

Levin Cosmopolitan Club Inc

November 2021 Newsletter

Hi there everyone,

The year that it has been is almost over and for some of us, probably not soon enough! However we all must be strong and positive and, at the Club, our wonderful staff have and continue to stand up and confront the challenges. Our furniture, tables, chairs, leaners, pool tables have been moved so many times so to accommodate the ever changing Covid rules just to enable members to continue to enjoy our facilities. For example holding an 8 Ball tournament with social distancing, players masked and no food or drinks, and an excellent afternoon at the Melbourne Cup Races and Fashion in the Field contest is evidence of a very strong Club spirit. Well done everyone and thanks to Bruce and team for giving us these opportunities to remain normal (well almost!).

Included in this newsletter is an update from Clubs New Zealand for everyone's general information. It touches on what Club life might be like going forward - nothing has yet been agreed to at the board table as the Committee also have to digest and adopt whatever is best for us, that is, if we have that choice! Watch this space.

Christmas parties and year end work break up bookings feature in our Restaurant/BBQ picnic areas and some dates are still available, just don't delay making that booking now so to get the date that works for you.

Sadly our members children/grandchildren Christmas Party has had to be cancelled - Covid!!

Also remember, charity does start at home. If you have a small non-perishable food donation for our annual Members Christmas Foodbank Appeal it will be much appreciated. Table by the snack bar area.

Best wishes to all. Enjoy this newsletter.



FROM CLUBS NEW ZEALAND



COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR CLUBS > COVID-19 PROTECTION FRAMEWORK

Covid-19 Protection Framework

The below information is based off information currently available and is subject to change. We recommend that club utilise this information to prepare for the move to the protection framework and to inform discussions, however, when a move to the framework is announced clubs will need to check back for any changes that may be implemented.

On the 22nd October 2021 the Government announced the new Covid Protection Framework (traffic light system) that aims to give us greater freedoms, less disruption and more stability to get on and run our clubs.

The framework will use a flexible 3-level approach for managing covid within the community:

- **Green** is when there are some COVID-19 cases in the community, and sporadic imported cases. Community transmission will be limited and COVID-19 hospitalisations will be at a manageable level. The health system will be ready to respond, including primary care, public health, and hospitals.
- **Orange**, there will be increasing community transmission that is putting pressure on our health system. The whole of health system will focus its resources, but can continue to manage primary care, public health, and hospitals. There may also be an increasing risk for at-risk people.
- **Red**, action will need to be taken to protect both at-risk people and protect our health system from an unsustainable number of hospitalisations.

[You can download a copy of the framework overview here](#)

When will we move to the new framework?

The framework will take effect once 90% of eligible New Zealanders are vaccinated. During the announcement of the framework it was confirmed that

- Auckland will move into the Red setting as soon as all three of the Auckland DHBs hit the 90% double vaccination target.
- For the rest of the country it is anticipated that we will move collectively, together, into the orange setting once every DHB hits the 90% double vaccination target.

Cabinet will review progress on Monday 29th November to see where vaccination rates are at and whether anything needs to change.

Vaccine Certificate Requirement

From late November 2021, everyone in New Zealand will be able to access a digital vaccination certificate issued by the Ministry of Health. This will include a QR code, which you can print or save to your phone.

Higher risk businesses (which is the category clubs fall into) will be able to choose to use the vaccine certificate requirements in order to operate with no restrictions at the green or orange settings and with fewer restrictions at the red setting.

Businesses, events, organisations, community, and a range of sectors may legally choose to implement a vaccination entry requirement for customers.

If a business, organisation or service does not wish to request proof of vaccine, they will have to operate with strict limits on capacity and space requirements. They may need to close in **Orange** and/or **Red** levels.

More information on how the vaccine certificates will work is yet to come. What we do know is that people will be provided with a copy of their vaccine certificate either digitally or on paper and this will need to be presented at the door of the business. The business will have access to a free app or can use integrated software to scan the vaccine certificate and confirm that it is legitimate.

Exemptions

Children under the age of 12 will not be required to show proof of vaccination.

There will be an exemption process to get certification for the small number of people who are unable to get a vaccination for medical reasons.

