The Vera and Pat Kelly Shield

On 9th March 1976 Vera Kelly presented the Pat and Vera Kelly Shield to Munmorah Women’s Bowling Club to be used as a Friendship Shield to be played between another Club and Munmorah WBC. It was left to the Executives to decide which Club to invite to play against us and Halekulani WBC accepted the invitation.

As Munmorah WBC had only been affiliated in February 1971 the members were all comparatively new bowlers. Conditions were drawn up and as far as I (Audrey Makoric) can remember the competition was limited to Grade 4 or lower players.

The first competition was played on 28th June 1976.

In March or April 1988 a meeting was held between Halekulani and Munmorah to draw up new Conditions of Play. These conditions were:

To be run like Pennants, with 3 teams restricted to Grade 4 Pennant Players, with one under 3 year player in each team and one team of Officials (unrestricted).

We have now played 22 times for the Shield with Halekulani having 12 wins and Munmorah having 10 wins.