



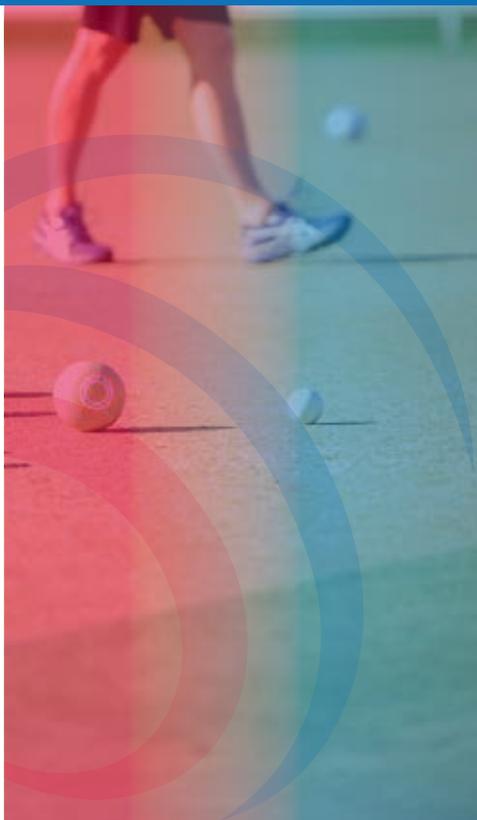
Australian Open
Winners



State Pennant
Finals Venue Showcase



Junior Bowlers
Player Profiles



Welcome

Welcome to your June issue of Bowls Buzz newsletter. With the State Pennant finals in a month's time we would like to take this opportunity to showcase the venues from all around NSW that will be hosting the finals. The venues vary from metropolitan to regional and represent the best bowling clubs NSW has to offer. If you can get to a venue during the Pennant final weekend 27 - 28 July, you will be treated to the pinnacle of bowls competition.

July also sees our junior competition with the Drakes Pride Carnival and Junior Championships taking place from the 11-13 July at Windang BC and Warilla B&RC. In this issue we have featured four of the junior bowlers who will be competing in these events. For more information on Bowls NSW events and programs please call the office on 02 9283 4555.



2019 Bowls NSW State Pennants Finals



Grade 1 - Forster

2 Strand St, Forster NSW 2428

As the State Pennant finals approach we would like to showcase the regions and clubs that will be hosting the finals. Grade 1 will be held at Forster Bowling Club. Forster Bowling Club is located in the beautiful Great Lakes area of the Mid North Coast just minutes from local lakes, beaches and shops. They are proud of their ability to provide members and guests with a premium range

of services to enjoy, whether it is a marvellous lunch or dinner experience, a cold beverage while watching the lawn bowls or football on the big screen, or placing a bet within the TAB facilities. The club has 4 high quality Tifdwarf greens which cater for the weekly 300 + social bowlers plus club and zone championships. The club also owns and operates the Forster Palms Motel located right next door to the

club as well as their very own entertainment centre consisting of Jurassic putt putt golf, tenpin bowling and laser skirmish. The club itself has two dining options including the Rinkside Café specialising in hot and cold light meals, and the all new Eastern Tiger Buffet Restaurant offering Australian inspired dishes, Regional Asian dishes and sides.

2019 Bowls NSW State Pennants Finals

Grade 2 - St Georges Basin and Huskisson

11 Paradise Beach Rd, Sanctuary Point NSW 2540

336 Huskisson Rd, Huskisson NSW 2540

St Georges Basin is packed with great entertainment, delicious food and, above all else, courteous and friendly staff.

The Club boasts a challenging 18-hole golf course, tennis courts and excellent bowling greens.

The Club has recently undergone significant renovation to provide a brand-new dining experience 'On Point Kitchen', serving up delicious dishes across a variety of cuisines. It

also features a new coffee shop/bar where you can get your caffeine and/or sweets fix as well as a wider selection of beverages.