What will each level mean for clubs?

Green

- There will be no limits if vaccination certificates are used
- Where no vaccination certificate is used you will be limited to 100 people, 1 metre distancing, seated and separated.

Orange

- There will be no limits if vaccination certificates are used
- Where no vaccination certificate is used it will be contactless only, clubs will be unable to open

Red

- Where vaccine certificates are used you will be able to open up to 100 people based on 1 metre distancing

FROM CLUBS NEW ZEALAND Cont:

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Mandatory Vaccinations for Employees

All workers at businesses where customers need to show COVID-19 Vaccination Certificates, such as hospitality and close contact businesses, will need to be vaccinated.

It is anticipated that this mandate will come into force when we move into the new Covid-19 Protection Framework.

A law change will be introduced to support this mandate. This law change will require a minimum of four-weeks paid notice for non-vaccinated employees, once the notice period begins the employee will have that amount of time to get vaccinated. If at the end of the notice period, they are still not vaccinated their employment can be terminated. It is important to stress that other aspects of employment law will not change, and employers and employees will continue to both need to act in good faith.

The law change will also require employers to provide paid time off for workers to get vaccinated and keep records about workers' vaccination status.

We suggest that clubs start engaging with employees where you can and if you do have employees that are hesitant, ask how you could support them. This may be assisting with time off to get the vaccine, transport, or arranging for a qualified person to come into the club to talk to your employees and discuss their concerns.

You are able to ask an employee about their vaccination status, but they are not currently obligated to answer.

Clubs should not currently be discussing termination based on vaccination status, you must wait until the law change has been finalised and the process confirmed.



MEDIA RELEASE: GETTING BACK TO DOING WHAT WE LOVE

2nd November 2021

The Covid Protection Framework announced on the 22nd of October, will give the club industry the certainty it needs to get back to doing what we love, without the need for snap lockdowns, says Clubs New Zealand.

“Once the framework is in place Clubs New Zealand will encourage all Clubs New Zealand member clubs to use the vaccine certificate requirements so that they can operate at the green and orange levels without restriction”, says Chief Executive Larry Graham.

“The Clubs New Zealand Board have agreed that best way forward for our clubs is the use of vaccine certificates, this will allow club activities to resume and most importantly it will help to protect the most vulnerable within our club and wider communities.”

“The use of vaccine certificates will likely also extend to Clubs New Zealand events and sporting tournaments.”

“The Board acknowledge that for some clubs there will be a high price to pay in order to get back to doing what we love. Some members who do not wish to be vaccinated will no longer be able to use the club and the vaccine mandate will apply to club staff.”

“There is a lot of detail yet to be announced and we still need to ensure that the framework will provide the legal protection as intended, however, Clubs New Zealand are cautiously optimistic that this framework will see the club community back in action for summer.”

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LEVIN COSMOPOLITAN CLUB INC.

Pending Vaccination Legislation

The following is for the information of Levin Cosmopolitan Club members in regard to the pending vaccination requirements under the "Traffic Light" Covid system.

The Executive Committee has voted unanimously to designate the Levin Cosmopolitan Club as a Vaccination Certificate venue.

The Committee of the Levin Cosmopolitan Club has the power to make By-Laws.

The Committee has an obligation, responsibility and duty to provide for the welfare and best interests of all of its members. Sometimes there can be a conflict as to what is in "the best interests" of its members as some members may not perceive that the By-Laws are in their best interests.

There can also be a conflict between what is perceived as in the members best interests and the rights of an individual under the Privacy Act 1993 and the rights of an individual under the NZ Bill Of Right Act 1990. In particular an individual has the right to refrain from seeking medical treatment (and to be vaccinated).

We live in difficult and uncertain times with Covid-19. As a society we have probably not encountered an analogous event since the Flu Epidemic in 1918.

The Committee must respond to act in the members best interests even if that does not, and cannot be, in all the members' interests. The Committee has decided that as a condition of entry into the Club and surrounds (including the carpark) all members and guests must be double vaccinated and provide evidence of a current vaccination certificate.

The committee believes the imposition of this condition is fair and responsible in the circumstances of the current pandemic which is designed to protect both fellow members and staff alike.

