



December 2023



Community Functions



Looking at the club calendar you will see that this is a very busy time for community bookings in the function room, and many of those include social bowls. This doesn't happen without a lot of effort by a great team. Special thanks to Lizzie, Caro and members who help with the bowls.



Computer Culture held a very successful gathering recently. The room was decorated with great style and from all accounts everyone enjoyed their time.



Schools Coaching and Tournament

“The annual Rapanui Schools coaching and tournament for 150 plus students from Redcliffs and Mt Pleasant Schools was a great success again. This was only possible because of the assistance of the many club members who step up each year and give their time to this worthwhile event in our club calendar. The young bowlers are always respectful, most



enjoy playing bowls and the teachers and schools are grateful for the experience our club offers. Redcliffs teams came 1st (Monte and Eli) and 2nd, (Caleb and James), Mt Pleasant 3rd (Kai and Archie). The overall school winner was Mt Pleasant with 26 wins and Redcliffs 24 wins”.



Denise Moreland

Business House Bowls 2024

Thursday evenings from 25th January – 29th February. Games start at 6:15 and finish at 7:45 with BBQ and salad included. Teams of 4 players, (with unlimited squad size), play each week. Come and join the fun. Business and social groups are all welcome. \$60 per team, per week. Entries due by 12th January to info@clubredcliffs.co.nz

Clements Cup

This new 2-4-2 club competition finished in October with some 36 members playing at various stages which was great. The competition included a number of new bowlers and was always played in a friendly and supportive way which Geoff Clements would have loved.

Overall, the competition couldn't have been closer going into the last week with 7 teams still in realistic contention. However Nikki and Mike eventually prevailed with some great bowling over 4 weeks. Rod and Tracy finished a close second with Chelle (with Trish/Ian) and Adam with Wendy finishing 3rd and 4th respectively. A bottle of wine went to Tracy Hobson as the top performing first year bowler.



Ian Rouse

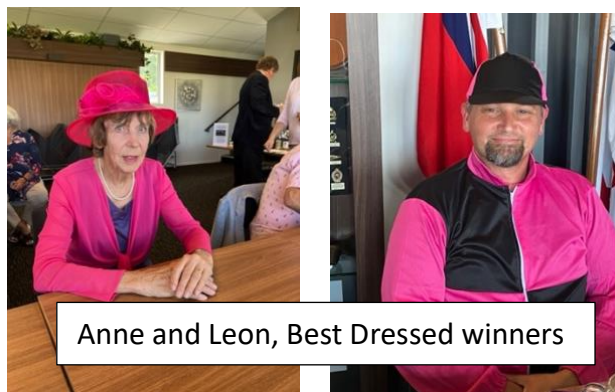
Melbourne Cup Function



This year's Melbourne Cup Day function was held on Tuesday 7 November from 3:30pm to approximately 6:00pm. There was a good-sized crowd, and everyone seemed to have a good time.

There were a variety of activities on the afternoon, including a

“tote” (actually sweepstakes) on the Melbourne Cup itself. Caro organised a wine tasting of some new wines available from the bar, and there were several raffles with racing themed prizes provided by



NZ Thoroughbred Racing Inc. The most popular raffle was admission for two people to a top-level suite on Day 1 of the NZ Cup meeting at Riccarton Racecourse. This prize, donated by Bill Cotton, involved free admission, quality buffet meal, complementary drinks all day, and an outstanding view of the racing action; a prize worth over \$300.00.

The function earned a profit of approximately \$1,400.00 for our Club's finances. Special thanks to members who helped, including Tony Morland, Jim Keegan, Lizzie Rushton, Rita Beesley, Phil Connelly, and especially Terry James and Caro.

Bill Cotton

Skills and Drills

The skills and drills will finish for the Christmas break on Thursday 14 December and re-start on Thursday 25 January. We have had a steady number of players attending from introductory members to the older experienced players which has been very good. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for attending and wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2024.

A special thank you to Annabel and Elaine who have made themselves available to run the programme throughout the winter season as well, it's very much appreciated.

Rod Grout

Under 5's Interclub

What a great pre-Christmas it has been so far with just two rounds to go in the Saturday morning Interclub Triples and one round to go in the Thursday twilight Pairs.

Saturday Triples

Division One Club Redcliffs Eagles 1st place

Division Two Club Redcliffs Hawkes 1st place

Division Two Club Redcliffs Kestrels 3rd place.

Thursday Pairs.

Division One Club Redcliffs 1 3rd place

Division Two Club Redcliffs 1 1st place

Division Two Club Redcliffs 2 1st place.

Well done to all our Under 5 teams. They've competed well and are a credit to our club.

Coaches Corner

The three rules of teams

Involve the team members in making the rules

Establish feedback processes

Empower team members to enforce the rules

By involving the group in setting their own team rules, they are setting the standard by which they will be marked. Teams could set all kinds of rules like dress, punctuality,

behaviour before games, during games and after games. The team rules should reflect the beliefs held by the team members.

For example - staying on the green. If a rink or a team member finishes early, they should stay on the green to support their fellow team members. They should not leave, they should stay. They can encourage, support and even observe their fellow team members.

Club Redcliffs Coaches

Club Shop

<https://www.clubredcliffs.co.nz/club-shop>

Our online shop is available for members -both bowlers and social – to purchase club apparel for bowling and casual wear.

There's a unique trick when ordering online in that you need to put the number of items you are ordering in the size box. Then click 'Add to cart'. Nina Rae 0210477827 is happy to help you with your purchase.

Courier freight to your home is additional to the pricing specified. Please allow 3 weeks from order to delivery.

The club receives sponsorship via a discount on all items purchased. We appreciate the support from this supplier.

Sponsors

A Seasonal thank you in this Newsletter for the latest addition to our fence sponsors - **Garage Door Services** and **The Connect Group** - for their support.

The Connect Group owned by local Redcliffs residents, George and Rachael Roberts was formed in 2004. They focus on providing specialised services into the construction and infrastructure sectors.



Garage Door Services is operated by our own Ricky Cook. Ricky has been involved in the business for over 10 years and specialises in installing and

repair of garage and garage-door-openers.

Members may have also noticed the new scoreboard signs on the Mt Pleasant Green. This is the result of excellent work by Denny O'Brien Warriner.

It is important that members support not only these new sponsors but also our existing sponsors. A big thanks them to all. They provide an important source of revenue to the club. They include:

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Christmas Greetings to all

from *the Newsletter Team*