



## BOWENTOWN BOATING & SPORT FISHING CLUB

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Merry Christmas to all Club Members

The silly season is upon us and it looks like Summer has graced us with her presence as well. We hope all your preparations for Christmas are going to plan, and look forward to seeing you all at the Club over the holiday period.



We apologise that this newsletter is a little longer than our normal one but there has been so much happening at the Club, that we wanted to include everything. So bear with us and enjoy the reading!

### Happenings at the Club

Melbourne Cup day, Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November saw many members come to the Club all dressed up especially to watch the race. We had prizes to give out for best dressed male and female, best shoes, best hat etc, and big congratulations to those that won. Also a thank you to Cynthia and Gloria for organising the sponsors and prizes. Staf offered a buffet for \$12.50 and this was enjoyed by many.

We had a Special Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> November to consider a rule change to address visitors to the Club. There are some logistical issues with the current practice of the "sign in" book at the bar, especially over the peak summer period. The licensing people and a solicitor have been involved in developing a new process. There was good discussion on the day and the meeting passed a resolution to proceed with the new rule. We are now in the process of registering the rule change and once that has occurred, the change will be instigated. As members, the change will not affect you personally but it should make it easier for any visitors you bring with you. And obviously, we would like your visitors to have had such a good time that they consider signing up for a membership!

In the month of November, we saw many male members of the Club growing facial hair (some a lot better than others), for "Movember". Judging for this was on Saturday night 2<sup>nd</sup> December, and it was a very successful night with lots of fun and laughter had by all. The Club managed to raise just under \$1200 which is being donated for Prostate Cancer research. A huge thanks to all who participated and the wives/partners that had to put up with their man sporting the unusual growth on his face for a month! We hope to have more males enter next year and make it even bigger and better than this year.

We had many excited kids at the Club on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, all awaiting the arrival of Santa. It was such a beautiful day that there were lots of games, treasure hunts and egg and spoon running races. Even the parents got involved before Santa made his appearance in a surf lifesaving boat. A big thank you to all involved in organising this day for all the young ones associated with the Club.

Thank you to our sponsor Shiree Henderson of Harcourts for helping make this a success, and of course the party would not have gone ahead without Santa himself!

### Upcoming Events

- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Put it on your calendar as the Club has organised a Xmas Party for all members. Once the raffle and Club draws have finished, stay on and we will have Rick Harris playing with lots of good music to help us celebrate Christmas. Staf will have a Xmas Buffet available that night for dinner as well, and bookings are recommended, so we hope to see you all there.



- Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December - The local Coastguard is again holding a “Old 4 New” lifejacket upgrade from 1pm – 4pm at the Boat Club boat ramps. This was very successful last year and so if you missed it, you can swap your old jacket for a heavily discounted new one. This day is subject to changes i.e. bad weather, so any changes can be viewed at [facebook.com/coastguardold4new](https://facebook.com/coastguardold4new). This is all proudly sponsored by Maritime NZ, Hutchwilco, The Southern Trust, Boating Outdoors, and Giltrap in association with Coastguard.
- Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December – Come help celebrate the incoming New Year with us. Bring your family and friends and dance the night away with “The Tim Armstrong Band”. The restaurant will be open with a buffet meal for \$22.50. Bookings are once again preferable.

We have attached a poster that you can send to friends and family when you’re organising to party at our place.

- A reminder to members that the courtesy van to and from the Club is available to ensure everyone gets home safely this Summer. It is always very busy at this time of the year so your patience is appreciated.

### Restaurant

The cafe and restaurant has become very popular, so bookings are recommended. Staff has advised that he will be closed Xmas day and open for dinner on Boxing day. He will be opening 7 days a week from 27<sup>th</sup> December with both the cafe and restaurant. The cafe is a lovely setting for brunch or lunch in the weekend at the moment, so remember that from 12noon in the weekends the bar is opened for you to have a wine or beer with your food.

### Fishing Gossip

Apparently the harbour is still fishing well, if you know the spots but unfortunately the weed is still there in abundance. We have also been told that the water temperature is up to about 21 degrees out by Mayor Island which means that the skipjack tuna are being caught. Even marlin have been sighted playing amongst the lurers!

### Sports Results

#### **Ball Results for October 2017**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Winners</b>	<b>Runners Up</b>	<b>Highest Break</b>
02.11.17	Ken Peteresen Pete Miller	John Fagan Keith Richards	John Fagan
09.11.17	Dave Giles Johnny Goble	Kim Hoffman Keith Richards	Johnny Goble
16.11.17	Keith Richards Dave Croker	Cheryl Priestley Johnny Goble	Keith Richards
23.11.17	Selwyn Faulkner Allan Dower	David Croker Cheryl Priestley	David Croker
30.11.17	Chris Spears Keith Richards	Willie Priestley Johnny Goble	Mike McGougan

### Indoor Bowls Results for October 2017

Date	Winners
01.11.17	Selwyn Warren Garry McLean
08.11.17	No Bowls
15.11.17	Molly Tilsley Selwyn Warren Marie Martin

Catch Board – Please check the web site for up dated results, and go out fishing to get your name on the board.

Friday Night Club Draw – A reminder to members to make sure they have their “Membership Cards” with them for the Friday night draws. If you do forget your card then please let the person on the table (recording your number) know and they will give you a signed note acknowledging this, otherwise “no card” – “no payout”!

### Membership Draws – November 2017

Date	\$100	Name	Paid	\$150	Name	Paid	\$200	Name	Paid	Name	Jackpot
3.11.17	1098 1105	M Armstrong C Hammond	\$0 \$51	0002	B Tibberham	\$211	429 415	L Kerridge M Procter	\$0 \$61	?	\$0
10.11.17	182 191	S Deihl K Petersen	\$0 \$49	617 611	G Venn R Tims	\$0 \$53	917 909	G Johnston D Tims	\$0 \$54	W Silson	\$0
17.11.17	226	G Boot	\$58	128	S Keenan	\$62	452	J Bennett	\$62	P Pabhoo	\$0
24.11.17	529 521	P McNeil B McBeth	\$0 \$66	1068 1036	K Dean J Honey	\$0 \$67	347 344	G Norton H Powell	\$0 \$68	M Hutchins	\$0

We hope you all have a Merry Xmas and a safe New Year.

Until next month  
Denise and Maree

