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Welcome

Welcome to the September edition of Bowls Buzz which highlights the amazing stories from around NSW.

The State Championships played at Ettalong Memorial from 20 to 29 of September was an amazing success.

Our live streaming coverage of the event was very well received -

Overall, we had over 1.2 million minutes of the videos viewed on Facebook and over 25,600 people watched the pairs semi-finals!

All the live stream videos are still available to watch via our Facebook page.

Bowls NSW thanks the Board, staff and volunteers for a massive effort over 10 days and helping the 2019 NSW State Championships to be a roaring success.

For more information on State events please call the Bowls NSW office on 02 9283 4555 or go online to our website www.bowlsnsw.com.au.



Bowls NSW – Open Gender Registrations



Oak Flats - 2018 Mixed Bronze Club Challenge Champions

The Bowls NSW Board of Directors has resolved that effective 1st October 2019, the requirement to be male in gender to register with Bowls NSW under the Bowls NSW Constitution and Regulations will be removed.

The removal of gender restriction will allow member clubs and affiliated sub-clubs to register persons of any gender as an individual member or Registered Player with Bowls NSW and allow them to compete in Association events.

In 2020, Bowls NSW Association events will be played as open gender, allowing all eligible registered players to enter and compete.

FAQs

Why is Bowls NSW opening its membership?

It is a key objective of Bowls NSW to grow the sport and to act in the best interests of the sport.

Which Bowls NSW events will become open gender?

In 2020, all Bowls NSW Association events will become 'open gender' meaning that any person is able to enter and compete in events (that they are eligible to enter) regardless of gender.

2019 State Championships

Will female bowlers registered with Bowls NSW still be able to play in Women's Bowls NSW events?

Bowls NSW encourages female bowlers to continue to register and compete in Women's Bowls NSW events where possible in 2020, particularly in pathway events and representative events which will not be offered by Bowls NSW as single gender events.

Will female bowlers be eligible to be selected in representative sides?

As registered members of Bowls NSW, registered female members are eligible to be selected in any Bowls NSW representative side where they meet the selection criteria.

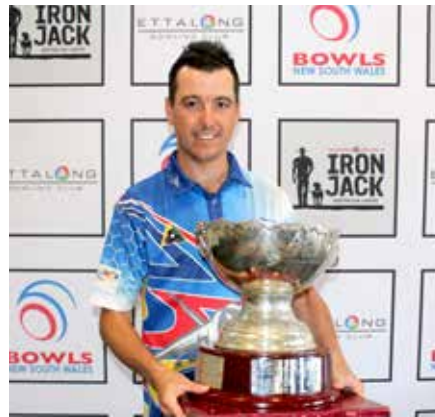
Bowls NSW however, will not be offering a separate female only representative pathway at interzone or interstate level in 2020.

What happens next?

Clubs will be able to submit Application for Registration forms for all genders from 1st October 2019

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please go to the
Bowls NSW website**

www.bowlsnsw.com.au



*State Singles Champion
Matt Baus of Raymond Terrace*

Matthew Baus of Raymond Terrace is the 2019 NSW State Singles Champion after a dominant performance in the final at Ettalong Bowling Club.

Baus played fantastic bowls and never let David Ferguson (Engadine) settle into a rhythm, dominating the scoring to run away with the final 31-10.

Baus becomes the first player to have won the trio of NSW State Junior Singles, NSW Champion of Club Champions Singles and NSW State Singles Championship.

The Runner-Up badge was Ferguson's second in three years and the third in a row for Engadine after Ferguson was a finalist in 2017 and Mason Lewis was Runner-up in 2018.

Baus wins 2019 NSW State Singles

The NSW State Senior Singles trophy went to another Newcastle District player after Jack Littlewood got the better of John Roberts from host club Ettalong. Littlewood started strongly before Roberts ignited the hopes of the home fans with a spirited fightback. Littlewood recovered however and powered home to record a 31-18 victory.

Matt Hooker (Austral) got off to a slow start in the final of the State President's Reserve Singles, trailing Geoff Grover (Tigers Five Dock) 0-10. Hooker clawed back to even terms at 19-19 only to see Grover again go ahead 25-19. Hooker then went into overdrive, dominating the closing ends to take the championship with a 31-26 victory.



*Senior Singles Champion
Jack Littlewood of Valentine*



*State President Reserves Singles Champion
Matt Hooker of Austral*



Photos from the State Championships



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2019 State Championships

Cannons defeat Lions in Pairs Final

Aaron Appleby and Nathan Dawson of the Kurri Kurri Cannons are the 2019 NSW State Pairs Champions, claiming victory over Mt Lewis Lions pair Ben Glasson and Nathan Wise in the final at Ettalong.

