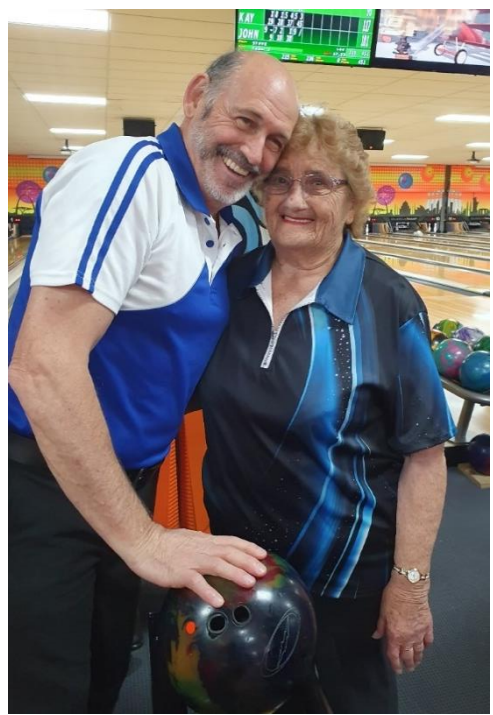
To all the players who are venturing South to Invercargill in September please enjoy yourselves and play well.

Cecilia Jenner

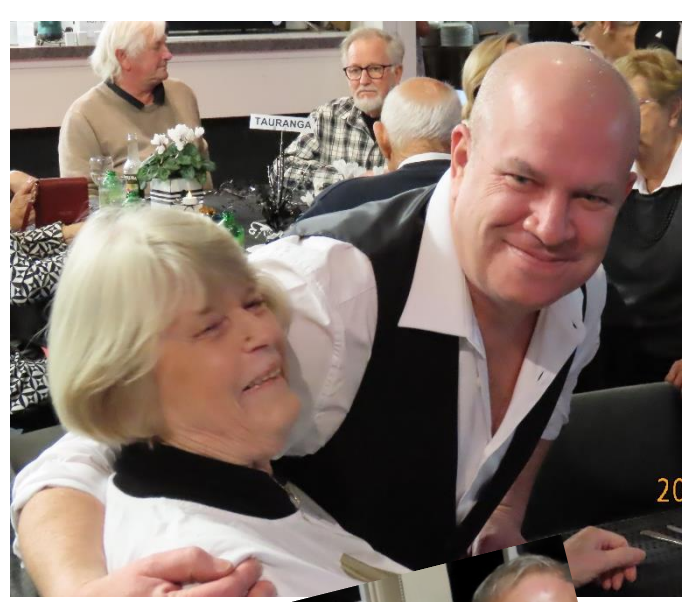


From around the lanes!









Once again Thanks to Palmerston North Members and Centre for a great Tournament. Photos of you all can be found on our 55+ Website as well as your new Tournament Averages.



A **heads up** from Kerry Williams- **those arriving** in **Invercargill** on **Sunday** there are **no Taxis, Ubers etc...** to take you on your short drive from the airport into the city. Kerry is offering his services – has plenty of room for bags/bowling bags and everyone or everything and if not will arrange for transport from others-

**Please phone Kerry 021 1827625** if you need his help!

To our members travelling to the Deep South, take care, be safe and enjoy your trip and good bowling!

Invercargill

Super Bowl Tenpin Bowling Centre

September 2024

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> ~ Friday 20<sup>th</sup>

Dinner @ Club Southland

115 Leed Street

Theme

“BLUE SEPTEMBER”

