

A warm welcome to Burnside Bowling Club

Burnside members are proud of their bowling club and hope your time here with us is both enjoyable and fun.
Good bowling from us all.

GETTING STARTED…

Junior status

When you start playing lawn bowls and join a bowling club, you are classified as an Under 5 Year Bowler for the first five years. Under 5s may play in any open events but only Under 5s may play in specified Under 5 events. It is your choice as to how competitive or social you wish the game to be.

Bowls

The Club has a selection of bowls which may be borrowed for a limited period, preferably **no longer than 6 months.** We recommend you try a range of bowls sizes and styles from the Club's bowls stock to find out which best suits your needs. Take your time and make sure you are entirely happy before you make a purchase.

Dress Code

Refer to the programme book for dress code guidelines.

Coaching

As with most sports, some expert guidance may help you progress faster and add to your overall enjoyment of the game. Burnside has a number of trained coaches available to assist members. Coaching is free and by arrangement. Check your programme book for more details. The club has a 6 week coaching programme at the beginning of the season, each Tuesday evening from 5.30pm - check the programme book. There are also other scheduled coaching sessions through the season.

"Buddy"
Burnside offers all new members a "buddy". A "buddy" is a Club member who is familiar with how things work at Burnside and is someone you will be comfortable going to if you have any questions.

Burnside Club uniform
All new members get a complimentary jacket and playing top, which they are able to use during their time at Burnside. These must be returned if membership ceases. You can purchase additional club shirts if you require them.

CLUB COMMUNICATIONS:

Website
Burnside has a comprehensive and up-to-date website: www.burnsidebowlingclub.com. It provides detailed information on all Club activities, both present and past, and more. Members are also able to enter most Club events online.

Programme book
Every member receives a copy of the Club programme book. This useful resource provides members' names and contact details, the season's programme, as well as all sorts of helpful information including competition rules and required dress.

"Hot Line"
All members on email receive the "Hot Line", a frequently published newsletter type communication that provides up-to-date information on upcoming events and past achievements and news of interest. Hard copies are posted on the noticeboard.

Facebook
You will also find Burnside on Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/burnsidebowling.clubnewzealand

SOME KEY CLUB OFFICIALS:

(Names listed in the front pages of the programme booklet)

Club Executive

The officers of the Club - the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five other elected Club members - all take responsibility for various portfolios.

Club Captains

Burnside has a men's Club Captain and a women's Club Captain, as well as a Juniors Club Captain. Club Captains are there to assist with any queries regarding Club activities.

PLAYING OPPORTUNITIES

Tournaments

Details regarding dates and conditions of regular Club tournaments and championship events are listed in your programme book. If you wish to play in these and need assistance joining a team, contact your "buddy", Club Captain, or the tournament convener. You will find entry sheets on the match room boards, and some events may be entered via the Club's website.

Club Day

Keep an eye on your programme book. Social bowls are played on most Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. You need to be at the club by 12.45 for a start at 1pm. Named discs are handed in so the convenor can organise teams. Members are also welcome to arrange their own games and to roll up at any time when the greens are open and available.

CLUB FACILITIES AND MORE:

Burnside is fortunate to have a superb range of facilities which are being used by a wide cross-section of community groups. To gain more information regarding our facilities, click "Club Facilities" on the Burnside website or contact the Club on phone 358-4617.

Greens

Burnside has hosted many national and international events over the years which shows evidence that its three greens are world-class. To preserve the high quality of the greens, some rules apply: Only flat shoes may be worn on the greens, and no dumping of bowls on the greens. Smoking, eating and drinking on the playing surface of the greens are not permitted. The white boards located inside the main gate provide information on which greens are available for play and the allocation of rinks for particular events. The direction of play changes from 4.00pm most days. The Green Superintendent and Green Keeper have sole authority regarding the management of the greens.

Match room

You will find all relevant information regarding tournament dates and team entry forms in the match room. Please refer to the match room and to your programme book for important information regarding competitive bowls at Burnside.

Club office

This is used primarily by Club officials. A Club mailbox is located outside the office for messages and subscription and green fees payments.

Security

All Burnside members have a responsibility to ensure the Club building is secure. Please be diligent at all times and make yourself familiar with the lock up protocol.

Green fees

A green fee of $10.00 is payable by all non-members and social members. This fee can be deposited into the Club mailbox in the provided envelope.

CLUB CONTACT DETAILS:

Postal Address: Burnside Bowling Club 330 Avonhead Road Christchurch 8444	Phone:03 358 4617 Email:theclub@burnsidebowlingclub.com

Membership categories:

Full member (Includes: School student; Full-time tertiary student)

a) all the playing and other privileges and advantages of membership of the Club;
b) full or limited use of the Club's green or greens, as determined by the Executive and as otherwise limited by the Bowls New Zealand Regulations and the Centre Regulations;
c) hold office in the Club;
d) speak and vote at General Meetings of the Club;
e) enter into any bowling competition, tournament, or match held by the Club in accordance with any specific rules for the competition, tournament, or match; and
f) if selected, represent the Club in competitions, tournaments, and matches.

Social member

a) be entitled to such privileges and advantages of membership of the club as determined by the Executive;
b) be entitled to use of the clubs green or greens for practice and non competition play as determined by the Executive;
c) not be entitled to participate in any club, centre or national events;
d) be entitled to the privileges and benefits afforded to Non-Playing Membership;
e) be entitled to hold office in the club; and
f) be entitled to speak with approval of the Chairperson but not vote at General Meetings of the club.

Limited member

a) be entitled to such privileges and advantages of membership of the Club as determined by the Executive;
b) be entitled to play in approved bowls events within the boundary of the physical club;
c) not be entitled to participate in club, centre or national events that progress to a centre or national championship;
d) be entitled to participate in club organised events outside the boundary of the club as determined by the Executive
e) be entitled to speak and vote at General Meetings of the Club.
f) A Limited Playing Member may also be a Life Member if they are appointed as such pursuant to Rule 9.1 (Life Members) of this constitution.

Non playing member

a) such privileges and advantages of membership of the Club as determined by the Executive;
b) hold office in the Club; and
c) speak with approval of the chairperson but not vote at General Meetings of the Club.