In the State Senior Pairs Westport's Colin Baldwin and Peter Stockham claimed victory over Michael Beesley and Michael Brown of Beresfield. The Westport lads edged ahead in the middle stages of the final and then maintained control over the lead to take the final 21-13. Baldwin went one better than his performance in the State Senior Triples, where he finished as runner-up just a few days earlier.

In the final of the State President's Reserve Pairs Rick Staats and Warren Hopley from Mounties (Mt Pritchard) forged ahead in the opening stages before a spirited fightback from Matt Fyfe and Graham Hill of Lake Cargelligo saw them fight back to within just two shots. A count of 4 to the Mounties combination blew the difference out to 6 with one end left to play. The task however was too great for the South Western NSW players to overcome and Mounties claimed the Championship with a 20-13 victory.

For the full wrap up go online to bowlsnsw.com.au or our [Bowls NSW Facebook Page](#)



Open Pairs Champions - Aaron Appleby and Nathan Dawson of Kurri Kurri



Senior Pairs Champions - Colin Baldwin and Peter Stockham of Westport



State President's Reserve Pairs Rick Staats & Warren Hopley from Mounties

2019 State Championships



Open Triples Champions - Josh Berry, Chris Herden and Ben Twist of St Johns Park

Triples Champions Crowned

Quirindi's Scott Ryman, Lindsay Bowne and Jason Heaver eased into the lead over the opening ends, leading 14-7 after 8 ends. From there on the Cabra Vale Diggers team of Paul Crossan, Ian Norman and Troy Allard fought hard to stay in touch with Quirindi, gradually closing the gap to trail 22-20 after 21 ends.

A fantastic conversion shot on the 22nd end by Heaver saw Quirindi lead 24-22 with 3 ends to play. Cabra Vale Diggers then stormed back into contention with a count of 4 to level the scores with 2 to play.

Quirindi again seemed to be gaining control on the penultimate end, however Allard disturbed the jack and then out-drew Heaver to lead by a single shot with 1 to play.

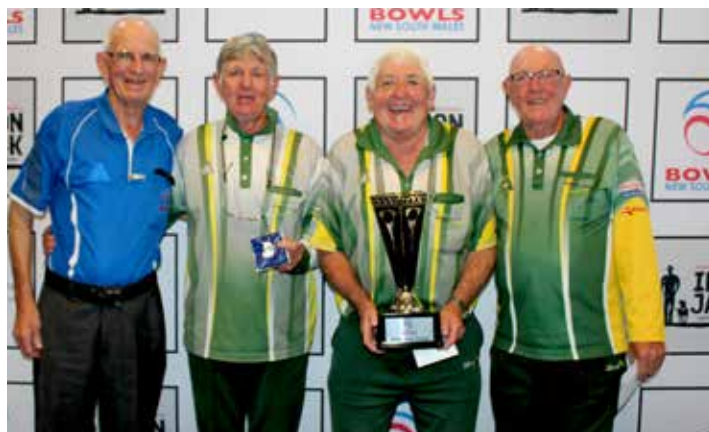
The final then came down the last bowl, with Cabra Vale Diggers holding a single shot, surrounded by Quirindi bowls, the conversion attempt just missing to leave the title to go to Cabra Vale Diggers 26-24.

The Champions in the Triples discipline have been crowned, the first State Champions determined in the NSW State Championships finals at Ettalong Bowling Club. St Johns Park, Wagga Rules and Cabra Vale Diggers Clubs claiming the honours.

In the State Triples final, the St Johns Park trio of Josh Berry, Chris Herden and Ben Twist set the early pace in the final against Corey Parker, Aaron Appleby and Nathan Dawson of Kurri Kurri. The trio from the Western Sydney club made every post a winner over the opening 14 ends, streaking out to a lead of 18-3. The Kurri combination produced a mini-fightback in the losing stages, however with the score at 24-10 after 23 ends, the result was secured and the players shook hands on St Johns Park claiming the title.

The opening stages of the State Senior Triples final saw the Westport combination of Col Baldwin, Richard Lee and Michael Brennan take the advantage. They opened the scoring against Doug Kinder, John Hetherington and Peter Rudd (Wagga Rules) with a count of 5 and then lead 9-1 after 3 ends. The Wolves (Wagga Rules) then fought back to trail 9-10 and then levelled the scores at 14 apiece after 14 ends. Westport again looked to have taken the ascendancy leading 22-15 after 19 ends. The Wagga Rules trio however again fought back to level the scores at 22-22 after 23 ends. The Wolves then closed out the final, scoring singles on both remaining ends to take the championship 24-22.

The State President's Reserve Triples final was also a nail-biting affair.



