Weekly Reminder – 21th September 2021

1. COVID LOCKDOWN

a. Level 3 update

With Auckland moving to alert level 3 at midnight on Tuesday 21 September there is really very little change as far as bowling club activity is concerned. Generally bowls club remain closed and no organised play is allowed.

Practice bowls (single person or within bubble) ONLY. Take own mats and jacks No access to club rooms Each club will have their own way of managing this

Please refer to the Covid 19 guidelines on the Bowls New Zealand website. <u>https://bowlsnewzealand.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/Bowls-New-Zealand-Covid-19-Alert-Level-Guidelines-20-September.pdf</u>

b. Mandatory reporting requirements

When bowling clubs are able to re-open after the current lockdown, there are requirements for mandatory record keeping which have been extended from the previous record keeping in place prior to this most recent lockdown. The new requirements are more specific about what you as the owner/occupier of the premises must provide and keep record of, and these are spelt out in the notes provided by Sport New Zealand. There is a link at the end this article which has a number of questions and answers to assist you in understanding the process. At the end of the day you are not liable if any person refuses and it is not expected or required for you to turn people away. Your duty only goes as far as providing the systems and processes for the visitors to your club to comply.

Here is a summary of the requirements with more details found on the Sport New Zealand link provided at the end of the article.

At Alert Levels 2, 3 and 4, most organisations that are open must have systems and processes in place to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, that everyone 12 years or older who enters their workplace either:

- Scans the NZ COVID-19 Tracer QR code
- Makes some other kind of personal contact record (e.g. a diary note), or
- Provides their name and phone number to the business, alongside the date and time they were present.

This means more than just displaying the QR code and having a sign in sheet. It requires the person in charge of the organisation to have systems and processes in place to ensure that people do check in. It is also important to ensure any paper-based register is not left in a public-facing position where personal information is visible to others as this is a leading cause of COVID-19 related privacy breaches.

For the sport and recreation sector, this applies to:

- Indoor facilities where sport and recreation occur, e.g. recreation centres and swimming pools
- Indoor exercise facilities, e.g. gyms and yoga studios
- Sport and recreation clubrooms
- Commercial and ticketed sport and recreation events.

If you are in doubt, it is recommended to provide record keeping.

Mandatory record keeping and QR code scanning | Sport New Zealand - Ihi Aotearoa (sportnz.org.nz)

c. Covid 19 Resurgence Support Payment

On the IRD website you will find details of the Resurgence Support Payment (RSP) and the Wage Subsidy August 2021 which is available to assist businesses and organisations during this change in Covid 19 alert levels. Clubs may wish to check these two avenues to see if they qualify for any support from Government during this lockdown period.

The second Resurgence Support Payment (RSP) was opened on Friday 17th September

Please pass this onto your club Treasure

2. ENTRIES OPEN

BNH Power Play League Carnival – 16/17 Oct 21

Enter by: 2021-10-01 Please get your clubs entries in as soon as possible but hold off on paying the invoice until the go ahead is confirmed. We should know a week before the date

Entry Fee: \$80

We are still hoping to hold the PPL Carnival on 16th and 17th October, if we are in Level 2 by date. Due to the restrictions on the greens and in the clubhouse at Level 2 we will be restri number of rinks being used on a green to 6. We are also restricting the number of greens b used at any one venue to 1.

BNH Men Pennants Premier Division – 30-31 Oct & 6 Nov 21

Enter by: 2021-10-15 Entry Fee: \$100

BNH Men Pennants Division 1 – 30-31 October & 6 Nov 21

Enter by: 2021-10-15 Entry Fee: \$100

BNH Women Pennants Premier Division – 30-31 Oct & 6 Nov 21

Enter by: 2021-10-15 Entry Fee: \$100

BNH Women Pennants Division 1 – 30-31 Oct & 6 Nov 21

Enter by: 2021-10-15 Entry Fee: \$100

BNH Mixed Pennants Section A – 30-31 Oct & 6 Nov 21

Enter by: 2021-10-15 Entry Fee: \$100

BNH Mixed Pennants Section B – 30-31 Oct & 6 Nov 21

Enter by: 2021-10-15 Entry Fee: \$100

PLEASE NOTE FOR ALL THE TEAM EVENTS ENTERED BY A CLUB PLEASE PUT TEAM NAME AND NAMES OF EACH TEAM MEMBER INTO TEAM NAME

3. ENTRIES CLOSED / TOURNAMENTS IN PROGRESS

None

4. COMPLETED TOURNAMENTS

None

5. OTHER INFORMATION

CENTRE OPENING AND HANDBOOK

The Center is now for all intents and purposes open. The handbooks will be distributed as soon as we are able to get them from the printers and get them to your club. The printers are able to print them when we get to level 3 so hopefully we will get them sooner rather than later

MASTERS 2022 Date of tournament: 14th to 18th February 2022

We have 27 entries to date

Get your entries in now

The link is https://www.bowlsnorthharbour.com/masters/

BOWLS NEW ZEALAND CEO VISIT TO BOWLS NORTH HARBOUR

If we are down at Level 2, Mark Cameron will be visiting our Centre on **12**th October at 6.30pm at Browns Bay Bowling club.

BOWLS NEW ZEALAND AFFILIATION FEE

For the information of clubs, the Bowls NZ affiliation fee for the 2021/2022 season will be increased by the CPI of 1.5%. This will be the amount increased on the payment amount made to Bowls NZ last season. Invoices for this affiliation fee will be sent directly to clubs by Bowls NZ.

CLEARANCE CERTIFICATES

Clearance certificates are no longer required.