

Hotline 291 – 18th May 2023
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Centre Triples

The **final rounds** of the centre triples were played last weekend.

The men's final was an interesting affair featuring **Mike and Matt Small** on **opposing teams!** Matt joined Oxford to 'have a game or two with his mates'.

The Burnside men's team of **Richard Hocking** (s), **Barry Williams** and **Mike Small** made the final against a team from Oxford of Gary Stubbs, Dave Holland and **Matt Small** (s).

After 16 ends the scores were tied **13 all** and on the **extra end** an Umpire's **measure with calipers** was required to decide the shot. Burnside prevailed in a very close call. This was a unique game for a final where a father played against his son. **A great game** played in extremely good spirit.

Our ladies team of **Kirsten Rowe** (s), **Lyn Haworth** and **Tessa Lee** reached the semi final. Well done!



Burnside (Richard, Mike and Barry) squeaked to a win against Oxford skipped by Matt.

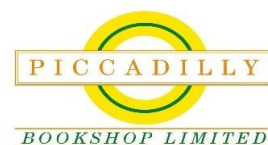
Resuming the Spotlight Bios

With the **end of the season** news becomes a bit thin. So the Hotline is resuming its **series of Bios** of some of our **longtime members**. **Thank you** very much to those people who have **responded** to the **invitation** to provide some info. It is much **appreciated**.

Friday night members' draw:

Come on **Friday** at **6:00pm** for the next draw.

\$50



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Spotlight on Graeme Rees

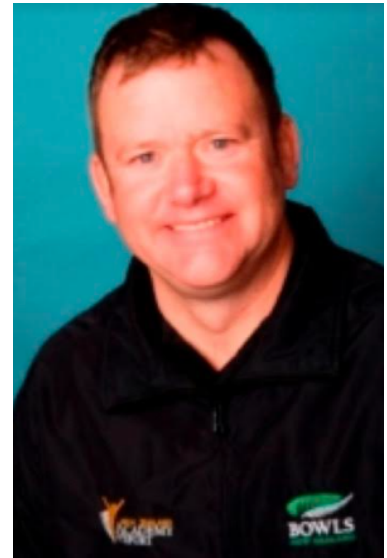
Graeme is a **wonderful bowler** and a **National class coach**. He has also held executive roles including **Secretary** and **Vice President**. He tells us a bit more about his life.

I'm **Canterbury** born and bred and wouldn't live anywhere else.

I've been **married to Karen** for **34 years** and have a **son Owen** who is now 21 and studying at Canterbury University.

I've been a **Credit Controller** all my career starting at the **Housing Corporation** when I left school. My first role was a tough gig **collecting debt** from vacated state tenants.

After many years in the lending division Rogernomics caught up with me and I was made redundant. I moved to **BOC**, the **gas company**, and completed another **13 years** in Credit Control before **moving to** a Credit role with **MYOB** leading a team of 10 in Australia and New Zealand. I'm still with MYOB **working 4 days a week**, they are a great company to work for.



I **started** playing bowls at **Morrison Ave** as a **14 year old**. I only got to be a member after an executive vote (passed by one vote) because they thought I was **too young!** I moved to **Burnside in 1986** and have played at the **best bowls club** ever since. Over the years I have found myself playing with some top players and have picked up **7 club titles**. My greatest playing achievement on the green was winning the **Canterbury Pairs** with **Pat Bonham**.

I've been very **fortunate** to have **coached** our great sport at **Canterbury** and **National** level. The **highlight** of my coaching career was being the **NZ assistant coach in 2008** at **World Bowls** in Christchurch. The team picked up the Leonard Trophy that year. In **2010** I attended the **Delhi Commonwealth Games**, which was an amazing experience. On **9 second greens** and **high temperatures** the team didn't achieve as well as 2 years earlier, but they learnt how to cope with a **difficult environment**.

Personal Development coaching opportunities, by way of a **scholarship in 2007**, took me to **Malaysia** to learn from their bowls environment and to **Brisbane** to spend a week at the Australia Cricket Institute of sport. I'm also part of the **Kia Manawanui satellite group** for the next 12 months. This is a future-focused coach development initiative designed by **HPSNZ** to **support coaches** who are working with the **next cycle of performance athletes**. Included in the group are a Netball, Equestrian, Basketball, Table Tennis, Para Alpine and Surfing coach. A very exciting time ahead.

I now have a **role with Bowls NZ** working one day a week as the **National Coach Development Lead**. Over the next 6 months I have **8 trips planned** around NZ, coaching coaches.

My other interests include going to the Gym, Philately and watching Rugby/Cricket.

Five years off retirement and life doesn't slow down. I am looking forward to **playing more bowls** and being involved in **coaching at all levels**.

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Remembering Helen Stannard

Brenda Turner

Helen Stannard from Bowls NZ **passed away** during heart surgery on Tuesday 9th May.

Many of us knew her through her involvement in the big **World** events and **National** events **held in Christchurch**, as she spent a lot of time at Burnside during those times, being very involved in running the events.

Bowls NZ have put a [comprehensive story](#) on their website about Helen recalling the **good, kind** and **sometimes very bossy** Helen that we also remember.

A **condolence note** has been sent on behalf of the Club to her **husband**, David, who has played blind bowls at Burnside, and to the **family**.

Sponsors' Evening

A couple of weeks ago **74 invitations** were sent out to our sponsors inviting them to a **thank you evening** at the Club.

A **group of 30**, which included some members of the Executive, **attended the evening** on Thursday 14th May. Many sponsors appreciated the gesture but were unable to attend.

President Richard Bruce spoke and thanked the sponsors for their ongoing support.

Income from sponsorship for the season was **\$55,000.00** incl GST. This is a **vital source of income** to the Club.

Huge **thanks to Alan Bryce** for his continued efforts in **finding** and **looking after** our sponsors. **A huge job!!**



Photo: AJ van Hasselt

Some of our sponsors

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Bar Roster

Friday	19 th May	Jan Harmon
Saturday	20 th May	Paul Beecroft
Monday	29 th May	Pam Clarke

Tournaments

Rangiora Bowling Club

Ladies 3 Bowl Open Triples

Date: Sundays: 11th June, 13th August, 17th September
Time: 9:15am tea and toasties, 10:00am start
Cost: \$20.00pp. Soup and rolls for lunch
Contact: Liz Williams 03 313 6587 lizandco70@gmail.com
Kathy Rangiwana 0210 235 7151
kathy@willowbankco.nz



Centre Newsletter

Here is a [link to the centre newsletter](#). Main reminders:

- Bowls Canterbury **Prizegiving Dinner** – Saturday 17th June at the Hornby Working Men's Club. Contact marketing@bowlscanterbury.co.nz for your tickets - \$45 each. Doors open at 4pm and celebrations begin at 5pm.
- AGM – this will be at Burnside from 10am Sunday 9th July at 10am. Some relevant papers will be forwarded to clubs by Saturday 20th May.

Facebook Page

As well as the Hotline and the Club Web site don't forget we also have a Facebook Page. You can find it [here](#) (and you don't have to have a facebook account!) Thanks to Kerrie Bruce for her work maintaining this page.

Any news, bowls equipment to buy or sell, stories, notices?

Contact the Hotline

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Deadline: 5pm Wednesdays

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