Senior Triples Champions - with Vince Beard (BNSW President) Col Baldwin, Richard Lee and Michael Brennan of Westport



State President Reserve Triples Champions - Paul Crossan, Ian Norman and Troy Allard of Cabra Vale Diggers

2019 State Championships

Cougars Claim State Fours

The 2019 NSW State Fours Champions are Engadine while the State Senior Fours Championship has been claimed by Ettalong and the State President's Reserve Fours was won by Cootamundra Ex-Services.

Craig Donaldson, Mason Lewis, Harley McDonald and David Ferguson claimed the State Fours in a gripping final, beating Greg Mallard, James Reynolds, Michael Wilks and Jay Breust of Merimbula 21-18.

The final came down the final bowls of the final end, Ferguson converting a match drawing lie to his favour and with the third last bowl of the match to swing the advantage to the Cougars.

Merimbula beat St Johns Park and Engadine accounted for Wallacia in the semi-finals.



Open Fours Champions - David Ferguson, Harley McDonald, Craig Donaldson and Mason Lewis of Engadine

State Senior Fours final saw the host club Ettalong quartet Garry Frost, Anthony Leslie, Allan Lewin and Phillip Westcott overcome a spirited effort from Ray Fitzalan, John Archer, John Finlay and Phil Gray (Bathurst City) to claim the winner's trophy.

Bathurst City had a 1-shot win over Belrose and Ettalong beat Blacktown Workers in the semi-finals.

In the State President's Reserve Fours final Jason Jones, Geoff Manwaring, Terry Smith and Rocky Ford (Cootamundra Exies) steadily built their lead throughout the match to defeated Robert Irving,

David Johnson, Col Mudie and Gary McPhee (Parkes B&SC) 19-10.

Cootamundra beat Warilla and Parkes beat Umina Beach in the semi-finals.

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Senior Fours Champions - Ettalong Memorial Garry Frost, Anthony Leslie, Allan Lewin & Phillip Westcott



State President Reserve Fours Champions - Jason Jones, Geoff Manwaring, Terry Smith & Rocky Ford of Cootamundra Exies

2019 State Championships

State Singles Championships Highlights Show On Fox Sports



Bowls NSW is excited to announce through its partnership with Power Productions a highlights programme of the State Singles Championship final played at Ettalong Memorial Club will be shown on Fox Sports.

The hour-long show will be featured on 15th October at 4:30pm and again replayed on 17th October at 9:00am, featuring the State Singles Championship final between Matthew Baus of Raymond Terrace and David Ferguson of Engadine.

With over 480 competitors playing across the week, and 16 competitors qualifying in the State Singles Championships, the final highlights the best of the individual performances from across the week.

The highlights show on Fox Sports further complements the live streaming that was completed across the full State Championships competition, which saw over 1.2 million minutes viewed on Facebook of the competition across Australia.

As Bowls NSW CEO Greg Helm quoted *"The live streaming of our State Championships and the Fox highlights show is instrumental in assisting the Association in growing the awareness of the*

sport, whilst also allowing fans across the state to actively engage in watching the Championships. The high level of engagement by fans and audiences throughout the State Championships live streaming programs shows us there is an appetite for more bowling events to be broadcast to reach a wider audience, which is an instrumental part of our future strategic plan.

We are excited to be partnering with Power Productions and having our State Singles Championship final showcased on Fox Sports".

"Fox Sports has been a big supporter of bowls, and its decision to screen a 60-minute highlights show based on the singles final will make for compelling viewing. This is a significant achievement thanks to NSW CEO Greg Helm's perseverance in getting expanded broadcasting for major events" stated Power Productions Managing Director David Tapp.

The State Championships began on Friday 20th September and concluded on Sunday 29th September at Ettalong Memorial Bowling Club.

For more information on the State Championships results, please visit the Bowls NSW website bowlsnsw.com.au and be sure to watch the Fox Sports State Singles Championship final highlights show on either:

- Tuesday 15th October
– 4:30 -5:30pm
(Fox Sports Channel 503)
- Thursday 17th October
– 9:00 -10:00am -
(Fox Sports Channel 507)
– replay.

For further information go online to the Bowls NSW Website - bowlsnsw.com.au



Blues Win Australian Schools Super Series

NSW has retained the Australian Schools Super Series shield after a quality and intense final against Queensland. NSW was represented by 15 Combined High Schools players selected from the NSWCHS Championships at Bateau Bay last month.

Playing in a 5-a-Side format on excellent greens at Tweed Heads, NSW 'Red' qualified for the Sides final against the Queensland U-18 Boys. Finding themselves 7 shots down and time running out, NSW dug deep to secure the shield on the very last bowl.

NSW had a very young and somewhat inexperienced squad, yet continually competed and defeated several U-18 Australian squad members and National Champions. The NSW 'Red' side had two students still only in Year 7.

NSW also won five medals in the individual discipline finals of the Australian Schools Super Series played at Tweed Heads. The NSW 'Blue' side collected two gold medals in the Triples and Fours, NSW 'Green' won the Fours silver medal and NSW 'Red' scored two bronze medals in the Singles and Triples.



