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# NEW ROLES EXCITE COLIN



A humble Colin Sullivan felt a new sense of excitement when he was approached to see if he would agree to accept nomination for our club's esteemed patron's role.

He considered just to be in contention for the position was an honour in itself. However, when those present at the annual meeting fully endorsed his nomination he was rightly overjoyed and naturally felt a real sense of pride.

"Being chosen to replace the late Frank Haines was a great honour. He set a marvelous example and his efforts, especially on behalf of the senior members, had meant much to our club's continuing success. He was an inspiration to myself and other members. He was a 'quiet achiever' and if I can fill even one of his shoes, I will be more than happy."

Last March our club hierarchy nominated Colin to be the official Waikato area delegate to the NZ Clubs' Association. They were delighted when their confidence in his ability was widespread and confirmed when he was elected to the national body and soon was attending meetings in Wellington representing our region.

There was also elation when Tom Fisher of Tauranga, a major supporter of our club since he performed the honours at the opening ceremony back in 1996, was returned to the NZ Clubs' president's chair. Our executives are confident both Colin and Tom will add much to the future direction of the national body.

Colin was pleased his father, Rex, had encouraged him to join the Harwood St - based HWMC club back in 1972. "Rex was a keen member and really enjoyed the comradeship and social aspects. It didn't take me long to realise just how right he was."

Eight ball and indoor bowls were two sports Colin became involved with early on while he became a liaison officer for darts when elected to the HWMC executive in the late 1980s.

His value to the club soon became evident so it wasn't long before he was elevated to vice-president and then in 1994 he became president. He soon discovered his forthright and far-sighted views didn't always find full agreement with some of his executive colleagues, but gradually others came to see his points of view and situations changed.



**COLIN SULLIVAN...INSPIRED OUR CLUB'S MOVE TO FRANKTON. HE IS NOW OVERJOYED TO BE BACK INVOLVED**

Colin was on the executive when the move to have women members was finally mooted. It drew some early flak, but common sense ruled when it came to the crunch vote in 1991.

"For many years women had been allowed into the Harwood St club from 4pm on Saturday, but had to go upstairs and remain there until 7.30pm. We were of the opinion that we needed to encourage women's memberships as well as younger members to the club and make use of the facilities to form new friendships, both social and sporting. A number of the older members were

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against this and I credit a stirring speech from the upstairs lounge at the special meeting by my 'Sunburnt Cuzzie', Matt Sullivan, for the crucial swing in favour of the motion."

When he took on the president's mantle, Colin was already aware the club had become bogged down in mediocrity. He knew the time had come for change, The membership was stagnant. Attitudes within the club were 'tired' and needed to be altered. Many of those who had worked hard to set up the club had to be convinced different goals then had to be set for the future good of the club and all members.

Solutions had to be found. A change of venue was mooted. Colin was given permission to check out the market and told high-regarded Hamilton valuer, Peter Sporle, of his thoughts and basically what was required. They set a time frame and when that deadline neared without reward it seemed the idea would falter.

Suddenly Peter's knowledge of the situation and the site he had targeted became available.

Brian Simpson and Colin signed an agreement to purchase, subject to members' approval at a special general meeting. There was some opposition, but when it came to the vote, the deal was backed by a huge majority. The rest is history.

"It was a real lucky break that the Plumbing World site became available, as for a number of years, our club and the Frankton Junction Bowling Club had mooted amalgamation, but to do while so distanced both in outlook and position would not have been a wise move

"I had a great deal of support from Brian Simpson, Ron Boyles, the late Syd Allott and the rest of the executive committee at the time. Life member Barry Taylor and past president and life member Eric Whiting were also very supportive. Many other club members gave their backing and their advice offered was certainly taken on board."

When the news spread about the proposed Frankton development there was some division in the ranks. The initial opposition was an expected reaction. Various reasons were aired why any motion to be moved re a possible shift should be defeated. The rumour-mill was really swirling.

"We knew it was a big call to make. We felt the time was right to make the move forward, but several matters had to be tied up before we signed on the dotted line. We had to confirm the Harwood St site sale and then the King St premises and land in Frankton had to be developed to meet the requirements of the regulations in vogue at the time."

"We encountered numerous problems with the site and the move, but with the help of Brian Taylor and Doug Hapi, who were with the Hamilton City Council planning department, and other members too numerous to mention, we got there.

"It was great to have so many tradespeople and suppliers, all members of the club, to collaborate with on the project and what we have today is a direct result of their co-operation and hard work."

When all the dust settled and club members settled into their new flash surroundings, Colin took time out to reflect on the successful move.

He was elated when many, who had initially opposed the shift, took the opportunity to compliment him and the others who accepted the challenge to make that brave decision.

"It still gives me special pleasure seeing many from those Harwood St days soaking up the King St atmosphere and fully utilising the modern facilities provided for their enjoyment. They obviously look forward to meeting up with old friends to indulge in their many and varied activities."

Colin's best club memories include the profitable and highly enjoyable charity days over the years, the children's Christmas parties and other social functions where he had the chance to catch up with many of the characters he had rubbed shoulders with over the years. He continues to get great enjoyment from reminiscing about the 'old days'. His memory of faces, names and attention to detail has become a great asset and always makes for entertaining conversation.

"With charity day we have indeed been fortunate to have members such as Graeme Rogerson who made such a generous donation to start the day off and to have the support of so



Long serving members were saddened by the passing of HWMC life member Barry Taylor in late April. Barry was a strong advocate on behalf of our club at executive level. He rightly had no hesitation in airing his opinions on the many and varied issues as our club planned its move from Harwood St to Frankton. His experience as a builder was a decided asset.

Barry was proud to be elected a life member and so followed in the footsteps of his father, Jim, who also held that honour. Current HWMC life members, Eric Whiting and Colin Sullivan, were among the congregation who attended Barry's funeral at St Columbus Church, Frankton. In recent years, Barry, who played rugby for Hamilton Marist in his younger days, did an outstanding job rounding up old mates and other former players back into that club's fold. He was untiring in his desire and so deservedly was awarded the 'Marist Supporter of the Year' title.


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many members, suppliers and sportspeople to make the event more of a success for the selected charity. Our indoor bowlers certainly have something to be proud of and it is heartwarming to see the other subsections and members get right behind their endeavours.

Colin's favourite sports and leisure time activities include following horse racing, particularly gallops, rugby, league and now walking. Past sportsmen he rated highly were Colin Meads (rugby), Andrew Berryman (rugby league, bowls) and Lance O'Sullivan (jockey). Current Welsh rugby coach, Warren Gatland, All Black Daniel Carter and experienced jockey Noel Harris were three of the latest personalities he really admired.

**Other favourites –**

**Foods:** Fish and other seafood meals, curries, good old fashioned roast, ice cream sundae

**Drinks:** Waikato Draught, the odd red wine

**Holiday spots:** Raglan (I have lived there for the past 14 years!) and Rotorua

**TV shows:** Trackside, documentaries, MASH, news. Films: The Straight Story, One Flew Over the Cuckoos Nest

**Actor:** Jack Nicholson. Actress: Susan Sarandon

**Songs:** Sweet Caroline, The Gambler, Old Man River

**Singers:** Neil Diamond, Howard Morrison, Alanis Morissette

**Three people he would most like to meet:**

Bill Clinton, Jack Nicholson, Tiger Woods

*T'was late into the eighties when  
A quietly spoken Colin Sullivan shone through  
We had never really noticed  
How progressive were his views*

*He was outstanding in front of the members  
For the club he had a far sighted dream  
Harwood Street had served its time  
His Frankton found venue became the new scene*

- Marianne J Bell & Anon.

Year book editor Winston Hooper wishes to acknowledge Toni Hislop, John Loveridge, Kim Raggett and all sub-section correspondents for their editorial support. Special thanks also to Heather True who achieved the role of advertising salesperson with skill and consideration. Please support our advertisers.

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# CLUB SHOWS ITS TRUE COLOURS



Our club's choice for the October 2009 charity week was True Colours Charitable Trust – caring for children's wellbeing.

In spite of the difficult economic conditions prevailing, the club members and friends rallied to the cause, showed their true colours and raised \$20,000 from the week-long raffles and Sunday auction and all went to the Hamilton-based organisation.

True Colours' basic objective is to support children and teenagers (birth to 18 years) who suffer from a chronic, serious or life threatening illness.

The trust says they provide emotional support, nurse consultation; crisis intervention within the home and hospital, advocacy and liaison, one-on-one counselling, creative therapies including art, play and music, family therapy, workshops, presentations and

support groups, support and education to health professionals and schools.

All services, the trust says, are provided free of charge. All funding is accessed through grants, fund raising events (like our charity week) and public donations.

Terry Ryan, club organiser and vice president, was pleased at the response of club members and others.

"We had some leading sports people who helped us by being guest players in the final stages of the club's indoor bowling tournament. The Hamilton business fraternity were very supportive and donated goods to boost our auction. We were very fortunate the likes of Brian King and Terry Booth gave up their time to make the auction the success it was."



THE 'PERSONALITIES' WHO WERE GUEST PLAYERS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF THE INDOOR BOWLS.



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# OUR 'LADY DI' DENIED SPECIAL BOWLING WISH



Diane Clemett was really looking forward to the Frankton Junction Bowling Club's Centennial in November 2011.

As the club's first woman life member, Diane would naturally have had a special role to play in the celebrations and would have been rightly honoured by all and sundry.

By nature she would not have chased any of the glory she deserved after quietly and methodically battling away, largely behind the scenes, as the club experienced its highs and lows.

But, sadly, Diane's special wish to be involved in the centenary was denied when she passed away in August last year.

'Lady Di, as she became affectionately known by her bowling 'family', was given a marvellous farewell.

The club's worthy newsletter 'Unbiased' said Diane would always be remembered for her abiding passion and enthusiasm for the club and the game of bowls and as a much-respected club member, friend and mentor, she was without peer.

The newsletter continued: "Diane will be greatly missed by all who knew her, but she will not be forgotten. Who can forget her stalking up the green intently following her every bowl? Or her chuckle as she enjoyed a joke with her bowling mates in the clubhouse?"

"Diane will not be at the centennial in person, but surely will be a big part of it in our memories."

Born in Motueka, Diane went to school at Riwaka. Her first job was at Beggs Music store in Nelson. When she moved north she found work at Rotorua and Tauranga where she met husband-to-be Rex Clemett.

They were married in Stoke, Nelson, in 1957, and then had three children.

They moved to Hamilton and Rex took up outdoor bowls at the FJBC in the 1958-59 season. Diane watched him progress from the sidelines. "I enjoyed meeting the members and helping other wives in the kitchen.

"I took up the bowls seriously in 1989 when the women's club was revived after being in recess for seven years. We began with about 15-20 members thanks to the enthusiasm of Claire Phillips, one of the major instigators of the revival."

Diane became treasurer and held that role until the women amalgamated with FJBC in 1996. The club newsletter commented 'her beautiful handwriting and figures made 'the books' a pleasure to behold.'

"We played and organised the food, at the same time, over the years we must have made and heated thousands and thousands of sausage rolls."

Diane soon made her mark on the greens. She was junior singles champion 1990-91 and 1992-93; senior singles champion four seasons straight from 1991-92 to 1994-95, then again in 1998-99. Pairs champion titles came her way in 1995-96, 1998-99 and 2004-05 while she was in the triples championship teams of 1995-96, 1996-97 and 2001-02. Fours titles came her way in 1996-97 and 2001-02.

While she somehow found time to be an effective member of countless club committees, her attention to detail meant she was the obvious choice as tournament secretary and recorder for 24 years as well as being trophy convenor for 20 years plus. The worthy club newsletter also reminded members Diane did the gardens around the greens for 10 years with Maureen Crosland.

What an amazing unselfish contribution from a modest person who claimed when she was awarded life membership that she hadn't done that much for the club and 'family' she loved!

When challenged she admitted with that engaging chuckle... 'yes, I guess I have done the odd thing here and there...' She certainly did!



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Our club has been the launching pad for many successful careers. The latest has been Che Orton who wows his audiences whenever he appears.

His 'Elvis' impressions have won him top reviews both here and overseas. In spite of the reluctance of New Zealand television to display our local talent in prime time slots, Che should get the break into the 'big time' he deserves.

It is obvious why Gerry Lee's shows are well worth attending. His all round musical abilities and professionalism, as well as that displayed by the experienced Kevin McNeil and Al Nicholson, should surely ensure, all three of full bookings and they provide true value.

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**BILL BIRTWISTLE ABOUT TO TAKE THE PASS FROM FELLOW ALL BLACK IAN MACRAE BEFORE SCORING AGAINST ENGLAND AT TWICKENHAM. OTHER ALL BLACK IN PICTURE IS (SIR) BRIAN LOCHORE.**

A welcome addition to our club's membership ranks in recent times has been former All Black test rugby winger, Bill Birtwistle, a quiet, balanced, engaging character who obviously enjoys being in the regular company of many of our members.

He thrives on their constant banter and their personality switches as the debates cover the whole spectrum of sport, racing and life in general.

Older rugby fans well remember Bill's skills and try scoring ability and so are eager to hear his version of various incidents. However, they find the former star speedster remains very modest and has to be really prompted into talking about 'the old days'.

Last year he was rightly proud of being among those champions of the past who the NZRU honoured with the long overdue awarding of test caps. Bill collected his cherished number 652 at a Christchurch function. After a request by some of those members

who frequent his usual leaner, he brought his prized possession into our club to be suitably admired. He subsequently decided to loan the cap to the NZ Harlequin Rugby Club for display purposes in their Waikato Stadium clubroom. Bill is a long time member of the Harlequins and served on their executive for many seasons. Bill has firm opinions on present day rugby happenings, on and off the field. It is fair to say he, like so many of us, is slightly bewildered at what he sees and hears about the sport he loves and sincerely hopes the game will regain the status and following it has lost in recent seasons.

Four tries for Auckland Colts against Waikato on Eden Park in 1961 first brought Bill to the notice of local rugby fans. He was described as the light-boned 11st 8lb winger with the distinctive hunch-shouldered run and tremendous ground swallowing stride and the twinkling feet of a born side-stepper.

That year he played twice for Auckland A, but found it difficult to be selected ahead of other top wingers such as Lyn Russell, John Sibun, Russell King, Don McKay and Rocky Patterson. So he decided to try his luck in Canterbury.

It proved to be the right move as in 1962 he played 15 matches for Canterbury A. His first try for his new province was against Wellington on Athletic Park. He also scored in Canterbury's 5-3 triumph against Australia.

He averaged a try a match in 1963. He repeated that effort in 1964 and was rewarded with South Island selection.

In 1965 he played in all four tests against the touring Springboks. He joined a select group of players who have scored tries in their first test. He scored another in the fourth test.

However, his brilliant solo try for Canterbury against the tourists gained him the most acclaim. The Boks led 5-3 and were hot on attack when Bill snapped up a loose pass and ran the length of the field to snatch victory for his side. The Christchurch Star Sports said: "The try will go down in history as one of the most remarkable. He beat the Bok fullback and never has a player been cheered so wildly as Birtwistle was as he raced for those faraway posts."