Huskisson Bowling Club is located on the shores of Jervis Bay. Come and relax, enjoy a cool drink or enjoy their range of dining options. The Husky Sports hospitality is second to none and they look forward to hosting everyone in July.



Grade 3 - South Tamworth, West Tamworth and Kootingal

- 11 Margaret St, South Tamworth - 103B Belmore St, West Tamworth
- Limbri Rd, Kootingal



The South Tamworth Bowlo offers regular raffles, two fantastic dining options, modern facilities, first class TAB facilities, Keno lounge and bar, superb bowling greens, courtesy bus and is air conditioned. Tamworth is an easy 5 hour drive from Sydney. The Hunter Expressway enables easier travel to and from the region including a shortened 3 hour trip from Newcastle. Tamworth Regional Airport is the largest regional airport in

Australia.

South Tamworth Bowlo looks forward to welcoming you in July! West Tamworth Sports & Bowling Club are proud to be known as the "Friendly Club". Offering a range of entertainment and dining options. Kooty Bowlo is a well-loved place to bowl, relax, dine and meet up with friends. The location is ideal offering a country outlook with excellent views.

Grade 4 - Port City and Westport

4 Owen St, Port Macquarie 25 Buller St, Port Macquarie NSW 2444

Port City Bowling Club is so much more than just a club. Surrounded by some of Port Macquarie's most iconic beaches Port City overlooks both Oxley Oval and Oxley Beach and is just a short stroll to Town Beach.

Port City Bowling Club has a current membership of over 16,000. The club employs 70 staff servicing 3 bars, a 100 seat café/restaurant, a gaming room, TAB and Keno facilities. The venue also includes an outdoor kids play area and 3.5 bowling greens with lights on two

of these greens.

The Club licenses a large dining space to the Eastern Tiger Restaurant, an all you can eat buffet.

The Westport Bowling Club is known for its genuine, friendly spirit and camaraderie. The Westport Bowling Club maintains three professional greens. After play, there are fantastic dining and bar choices including Aqua, Jimmy's Bar & Lounge and Hasting Coffee Co.



2019 Bowls NSW State Pennants Finals

Grade 5 - Halekulani and The Greens The Entrance

50 Natuna Ave, Budgewoi NSW 2262

Park Road & Warrigal Street, The Entrance NSW 2261

The Grade 5 Pennants finals will be hosted on the Central Coast at Halekulani Bowling Club and The Greens, The Entrance.

Halekulani Bowling Club is nestled in the lakeside town of Budgewoi NSW and just minutes from the beaches of the Central Coast.

They are a family-friendly club close to nature walks and playgrounds. The club offers a range of cabaret shows and dining options for visitors and looks

forward to hosting competitors and the families during the Pennant finals.

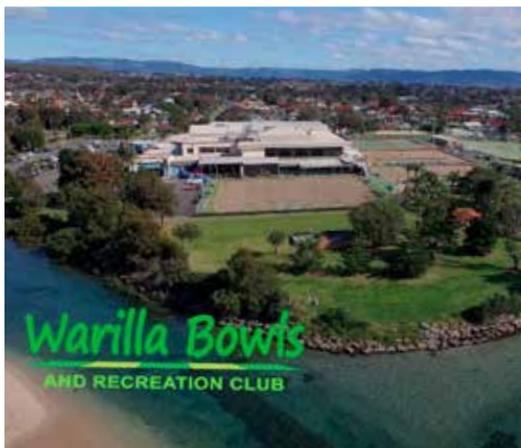
The Greens, The Entrance is located on the corner of Park Road and Warrigal Street, The Entrance. They offer a range of entertainment each week and dining options. The club has a long history with its first green officially opened in 1944. The surrounding areas offer a range of accommodation and dining options for spectators.



Grade 6 - Warilla and Kiama

Jason Ave, Barrack Heights NSW 2528

100 Shoalhaven St, Kiama NSW 2533



Warilla Bowls is home to a superb 8-rink indoor green and 4 outdoor greens. The club has recently been renovated and offers guests a range of dining options including Red Sands Bar & Grill and Cowries Café. Barrack Point Holiday Park is onsite offering a range of accommodation. Warilla Bowling Club is not a stranger to hosting large competitions and they look forward to welcoming everyone to the Grade 6 Pennant final series.