Four NSW school players were named in the Australian Merit side selected after the event – Sam Harrison (Billabong High), Mia Hotson (Camden High), Tom Holburn (Nepean CAPA High) and James Robinson (Peak Hill Central School). A further two players were announced in the Australian emerging side – Tom Bowman (Coonabarabran High) and Britt Camp (McIntyre High).

Entries for Club Challenge Open until 5 October

Are you up to the Challenge?

The NSW Club Challenge is an inter-club competition where sides are made up of a singles player, a pairs team and triples team. There are three men's divisions, two women's divisions and two mixed divisions catering for all skill levels.

Competition begins at a local level with a round-robin competition on Saturday 9 November.

The best performed sides will go on to play off to reach the State finals series, which will be held at Warilla Bowls & Recreation Club and surrounding venues on 7 and 8 December.

Enter by 5 October, for more information go online to www.bowlsnsw.com.au



NSW Sporting Grants

Each year there are various grants provided by organisations and government departments which can provide much needed support and funds to nurture sporting talent, help build sports facilities and develop the industry as a whole.

Sport NSW monitors these available grants with the view to sharing the information with our member State Sporting Organisations, State Sporting Organisations with a Disability and Local Councils.

Stronger Communities Programme Round 4

Provides each of the 151 federal electorates with up to \$150,000 to fund small capital projects that improve local community participation and contribute to vibrant and viable communities. Closes 10 October 2019.

The full summary of all grants available throughout the year can be downloaded at

www.sportnsw.com.au/resources--reports/grants/



Officers of the Association for 2019-2020

In accordance with RNSWBA Constitution Article 11.10 (d), Matthew Goodwin (Dubbo City) was declared elected unopposed to a directors position. He will join ongoing Directors Vince Beard (The Rules Club Wagga), Paul Cousins (Maitland City), Brett Duprez (Taren Point), John Ellison (The Greens The Entrance) and Rex Johnston OAM (Tuncurry Beach). The remaining Director position will be treated as a casual vacancy. Appointed Director Jane Fernandez has indicated her need to step down from the director position effective from 31 October 2019.

At the Board meeting held on Thursday 19 September 2019, Vince Beard was re-elected as President and Matt Goodwin as Deputy President.

At the Board Meeting held on Wednesday 18 September 2019, and in accordance with RNSWBA Regulation 16.5 (d), the following appointments to Operational Committees were made:

State Match Committee

Brian Gibson – Woonona
Warren Shipley – Charlestown
Jackson Boulden – Taren Point
David Dilworth – Maitland City
John Roberts – Ettalong Memorial

State Selection Committee

Ken Oliver – Engadine
Hilton John Mobbs – Gulgong
Ken Paulsen – Port City
Paul Russell – Urunga
Frank Schocher – Cabramatta

State Umpires Committee

Joe Franklin – Greenwell Point
Geoffrey Hatch – Windsor
Milton Rigby – Charlestown
Ray Warren – Lithgow Workmen's
Harry Williams – Forster

General Services & Archival Committee

Terence Broderick – Grandviews
Gordon Petterson – Blacktown City
Ted Ryan – Kingswood
Paul Skeers – Rosehill

Club Advisory Committee

Bob Bullen – Maitland City

Junior Committee

John Rodis – West Dubbo
Female appointee – TBA
BNSW Convenor – Gary Willis

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Nominations for the 2019 Volunteer of the Year Award Now Open

Recognising the hard work, dedication and support of our amazing volunteers. The Volunteer of the Year award is our opportunity to say thank you to the endless work that every single volunteer puts into our sport.

All finalists will receive a certificate of appreciation and two complimentary tickets to the 2019 Bowls NSW Player Awards Evening.

The winner of the 2019 Volunteer of the Year Award will also receive a trophy and a \$500 travel voucher.

**Take five minutes to nominate
your local hero at**

bowlsnsw.com.au

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marketing@bowlsnsw.com.au**



Finalists will be announced in our January 2020 e-newsletter and the Volunteer of the Year Award will be presented at the annual Bowls NSW Player Awards on 13/02/2020 at the Kirribilli Club, North Sydney.



Coaching Courses

New Timetable for Bowls NSW Coaching Courses

Are you interested in becoming a coach?

Bowls NSW has released a new timetable of coaching courses to be run throughout the State.

The new timetable contains details of Club Coach, Intro Coach and Competition and Selection Module courses.

If you are interested in attending a course, search the timetable for your preferred course, time, date and location. Then get in contact with Bowls NSW for more information and enrolment.

All courses are open to male and female participants and cater to all levels of experience and ability.

For more information go to;
www.bowlsnsw.com.au/get-involved/become-a-coach/.



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