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## **BOWLERS FROM EVERY CORNER OF THE COMMONWEALTH COMING TO AUCKLAND**

Pins Lincoln Road in the harbour-side city of Auckland is preparing to host one of the highlight events on tenpin bowling's international sporting calendar. Commencing on Sunday 24 February, bowlers from every corner of the Commonwealth will compete at the VI Commonwealth Tenpin Bowling Championship for Gold, Silver and Bronze medals featuring the famous CGF bar merged with the Championship logo.

The week-long program of Singles, Doubles and Teams competition will culminate on the weekend of Saturday/Sunday 2-3 March with the Masters event that showcases the top 12 male and female bowlers in a head to head format that will determine the individual champions.

The CTBF perpetual Triple Diamond Trophy, representing the three international zones of the sport of bowling, will also be awarded to the highest scoring team overall. The highly coveted Trophy, is currently held by Malaysia.

"We look forward to welcoming teams representing Pakistan and Mauritius for the first time since our inaugural Commonwealth Championship in 2002," said CTBF President Julian Pace-Bonello today. "It will be an excellent opportunity for players from these regions to hone their skills and benefit from competing with nations like Australia, Malaysia, England, India and my home country of Malta that have competed in all five of the previous biennial Championships," he continued.

"Our CTBF Championships reflect the ideals of the Commonwealth Games Federation as a friendly but highly competitive tournament with no discrimination by age, race or gender," he added.

Further details can be found on the official Championship website – [www.ctbc2013.org](http://www.ctbc2013.org).

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High resolution images of the VI CTBC logo, medals or generic bowling images are available on request