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NZ Herald's TP McLean wrote: "With every yard Birtwistle ran, at the speed of an Olympian, the cheering became more and more hysterical."

Injuries limited his appearances in 1966, but he regained his All Black spot for the British tour of 1967. He appeared in eight games, including the tests against England, Wales and Scotland, and was top try scorer on tour with nine.

He moved to Te Awamutu St Pat's in 1967 and then shifted to Hamilton City. He played 29 times for Waikato.

Stats: William Murray Birtwistle (4-7-39). All Black 1965, 1967 = 12 matches, seven tests, 11 tries. Played for Auckland 1961, Canterbury 1962-66, Waikato (St Pat's, Te Awamutu; Hamilton City) 1967-70, South Island 1964-66, North Island 1967. NZ trials 1963, 1965-68.

Educated at Balmoral Intermediate, Mt Roskill Grammar. Favourite numbers: 10 and 17. Nickname 'Whistle'.

## INDOOR BOWLERS FLOOR MOST RIVALS

Our club's indoor bowlers were very prominent again last season and were successful in many competitions.

Carol Baker won the club championship singles and her outstanding form throughout the season saw her awarded the prestigious 'Waikato Player of the Year' title. Owen Baker was runner-up on both occasions.

Results of the sub-section's championships – Singles: C Baker 1, O Baker 2, Pairs: R Middleton and E Curran 1, J Rose and D Coombes 2. Triples: O Baker, K Steggalls and C Baker 1, G Stringer, D Coombes and E Curran 2. Fours: O Baker, B Johns, G McCormick and B Lord 1, K Gibson, K Steggalls, C Baker and K Lord 2.

Club singles winner for the Bullet Trophy was K O'Neill who beat O Baker.

Other club results – Blair Trophy pairs: A Solly and Y Longman 1. Murray Steele Trophy triples: K O'Neil, J Rose and B Lord 1, P Stacey, G McCormick and D Hunt 2. Sammy Peters Trophy fours: K O'Neill, C Baker and K Lord 1, P Stacey, G McCormick, D Hapi, and M Barton 2,

More winners – Handicap singles: K Lord 1, Y Longman 2. Bain Pairs: O Baker and C Baker 1, A Solly and T Fabling 2. Points Trophy: K Steggalls. Club Night Trophy: M Barton.

Our club successfully hosted the Clubs NZ men's nationals with K O'Neill being third equal in the singles. A Solly, playing as a pool player for Papanui, finished third equal in the triples

The bi-annual trip to the Pukekohe club at the end of the season proved to be very enjoyable and successful as those who went brought back the inter-club shield.

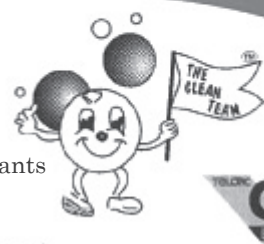
The championship fours team of O Baker, B Johns, G McCormick and B Lord went on to win the Hamilton sub-centre's championships and O Baker, K Steggalls and C Baker were runners-up in the triples. B Johns obtained his Gold Star (five Hamilton titles) and O Baker won his Gold Bar to his Gold Star (10 Hamilton titles).

\* See indoor bowling photos – Page 38

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# CERTAINLY A NUMBER OF STRINGS TO THIS MAN'S BOW...



*This exclusive article was written for the 2010 year book by Toni Hislop*



**GAVIN STRINGER**

Gavin Stringer is a bowls champion who lives and breathes sports. At one stage he belonged to 13 various sports clubs in the Waikato.

While he prefers to be playing, he is also happy watching sport. His major aim is to work out the rules, the strategies and the best way to win!

Besides bowls, he has also tried his hand at golf, squash, tennis, snooker and cricket to name just a few.

Currently Gavin belongs to both the HWMC indoor and FJBC outdoor bowls sections. He admits readily that he is very competitive, but at the same time lists enjoyment of

the sport as a very important factor. He is a firm believer that the brain is the most important part of any sports player's arsenal.

Gavin started indoor bowls in 1995 at St Andrews Club in Hamilton. In 1996 he went to his first nationals tournament, the first of many. When he was still a junior, Gavin skipped a relatively inexperienced team to the 2001 nationals. They not only beat the current national champs, but went through to the final. Even though they were beaten, the indoor bowls world and the Waikato Times took notice of his effort.

While Gavin, with a Waikato junior as his partner, lost in the 2003 final of the North Island pairs, he has since compensated with two NZ Chartered Clubs' North Island titles, in triples and pairs. He has also represented Waikato.

By 2008 Gavin had amassed 10 Hamilton titles in record time and so attained his gold bar, a feat only 10 others had achieved at that stage. He has now played for the HWMC for the last three years and is the current club captain.

Administrative duties have been another of Gavin's fortes. He has been both club captain and president for extended periods for the St Andrews club; and has been a Hamilton sub-centre selector as well as being its president for five years. He has served as a vice-president of the Waikato Umpires' Association as well as being Waikato junior selector and coach for five years.

Gavin started his outdoor bowls career in 1998 at Hamilton City. He quickly got into the "bigger" version of bowls when he won the junior singles and men's fours twice. He skipped the five years and under fours team in the Waikato championships and was in the Waikato Academy squad for 2 years.

He joined Frankton Junction in 2005. He has been runner-up in the men's fours champs and this year won the prestigious singles title. In Waikato open championships he has been placed third in the triples and has got down to the last eight in pairs and fours. He has also acquitted himself well in the pairs and singles at the open NZ nationals..

Though graded as a director (three), Gavin has skipped teams in the annual Clubs NZ men's tournament for four years. He looks forward to getting the best out of his teams with constant encouragement and using their individual strengths. He proudly states he never grizzles at or puts down his team.

What about the man himself? Gavin was born in the South Island's McKenzie Country. He spent his first few years on a sheep station near Lake Tekapo. His father, an engineer, worked for Bill Hamilton of Hamilton Jets fame. He went on to work for the Electricity Department at the Highbank Power Station (near Ashburton) then moved to Karapiro Station in Waikato.

Gavin's first job in 1971 was with Wholesale and Indent (part of L D Nathan) who were situated in the building that is now our Hamilton Workingmen's Club. PSIS was Gavin's next employer. He was second-in-charge and at one stage was transferred to Tauranga. However, for the last 25 years he has worked for the IRD.

Married with three children and three grandchildren, Gavin said when he had spare time he went tramping with his wife at Ruapehu and Taupo.

A straight-shooter, Gavin said he believed in giving 100 per cent to life and getting 100 per cent out of it.



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## WALK TO HELP OTHERS...

Congratulations to club member Bruce Tronell for his magnificent 22 hour walking feat to raise money for cancer.

The Cancer Society raised more than \$140,000 as 2000 walkers and spectators were involved in the Relay For Life at the Ruakura Research Centre.

A cancer survivor himself, Bruce was part of the Motorsport for Life team and walked the entire 22-hour relay. His walk started at 2pm on Saturday.

Bruce told Wintec journalism student Laura McLeay that getting himself fit had helped his recovery. "While walking we helped everyone else to keep motivated and entertained. A good sense of humour goes a long way."

# SUB SECTIONS PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE



Our 12 sub-sections offer plenty of variety to our members.

While some do strike turbulence from time to time, most issues are soon sorted and full enjoyment becomes the name of the game again.

It is timely to remind all members that goodwill, tolerance and common sense remain the necessary ingredients for all successful clubs. Over time we will all face situations which test loyalties, friendships and constitutions. There are several ways to react, but remember we stress you should go through the proper club procedures so the matter can be handled by the right people at the appropriate time.

Remember all sub-sections need continued support, especially at raffle time, so they can carry out their varied programmes. They all need to keep a close watch on finances.

A number of Hamilton businesses now kindly sponsor our sub-sections so they deserve to be recognised.

Congratulations to those who excelled in their chosen business or sport activities over the last year. Hopefully you will inspire others to do the same. Fortunately most members seem to be honoured to represent our club and to participate in the right competitive spirit.

Sporting and racing personalities continue to be among our regular visitors so we must ensure they enjoy our environment and meet our members.

Our membership numbers mean our facilities, from time to time, come under tremendous pressure and we again ask you to be patient if you find yourself in a testing situation. Communication is the key so if a problem does arise please advise the duty bar manager.

Always remember the language and dress codes that apply and the rules re visitors. Please check if you have a memory lapse. The returning of glasses and dining utensils is much appreciated by the staff.

A special welcome to all new members. Our club boasts a splendid history. Some of our senior members proudly tell us they have now been involved with the club for more than half a century.

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### *New Members Welcome*

Please contact Mike Foote Ph 021 756 026

## HWMC Indoor Bowls

- Club night every Wednesday open to all HWMC members - \$2 entry - names to committee by 6.50pm
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### *Outdoor Bowls Section*

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- Club championship tournaments as advertised

***New Members Welcome***

Please contact PAUL PHILLIPS 07-847 3757  
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## HWMC 8 Ball

- Weekly Club Tournaments Sunday 2pm
- Visits to other Chartered Clubs
- Regular NZCC Competitions

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Enjoy playing cards?

- Monday: Crib 1pm - 3.30pm
- Thursday: Euchre 10am - noon
- Progressive 500 1pm - 3.30pm
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Please contact WARREN PEARCE, BOB LORD or DON EVANS  
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- Subsidised chartered fishing trips (Whangamata, Coromandel, Raglan etc)
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- Weekly matches in Hamilton - Wednesday night competition 5.30pm start
- Annual tournament with Waikato and Bay of Plenty Chartered Clubs
- Social matches - home and away

***New Members Welcome***

Contact STU GILES, ANDY CLEAR or RICHARD CLARK  
or enquire at front office reception

# FISHO'S ENJOY TOP SEASON



By Gary O'Keefe

Fishing sub-section members have had a great time indulging in their favourite pastime at a variety of locations.

The sub-section organised trips out of Coromandel, Raglan, Kawhia, Whangamata as well as a three-day trip to Great Barrier Island.

The 'Jewel of the Crown' was again the annual small boat tournament held annually in Coromandel in March. It certainly capped off a very enjoyable season for all our members.

This year I fished with Dave Bryant, Adele Crook and Kathy Flaherty on Dave's boat. We launched the boat in the dark shortly before 6.30am as we knew it was going to be a busy weekend with three or four organised fishing competitions on that day with everyone wanting boat trailer parking close to the only serviceable ramp at low tide.

Adele had a great time bringing in all of the larger fish caught that day on the boat. She even hooked a 11.68kg Kingfish that took her about 20 minutes to land. She was shaking with exhaustion and adrenaline once the fish was on board.

The stunning fine weather and calm seas resulted in lots of action with the abundance and variety of fish caught.

The skills of the organisers and helpers again ensured our competition was thoroughly enjoyed by all of the participants. I especially liked the live display put on by Andrew and Carl on the Saturday night when Andrew Smith set the camp BBQ on

fire when the old grease etc caught alight under the unit, Carl then got in on the action with a fire extinguisher from the office to finally put it out while getting the office lady very excited with all the drama going on.

Coromandel competition results – Saturday, 20 March – Average weight snapper: Don Rankin.

Sunday, 21 March – Overall heaviest snapper: Jim Sweeney 4.185kg, 1; Bob Anderson 3.190kg, 2; Chris Gibson 3.180kg, 3.

Overall heaviest Kingfish: Bruce Wood 11.740 kg, 1; Adele Crook 11.680 kg, 2; Peter Catley drawn, 3.

Overall kahawai: Gary O'Keefe 2.610kg, 1; Dave Bryant 2.535kg, 2; Don Rankin 2.420kg, 3.

Overall trevely: Garry Shaw 1.445kg, 1; Andrew Smith 1.405kg, 2; Mike Smedts 1.260kg, 3.

Overall gurnard: Dave Bryant 0.445 kg, 1; Paul Bonnett 0.325 kg, 2; Helen Collier drawn, 3.

Most meritorious fish: Peter Rowley, drawn.

Fourteen of our members plus the boat's crew left Whitianga on a Friday in November for our trip to the Great Barrier Island. We had a weekend on the island sightseeing and fishing with a local charter and planned to return on the Sunday afternoon. However, strong winds on the Sunday marooned us on the island and we were prevented from returning until the following day. The bonus was being able to have more time to relax in one of New Zealand's best locations.



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During the year we ran a competition for the 'Largest Snapper'. Results -

Biggest snapper caught on a HWMC charter trip: Helen Collier 8.50kg (Raglan) \$500, 1; Glenys Gibson 7.50kg (Great Barrier) \$300. 2; Frank Van Vroonhoven 7.00kg (Raglan) \$200, 3.

Sub-section organisers thank all members who presented fish to weigh in as the competition progressed through the year.

(Note: Members can be assured there was no truth in the rumour circulating in some circles that women would be banned from entering the contest next year!)

Two members caught trophy fish this season outside of our club trips – A: Frank Van Vroonhoven (Dutchy) caught a huge Southern Blue Fin Tuna off the West Coast out from Greymouth weighing in at 252kg, off a charter boat. B: Dave Bryant (Cobbles) caught a Striped Marlin weighing at 142kg on his own boat just out of Whangamata in the Whangamata Classic Competition in January. We believe he had a great crewman to help him get the fish in and to celebrate later.



**HELEN COLLIER WITH HER 8.50KG COMPETITION WINNING SNAPPER CAUGHT ON THE SUB-SECTION'S CHARTER TRIP OUT FROM RAGLAN.**

## KAWHIA TRIP REALLY GETS KENNY GOING!

Fishing sub-section member, Kenny Munro, tells about his trip out from Kawhia in August last year.

From the outset it became a real emotional experience. Initially I had been absolutely gutted when told it had been cancelled due to bad weather conditions at sea and that only four had signed up on the Wednesday prior. I was very disappointed to hear the news as I had built myself up with excitement from the minute I put my name down for the trip. I had been like a kid with a new toy. I again got my tackle out days early to check the condition of it all. I always write lists of all the things I would need (even though I knew them off by heart) in case in all my enthusiasm I forgot something like a rod or reel.

However, I was absolutely over the moon when Chris Gibson phoned on the Friday morning to confirm a change in plans and that the trip was definitely on. Three other fishermen had signed up so the crew for the day was Chris, Peter Rowley, Merv, Bob Anderson, Brian Milne, Granda (whose surname I do not know) and myself.

I travelled with Peter, Chris and Merv at slightly below subsonic speed to the Kawhia wharf. We arrived at 6.20am, almost an hour

early. We were there well before the others and even before a shop in Kawhia had opened. It was another 20 minutes before Dwayne, the skipper, appeared.

As we were all obviously keen to go fishing, the boat was soon loaded with all the tackle, bait and lunches required. It was a beautiful clear morning when we crossed the Kawhia bar. I'm always glad to be told to put the now regulatory lifejackets on before the crossing. Full marks to our skipper!

After 45 minutes Dwayne dropped anchor. We made three moves during the day. We chased the very elusive snapper, but caught predominantly sharks. I reckon there must have been around 100. Some were kept as food while the rest were returned to fight another day. Because there was so many, I am sure some of them were caught again and again. We also caught 12 kahawai, a barracuda, 10 gurnard and, I believe, four snapper which were of reasonable size and fell to Bob Anderson and his crafty tactics.