The Kiama Bowling Club has been

the Hub of Kiama for nearly a century.

Within the fabulous clubhouse The Storm Bay Bar is the complete entertainment area with a fully stocked bar, gaming facilities, darts and free pool table. The Seaview restaurant is open six days a week and with an extensive menu will always be create something special for the most discerning patron. We all know life's too short so stop in the Kiama Bowling club order the dessert, have a drink and relax in the favourite destination for many locals and travellers alike.

Grade 7 - Nelson Bay Bowling Club

Stockton St, Nelson Bay NSW 2315

Situated along the pristine waters of Port Stephens, Nelson Bay B&R Club is the perfect venue to experience all that the local region has to offer. The club has been a favourite venue amongst locals and visitors for over 50 years. Daily lunch and dinner specials at Tails Restaurant including a Sunday roast and very generous Mon-Sat lunch specials. The Club will offer live entertainment on Friday 26 July with Cotton Sax and Strings playing in the Lounge Bar and on Saturday 27 July karaoke. Three bars and two dining options combine to provide a one-stop

recreation venue.

The club has full bowling facilities and welcomes all bowlers and social players to enjoy the superior turf greens on offer. Contact the club for more details on 49 81 1272 or online at www.nelsonbaybowlingclub.com.au. Port Stephens offers guests an array of activities from water sports to bush walking to gourmet dining options. Visit portstephens.org.au or portstephens.nsw.gov.au.



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Bowls Australia 2019 Australian Open



Aron Sherriff and Ray Pearse



Aron Sherriff

BCiB Australian Jackaroo Aron Sherriff has capped off his outstanding 2019 Australian Open campaign with his third Men's Singles crown following victory over local hope, Gus Templeton.

Sherriff was at his decisive and clinical best from the outset, cruising to a 21-6 victory to secure the title, to go with his Men's Pairs title with fellow Australian, Ray Pearse. BCiB Australian Jackaroo combination Ray Pearse and Aron Sherriff tasted victory in the Men's Pairs final, winning 13-11 over the South Australian duo of Nathan Pedersen and Wayne Ruediger.

In the process, Sherriff, who also became the first person to win three Australian Open singles crowns, was also awarded Player of the Tournament seeing him pocket a total of \$17,500 for his efforts across the fortnight, (\$10,000 Singles, \$5,000 Pairs, \$2,500 Player of the Tournament).

Natasha Scott has secured her second Australian Open Singles (having previously won the title in 2016) following a comprehensive 21-12 victory over Tiffany Brodie in the final.

Story and images via Bowls Australia



Natasha Scott

For more information or to watch the live streamed matches go online to the Bowls Australia website www.bowls.com.au

NSW Junior Feature Players

Connor Freeman

"My ultimate goal in bowls is to represent Australia and also to win a number 1 state pennant flag."



How did you get into playing bowls?

Bowls runs through my family with my dad and grandparents. When I was ten my brother starting playing bowls, I wanted to be like him so I gave bowls a go and I've loved the game ever since.

How many times a week do you play or train for bowls?

I usually play or train 3 to 4 times a week.

What aspect of the sport do you enjoy the most?

I love the adrenaline of the competitive aspect of bowls but I also love the social aspect. Through bowls I've made many friendships that will last forever.

What is your greatest achievement in your bowling career to date?

I have two great achievements, the first is winning gold in the fours in 2018 at the Australian Championships and my second is winning my first ever Zone Pennant flag in 2018, which was especially special to me as my brother Lachlan was in the winning side as well, which was also his first Zone flag.

Why do you feel bowls is a great sport for other juniors to get into?

I feel bowls is a great sport for other juniors to get into because not only does bowls bring competitive gameplay, you can also create long-lasting friendships.

What has bowls taught you?