The Committee believes that giving reasonable notice to members as to when this condition will come into force gives members the opportunity to vaccinate and continue to enjoy the company of fellow members and participate in the activities of the Club. The new entry rules will come into force when the government announces the change to the traffic light system or when legislation requires vaccination as a requirement of entry.

Members who do not wish to become vaccinated will have their entry rights to the entire Club property suspended until further notice. Should a member wish to resign from the Club due to their decision not to vaccinate the balance of their membership fee will be refunded to them.

Should a member not be able to be vaccinated due to medical grounds they must produce a government mandated Vaccination exemption or, in the absence of any official document being available, two medical certificates will need to be submitted to the Committee for consideration of an exemption to allow them to enter the Club while unvaccinated. If the Committee approves and grants an exemption the member will be required to wear a mask at all times while anywhere on the Club property.

The Committee will promulgate By-Laws to confirm the above stance.

The By-Laws will be subject to any legislation or Order made by the New Zealand Government. If at any stage the By-Laws conflict with any legislation or Order made by the Government the By-Laws will be subservient to the legislation or Order.

The Committee has the power to amend or suspend its By-Laws at any time taking into account the best interests of the Club's members and any new, or change in, legislation.

The By-Laws will confirm the position regarding allowing only vaccinated members into the Club. There will be an obligation on any non-vaccinated member or guest not to enter the Club. The By-Laws will specify how the Club will enforce compliance with the obligation. The By-Laws will set out what sanctions may be imposed should a member and/or guest infringe or attempt to infringe the By-Laws.

We understand that this may be controversial to a small number of Members however it is necessary to ensure the health and wellbeing of the Club Members and Staff.



Bruce McCarrison
Club President



John Beattie
Club Vice President

Melbourne Cup:



Covid-19

When entering the Club we ask you all to either scan in with our QR code or sign in using the sign-in slips (**please complete all details on these slips, including the date and time of your arrival**).

We thank you in advance for your co-operation and hope we can all be back to some normality as soon as possible.

Please remember to wear your mask.

Have you been vaccinated?

This may become mandatory to enter the Club!!



Staff Changes

We've had to say goodbye to the following staff, after many years of fabulous service they have left or are leaving to either try other things or retire.

We'll miss you heaps, best of luck in your new endeavours.



Krishla



Julie



Liz

Outdoor Bowls Adjunct

The outdoor bowls in Hamilton was cancelled due to Covid but we will be wanting assistance with next year's tournament which Levin is hosting in November 2022.

Thanks

Viv Hudson



Open Cue Sports Adjunct

News:

Pool activities at the club during November 2021:

Business House League 2021 Prizegiving & Windup

On Thursday evening 4th November 2021 we wound up the Business House League for 2021. Thank you to all the team representatives for attending and joining in the fun night. Dave Morris hosted the formal prize-giving.

Congratulations to all the Teams we look forward to seeing you all in next year's competition.

Winning team Tararua Yarns accepting their trophies. (Woody, Craig, AL, Steve and Phil)



2nd Place team Agon Dray proudly holding their Trophy (Dave, Terry at back, Warren, Stan and Ian)



LCC Open Cue Sports Adjunct cont:

Thursday 11th November 2021

Greg Canty Trophy - Open 9-Ball Singles

There was a field of 20 eager 9-Ball players for this Trophy with some who had never played 9-Ball before. Five rounds of one frame knock out games were played until we reached the top 8 players. A further 1 frame knock out was played to get the final 3 for our top eight as we had 8 players all on the same points.

Final top eight qualifiers:

Tom Pulman on highest points won all his games.