The water was great for fishing, particularly in the afternoon, and I was so glad we were able to make the trip.

# CARD PLAYERS DEAL OUT RIGHT RESULTS



Once again there has been plenty of 'wheeling and dealing' in the cards section.

The section correspondent reported another successful year with some new members joining up. Many clubs were visited and a number of our members had successes.

"Minnie Denton was second overall at Waiuku while our HWMC team won at Papakura. Pennie Judson came fourth at Papakura and then came second equal at our club's Euchre Tournament held again in October.

"We had a very special guest (Santa) at our 'in-house' Christmas tournament which was a roaring success with prizes galore for all participants.

Georgina Morris won the Don Evans Cup for the singles cribbage championship twice in a row.

Other results – Beryl Thornton Memorial Euchre drawn pairs: Sally Barford and Don Evans. Jack Bell Cup 500 open pairs championship: Helen Kennerley and Jack Kennerley. Drawn pairs 500 championship: Georgina Morris and Warren Pearce.



CARD TEAM READY FOR ACTION

Cribbage drawn pairs: George Williams and Marie Good. Euchre championship singles: Kevin Ward.

The section lost a valued long standing member when Malva Cowdrey passed away last year.

Cards days at the club are – Cribbage, 1pm Monday. Euchre 10am Thursday. 500 1pm Thursday.

Members wishing to join our 'friendly' card section can make contact via a committee member or ask at the front office. Tuition will be freely given.

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## CARD PLAYERS DEAL OUT RIGHT RESULTS

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GEORGINA MORRIS WITH THE DON EVANS CUP FOR THE SINGLES CRIBBAGE CHAMPIONSHIP

With undoubtedly the best facilities in the Waikato, if not the North Island, the yearbook snooker correspondent reports the section had another good season.

Both of our inter-club teams won their respective divisions in the league, and a number of our players distinguished themselves in regional and national tournaments.

Tournament results = Handicap billiards: P Phillips, 1; R Hunt, 2. C grade, six reds: G Shalders, 1; S Pearce, 2. B grade, six reds: P Phillips, 1; B Harper, 2. A grade, six reds: S Robertson, 1; A Tonge, 2. S.K.O.T: P Phillips and G Tocker, 1; M Budd and R O'Rourke, 2. John Franklin Memorial: P Wilson, 1; S Daji, 2. Over 50s snooker: A Tonge, 1; P Shelley, 2. Handicap snooker singles: D Sinclair, 1; B Harper, 2. Handicap snooker pairs: J Cottrell and J Williamson, 1; B Harper and G Shalders, 2. Open snooker pairs: A Tone and B McLuskie, 1; J Booth and S Smith, 2. C Grade championship: S Pearce, 1; P Phillips, 2. B Grade championship: T Tatler, 1; R O'Rourke, 2. A Grade championship: S Robertson, 1; A Tonge, 2.

**A CENTURY AGO:** In 1910 a Hamilton Fire Brigade selection beat Ellis Burnand 6-3 and then 14-11. Single Men down their Married opponents 15-9 in their annual rugby clashes. The Hamilton union voted to stay with the district competition, but a new club system was gaining favour. The 'new' Rugby League game was quick to make an impact and Hamilton enthusiasts returning from Sydney said it had great potential. By the end of the year several former Hamilton rugby enthusiasts had switched their allegiances to the new code.

## NICE ONE, STU!

Cricket spokesman Stu Giles rated his sub-section's season as successful.

"We were competitive all season in the Hamilton businesshouse 20/20 twilight Wednesday competition. We won 11 matches and only had two close losses and, unfortunately, just missed the top four play off by the narrowest of margins."

Stu said the other highlight was winning the annual chartered clubs' tournament. "We beat Glenview Cossie and the Te Awamutu Workingmen's and in the final accounted for the Hamilton Cosmopolitan Club.

"The support we received from our club and our officials and supporters definitely helped make our season successful and now we look forward to our next outings. Members interested in joining our section should leave their names at the front office and they will be contacted."

Awards made the sub-section's annual dinner held in the Café de Club were – Batsman of year: Greg Pennell. Bowler of year: Hayden Wisneski. Fielder of year: Stu Giles. Most improved: Greg Corban. Sportsman of year: Stu Giles.

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# HAMILTON WORKINGMEN'S CLUB

## GOLFERS SCOOP THE POOL

Hamilton Workingmen's Club golfers scooped the pool at the Clubs NZ 43rd North Island men's team championship staged at the Lochiel and Ngaruawahia courses.

John King, Clive Wilcox and Isaac Te Moni made club history when they struck the major double with their crushing 15 shot victory in the much sought-after prized teams net championship and also brushed aside all the opposition to take out the gross competition by the same impressive margin.

To add to the glory Hamilton members, Wimpy Potts, a real stalwart of the sub-section, and Ray Bugden, won the supporters' events.

Then to top everything off and to complete the Hamilton triumph, the visiting clubs rated the tournament the best yet with the club's overall organisation receiving extremely high praise.

The championship event attracted entries from more than 70 clubs while there were 190 starters in the accompanying supporters' tournament.

Golf spokesman, Peter Lee, said the sub-section was naturally elated at the outcome. "The team played solid golf throughout and fully deserved their success. They had great support and certainly did the club proud."

Peter said the tournament planning had been extremely thorough and the solid foundation set by the tournament officials paid handsome dividends. "The new event format was well received and it was seriously suggested by some clubs that we should run the events every year.

"The outstanding assistance received from the HWMC management, executive and staff also proved to be a crucial factor throughout.

"Our golfing members, with help from other sub-section volunteers, got right in behind the exercise and their combined efforts were appreciated and admired by all competitors. The computer work was expertly done."

Peter was thrilled at the co-operation the tournament committee received from the Lochiel and Ngaruawahia Golf Clubs. "They both were a delight to work with and gave us great confidence."

Sponsorship also played a huge part. "Sky City's major involvement was a real bonus right from the start while the highly favourable comments about the outstanding tournament booklet produced was another real plus."



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Interest in golf sub-section is at an all time high with approximately 120 actively involved.

Sub-section events for the rest of the year –

July 11: Lochiel. August 1: Ngaruawahia. August 29: Matamata. September 19: St Andrews. October 17: Waitomo. November 4-5-6-7: North Island tournament at Napier. December 5: Ngahinapouri.

**\* Check the golf notice board for more details.**

2009 trophy winners were – Breweries Salver (five from six rounds net):

John Mohn. Rouse Cup (five from six gross): Rod Jackson. Oliver Cup (five from six stableford) Ray Bugden. Net Trophy (four from six): Barry Robinson. Keith Hart Memorial (best net North Island championships): Clive Wilcox. Fellowship Cups: Anne-Marie Clare and Mike Parker. Santa Claus Cup (first and last round plus two others): John King.

Ginstein Shield (best four of five cards): Isaac Te Moni. Turner Tray (best four rounds): Marion Robinson. Wimpy Potts Trophy (services to golf section): Stuart McCallum.

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Mick and Paddy are reading headstones at the nearby cemetery. Mick cries out: "Paddy, there a bloke here who was 152 !" Paddy calls back: "What was his name ?" Mick replies: "Someone called Miles from Takapuna!"



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# GUN CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

## SHOOTING SECTION

### HAMILTON WORKINGMEN'S CLUB GUN SUB-SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS 2009

SINGLE RISE –	A Grade: Gary Discombe	B Grade: Erin Discombe	C Grade: Bill Head
DOUBLE RISE –	A Grade: Neville Discombe	B Grade: Ken Picknell	C Grade: Paul Tournier
SINGLE BARREL –	A Grade: Graeme Madgwick	B Grade: Ken Picknell	C Grade: Bill Head
SPARROWS –	A Grade: Dave Muggeridge	B Grade: Erin Discombe	C Grade: Blair Bond
POINTS SCORE –	A Grade: Dave Muggeridge	B Grade: Ken Picknell	C Grade: Bill Head
SKEET –	A Grade: Larry Discombe	B Grade: Erin Discombe	C Grade: Paul Tournier
BALL TRAP –	A Grade: Dave Muggeridge	B Grade: Blair Bond	
SPORTING CLAY –	A Grade: Larry Discombe	B Grade: Noel Wilcock	C Grade: Blair Bond
TRENCH –	A Grade: Dave Muggeridge		

### RESULTS: CLUBS NZ NORTH ISLAND SINGLE RISE CHAMPIONSHIP, HOSTED BY HWMC AT WAIKATO GUN CLUB IN JANUARY

KILWELL GAMEBORE TROPHY MATCH: Grant Castles (Mount Maunganui Cosmopolitan Club) 1; Rob Anderson (Franklin Club) 2; Toby Nicholl (Pukekohe Cosmopolitan Club) 3; John Beddis (Tuakau Cosmopolitan Club) 4; Graeme Allen (Taupo Cosmopolitan Club) 5.

CLUBS NZ NI SINGLE RISE CHAMPIONSHIP & TROPHY: Grant Castles (Mount Maunganui) 1; Toby Nicholl (Pukekohe) 2; William Howard (Franklin Club) 3; Lewis Brown-Cole (Franklin Club) 4; Rob Brown (Tuakau Cosmopolitan Club) 5. Hamilton Workingmen's Club members Dean Everett and Nick Picknell were seventh and eighth respectively.

BUTLER CUP: Mike Kerr (Onehunga Workingmen's Club) 1; Gordon Inglis (Hamilton Workingmen's Club) 2; Gareth Rich (Hamilton Workingmen's Club) 3; C J Bovill (Tuakau Cosmopolitan Club) 4; Yvonne Wilcock (Hamilton Workingmen's Club) 5.

TEACHER'S CUP TEAMS MATCH: Mount Maunganui Cosmopolitan Club (Grant Castles, Phil Brown, Danny Greaney, Brendon Broom, Mark Walsh.)



# SHANE'S ON THE RIGHT TRACK



## DARTS SECTION

Our club's darts players were again to the fore in many competitions.

One of the special features of the season was the improved form shown by Shane Daji who has been selected in the North Island team. He said he worked really hard on his game and was really pleased with the outcome.

Shane, affectionately widely known as 'Tracker', won the men's singles at the Area Championships at Tokoroa and shared the double title with Des Tyler. With that effort he gained the first points in a new ranking system being introduced into Clubs NZ darts.

Shane also fared very well at the North Island tournament at Whangamata in March. Because he made the top eight in a field of 196 he made a strong claim for a place in the North Island men's team to meet the South Island at Invercargill in July and in late April his selection was confirmed. Good luck, 'Tracker'



SHANE DAJI - ENJOYED IMPROVED SEASON.

## RESULTS FROM THE HAMILTON DARTS ASSOCIATION EVENTS INCLUDED:

**Tynan mixed pairs:** Sam Tamihana and Millie Flintoff.

**Club fours – premier winners:** Gareth Aitken, Lloyd Tuck, Karl Vinnicombe and Wendy Duncan.

**Club fours – first division runners-up:** Flo Faunch, Shannon Wallace, Ollie Ilton and Stu Campbell.

**Ladies pairs championship – runners-up:** Wendy Duncan and Flo Faunch.

**Men's pairs championship – winners:** Bob Cox and Graham Earney. **Runners-up:** Ian Watson and John Dodunski,

**Ladies singles championships – winner:** Wendy Duncan.

**Men's singles championships – winner:** Ian Watson. **Runner-up:** Shaun Duval.

## WORKINGMEN'S CLUB 2009 CHAMPIONSHIPS:

**John Lyons - winners:** Arthur Freeman and Graham Earney.

**Ladies pairs – winners:** Mihi George and Lucy Dix. **Runners up:** Gloria Rawiri and Flo Faunch.

**Men's pairs – winners:** John Dodunski and Ian Watson. **Runners-up:** Karl Vinnicombe and Gareth Aitken.

**Ladies singles - winner:** Mihi George. **Runner-up:** Alley Terry.

**Men's singles – winner:** Shane Daji. **Runner-up:** John Dodunski.

Most 180s during the season were scored by John Dodunski on 24 occasions, Shane Daji eight, Ian Watson seven, Lloyd Tuck six and Sam Tamihana five.

Most 170 starts were achieved by John Dodunski with five, Graham Earney and Sam Tamihana one each.

## OVERHEARD IN CLUB

A member won a new fridge for his house. He put his old fridge out on his front lawn with a sign saying – 'Still working. Free to a good home. You want it, you take it.' It stayed there for a week. So Wayne told him to change his sign to – 'Fridge for sale, \$50'. The next day someone stole it!

Exam question – Captain Cook made three trips to New Zealand and died on one of them. Which one? Some 25 per cent got the answer wrong!

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# YOUNG NICK HEADS IN RIGHT DIRECTION



Many of those involved with our club have children doing extremely well in their various activities.

One such person is Margaret Picknell, who operates Reception, whose 17-year-old son Nick is excelling at his chosen sport – clay target shooting.

Nick recently became the youngest person to receive a two-year. Beretta sponsored New Zealand Junior Scholarship when he was awarded the prize at the NZ nationals at Christchurch

His competition shooting average of 98.6 per cent shot him into the spotlight and Beretta, the historic Italian manufacturer of firearms, made arrangements to support young Nick with coaching, equipment and a new gun, which was specially designed for the natural left hander, who had been doing very well with the much more common right hand version.

"The left handed version is one of their higher grade competition guns which I couldn't have afforded in my wildest dreams," an elated Nick told the Waikato Times.

Nick, who has been involved in shooting since said he was seven, said his grandfather Ken, and coaches, Merv Pratt and Dean Everett, have had a big influence on his career. No doubt, a rightly proud mother has played her part as well.

## 8-BALLERS SHINE ON SUNDAYS

It's usually all go in the 8 Ball sub-section of the club from 2pm Sundays.

Spokesperson Patrina Pearce said the sub-section had in excess of 60 financial members and the 8 Ball area of the club is awash on Sunday afternoons with players vying for the meat prizes for the top four players of the day.

"Our raffles sold on Sunday afternoon have a keen following. Our regular buyers were very disappointed when we had our break over Christmas" she said.

"We have hosted teams from Henderson RSA and Onehunga Workingmen's Club. When we visited Onehunga last July we lost our challenge convincingly, but in March this year when Onehunga reciprocated we showed notable improvement to lose only by two games. While Onehunga has now won seven times to Hamilton's two, I am confident one day soon we will take them out! All games are played in good spirits and great fun is had by all."

Petrina said the 8 ball annual Christmas hams tournament, held in early December, was followed by prize giving for the 2009 club championships.

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS –

**Men's singles:** Ash Tonge, 1; Jim Tuhoro, 2. **Men's pairs:** Rob Ngaia and Jim Tuhoro, 1; Dennis Crean and Chris Ormsby, 2. **Women's singles:** Petrina Pearce, 1; Trish Birch, 2. **Women's pairs:** Petrina Pearce and Trish Birch, 1; Jill McKenzie and Velam Harris, 2. **Drawn pairs:** Christopher Haira and Keith Aspden, 1; Sam Tamihana and Trish Birch, 2.

