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## QUEENSTOWN BOWLING CLUB NEWSLETTER.

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### Presidents Spot

With Easter fast approaching and the leaves on trees starting to change colour we are looking towards the end of another very good bowling season .

The lady members again to the fore . The men's Wednesday pennants look like they could pull of a win for the season, but we still have some games to play, so let's keep up the pressure.

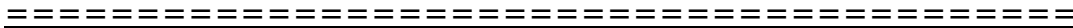
As convenor also for the Wednesday tournament there is a always a problem to field two teams, and I feel I have to twist arms to fill places . This is probably due to falling member numbers etc. The club is at the stage where it must must seriously decide wether to only have one team in next year for this fortnightly tournament or struggle like we have.

More importantly if we decide to have only one team other clubs will grab this vacancy quickly and we will not get back in .

Your club has had the pleasure of nominating Margaret O'Connor for the prestigious Central Sports Person Of The year 2016 this year ,and as you know Margret has taken the level of bowls in Central Otago to a new level . Good luck Margaret !

Colin Cassels

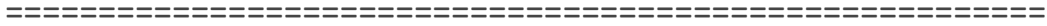
President



### **DATES FOR THE DIARY...**

**THURSDAY 28 APRIL - AWARDS NIGHT AND TEA**

**SUNDAY 29 MAY @ 2PM - AGM**



**bits and bobs from last board meeting -**

Shade structure all painted and ready for the shade sail to be fitted soon, well done Wayne D and helpers - great job.

DLE advertising flyer approved and now printed and available in the club rooms to be given to anyone keen on playing.

Sponsorship - scoreboard advertisers - we have a few new sponsors for the scoreboards, Harcourts and NZ Rent a car with Firth concreting in the process of being printed. We still have a couple of spots available if anyone nows anyone keen on advertising here.

Discussion to be held with the men to see if keen in changing to Navy shorts. Ladies already have this option. If this is decided all players in the team must be in the same colour, likewise the same club shirt must be won by all the team.



**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE.....**

**SUNDAY CLOTHES**

A little boy was walking down a dirt road after church one Sunday afternoon when he came to a crossroads where he met a little girl coming from the other direction.

'Hello,' said the little boy 'Hi,' replied the little girl.

'Where are you going?' asked the little boy.

'I've been to church this morning and I'm on my way home,' answered the little girl.

'I'm also on my way home from church. Which church do you go to?' asked the little boy. 'I go to the Baptist church back down the road,' replied the little girl. 'What about you?'

'I go to the Methodist church back at the top of the hill,' replied the little boy.

They discover that they are both going the same way so they decided that they'd walk together.

They came to a low spot in the road where spring rains had partially flooded the road, so there was no way that they could get across to the other side without getting wet. 'If I get my new Sunday dress wet, my Mom's going to skin me alive,' said the little girl.

'My Mom'll tan my hide, too, if I get my new Sunday suit wet,' replied the little boy.

'I'll tell you what I think I'll do,' said the little girl. 'I'm gonna pull off all my clothes and hold them over my head and wade across.'

'That's a good idea,' replied the little boy. 'I'm going to do the same thing with my suit.'

So they both undressed and waded across to the other side without getting their clothes wet.

They were standing there in the sun waiting to drip dry before putting their clothes back on, when the little boy finally remarked:

'You know, I never realized before just how much difference there really is between a Baptist and a Methodist?'

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**Subject: Interesting fact about Manure**

In the 16th and 17th centuries, everything had to be transported by ship and it was also before the invention of commercial fertilizers, so large shipments of manure were quite common.

It was shipped dry, because in dry form it weighed a lot less than when wet, but once water (at sea) hit it, not only did it become heavier, but the process of fermentation began again, of which a by product is methane gas of course..

As the stuff was stored below decks in bundles you can see what could (and did) happen.

Methane began to build up below decks and the first time someone came below at night with a lantern, BOOOOM!

Several ships were destroyed in this manner before it was determined just what was happening..

After that, the bundles of manure were always stamped with the instruction ' Stow high in transit ' on them, which meant for the sailors to stow it high enough off the lower decks so that any water that came into the hold would not touch this volatile cargo and start the production of methane.

Thus evolved the term ' S.H.I.T ' , (Stow High In Transit) which has come down through the centuries and is in use to this very day.

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**GOOD BOWLING ALL**