Phil Bucknall, Les Taylor, Colin De Cleene and Saiju Thomas next highest points and after the knock outs Harvie Graham, Knox and Julie Nelson (aka Jules)

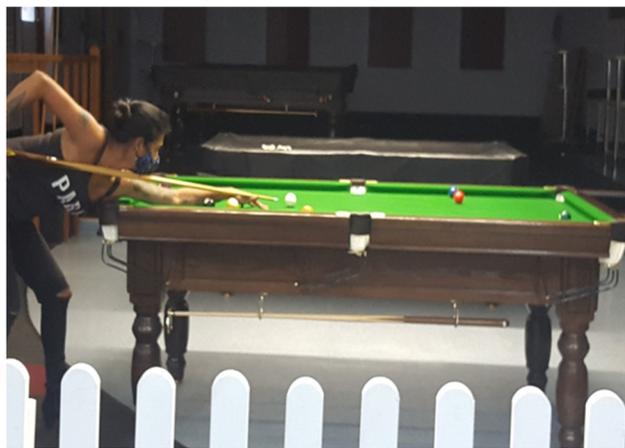
Finalists Julie Nelson & Phil Bucknall pictured below – Phil won 3 -1 against Jules who had a brilliant night's play. Phil played a strong come-back game against Jules and ended up getting the upper hand.

Congratulations to Phil the Greg Canty Trophy Winner 2021 and Jules runner up.



LCC Open Cue Sports Adjunct Cont:

Phil and Jules below displaying our COVID-19 playing restrictions admirably. Please remember to follow the rules as this enables us to be able to play and keeps everyone in the club safe.



Thursday 18th November 2021 Vice Presidents Trophy - Singles

A great evening of pool was had with a field of 26 players for the Vice Presidents Trophy. A big thank you to all those players taking time to enter this event. We had five rounds of single framers to find our top 16. Our favourites Knox and Steve both winning all their games. Closely followed by Taxi Tom, Ken, T-Bone, Phil, Les Zach, Scott (aka Boggie), Ged, Tom P, Craig, Hayden, Perryenne and Harvie all battling it out with knock outs until the semi-finalists Boggie vs T-Bone, Tom P vs Harvie Graham. Finals played by Boggie & Harvie- final score in the race to two was Boggie 2 and Harvie 1.



Congratulations Boggie (Scott McLeod) winner of the Vice Presidents Trophy.

LCC Open Cue Sports Adjunct Cont:

Pool Activities for you to book your calendar's

28th Nov Sunday Maurie Bang Cup - Mixed Pairs Games being 10am

Remember to put your names on the list on the 8 Ball Noticeboard for the Maurie Bang Cup

9th Dec Thursday End of year Adjunct Prizegiving and wind up 7pm

Requests for refunds from the cancelled NVS Tournament in September 2021.

There are still a number of people that have not requested a refund. Please email either Julie at jagillatt@gmail.com or Chris at chrisguinan59@gmail.com include the names of the people the refund is for and the bank account number for the deposit.

We will be closing this off on the 31st December 2021.

Keep up to date with what's happening:

Club adjunct information can be found here:

Check out our Facebook page. When you visit the club check out the Notice Board located beside Pool Table 1 for dates and detailed information about funding applications for adjunct members, up and coming Tournaments at other clubs around the country and our own club tournaments.

Please note that Adjunct funding is only available if you have been an adjunct member continuously for 12 months or longer.

Levin Cossie Tournaments for adjunct and club members, a list will be posted on the notice board for you to add your name, this is so we can be prepared ahead of time and ready to start on time. If for some unknown reason you can't make a tournament that you have put your name down for, please let us know the day before if possible.

Stay safe and look after yourself and family.

Julie
Secretary
Levin Open Cue Sports Adjunct

Seniors Adjunct:

The AGM was held recently after an earlier postponement because of Covid Alert Levels. Elected onto the Committee were:

John Beattie	President
Irene Good	Secretary
Joe Havill	Treasurer

Vacancies exist for up to four committee members to help out please - generally to share the workload and ideas for outward trips and how best to look after adjunct members with the help of the surplus money in the Bank! Any adjunct member can be co-opted so please talk to John Beattie in this respect.

A Special General Meeting will be held near to the end of January 2022 to map out our way forward.

Adjunct Christmas lunch this year is just \$10.00 per head and includes a complimentary drink too. Become a member of the Adjunct and join us on Wednesday 8th December at 12 noon.

Merry Christmas Everyone
John, Irene, Joe

Seniors Adjunct Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 8th December

12noon

Menu:

Hot Glazed Ham

Roast Veges

Christmas Pudding



Members Price \$10.00 - Payment to Irene, must be by 30th November

Also includes Complimentary Christmas Drink

Courtesy Van available for pickup from 11am - bookings by 6 December please

Get your friends to join up too.