Bowls has taught me that winning isn't everything and that you can always improve something, whether it's sport or something else in life. Also to never give up on anything.

What is the hardest item to learn about playing bowls?

When I was a young fella I wanted to win everything and you don't always win. So for me the hardest thing to learn was to lose graciously.

What do you say to the people that say bowls is only for older people?

Don't knock it until you've tried it. The older bowlers can't play forever so us juniors are the future of the sport.

What is your ultimate goal for your bowling career?

My ultimate goal in bowls is to represent Australia and also to win a number 1 State Pennant flag.

What bowler do you most admire?

Matthew Baus

Which bowler would you most like to have a game with?

Alex Marshall

What tournament would you like to see run for juniors across the State?

I think a mixed junior 4-a-side competition would be good. Choose your own teams but must have a least one boy or girl in the side.

NSW Junior Feature Players

Mia Hotson

“ Playing in a team sport like this you will need a good team member who has a smile and a positive attitude. ”



How did you get into playing bowls?

When I first moved to Camden. My pop asked if I wanted to come and have a roll. I didn't think I would like it but ever since then I have loved playing

How many times a week do you play or train for bowls?

Last year I trained twice during the weekdays. On the weekend I would try to get a actual game of social in. This year I have TAFE on when I would usually train so, I now only train once a week but for a little bit longer with more drills.

What aspect of the sport do you enjoy the most?

What I enjoy the most about bowls is the social part of the sport. Every place I have gone I have always met someone. Communication is always growing.

What is your greatest achievement in your bowling career to date?

I have had many achievements in bowls but the main achievement is this year I won the CHS (Combined High Schools) Girls Singles back to back. I am the first ever girl to win back to back Singles for this sort of competition.

Why do you feel bowls is a great sport for other juniors to get into?

Lawn bowls is a great sport because you learn so many mental skills. You learn how to hold in your emotions. You learn how to cope with pressure. And you get to meet great mates that you will definitely be with in the future because bowls is a never-ending sport.

What has bowls taught you?

Bowls has taught me how become a good team member. When I first started playing bowls I was shy and I wouldn't talk. From playing many years of bowls I have learned how to openly express myself in the game. I play a lot of singles and if I can see one of my fellow teammates playing a good bowl or do anything good I will yell out "Good work." When I play any game I give the opposition a little clap when they do a good bowl. Positive attitude is everything, no matter if you are having a bad day you always play with a smile with everyone you play. It has taken me so long to

realise a smile goes a long way in the game of bowls. Playing in a team sport like this you will need a good team member who has a smile and a positive attitude.

What is the hardest item to learn about playing bowls?

The hardest item to learn in bowls would be the whole mental side of the game. The game is 20% skill and 80% mental. Your brain controls your body and every time you do a bad bowl it's not the bowl it's yourself. The bowl does whatever your arm and hand does. Your bowl has its own ark and it will not change. The hardest thing to learn is to remember the line of your bowl. Each green changes every day every second. One day you could be bowling amazingly and the next not so much but you have to learn from that.

What do you say to the people that say bowls is only for older people?

I respond with "It's not!! Half of Australia have people playing and representing either club, State or Australian level that are under the age of 30. I represent NSW for Junior Under 18's and I also represent Women's Under 25's. Honestly, no matter how old you are, you can't really hurt yourself unlike the other sports all you do is lunge and roll a ball on the ground there isn't much to it."

What is your ultimate goal for your bowling career?

To wear the green and gold uniform and have the word Jackaroo on the back of my shirt/jacket. To represent my country.

What bowler do you most admire?

Karen Murphy. Ever since Karen came out to our club at Camden and hosted one of her coaching clinics.

Which bowler would you most like to have a game with?

I have been lucky to already have had a game with her. I loved every minute of that game because during that game I was surrounded by some of the Jackaroos.

What tournament would you like to see run for juniors across the State? The BPL tournament. I love how that type of tournament is played and it would be a great challenge for everyone including the State players.

NSW Junior Feature Players

Jordan Thompson

“Bowls is a growing sport where juniors are able to play and compete at very high levels, juniors are the only way the sport can go forward”



How did you get into playing bowls?

