



## NEWSLETTER No3

Progress is being made and we are into the final, frantic stages of preparing for our tournament and we would like all players to take note of the following:-

### PLAYER'S HANDBOOK

The handbook has been proof read and will be returned to the printers on Monday 8 March. The unfortunate delay means that we are not confident of them reaching you by post and therefore request that, if possible, all teams from outside the Port Natal district collect them from Lahee Park on Friday 16 April between 12h00 and 18h00. Those not collected will be delivered to your first venue on Saturday morning 17 April. The Port Natal clubs will be notified of when their books will be available for collection from the PNB Administration office. **ALL THE PERTINENT INFORMATION IS ON OUR WEBSITE [www.bowling.co.za](http://www.bowling.co.za)** (link to Men's Nationals)

### CHANGES TO THE CONDITIONS OF PLAY (Updated on the website Sunday 7 March 2010)

There has been a correction made to the Pairs discipline item 9.1 which now reads

9.1 Pairs

Leads may not walk up to the head

**Skips after the delivery of the second bowl**

The new dress code as released in Bowls SA circular 11/2010 has been included in item 15.

**Please note that should coloured clothing or shorts be worn that it is subject to ALL PLAYERS IN A TEAM BEING UNIFORMLY DRESSED.**

Don't give the Tournament Committee or the Club Tournament Official the problem of having to advise one or more of a team to change if you are not dressed according to the law.

### PAIRS AND FOURS

Please note that as we stand at present there are no byes in the sectional play of the above disciplines. Please look at the updates of the Draw and Index on the tournament website.

### SINGLES

The provisional draw and allocation of host clubs for the Open and Senior singles has been completed and will be published on the tournament website as soon as we receive the players names from the "President's Pick" and an outstanding district. Expected early next week.

### DIRECTIONS TO HOST CLUBS

There is a brief explanation of directions to the clubs available on the website and the contact details of the twelve host Clubs have been added to the website with their telephone numbers, street addresses, and GPS positions for those of you with Garmins or Tom Toms etc.

Tournament Committee: Charles Levy (Chairman), Dorothy Hardie (Secretary), Denise Davis (Treasurer), Mari McKenzie (Catering), Cliff Thatcher (Records), Allen Ritchie (Handbook), Brian Nelson (Greens)

## **WEBSITE**

The Conditions of Play, Index, Pairs and Fours Draws have all been updated.

We will continue to update the Website as and when necessary so please keep a watch for these changes.

## **GREEN FEES**

Bowls SA have taken cognisance of previous host clubs complaints regarding lack of income for the use of their greens. The vast majority of clubs need this revenue to assist in their survival. Bowls SA have therefore advised that a **Green Fee of R10 per player per day during sectional play** is to be paid to the Club Tournament Official for the clubs' benefit. This income is NOT credited to the Tournament Committee's income.

## **TOURNAMENT BADGES**

Historically the supply of commemorative tournament badges was included in the entrance fee, however the collection and wearing have these has become less prominent over the years and combined with the expense of producing a good quality badge Bowls SA have decided the following:-

- Reduce the entry fee per player from 2009
- Make a common commemorative tournament badge for the Men and Ladies' tournaments available for sale at a cost of R20 per badge for those that wish to purchase one.
- These will be available for purchase from the respective Club Tournament Officials at all host clubs.
- Those players who paid for their badges with their entrance fee will find them in the team envelopes with their handbooks.

## **CATERING**

If any players have special dietary requirements, please note your host club/s and make contact with them prior to the tournament commencing. List of telephone numbers on the website

Charles Levy and the Tournament Committee