## INDOOR BOWLS, WANGANUI BUS TRIP PROVE TOP VALUE

The 60 Plus sub-section again had a good year with a membership of around 550.

The sub-section's yearbook correspondent reported the committee worked well together. Wednesday indoor bowls was again the main activity and attracted 70 to 80 each week. Home and away bowls with the Mt Maunganui Club and the Dawn King-arranged bus trips were also very popular.

Sadly, Stan Stoneham, Fred Paetai and Allan Stewart resigned from the committee. Allan Stewart's untiring efforts during the indoor bowling seasons received special praise. For 10 years he had arrived at the club each Wednesday morning to put out the mats and other equipment. He then went home, had a shower, and arrived back at the club in time to start play.

The committee consisted of Trevor Moore (chairman), Winston Scott (vice chairman), Dawn King (secretary), Claire Banton (treasurer), Jean Moore, Colleen Gerbich, Kay Lord, Don Evans and David East.

The 60 Plus mid-year and Christmas lunches were well attended and really enjoyed. However, members of the sub-section are reminded to check out the notice boards for dates of these functions as there was room for more at both functions. Those confused at the timings of the various Christmas lunches should ask a committee member or contact the front office. There is usually a week between the over 65's and 60 Plus events.

The section had good support during its raffle weeks and the sellers deserved the praise they received. Members are reminded the section has been allocated five weeks this year and a roster will be placed on the notice board approximately two weeks in advance.

Trips during the year were to Butterfly Creek in Auckland; lunch at Manurewa Cossie Club; Horse Magic in Cambridge; Lunch at the Cambridge Club; Billy Black's Show in Waitomo; Lunch at the Waitomo Club in Te Kuiti; and to Wanganui for two nights.

The Wanganui trip was considered the highlight of the year. It proved to be a thoroughly enjoyable three days. Neville, the proprietor of the Grand Hotel, showed great hospitality and took his guests for a ride on his double-decker bus. It was described as 'a bit hair-raising', but a lot of fun!

The 'tourists', gave a special thank you to Ken McSherry who proved himself a great entertainer with his playing of the grand piano both nights.

# DAVE CHERISHES TITLES AND SEEING OLD MATES



Winning the 2004 NZ Chartered Clubs' four title at Wanganui is still 64-year-old Dave Wallace's favourite outdoor bowling memory.

But Dave, who also featured in this year's national champion team at Wellington with Graham Body, Dean McMurphy and Brian Osmond, rightly rates that latest success very highly as well. Strangely enough the winning score in Hamilton's favour was exactly the same, 18-17.

Dave said this year's four was always in front in the Friday final. "Petone needed three to win on the last end. Graham, our skip, drew the shot with his last bowl and so we were able to hang on."

To cap off their amazing week, Dave and his partners then flew back to Hamilton on the Saturday and took out their club championship fours title the next day.

In 2004, partnered by Dave Selby, Ray Finlay and Jim Hill, Dave's four won a tense final battle on the first extra end against Brian Hubert (Tauranga) 18-17.

After 21 ends it was 17-all and therefore the extra end became crucial. When Dave stepped up for his last bowl it seemed the Tauranga four had done enough to claim victory. He had consulted at length with number three Selby while Finlay (two) and Hill (lead) tried unsuccessfully to hide their anxiety.

The head could not be killed so the decision was made to draw on the forehand rather than blast apart the tight group the opposition had built around the jack.

Dave said after victory. "He had put in a very good block. I decided to just ignore that bowl and go for the only available gap."

Messrs Selby, Finlay and Hill knew it was going to be close. There was dead silence as the bowl veered in. Everyone, including the good-sized crowd, was on their feet.

Wallace watched from mid-green and celebrated with a jig as his bowl ducked under the block and rested just where he wanted.

Victory had been achieved. Arms were raised in triumph and the winning four proudly accepted the congratulations from the large Hamilton contingent who had stayed on for the final.

Wanganui Chronicle sports editor David Ogilvie praised Dave Wallace's bowl and wrote Hamilton deserved victory as they had been more consistent throughout. "Wallace, who had played for Waikato at bowls (with three centre titles to his credit) and earlier had been a regular Waikato soccer representative, showed all his experience at skip. Finlay, a former top hurdles jockey, and Selby, who was Wanganui's representative rugby halfback from 1970-73, also had their moments, but the steadiest of all was Hill."

Dave, who took up bowls at aged 30 after a successful soccer career with Claudelands Rovers and Waikato, is naturally proud to have won the national title twice. "Only a few have achieved that. Our skip this year, Graham Body, also won in 1997 at Oamaru with Dennis Crean, Phil Gallagher and Brian Johns."

Dave Wallace joined the HWMC and FJBC in 2003. He had previously played at Hillcrest and said his favourite bowling memories were playing at national tournaments and meeting mates from all over New Zealand.

"Pairs and fours are my favourite bowling disciplines while starting bowls after finishing soccer was a real turning point in my sporting career."

Soccer, watching Trackside and cricket and sports on television, are other favourite leisure time activities.

## OTHER FAVOURITES –

**Sportspersons – Past:** Arthur Leong (Waikato soccer legend) and Bobby Charlton (Manchester United soccer). **Present:** Black Caps, Tiger Woods, Irene Van Dyke.

**Foods:** Indian, Asian plus most basics like steak and chicken.

**Drinks:** Most ales.

**Holiday spots:** Canada and places where he can watch racing and cricket.

**Colours:** Red, blue.

**TV shows / films:** Who Wants To Be A Millionaire; Titanic, Brave Heart.

**Actor:** Steve McQueen. **Actress:** Kate Winslett,

**Songs:** Flower of Scotland. Joseph's Technicolour Dream Coat.

**Singers:** Neil Diamond, Kenny Rogers, Bee Gee's.

**Three people he would most like to meet:** Wayne Rooney (Manchester United Football); Craig Williams (Australian jockey); Sir Patrick Hogan (Cambridge studmaster).

In 1884 the British fleet popped into Zanzibar Harbour and arranged a game of cricket against the locals. As the Englishmen left their ship the Sultan of Zanibar, unaware of their presence, decided to declare war on the Crown. It turned out to be one of history's worst-timed declarations. When the Sultan later refused Admiral Rawson's demand for immediate surrender, the fleet fired on the town, almost totally levelling it, sinking the Sultan's only battleship and killing or wounding 500 soldiers. The surprised Sultan rapidly surrendered in history's shortest war...it lasted less than 38 minutes! The cricketers only became aware of the 'war' when an out-of-breath midshipman raced to the ground with an order for them to return to their respective ships. When they heard the action was over, some of the commanders made the order to play on and the locals suffered another defeat.

## FLOWER CONCEPTS

by Brian



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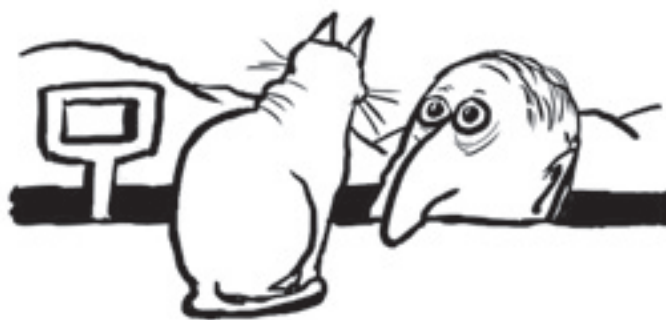
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## TALK ABOUT DIGGING YOURSELF INTO A HOLE!

Recently our Yearbook editor engaged a drainlayer to rectify a problem with storm water entering the basement of his home. The contractor had to dig a ditch along the side the house to redirect run off. In typical DIY fashion and being a rather kind and helpful soul, said editor decided to assist by doing some shovelling himself in the absence of the contractor. After some time of digging our hero decided enough excavation had been achieved and was then faced with how to extricate himself from this narrow shoulder high trench – oops! Not being as fit and agile as he once was, the sides proved to be too high or the trench was too deep for him to make his exit. Either way he is trapped. Now what? Wife Pauline was away shopping so no outside help was at hand except for the neighbour's cat. Now our editor and the feline were not exactly the best of friends as the cat was frequently guilty of scratching and soiling the flower gardens. However they are now eye-balling each other and the cat seems to be thinking "now you are down to my size" and showing a scoffing and belittling attitude – much to the annoyance and frustration of our "trencher". Rumour has it that the two spent some time getting to know each other before Pauline arrived home and put a rescue mission into action. With the aid of the kitchen step stool our hero was at last back on high ground and able to make his way to the Club for some medicinal cure – albeit amidst much unprintable muttering and mumbling..



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## FJBC 2009-2010 RESULTS –

**Women's schampionship singles, sponsored by Ingham Honda:** Margaret Reed 1; Bev Cotter 2.

**Women's championship pairs:** Margaret Reed and Gillian Oldfield 1; Robin van der Beek and Judi Bishop 2.

**Women's championship triples:** Margaret Donnison, Margaret Pye, Mary Mills 1; Sylvia Hall, Wendy Cunningham, Bev Cotter 2.

**Women's championship fours:** Sue Broadbent, Jan Peters, Sheryl Olsen, Judi Bishop 1; Noeline Hancock, Margaret Reed, Colleen Congdon, Lois Cosgrove 2.

**Women's junior singles:** June Hopkins 1; Bev Cotter 2.

**Women's junior pairs:** Jessie Marcum, June Hopkins 1; Geraldine Jupp, Marie Moir 2.

**Women's first year singles:** Audrey Murphy.

**Men's championship singles, sponsored by Ingham Honda:** Gavin Stringer 1; David Burgess 2.

**Men's championship pairs:** Tony Fabling, Alan Solly 1; Brian Osmond, Dave Wallace 2.

**Men's championship triples:** Grahame Cotter, Merv Mosen, Bob Finlayson 1; Brian Cathro, Tony Fabling, Alby Cathro 2.

**Men's championship fours:** Graham Body, Dave Wallace, Brian Osmond and Dean McMurchy 1; Mike McLuskie, Barry Beeston, Ray O'Connor and Bob Finlayson 2.

**Men's junior singles:** Ray O'Connor 1; Grahame Cotter 2.

**Men junior pairs:** Grahame Cotter, Merv Mosen 1; Bob Finlayson, Bill Gray 2.

**Men's first year singles:** Roly Coombes 1;

**Mixed championship pairs:** Allan Hawkey and Wendy Cunningham 1; Jocelyne Wallace and Dave Wallace 2.

**Mixed championship triples:** Phil Bennett, Graham Fitzpatrick and Jan Peters 1; Dave Burgess, Alan Bowler and Marlene Osmond 2,

**Mixed championship fours:** Gary Edgar, Gary Robinson, Ginette Pore and Mike Cagney 1; Staff Smith, Barry Beeston, Ray Mills and Margaret Reed 2.

**Women's championship points, Wara Cup:** Margaret Reed.

**Men's championship points, Max Llewelyn Trophy:** Dave Wallace.

**Graded men's pairs:** Albie Cathro, Merv Mosen 1; Dave Burgess, Grahame Cotter 2.

## OTHER RESULTS –

**Rex Clemett Memorial open two-day classic, sponsored by Vision Forest Lake, played at Hillcrest:** Gerry Pattenden, Larry Fitzpatrick, Jim Hill, Peter Graham (Hillcrest) 1; Ray Finlay, Kerry Mangan, Rose Harris, Gary Baird (Hillcrest) 2; Graham Fitzpatrick, Alan Bowler, Sue Broadbent, Dave Burgess (Frankton Junction) 3; Neil Clarke, Russell Johnston, Colin Alley, Ian Paterson (Hillcrest) 4.

**Easter tournaments – Good Friday optional pairs, sponsored by Rogerson Plumbing:** Terry Osment (Te Awamutu). Larry Fitzpatrick (Hillcrest) 1.

**Easter Saturday, open optional fours:** E Hope, G Hope (Rewa), M Paton, S Paton (Orewa), 1.

**Easter Sunday, open optional triples, sponsored by James' Frankton TAB:** Nigel Reid, Bill Bishop, Ray Mills (Frankton Junction), 1.

**Easter Monday, open optional triples, sponsored by PGG Wrightsons:** Margaret Reed (FJ), Mike Quayle, Chris Quayle (Morrinsville), 1.

**Pre-Melbourne Cup tournament, sponsored by John Walker & Fusion Print:**

**Other events - Opening day, Noel Pennell Plate:** Frank Hancock, Sheryl Olsen, Ken Steggalls, George Byott, 1. **Stag Trophy:** Neville Herbert, Ray O'Connor, Marlene Conn, 1. **Keith Phillips drawn pairs:** Dennis Meinung, Ray O'Connor, 1. **Christmas, Ray Ward Memorial, sponsor Southern Cross:** Neil Congdon, Jack Sowerby, Gerrard Knapp, Bill Gray, 1. **President's and Patron's, J T Cooney Cup:** Rob Laird, John Mills, Bev Cotter, 1. **Remembrance Day, Syd Millar Memorial Cup:** Brian Fletcher, Margaret Pye, William Bennett, Bev Cotter, 1.

**Open optional triples – October 25, sponsored by HWMC:** Nigel Reid, Bill Bishop, Kevin Horrack, 1. November 2, sponsored by John Walker Printers/Fusion Print: Barry Wilcox, Ivan Easton, Mike Gray (City), 1. November 26, sponsored by Ernie Wren: D Small, R Goodhew, R Drnasin (Pirongia), 1. December 2, Christmas tourney: Terry Hooper, Bill Bishop, Kevin Horrack, 1.

**December 12, open 2-4-2 pairs, sponsored by Southern Cross:** Tony Hart, Rosalie Hart (City), 1. **December 26, open pairs, sponsored by Smiths Sports Shoes:** Neville Herbert, William Bennett, 1. **January 1, open optional pairs, sponsored by Topmark Butchery:** Murray Adamson, Bill Gray, 1. **January 17, open optional fours, sponsored by Phil Gallagher (Tasman Data):** Dennis, Meinung, Wayne Pakinga. Doug O'Brien, Ed Knox, 1.

**Businesshouse twilight, sponsored by Waikato Breweries: - Pre-Christmas for Winston Sorenson Trophy:** John Rose, Peter Stacey, Gheorghe Sirbu, Dick Zinsli, Dawn Rose, 1.

**Post-Christmas for TA Cockies Trophy:** John Rose, Peter Stacey, Gheorghe Sirbu, Dick Zinsli, Dawn Rose, 1.

**HWMC outdoor section – all open optional triples – November, sponsored by Frankton Law:** Neil Congdon, Dennis Gill, Colleen Congdon, 1. **December:, sponsored by Southland Building Society:** J Bell, R Gregory, T Gregory (Frankton Railway), 1. **January, sponsored by Hamilton Panel Works:** Barry Wilcox, Bede McLachlan, Mike Gray (City), 1. **February, sponsored by Seddon Park Funeral Home:** Hopo Bell, Junior Bell, Joey Crockett (Frankton Railway) 1. **March 5, sponsored by Brian King (Harcourts):** Ray Finlay, Neil Clarke, Jim Hill (Hillcrest), 1. **March 19, sponsored by Hamilton Workingmen's Club:** V Reed, R Calkin, J Mayhew (Leamington), 1. **April, sponsored by Topmark Butchery:** Les Dempster-Rivett, Bede McLachlan, Mike Gray (City), 1.