Come along, Be Happy, Ho Ho Ho !!



Golf Adjunct

Our last match was on Sunday 5th November at Levin Golf Club:

Results:	Stableford Points
Phil Fryer	41
John Saulbrey	39
Gavin Jones	36
Rod Batchelar	35
Mark Valance	32
Bruce Kerse	24



Very good scoring.

Our final match of the year is to be held at Levin Golf Club on Sunday 12th December - be there by 10.30am for 11am tee off.

Several 1/2 hams for prizes.

Look forward to seeing you on 12th.

Bruce Kerse
Secretary
06 367 2116

Remembrance

It is with great sadness that we farewell the following member:

Boy Cornell

Member since August 2005



Our thoughts and condolences go out to his family and friends.

Find us on Facebook and become our friend

<https://www.facebook.com/cossie.club.566>



Fishing Adjunct

The adjunct has been lucky with the weather of late with 2 trips since the last newsletter.

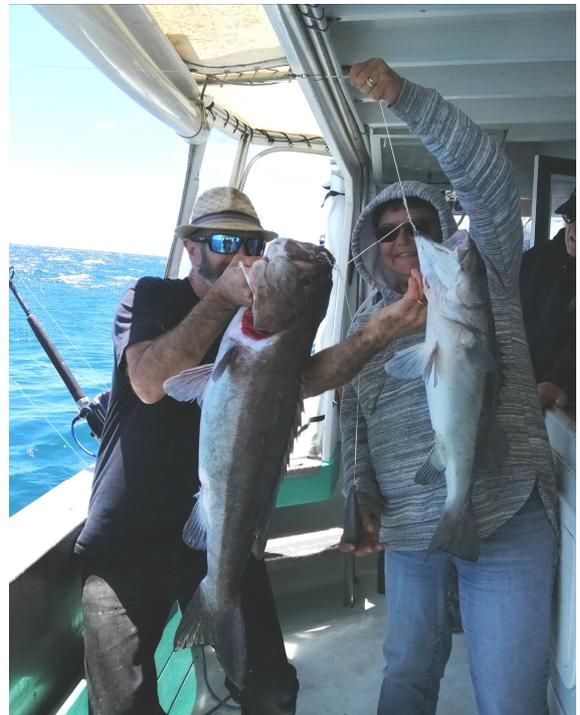
A good amount of fish was caught on both these trips and with good company and fine weather everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A few photos of our trip on 23 November are included with this report.

We have set up a Facebook group for the adjunct – if you are interested in joining the group search “Levin Cossie Fishing Adjunct” and you will be able to keep up to date with upcoming trips and other news.

Please note – if you are interested in joining us on any of our trips, you need to contact Bob Bell on 0274428188 at least 3 weeks prior to the trip.



*Deb Howell
with her double
hook Hapuka
catch*



Royce Nordlof with his Hapuka



“Crew” ready for departure

Fishing Adjunct cont:

Levin Cosmopolitan Club Inc

Fishing Adjunct



Upcoming Fishing Charters:

27 January 2022

17 February 2022

22 March 2022

Depart Mana Marina 7.00am, return approx. 4.00pm

Contact Bob Bell 0274 428 188 for details

See adjunct noticeboard for more information or to register

Thank You Received:

Visit to Club - Tuesday, 9 November 2021

Just a note to thank you all for looking after us Probus Club members so well when we called on Tuesday to wait for the traffic accident to clear. The help of all the staff members was greatly appreciated. The Club visit was a great end to an enjoyable club outing

Adrienne and John Wise



Upcoming Events: (All Subject to Covid Level)

Wednesday 8th December

Seniors Adjunct Christmas Lunch 12pm



Christmas Events

Please book early if you're wanting to organise your Christmas event, work do or get together, as the choice of dates is filling up fast.

Please contact Lisa (Bar Manager) to organise your event now.

www.rawmuscle.com.au



Sorry - Cancelled !!
Kids Xmas Party
Sunday 5th December