## THEY TELL US...

The first couple to be regularly shown in bed together on prime time TV were Fred and Wilma Flintstone.

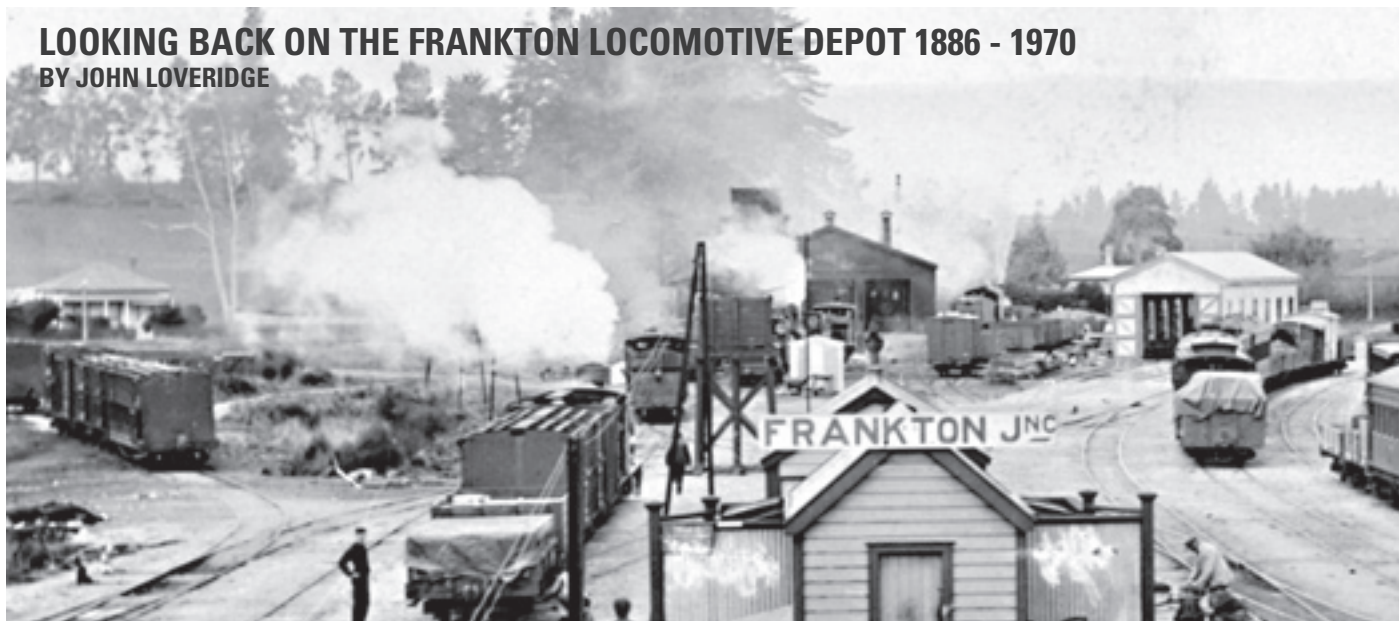
Coca-Cola was originally green.

# "SMOKE, SOOT, STEAM AND CINDERS"



## LOOKING BACK ON THE FRANKTON LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT 1886 - 1970

BY JOHN LOVERIDGE



TAKEN FROM THE FOOTBRIDGE OF FRANKTON'S FIRST STATION IN 1909, THIS VIEW LOOKS SOUTH PAST THE CONVENIENCES TOWARDS THE ENGINE SHED. THE STATION BUILDING (ABOUT WHERE THE OLD COMMERCE ST CROSSING WAS) IS BEHIND THE PHOTOGRAPHER. NOTE THE NEWLY-ERECTED CAR AND WAGON REPAIR SHED AT RIGHT. – JAT TERRY POSTCARD SERIES.

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The first sod of a railway intended to link Auckland with the Waikato was turned in 1865, but due to a lack of construction funds and a general state of unrest following the end of the Waikato wars and confiscation of Maori tribal lands, the rail link did not reach Frankton until 1877.

From the day of the official opening of Frankton Station (then named Hamilton) on December 19, 1877, the railway would play a vital role in the development of Frankton and would shape its character as a railway town forever associated with the ever-present rumbling of trains through its commercial centre.

Initially there were only coaling and watering facilities for the lightweight F and J class engines working the first trains on the Waikato line. No engine shed existed because no engines were stabled overnight and it was not until 1886 that a shed was erected just south of the station on land acquired from Thomas Jolly, whose family owned and farmed about 80 hectares at Frankton.

Thomas Jolly had an eye for the main chance. He foresaw the benefits of having a railway running through the middle of his land and made the Public Works Department (the original government railway authority in New Zealand) an offer they couldn't refuse - a parcel of land for free.

Thomas named Frankton after his son Frank, but would never live to see the town's development. He was gored to death by a bull some years prior to further subdivision of the family property for railway purposes after the turn of the century. Subdivision also included land for road and section development that would mark the start of close settlement at Frankton.

### ENGINE SHEDS

By 1910, following expansion of the marshalling yards and completion of a new set of station buildings, there was now a heavy volume of train movements at Frankton necessitating an extension to the engine shed which although now doubled in size, was still only capable of holding six tender locomotives.





LOOKING ACROSS THE DEPOT DURING THE RAILWAY STRIKE OF 1924 – J F LOUDEN PHOTOGRAPH.

Finally in 1932, following years of new plans and estimates, the shed was extended to its final form doubling its size again. Use was also made of redundant facilities from other locations.

The Cambridge engine shed became a machine workshops; a blacksmith's shop from the now closed Housing Factory on the Rifle Range Reserve became a store; one half of the Thames engine shed became a wood shed and the Locomotive Foreman's Office ex Whangarei was now serving a similar purpose at Frankton.

As bad luck would have it a major fire on Christmas Eve 1934 damaged much of this new infrastructure, but with the completion of remedial work in 1936, the depot was now almost in its final form as Frankton residents will remember it.

#### SANDING FACILITIES

Early records appear non-existent but Trevor Terry suggests a standard drier would have been installed with the first shed construction in 1886. Located inside a small shed opening up off the forge, it seems this original facility was a real dust nuisance and by 1911 it was unable to cope with the amount of sand required during the winter months.

An addition to the building for the installation of a new drier went up the following year but while this took dry sand away from the main shed, the sanding of engines still had to be done by hand and as the sandhouse was not connected to all roads, it meant engines had to be shifted frequently and sand carried for some distance.

Yet it was not until 1929, after years of submissions to the Railways Department for a more modern appliance, that this antiquated facility was replaced by a new sandhouse and delivery tower (both timber-built) just south of the crossover to the shed roads. An air hoist replaced a bucket elevator in 1934 and a new drier was installed in 1936.

In 1940 these facilities were again replaced by a sandhouse built of concrete and a steel gantry that straddled the tracks where the previous gantry had stood. In 1954 it was relocated to the eastern side of the sandhouse.

In later years the sanding of diesels was carried out by trundling barrows of sifted sand across to the diesel roads. As locomotive trainees one of our crafty tricks - unless we were feeling especially conscientious - was to fully sand only those diesels that did not require too much of the stuff. Those with empty sandboxes often had cotton waste stuffed into the strainers and a show of sand poured on top to give the impression of a full sandbox.

#### TURNTABLES

The first means of turning engines took the form of a triangle, laid out in 1891, that ran from the branch (now the East Coast Main Trunk)



ENGINE SHED FRONTAGE 1910 SHOWING THE ORIGINAL BUILDING AT LEFT AND THE NEW EXTENSION AT RIGHT. IN THE FOREGROUND IS A BALDWIN-BUILT (1901) Q CLASS ENGINE – JAT TERRY POSTCARD SERIES.


behind the engine shed and in front of some railway houses, connecting up with the main line south.

In association with the 1910 engine shed extension a new 55ft turntable was brought into use and the triangle subsequently lifted. The final turntable development occurred in 1932 when two of the railway houses were relocated to permit the laying of rails to a new 70ft table to be installed at the south end of the rail boundary directly below Queens Avenue.

One can imagine the horror of residents upon learning of the proposal to install this table so close to their street and needless to say formal complaints were made to the Railway Board that this site was too near a residential area and that smoke and noise levels would be excessive.

Work was suspended pending a meeting of the board, who it seems wasted little time in deciding this project should proceed to be completed in time for the arrival of the new K class locomotives. It is likely the new table was first used on December 7, 1932 when K900 made its first run with a goods train from Auckland to Frankton. The old table found a new home at Putaruru.

Even though the new table was now in use complaints continued to flow. This resulted in rail engineers using shock recording equipment to test vibration levels in adjoining homes. Carpenters and fitters were put to work to alleviate the problem - apparently with some success.



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**TAKING SAND FROM THE STEEL DELIVERY GANTRY ON 3 AUGUST, 1948. THE GANTRY WAS RELOCATED FROM WEST OF THE SANDHOUSE AS SEEN HERE TO ITS EASTERN SIDE IN 1954 – JAT TERRY**



**PRIOR TO THE AVAILABILITY OF RAILWAY HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION, THIS WAS THE THE SINGLE MEN'S QUARTERS AT THE REAR OF THE DEPOT. THE LARGE BUILDING IN THE FOREGROUND WAS A RECREATION HALL FORMERLY PART OF THE STATION BUILDING AT WAIKINO. HOUSES IN GREENWOOD ST ARE IN THE BACKGROUND – JAT TERRY**

Frankton Branch notes in the EFCA (Engine Drivers' Union) journal of June 1933 reported that *"The new turntable is still under suspicion by residents of Queens Avenue with a result that men turning engines at Frankton have to learn the art of back tracking and sneak off the turntable with such art and quietness that the local tomcats are turning green with envy."*

In November 1942 plans were drawn up for an auxiliary triangle in case the table was damaged by enemy air action - a proposal that did not proceed.

When the depot closed on 15 March 1970, it was the end of the road for the old table. On 20 November 1970 it was loaded onto purpose-built wagons and railed to the plant inspector at Aramoho, although its final fate is unknown to this writer.

## WATER FACILITIES

Originally water for locomotives was taken from an open water course that was an overflow from the Hamilton Lake. A small dam had been constructed just west of the engine sheds and water was pumped from there to storage tanks, an arrangement that lasted until July 1936 when the depot was connected to the Hamilton Borough Council's industrial supply which now guaranteed the Railways Department a minimum consumption of 32 million gallons annually.

In 1966 a young loco trainee with Beatle haircut and seriously late for the start of his midnight shift was pedalling furiously down the track that crossed the above-mention drain by means of a bridge with no sides.

Sadly as the lad roared on to its frost-covered decking forward momentum was

lost and boy and bike took a dive into the freezing oil-soaked water beneath. A trip home for necessary repairs to body and bike and it was back to work at a vastly more sedate speed. Forty-five years later I remember it still.

The improved water supply from the Council's connection prompted the installation of standpipes. A total of four columns went in but the two most used were erected alongside the pits provided for the discharge of ash. A distinctive 20,000 gallon capacity water vat tucked between the North Island Main Trunk and South-west backshunt was for storage only.

## COALING FACILITIES

It seems from early photographs a coaling compound existed on the west side of the depot but at some stage the main coaling facility was relocated east. Originally coal was shovelled into loco bunkers and tenders until 1896 when a hand-operated crane was supplied and the coal delivered from iron tubs.

Two air cranes became the next development and these remained in use from 1909 to October 1937 when a steam-operated




**BULLDOZED REMAINS OF THE ENGINE SHED WHICH WAS LATER SET ON FIRE BY THE DEMOLITION CONTRACTOR IN NOVEMBER, 1970 – JAT TERRY**

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**REAR VIEW OF THE SHEDS TAKEN IN 1941. THE BUILDING BEHIND THE WOOD PILE WAS A WOOD SHED, BUT LATER BECAME AN AMENITIES BLOCK – JAT TERRY**

Priestman coaling grab - one of eleven placed in service across the NZR network - took over, although the air cranes were kept in service for when the grab was out of use.

When air was not available we "shiners" (locomotive trainees) were expected to replenish the tubs by hand - an odious task alleviated by the occasional throwing of lumps of coal onto the shed roof. At times it seemed there was more coal on the roof than what was shovelled into the tubs.

Another favourite shiners prank was the placing of detonators beneath the wheels of the coaling grab so that when its driver booked on at 6 am the grab's first movement would set them off.

The regular grab operator was Bob Max, a well-known Frankton identity and although he chased, cursed and reported us (in that order) we were never held to account for these misdeeds.

### **FUEL OIL**

A fuel oil installation for oil burning locomotives was installed in 1948 replacing a temporary facility from wartime years.

In the diesel era a refuelling pad with standpipes supplied diesel fuel from a road that would become known as the west extension. This was likely installed about 1955 when the first wave of these new-fangled machines arrived at Frankton.

Stabling roads west of this installation gradually became a diesel "paddock" as steam engines (many written off) were removed and dieselisation of the depot increased.

### **DEATH OF A DEPOT**

By 1964 the writing was on the wall. The lowering of the railway between Frankton and Claudelands was nearing completion when in May of that year construction was authorised for a new marshalling yard at Te Rapa - a project designed to handle progressive increases in rail freight traffic as a result of Hamilton's industrial expansion.

The construction of over 30 miles of track on 75 acres of ground at a cost of some \$5 ½ million began in 1965 and although not fully

developed by the end of the 1960's, the new diesel depot was among some ancillary facilities ready for service.

By the turn of the decade the Frankton depot - now the sole preserve of diesel locomotives since the withdrawal of the last steam engines from commercial service in the North Island (December 1967) - was in a state of disrepair. I recall noting that half the eastern wall of the running shed had already collapsed and the rest ready to go.

Finally, after a delay of several weeks, the end came at noon, Sunday 15 March 1970, when the Frankton depot officially ceased to exist. On that day Frankton's 213 locomotive running staff were relocated and all locomotives - over 30 in total - were towed out of Frankton and marshalled into holding roads at Te Rapa in the order in which they would be required for traffic.

This was an involved operation and Malcolm Smeaton's superb colour illustration here (photo page 31), provides a rare overview of how the movement of all these locomotives was achieved.

Except for the transfer of the diesel storage tank for use at Te Rapa, all major fixtures at Frankton were demolished and in November 1970 the remains of the engine sheds set on fire - a sad and ignominious end for a railway facility that for over 80 years was at the very heart of Frankton's commercial sector.

Now, in 2010, this writer finds he is one of just three locomotive staff at Te Rapa who saw service at Frankton. How time has

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**THE DEPOT'S PRIESTMAN GRAB COALING UP A KA LOCOMOTIVE IN 1948 – JAT TERRY**



# "SMOKE, SOOT, STEAM AND CINDERS"



LAST DAY OF OPERATION, SUNDAY, 15 MARCH, 1970. A LONG LINE OF DIESEL LOCOMOTIVES DEPART FRANKTON FOR THE LAST TIME BOUND FOR THE NEW DIESEL DEPOT AT TE RAPA – M J SMEATON PHOTOGRAPH.

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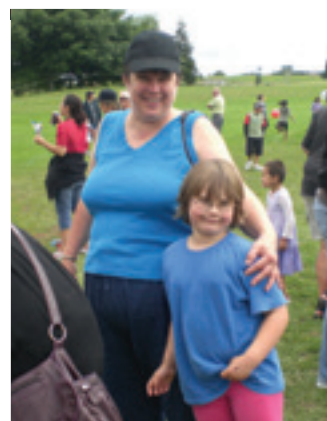
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FISHING SUB-SECTION MEMBERS (ABOVE) SHOW THE RESULTS OF THEIR CHARTER TRIP OUT FROM RAGLAN, WHILE DAVE BRYANT AND HELEN COLLIER SHOW OFF THEIR PRIZE CATCHES.



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TOP LEFT: C HILL, D COOMBES AND J COMER WHO FINISHED RUNNER-UP IN THE TRIPLES AT THE WOMEN'S NATIONALS TOURNAMENT STAGED IN NELSON BY THE WAIMEA CLUB. THE HVMC TEAM CAME SEVENTH IN THE AGGREGATE.

TOP RIGHT: GAVIN STRINGER AND YVONNE LONGMAN WHO WERE SUCCESSFUL IN THE CENTRAL AREA CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRS AND ALSO THE NORTH ISLAND CLUBS NZ PAIRS.

BOTTOM: THE TEAM OF EIGHT WHICH WON BOTH THE CENTRAL AREA CHALLENGE SHIELD AND RETAINED FOR THE CLUB THE GLORIA HEWITT TROPHY.

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LOOKING EAST ACROSS THE DEPOT C1927. THE FAR LEFT BUILDING WAS THE THEN SAND HOUSE AND THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OCCUPIES THE FOREGROUND. NOTE THE RAILWAY HOUSES BEHIND THE ENGINE SHED - THERE WERE SIX IN TOTAL. PHOTO TAKEN BY M.E.V. HARRIS

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lapsed since we lost - even if unappreciated at the time - this colourful link with Frankton's historical years.

I wish to acknowledge Trevor Terry whose prior research and contribution of illustrations for the preparation of this article have

been greatly appreciated. Thanks also to John Fitzgerald for the transfer of photographs to disc, making our editor's job that much easier, which I suppose is always a good thing.



A GENERAL VIEW OF THE DEPOT LOOKING TOWARD THE ENGINE SHEDS IN 1964. NOTE THE SMOKE VENTS ON THE SHEDS EASTERN SIDE. NOTE ALSO THE ACCESS BRIDGE ACROSS THE OPEN DRAIN WITH WHICH THE AUTHOR OF THIS ARTICLE HAD AN UNFORTUNATE MIDNIGHT ENCOUNTER – R M HARRIS



**1947 CHRISTMAS DAY MORNING MISHAP SHOWING THE TENDER OF K 908 IN THE TURNTABLE PIT. THE DRILLING RIG AT LEFT WAS BEING USED TO ESTABLISH FOUNDATIONS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FUEL OIL STORAGE TANKS - JAT TERRY**



**ENGINE DRIVER AND CLUB MEMBER. KEVIN WARD, TAKING WATER ON AN AB CLASS LOCOMOTIVE FROM ONE OF THE ASHPIT COLUMNS, SEPTEMBER, 1967 - JAT TERRY**

## **HAMILTON WORKINGMEN'S CLUB INC**

# **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

To be held on Sunday 13 June 2010 commencing at 10.00am  
at the Pavilion, Hamilton Workingmen's Club.

Nominations for the Executive Committee are now open  
and close midnight Saturday 29 May 2010.

Nomination forms can be obtained from Reception at the Club.

A photo is required along with a completed Department of Internal Affairs "Key Persons"  
Information Form. Both items will need to be submitted with the nomination form.  
Please contact the Club if assistance is required.

## **HAMILTON WORKINGMEN'S CLUB INC**

**Annual General Meeting Sunday 13 June 2010 commencing at 10.00am.**

### **BUSINESS**

1. Apologies
2. Adoption of Report and Balance Sheet
3. Notice of Items in General Business  
(ie Members wishing to raise points in  
General Business give directions to the  
Chair that they wish to speak ;
4. Minutes of the previous AGM
5. Matters Arising
6. Presidents Report
7. Subscriptions
8. Notice of Motion
9. Confirmation of Returning Officers
10. Election of Appeal Board
11. General Business

### **OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE**

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Treasurer: G MURPHY  
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B McLUSKIE, R WYMER, D EVANS, H WOOD-ROWE  
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Life Members: R ROUSE, E WHITING, C SULLIVAN,  
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### **REMITTS FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

(Nil)

Members are reminded if they have any questions pertaining to the Annual Report it would be appreciated if these could be put in writing and be in the hands of the Club Secretary five days before the Annual General Meeting on Sunday 13 June 2010. These will be posted on the main notice board when available.

*We have received advice of the deaths of the following members as at 31.03.10.  
We record these with sincere regret.*

B Begbie R Carmichael A Forbes R Petrie D Roe C Sargeant R McMillan J Ryder A Staples E Broyd T Davis  
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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another year of global economic recession has come and gone! I am pleased to report, that although we have not been immune to it's effects, we have fared better than most in our sector. A \$60,000 profit for the year, compared to the \$23,000 loss last year and significant debt reduction is testimony to the fact! Congratulations to General Manager Richard Shrubsall for a fine result during very trying times.

Your executive committee was once again returned to office without change. This is undoubted confirmation that we're doing OK, despite the murmurings of a few habitual knockers and those whose motives are purely selfish. Remember the key words WE and US when talking CLUB! There has been some discussion about future availability for office of some of the executive members, myself included. As a result of those discussions it is recommended by the outgoing committee that the incoming executive give consideration to the manner in which the club is governed, perhaps a change to a board of trustees. Any such change would of course require a constitutional change and the approval of the membership at a General Meeting. A great deal of investigation will be required before any report is given or recommendations made.

Membership of the club remains at around 6,000. This tells me the club and it's facilities have lost none of their attraction as people still want to belong. Many however have had to change their spending habits and perhaps visit the club less frequently or reduce their spend per visit as a result of recent economic conditions.

We didn't lose sight of our long-standing goal of maintaining our facilities to a superior standard. The main entrance and new driveway was completed and enhances the perspective of the main building from the road. A refurbishment of toilet facilities was undertaken with the addition of a baby-changing table in the toilets in the restaurant area pleasing those with children/grandchildren. Provision of accessible facilities for the disabled met with the approval of this group. A substantial upgrade of the smoking area was undertaken and is nearing completion as we go to print.

The Executive Committee has considered a proposal to upgrade the lighting throughout the entire club. The upgrade would involve

new, state-of-the-art, energy-saving light fittings, bulbs and tubes, which will not only enhance the look and feel of the club, but also provide long-term savings in energy costs. The project is estimated to cost in the vicinity of \$185,000 with a grant from the Electricity Commission of around \$35,000 bringing it down to \$150,000. It is estimated that energy savings will provide a full pay back of investment in 5 to 6 years. As this amount exceeds that which the rules allow to be spent without membership approval it will be a motion put by the executive committee at AGM that this upgrade be undertaken with the proviso that it be paid for from cashflow i.e. no borrowings will be entered in to for the completion thereof. It is our intention that the suspended ceiling be replaced at the same time as the lighting upgrade giving the interior of the club a fresh modern look. Once again, no borrowing will be entered in to for the completion of this work.

We held our bi-ennial Charity-Day fund-raiser during the year in aid of True Colours Charitable Trust. A sensational \$20,000 was raised during very difficult economic times. Thanks to all who helped and in particular to Terry Ryan who headed the fund raising effort.

Your executive committee nominated Life Member and Patron, Colin Sullivan for the position of Area Delegate (Waikato/Thames Valley) to the Board of Clubs New Zealand and Colin was elected to the position by a substantial majority. I wish Colin well in his new role.

I thank the members of the executive committee for their efforts over the last year in attending to the business of the club. A particular thanks to Vice President, Terry Ryan and Treasurer Gary Meyrick for their efforts.

Thoughts are with family and friends of members who passed away during the year.

AGM is set down for Sunday 13th June and will begin at 10.00 am sharp. Venue this year is "The Pavilion" with after-meeting hospitality back in the main building.

**Brian Simpson**  
**PRESIDENT**





## MINUTES OF THE 54TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE HAMILTON WORKINGMEN'S CLUB HELD IN THE CLUBROOMS ON SUNDAY 21 JUNE 2009 AT 10.00AM.

### ATTENDANCE:

The President Mr Brian Simpson welcomed Mr J Nicholls (Accountant), Life members, and 164 members to the 2009 Annual General Meeting.

**PRESENT:** B Simpson (President) T Ryan (Vice President) H True (Secretary) J Nicholls (Accountant) G Meyrick (Treasurer)

**APOLOGIES:** P Kiteley J Kiteley J Roberts M Roberts J Buisson T Hislop J Dick B Dick J Peters M Llewelyn P Snell G Thomas J Moore T Moore T OKeefe A OKeefe C Muir F Fletcher T Gibbons M Gibbons A Stewart B McCormick G McCormick J Davis T Kennedy A McDonald J Rose D Rose D Cosgrove K Phillips B Tronell D Wallace J Wallace K Day P Day S Daji P Bradding R Rouse E Thomas A Thomas R Gardiner F Phillips S Pearce H Ferguson G Rule G Crean T Batters B Robinson P Bennett

**MOTION:** That the apologies be accepted.

**Moved:** B McLachlan (0935); **Seconded:** S Woods (3793)

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### TRIBUTE TO DECEASED MEMBERS:

A moment of silence was observed as a tribute to members who had passed away during the year.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

B Simpson started his address to the members by mentioning that he hoped they had all received their yearbook publication and had read his report.

He went on to give a brief overview of the report.

He mentioned that it had been a difficult year's trading, and this had been a similar situation across the board for all industry sectors, and in particular the one in which we operate, looking for people's discretionary dollar.

He stated that he thought the club had traded in a very professional manner, and had unfortunately showed a very first financial loss, but it was a loss after interest and depreciation. He said that during the year the club had purchased further assets namely a property at 26 King Street adjacent to the club, which would benefit the club in the future.

He mentioned several aspects of the accounts individually, and sectors which were down in their performance generally. These were gaming, transport and wages. He discussed the implications of the new annual leave and minimum adult wage requirements and the club's wage costs in general.

He said that these costs had been handled by R Shrubsall (General Manager) in a professional manner and mentioned he had highlighted in his report the fact that Richard was the recipient of the Westpac Trust Business Awards— Leader of the Year - (Waikato Area)

He went on to explain the significance of this award and R Shrubsall's ability in the management sector.

He also mentioned that the Hamilton Workingmen's Club business as a whole was evaluated and won Westpac Trust Business Award in the Hospitality and Tourism category for the Waikato area. He spoke on the degree of intense assessment the club had undertaken in order to win these awards.

He went on to discuss matters raised in the report about petty complaints and reiterated that all comments or complaints should be made in an appropriate and timely fashion and will be dealt with in a similarly timely and professional manner by the executive or management of the Club. He said matters pertaining to the operations of the Club were done with the general membership in mind at all times.

B Simpson went on to express his sadness at the loss of the Club's long term Patron Frank Haines last year and paid tribute to his tenure at the Club. He said Frank will be sadly missed by all at the Club.

He mentioned that the Executive committee had a recommendation to put forward regarding the Patron of the Club at a later stage in the meeting.

B Simpson sincerely thanked Tony and May Marchioni and Frank and Hannah Subritzky for their efforts throughout the year visiting members who were in hospital. He said their voluntary work was appreciated very much by the Club. During the year the Hospital volunteers visited 62 members and B Simpson said from the feedback he had received these members were very appreciative of visits and small gifts received from the Club.

A round of applause was then given by those present to the hospital volunteers and their efforts.

B Simpson asked G Meyrick to speak on the financial statements. B Simpson mentioned that he considered the loss sustained to be acceptable under the current financial climate and that the club in general had minimized this loss through close monitoring of the accounts in all areas.

G Meyrick gave an overview of the Clubs trading throughout the financial year 2008 – 2009.

He started by saying that it was always disappointing to report a small loss but in the overall scheme of things it was not significant. He also said that all the Club's financial advisors had confirmed that the Club was in very good stead. He mentioned that the properties the Club had purchased in the last two years, which showed no return now because they had been used for additional parking, entranceway and storage for club purposes.

G Meyrick said although interest rates had dropped recently, trading in the earlier part of the financial year, the rates had been significantly higher.

**MOTION:** That the President's Report and Financial statements for 2008-2009 be adopted as a true and correct record of the Club's financial position.

**Moved:** A McLachlan (1902); **Seconded:** A Smith (1472)

..... CARRIED

B Simpson briefly explained to those present the procedure for listing items for General Business at this stage of the meeting and how these matters would be dealt with later during the course of the meeting. He explained that club members could then enter into discussions on the matter's raised.

#### **NOTICE OF ITEMS FOR GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. W Pearce (0690)                      Sound System within Club

#### **MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY 15 JUNE 2008**

**MOTION:** That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 15 June 2008, having been circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record

**Moved:** D Hapi (0543); **Seconded:** S Stoneham (3469)

..... CARRIED

#### **MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES:**

There were no matters arising.

#### **SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

**MOTION:** That the annual subscriptions remain the same as the previous year.

**Moved:** W Pearce (0690); **Seconded:** D Evans (0484)

..... CARRIED

#### **NOTICE OF MOTIONS:**

Although there were no notices of motions or remits B Simpson discussed a matter raised in correspondence from a member regarding the matter of sending a copy of the Yearbook to all individual members rather than one per household in order to save postage costs.

Explanations were given and the examples of notices for Special General Meetings or subscriptions were used as a reason to notify members individually as per constitution.

#### **CONFIRMATION OF RETURNING OFFICERS:**

B Simpson spoke briefly on this matter and mentioned that the President, Vice President and Treasurer were unopposed, and there will be an election held for Committee members.

**MOTION:** It was moved that R Boyles and T Marchioni be appointed as returning officers for the forth coming election.

**Moved:** B Simpson (0007); **Seconded:** B McLuskie (1010)

..... CARRIED

Discussion followed on the exact days the elections would be held which had been raised by T Marchioni

#### **ELECTION OF APPEAL BOARD:**

**MOTION:** It was moved that the four remaining members of the Appeal Board: Craig Morrison, Barry McGill, Michael O Toole and Ron Boyles be confirmed for the forthcoming year and that the incoming committee would be empowered to appoint a fifth member to this board.

**Moved:** B Simpson (0007); **Seconded:** S Wood (3793)

..... CARRIED

#### **CONFIRMATION OF PATRON:**

B Simpson said that following the loss of the Patron Frank Haines in the past year, the Executive committee had given some serious consideration as to the appointment of a Club Patron.

It had been resolved that Colin Sullivan be nominated for this position.

B Simpson spoke briefly on the background of Colin and his achievements and association with the Club as a past President and Life Member.

**MOTION:** It was moved that Colin Sullivan be appointed as the Patron of the Club for the rest of his natural life.

**Moved:** B Simpson (0007); **Seconded:** K Rolfe (0149)

..... CARRIED

It was moved that nominations be closed for the position of Patron.

**Moved:** B Simpson (0007); **Seconded:** K Rolfe (0149)

..... CARRIED

B Simpson then invited Colin Sullivan to come forward and accept the Club's Patron badge.

Colin Sullivan addressed the meeting and expressed that he felt quite humbled about the honor of being Patron of the Club. He mentioned that it was always a pleasure to come in to the Club, and he felt that the Hamilton Workingmen's Club was a great facility and that it had a great membership.

He said the members at the club were open friendly and welcoming. He paid tribute to the Executive committee and stated that they were doing a good job. He asked that those present give a round of applause for the current Executive committee.

He stated the Club did a great job and that the Club was here for the members first and foremost and that the community and members benefit from the operations of a Club such as this.

He thanked those present for the honour of being Patron of the Hamilton Workingmen's Club.

B Simpson spoke on behalf of the members saying he looked forward to a long future with Colin as Patron.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

W Pearce (0690)      Club Sound System

B Simpson mentioned he was aware of the inadequacies of the current sound system and that steps were being undertaken to improve the technology and system in general. Feedback heard today was explained because of equipment used solely for this meeting.

W Pearce spoke on the embarrassment encountered at a recent National tournament when the sound system would cut out intermittently. He mentioned when announcing team names for the semi final play-offs where the first and last team were heard through the sound system and the microphone or system had

failed for all the other team announcements during this particular address.

W Pearce said the Club hosted many National tournaments where official announcements were crucial to the tournament operations and said there was nothing worse than the microphone cutting in and out on these occasions.

He went on to acknowledged B Simpson's remarks that the club had it under control, and appreciated that, but would wait and assess the degree of improvement and if necessary readdress the matter at the next AGM.

B Simpson spoke on other improvements at the Club that he had missed earlier in the meeting. He mentioned the new entranceway on Commerce Street and the renovations in the dining room toilets to allow space for a baby changing area and new toilets. This upgrade to the club's facilities was currently being carried out.

#### **HONORARIUMS:**

**MOTION:** That Honorarium remains the same as the previous year. President: \$15000.00, Treasurer: \$6000.00, Vice President: \$2000.00, and Executive Committee members \$50.00 per meeting to a maximum of \$600.00 each.

**Moved:** T Marchioni (0759); **Seconded:** W Pearce (0690)

..... CARRIED

B Simpson thanked those present on behalf of the committee for their consideration.

#### **PROPERTY ACQUISITION:**

B Simpson spoke briefly on the property acquired during the year and the benefit long term that these would have for the members of the club.

B Simpson explained to the membership present that he would like to re state a motion that was passed in previous years regarding property acquisition for this forthcoming year. He explained the reasons for this motion, with regard to confidentiality of negotiations and capital expenditure procedure.

**MOTION:** That the incoming executive committee have renewal of authority to purchase property in the immediate vicinity of the club, providing they obtain the approval of their legal, accounting and banking advisors.

**Moved:** B Simpson (0007); **Seconded:** A Smith (1472)

..... CARRIED

B Simpson thanked all in attendance and for their confidence in the Executive committee on this matter.

B Simpson explained the hospitality arrangements following the meeting and mentioned that he looked forward to socializing with all of the members who had attended this meeting.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 10.34 am.

# Employment Agency "At The Club"

CO-ORDINATOR:

**Heather True**

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# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

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## Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

### Directory

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As at 31 March 2010

<b>Nature of Business</b>	Leisure and Recreation
<b>Address</b>	20 King Street Hamilton
<b>Date Formed</b>	30 September 1955
<b>Trustees</b>	President General Manager
<b>Accountants</b>	Staples Rodway Waikato Ltd & Co Chartered Accountants 5th Floor WEL House Cnr London and Victoria Streets Hamilton 07 834 6800 <a href="http://www.staplesrodway.com">www.staplesrodway.com</a>
<b>Bankers</b>	National Bank Hamilton
<b>IRD Number</b>	010-635-136



## Audit report

### To the members of Hamilton Workingmen's Club Incorporated

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 23. The financial statements provide information about the past financial performance of the Club and its financial position as at 31 March 2010. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 16 and 17.

#### Executive Committee Responsibilities

The Executive Committee is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Club as at 31 March 2010 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

#### Auditors' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial statements presented by the Executive Committee and report our opinion to you.

#### Basis of opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Executive Committee in the preparation of the financial statements;
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Club's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Partners and employees of our firm may also deal with the Club on normal terms within the ordinary course of trading activities of the business of the Club. These matters have not impaired our independence as auditors of the Club. The firm has no other relationship with, or interest in, the Club.

#### Unqualified opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial statements on pages 4 to 23:

- comply with New Zealand generally accepted accounting practice;
- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Club as at 31 March 2010 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 3 May 2010 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Hamilton

# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Divisional Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
<b>Bar Trading Account</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Bar sales - main club		1,905,819	1,857,363
<b>Less Cost of Sales</b>			
Opening stock		52,371	38,003
Purchases		822,208	870,852
Transfers		(70,943)	(85,973)
		751,265	784,879
		803,636	822,882
Closing stock		45,760	52,371
<b>Cost of Sales</b>		757,876	770,511
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>		1,147,943	1,086,852
<b>Gross Profit Percentage</b>		60%	58%
<b>Sundry Trading Account</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Sales		30,151	34,288
<b>Less Cost of Sales</b>			
Opening stock		1,252	1,972
Transfers		11,026	18,159
		12,278	20,131
Closing stock		1,445	1,252
<b>Cost of Sales</b>		10,833	18,879
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>		19,318	15,409
<b>Club Vehicles</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Vehicle receipts		80,901	81,299
<b>Less Expenses</b>			
Depreciation	3	9,565	8,991
Fuel, repairs and running, insurance		32,302	38,968
Wages - drivers		128,888	123,368
<b>Total Expenses</b>		170,755	171,327
<b>Gross Deficit for the Period</b>		(89,854)	(90,028)



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Divisional Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

	Note	2010	2009
		\$	\$
<b>Gaming Machine Account - Main Club</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Income		1,202,369	1,233,680
<b>Less Direct Costs</b>			
Administration		115,060	115,060
Gaming tax		270,250	277,367
Operators licence - renewal A		1,130	1,130
Problem gambling levy		22,971	23,576
Venue licence - renewal A		113	113
Repairs and maintenance		18,029	24,174
Venue licence amendment		1,243	451
Venue annual fee		6,800	6,800
EMS maintenance fees		8,456	8,533
<b>Total Direct Cost</b>		<b>444,052</b>	<b>457,204</b>
<b>Other Income</b>			
Interest received on gaming		1,220	1,307
Depreciation recovered		-	199
<b>Total Other Income</b>		<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,506</b>
<b>Less Indirect Expenses</b>			
Accountancy Fees		3,154	5,172
Bank fees and charges		15	81
Club care levy		452	452
Conversion costs		-	265
Depreciation	3	128,369	110,756
Loss on sale of fixed assets		1,225	16,466
<b>Total Indirect Expenses</b>		<b>133,215</b>	<b>133,192</b>
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>		<b>626,322</b>	<b>644,790</b>
<b>Snooker Trading Account</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Income		6,730	7,119
<b>Less Expenses</b>			
Repairs and maintenance		3,227	2,078
Wages		2,562	3,799
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>5,789</b>	<b>5,877</b>
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>		<b>941</b>	<b>1,242</b>



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Divisional Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

	Note	2010	2009
		\$	\$
<b>8 Ball/Pool Trading Account</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Income		6,194	6,958
<b>Less Expenses</b>			
Repairs and maintenance		1,920	-
Wages		1,281	1,899
Total Expenses		3,201	1,899
Gross Surplus for the Period		2,993	5,059
<b>Off Licence Trading Account</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Sales		24,721	27,495
<b>Less Cost of Sales</b>			
Opening stock		1,712	3,263
Transfers		20,202	22,751
		21,914	26,014
Closing stock		1,877	1,712
Cost of Sales		20,037	24,302
Gross Surplus for the Period		4,684	3,193
Gross Profit Percentage		18.95%	11.60%



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Divisional Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

	Note	2010	2009
		\$	\$
<b>Pavilion Bar Trading Account</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Sales		91,476	102,029
<b>Less Cost of Sales</b>			
Opening stock		2,921	3,605
Transfers		38,563	43,710
		41,484	47,315
Closing stock		3,591	2,921
<b>Cost of Sales</b>		37,893	44,394
<b>Gross Surplus From Trading</b>		53,583	57,635
Gross Profit Percentage		58.58%	56.49%
<b>Other Income</b>			
Green fee - pavilion hire		18,572	30,535
		72,155	88,170
<b>Less Expenses</b>			
Audit fee		900	800
Depreciation	3	33,459	69,659
Light and heating		13,473	14,887
Insurance		2,603	2,479
Cleaning and laundry		11,193	9,595
Rates		3,404	3,422
Repairs and maintenance		14,994	14,303
Security		220	206
Wages		60,279	65,208
<b>Total Expenses</b>		140,525	180,559
<b>Gross Deficit for the Period</b>		(68,370)	(92,389)



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Divisional Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

	Note	2010	2009
		\$	\$
<b>Gaming Machine Account - Pavilion Club</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Gaming income - pavilion		17,465	19,266
<b>Less Direct Costs</b>			
Gaming tax		3,929	4,314
Problem gambling levy		334	367
Venue licence		113	113
Repairs and maintenance		11,180	10,855
Venue licence amendment		-	451
Venue annual fee		4,533	4,533
EMS maintenance fees		1,560	1,891
<b>Total Direct Cost</b>		<b>21,649</b>	<b>22,524</b>
<b>Other Income</b>			
Interest received		46	46
Depreciation recovered		-	17,397
<b>Total Other Income</b>		<b>46</b>	<b>17,443</b>
		(4,138)	14,185
<b>Less Indirect Expenses</b>			
Club care levy		302	296
Depreciation	3	40,670	37,237
Loss on sale of fixed assets		-	8,559
<b>Total Indirect Expenses</b>		<b>40,972</b>	<b>46,092</b>
<b>Gross Deficit for the Period</b>		<b>(45,110)</b>	<b>(31,907)</b>
<b>Club Clothing Account</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Sales		126	562
<b>Less Cost of Sales</b>			
Opening stock		1,960	2,330
Purchases		-	80
		1,960	2,410
Closing stock		1,925	1,960
<b>Cost of Sales</b>		<b>35</b>	<b>450</b>
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>		<b>91</b>	<b>112</b>



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Divisional Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

Note	2010	2009
	\$	\$
<b>Employment Agency</b>		
<b>Operating Revenue</b>		
Income - subsidies and grants	139,661	191,083
<b>Less Expenses</b>		
Light and heating	690	865
Vehicle expenses	4,284	3,048
Printing and stationery	-	772
Repairs and maintenance	307	-
Wages	61,687	82,416
<b>Total Expenses</b>	66,968	87,101
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>	72,693	103,982
<b>Conference Facility Hire</b>		
<b>Operating Revenue</b>		
Room hire	320	2,318
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>	320	2,318
<b>Rental Statement</b>		
<b>Operating Revenue</b>		
Rent received	206,068	221,781
<b>Less Expenses</b>		
Administration costs	10,100	6,500
Bank fees and charges	-	1,500
Depreciation	16,007	29,302
Electricity and gas	151	-
Insurance	4,903	3,405
Interest	123,292	154,547
Rates	15,631	12,848
Repairs and maintenance	2,732	5,721
<b>Total Expenses</b>	172,816	213,823
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>	33,252	7,958



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Divisional Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

	Note	2010	2009
		\$	\$
<b>Restaurant</b>			
<b>Operating Revenue</b>			
Catering		1,039,287	1,051,354
<b>Less Cost of Sales</b>			
Opening stock		9,117	6,567
Purchases		422,791	448,949
Transfers		1,152	1,353
		433,060	456,869
Closing stock		8,945	9,117
<b>Cost of Sales</b>		424,115	447,752
		615,172	603,602
<b>Less Expenses</b>			
Crockery/glass replacement		2,653	3,606
Depreciation	3	10,610	13,633
Light and heating		11,359	11,924
Equipment hire		1,359	652
Cleaning and laundry		5,086	6,572
Permits, licences and fees		480	240
Repairs and maintenance		19,968	9,966
Staff expenses		240	1,300
Sundries		15,076	8,929
Wages		421,851	402,300
<b>Total Expenses</b>		488,682	459,122
<b>Gross Surplus for the Period</b>		126,490	144,480



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Combined Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010

Note	2010	2009
	\$	\$
<b>Divisional Income</b>		
Gross Surplus from Bar Trading Account	1,147,943	1,086,852
Gross Surplus from Sundry Trading Account	19,318	15,409
Gross Deficit from Club Vehicles	(89,854)	(90,028)
Gross Surplus from Gaming Machine Account - Main Club	626,322	644,790
Gross Surplus from Snooker Trading Account	941	1,242
Gross Surplus from 8 Ball/Pool Trading Account	2,993	5,059
Gross Surplus from Off Licence Trading Account	4,684	3,193
Gross Deficit from Pavilion Bar Trading Account	(68,370)	(92,389)
Gross Deficit from Gaming Machine Account - Pavilion Club	(45,110)	(31,907)
Gross Surplus from Club Clothing Account	91	112
Gross Surplus from Employment Agency	72,693	103,982
Gross Surplus from Conference Facility Hire	320	2,318
Gross Surplus from Rental Statement	33,252	7,958
Gross Surplus from Restaurant	126,490	144,480
<b>Total Divisional Income</b>	<b>1,831,713</b>	<b>1,801,071</b>
<b>Other Revenue</b>		
Interest received	2,015	4,098
Rent received - Commerce Street flat	11,200	6,000
Cigarette commission	6,496	4,320
Rebates	19,200	19,200
Sponsorship	9,000	2,500
Gifts received	27,000	27,000
Subscription income	205,526	206,267
Raffle system sales (net)	4,234	-
<b>Total Other Revenue</b>	<b>284,671</b>	<b>269,385</b>
<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>2,116,384</b>	<b>2,070,456</b>



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Combined Statement of Financial Performance

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
<b>Less Expenses</b>			
Accident compensation		18,521	18,980
Advertising		5,813	8,463
Audit fee		15,072	10,700
Bank fees		11,756	9,703
Bar sundries		27,962	25,106
Cleaning and laundry		153,945	146,611
Computer expense		13,674	16,219
Consultancy		3,887	-
Depreciation	3	225,264	171,355
Equipment hire		10,254	9,369
Fringe benefit tax		6,985	6,574
Honoraria		44,588	44,588
Hospitality		20,545	15,104
Hospitality - happy hour		25,157	40,234
Insurance		32,002	30,004
Interest - bank		77,062	151,333
Interest - finance lease		633	2,278
Light and heating		101,668	101,283
Loss on sale of fixed assets		3,123	2,488
Membership draws		41,702	38,215
Permits, licences and fees		25,319	24,460
Postage		3,180	3,738
Printing and stationery		17,068	23,086
Professional fees		42,595	42,169
Rates		38,437	30,256
Recruitment expenses		9,750	10,351
Repairs and maintenance		72,729	87,594
Respite care/members welfare		3,457	-
Security		17,299	17,390
Social activities		168,304	150,625
Sponsorship/donations		6,993	2,253
Sports club expenses		8,639	13,969
Telephone and tolls		18,324	18,441
Travel, accomodation and conferences		15,155	16,480
Uniform - staff and executive		11,809	21,363
Valuations		3,960	5,806
Vehicle lease and expenses		17,489	18,873
Wages		717,228	743,752
Year Book Expenses 2008 (Net)		-	14,615
Year Book Expenses 2009 (Net)		18,084	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>2,055,432</b>	<b>2,093,828</b>
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit) for the Period</b>		<b>60,952</b>	<b>(23,374)</b>



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Statement of Movements in Equity

For the Year ended 31 March 2010

Note	2010	2009
	\$	\$
<b>Recognised Income and Expenditure</b>		
Net Surplus (Deficit)	60,952	(23,374)
<b>Total Recognised Income and Expenditure</b>	60,952	(23,374)
Equity at the Beginning of the Year	5,766,404	5,789,778
<b>Equity at the End of the Year</b>	<b>5,827,356</b>	<b>5,766,404</b>



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)


## Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 March 2010

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash Balances	4	130,846	204,580
Accounts Receivable	6	65,960	56,869
Prepayments		87,994	67,261
Stock on Hand	7	63,544	69,333
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>348,344</b>	<b>398,043</b>
<b>Non Current Assets</b>			
Property, Plant & Equipment	8	9,074,852	9,262,971
<b>Total Non Current Assets</b>		<b>9,074,852</b>	<b>9,262,971</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>9,423,196</b>	<b>9,661,014</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable	9	307,855	312,072
Other Payables & Accruals	9	217,417	258,727
Current Portion of Term Liabilities	10	134,425	154,963
GST Payable		36,459	34,959
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>696,155</b>	<b>760,721</b>
<b>Non Current Liabilities</b>			
Term Loans - Secured	10	2,899,685	3,133,889
<b>Total Non Current Liabilities</b>		<b>2,899,685</b>	<b>3,133,889</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>3,595,840</b>	<b>3,894,610</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>5,827,356</b>	<b>5,766,404</b>
<b>Net Funds</b>			
Equity		5,827,356	5,766,404
<b>Net Funds</b>		<b>5,827,356</b>	<b>5,766,404</b>

  
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President

Date 3-5-2010.

  
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General Manager

Date 03/05/2010.



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010

Note	2010	2009
	\$	\$
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>		
Cash was provided from		
Bar Takings	1,905,819	1,857,363
Gaming Machines - Main Club	1,202,369	1,233,679
Other Sources	1,694,101	1,825,292
Subscriptions	181,049	210,361
Interest Received	3,281	5,452
	4,986,618	5,132,147
Cash was disbursed to		
Payment to Other Suppliers and Employees	4,322,979	4,318,234
Interest Paid	200,987	308,156
	4,523,966	4,626,390
<b>Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>	462,652	505,757
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>		
Cash was provided from		
Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets	-	22,714
Cash was disbursed to		
Purchase of Fixed Assets	308,644	1,544,311
<b>Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>	(308,644)	(1,521,597)
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>		
Cash was provided from		
Term Loans	-	1,008,752
Cash was disbursed to		
Term Loans	212,189	-
Hire Purchase Loans	15,554	17,146
<b>Net Cash Flows From Financing Activities</b>	(227,743)	991,606
Net decrease in cash held	(73,734)	(24,234)
Cash at beginning of year	204,580	228,814
Cash at end of year	130,846	204,580



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010

### 1 Statement of Accounting Policies

#### Reporting Entity

Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc) is a chartered club incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908. The club provides recreational facilities as a fellowship and social club for the use and welfare of its members. The financial statements of Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc) are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared according to generally accepted accounting practice.

#### Statement of Compliance and Basis of Preparation

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of financial performance and financial position on an historical cost basis are followed by the club.

#### Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of the financial performance and financial position have been applied:

##### (a) Inventories

Inventories are recognised at lower of cost and net realisable value, determined on a first-in first out basis. There is no damaged or obsolete stock.

##### (b) Accounts Receivables

Trade receivables are recognised at estimated realisable value.

##### (c) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, Plant and Equipment are recognised at cost less aggregate depreciation. Depreciation has been calculated using the maximum rates permitted by the Income Tax Act 2007. Gains and losses on disposal of fixed assets are taken into account in determining the operating result for the year.

Land	0% DV
Buildings	2% P
Leasehold Improvements	10% DV
Plant and Equipment	10-50% DV & 20-50% P
Furniture and Fittings	10% DV
Finance Lease	10% DV
Land Improvements	2% P

##### (d) Income Tax

No liability from income tax arises on the basis that the Club is a non-profit entity that trades within the circle of its membership.

##### (e) Goods and Services Taxation (GST)

Revenues and expenses have been recognised in the financial statements exclusive of GST. All items in the Statement of Financial Position are stated net of GST except for receivables and payables which are stated inclusive of GST.



## Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

### Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

#### For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

(f) Differential Reporting

The club qualifies for Differential Reporting exemptions as it has no public accountability, and is not large as defined in the Framework for Differential Reporting. All available reporting exemptions allowed under the Framework for Differential Reporting have been adopted except for FRS 10 Statement of Cashflows.

(g) Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those from previous financial statements.

(h) Certain comparative information has been reclassified in order to provide a more appropriate basis for comparison.

## 2 Operating Revenue

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
Bar sales - Main Club	1,905,819	1,857,363
Sundry Trading	30,151	34,288
Vehicle Receipts	80,901	81,299
Gaming Income - Main Club	1,202,369	1,233,680
Snooker	6,730	7,119
8 Ball/Pool	6,194	6,958
Off Licence	24,721	27,495
Pavilion Bar	91,476	102,029
Gaming income - Pavilion	17,465	19,266
Club Clothing	126	562
Employment Agency	139,661	191,083
Conference Facility Hire	320	2,318
Rent Received - Commercial	206,068	221,781
Catering	1,039,287	1,051,354
Interest Received	3,281	5,452
Rent received - Commerce Street flat	11,200	6,000
Cigarette Commission	6,496	4,320
Green fee / Pavilion Hire	18,572	30,535
Rebates	19,200	19,200
Sponsorship	9,000	2,500
Gifts Received	27,000	27,000
Subscription Income	205,526	206,267
Raffle System Sales (Net)	4,234	-
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	<b>5,055,798</b>	<b>5,137,865</b>



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

### 3 Depreciation

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
Plant and Equipment		
Club Vehicles	9,565	8,991
Gaming Machines - Main Club	128,369	110,756
Gaming Machines - Pavilion	40,670	37,237
Rental Account	16,007	29,302
Restaurant	10,610	13,633
Pavilion Bar	33,459	69,659
Other	59,586	68,641
<b>Total Plant and Equipment</b>	<b>298,266</b>	<b>338,219</b>
Furniture and Fittings	35,749	19,312
Club Buildings	118,937	70,581
Land Improvements	3,389	-
Leasehold Improvements	7,603	8,448
Finance Lease		4,374
<b>Total Depreciation Claimed for Year</b>	<b>463,944</b>	<b>440,934</b>

### 4 Cash & Bank Balances

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
Cash on hand	41,070	42,220
<b>Bank Account Balances</b>		
National Bank current account	56,448	151,694
National Bank hospital account	844	2,073
National Bank main autocall	874	79
National Bank property account	524	353
National Bank pavilion machine account	6,581	47
National Bank gaming account 2	-	7,871
National Bank authorised purpose account	24,505	243
	<b>89,776</b>	<b>162,360</b>
<b>Cash &amp; Bank Balances</b>	<b>130,846</b>	<b>204,580</b>



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

### 5 Lease Commitments

#### Operating lease commitments

Lease commitments under non cancellable operating leases:

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
Due by 2010	-	4,662
Due by 2011	26,279	2,758
Due by 2012	14,769	-
Due by 2013	8,661	-
<b>Total Lease Commitments</b>	<b>49,709</b>	<b>7,420</b>

#### Finance lease commitments

Lease commitments under non cancellable finance leases:

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
Due by 2010	-	16,187
<b>Total Lease Commitments</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16,187</b>

### 6 Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable

2010	2009
\$	\$
65,960	56,869

### 7 Stock on Hand

#### Stock on Hand

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
Liquor - Main bar	45,760	52,371
- Off licence	1,877	1,712
- Pavilion	3,591	2,921
Sundries	1,445	1,252
Monograms, badges & clothing	1,925	1,960
Restaurant	8,946	9,117
<b>Total Inventories</b>	<b>63,544</b>	<b>69,333</b>



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

### 8 Property, Plant and Equipment

	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Closing Book Value
Property, Plant and Equipment 2010	\$	\$	\$
Plant and equipment	2,584,541	1,457,884	1,126,657
Furniture and fittings	554,138	212,860	341,278
Land	2,504,653	-	2,504,653
Land improvements	169,419	3,389	166,030
Buildings	5,970,592	1,102,782	4,867,810
Leasehold improvements - Pavilion	176,617	108,193	68,424
<b>Total Property, Plant and Equipment 2010</b>	<b>11,959,960</b>	<b>2,885,108</b>	<b>9,074,852</b>

	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Closing Book Value
Property, Plant and Equipment 2009	\$	\$	\$
Plant and equipment	2,370,137	1,164,366	1,205,771
Furniture and fittings	506,330	177,111	329,219
Land	2,503,202	-	2,503,202
Land improvements	157,580	-	157,580
Buildings	5,935,647	983,845	4,951,802
Leasehold improvements - Pavilion	176,617	100,590	76,027
Finance lease	49,402	10,032	39,370
<b>Total Property, Plant and Equipment 2009</b>	<b>11,698,915</b>	<b>2,435,944</b>	<b>9,262,971</b>

There are no restrictions on the use or disposal of assets or on legal title to assets.

Land and Buildings comprise of 18, 20 and 26 King Street and 25, 39, 47 and 73 Commerce Street, Hamilton.

The club leases out 18 and 26 King Street.

Certain assets that were fully depreciated have been removed.



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

### 9 Current Liabilities - Payables

2010	2009
\$	\$
Accounts Payable	
Accounts payable	312,072
Other Payables & Accruals	
Subscriptions in advance	33,159
Subsection funds	38,612
Holiday pay accrual	176,294
Key deposits - snooker	2,050
Income in Advance	8,612
<b>Total Other Payables &amp; Accruals</b>	<b>258,727</b>
<b>Total Creditors and Accruals</b>	<b>570,799</b>

### 10 Term Loans - Secured

2010	2009
\$	\$
Term Loans	
National Bank Loan	1,900,122
Loan - NZ Breweries	24,000
Frankton Junction Club	48,000
National Bank Term Loan 1001	515,163
National Bank Term Loan 1003	786,014
National Bank Term Loan 1004	-
National Bank Term Loan 1005	-
<b>Total Term Loans</b>	<b>3,273,299</b>
Hire Purchase	
Loan - Equipment Finance Ltd	16,186
Less Interest Not Due	633
<b>Total Hire Purchase</b>	<b>15,553</b>
<b>Total Secured Term Loans</b>	<b>3,288,852</b>
Less Current Portion	154,963
<b>Total Non Current Secured Loans</b>	<b>3,133,889</b>



## Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

### Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

#### For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

##### 11 Contingent Liabilities

The Club has no contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2010, (2009 Nil).

##### 12 Capital Commitments

The Club has no capital commitments as at 31 March 2010, (2009 Nil).

##### 13 Frankton Junction Bowling Club

The sale and purchase transferring ownership of Frankton Junction Bowling Clubhouse and property was completed in 2002. The loan associated with this purchase is being forgiven annually.

##### 14 Term Liabilities

The club has granted a registered first mortgage in favour of the National Bank of New Zealand over its land and buildings. As at balance date borrowings in respect of this liability totalled \$47,845.

The club has granted a registered first mortgage in favour of the National Bank of New Zealand over the property at 25 Commerce Street, Hamilton and 26 King Street, Hamilton. As at balance date the borrowings in respect of this liability totalled \$475,370, \$725,552, \$1,256,817 and \$502,726 respectively.

The current portion of term liabilities relates to principal that is to be repaid within the next financial year.

The National Bank line of credit is repayable on demand, however, it is not anticipated that the loan will be repaid in the next year. Interest is reviewed every 90 days - finance rate plus margin of 1.75%.

Frankton Junction Bowling Club liability is being forgiven at \$27,000 per annum. The NZ Breweries marketing loan is repayable over 4 years. The club has granted a General Security Deed to NZ Breweries and a Deed of Priority listing as NZ Breweries as second secured creditor.

##### 15 Financial Instruments

Financial instruments which potentially subject the entity to credit risk consist of bank balances.

The carrying value of financial instruments as stated at 31 March 2010 is a reasonable estimate of fair value. There are no off-balance sheet financial instruments.



# Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc)

## Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2010 (continued)

### 16 Reconciliation of (Deficit)/Surplus to Net Cashflow From Operating Activities

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
Net Operating Surplus (Deficit)	60,952	(23,374)
Less Non Cash Income		
Depreciation recovered	-	17,596
Gifts ex FJBC	27,000	27,000
Add Non Cash Expenses		
Depreciation	463,944	440,934
Loss on sale of assets	4,348	27,513
	<u>502,244</u>	<u>400,477</u>
Change in Working Capital		
(Increase) decrease in prepayments	(20,733)	79,318
(Increase) decrease in trade and GST accounts receivable	(9,091)	8,325
(Increase) decrease in stock	5,789	(13,594)
Increase (decrease) in subscriptions in advance	(24,479)	4,095
Increase (decrease) in trade and GST accounts payable	25,753	(23,871)
Increase (decrease) in holiday pay accrual	(8,219)	42,145
Increase (decrease) in income in advance	(8,612)	(8,612)
Increase (decrease) in key deposits - snooker	-	250
	<u>(39,592)</u>	<u>105,280</u>
Net Cash Inflow(Outflow) from Operating Activities	<u>462,652</u>	<u>505,757</u>

### 17 HWMC Subsections

The following balances represent funds held in Hamilton Workingmen's Club subsections accounts as at 31 March 2010. These balances are not included in the club's financial statements as they are controlled by the individual subsections.

	2010	2009
	\$	\$
HWMC Raffles	7,631	6,073
FJBC Centennial Funds	9,000	4,500
Fishing	2,526	21,125
Sixty Plus	8,957	14,837
Outdoor Bowls	10,524	7,041
Indoor Bowls	20,321	12,627
Snooker	13,260	12,693
Golf	27,826	6,797
8 Ball	12,647	11,784
Gun	2,190	2,952
Darts	12,122	4,508
Cards	4,895	13,883
Staff Social	5,116	5,311
Cricket	4,490	5,030
FJBC	26,049	16,542
Total Funds Held for the Year	<u>167,554</u>	<u>145,704</u>

These subsections are related parties of the Hamilton Workingmen's Club (Inc).



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