I got into bowls because my brother started playing. He managed to get my parents into bowls as well. After 6 months or so they finally convinced me to go down and have a roll with them. Since then I've never turned back.

How many times a week do you play or train for bowls?

Each week I try to go down and practice 2-3 times if I have bowls on the weekend. I will usually practice whether in the form of drills or a roll up 4 times a week.

What aspect of the sport do you enjoy the most?

I really enjoy the competitiveness of bowls and the amount of great people you can meet through the game.

What is your greatest achievement in your bowling career to date?

The greatest achievement of my bowls career would be representing NSW.

Why do you feel bowls is a great sport for other juniors to get into?

Bowls is a great sport for other juniors to get involved with because it is a growing sport with so many opportunities going forward. Bowls gives you the chance to make many new friends while competing against some of the best in the world.

What has bowls taught you?

Bowls has taught me many things, particularly to appreciate where hard work and dedication can get you.

What is the hardest item to learn about playing bowls?

The hardest thing to learn in bowls would probably have to be the mental side, especially tactics or gaining a good technique.

What do you say to the people that say bowls is only for older people?

Bowls is a growing sport where juniors are able to play and compete at very high levels. Juniors are the only way the sport can go forward because older people can't play forever. It is now a game for people of all ages, especially the youth.

What is your ultimate goal for your bowling career?

For me personally, I strive to one day to represent Australia.

What bowler do you most admire?

Aron Sherriff, I love the way he takes the game on with so much confidence.

Which bowler would you most like to have a game with?

Aron Sherriff, one of the best ever.

What tournament would you like to see run for juniors across the State?

I think a mixed junior 5-a-side tournament would be great. You could play rounds of singles/fours and pairs/triples.

NSW Junior Feature Players

Brittany Camp

“ Bowls has not only taught me never give up but it also has taught me a lot of respect for all people. ”



How did you get into playing bowls?

I started playing bowls one Saturday when my local club started junior bowling social games. My dad had played before and he encouraged me to give it a go.

How many times a week do you play or train for bowls?

I train/play 3 to 4 times a week, playing every single weekend in either Club Championship or junior games. I train doing my NSW drills on Tuesday and sometimes Thursday.

What aspect of the sport do you enjoy the most?

Meeting new people and spending time with the friends I have made in past years is the reason I love the sport the most.

What is your greatest achievement in your bowling career to date?

My greatest achievement would be skipping the girls Triples last year at the Under-18's Nationals in which we won a gold medal. Also receiving club Player of the Year last year.

What has bowls taught you?

Never give up. No matter what situation you are in never give up and remember that winning isn't everything

What is the hardest item to learn about playing bowls?

The hardest item to learn has been reading a head, knowing what shot to play and when to have an 'on shot'.

What do you say to the people that say bowls is only for older people?

I say bowls is not an old people's sport,. Look at the average age of the Australian Jackaroos

What is your ultimate goal for your bowling career?

My ultimate goal is to play for Australia.

What bowler do you most admire?

Carla Krizanic

Which bowler would you most like to have a game with?

I would like to have a game with all the Australian players, especially Carla Krizanic and Natasha Scott.

What tournament would you like to see run for juniors across the State?

I would like to see a BLP (Bowls Premier League) or an UBC (Ultimate Bowls Championships)



NSW Police & Emergency Services Games



The NSW Police Games will hold the lawn bowls competition at Figtree Bowling Club on Saturday 19 to Wednesday 23 October 2019, offering open competition in Singles, Pairs and Fours. Eligibility to participate in the 2019 NSW Police Games is at the discretion of the NSW Police Games Committee. All NSW Police Force (including volunteers in policing) and full-time employees of government agencies with a law enforcement role, as well as full-time employees of the NSW Fire & Rescue,

Ambulance Service of NSW, Australian Border Force (Department of Immigration and Border Protection), Justice NSW, Australian Protective Services, NSW State Emergency Service, the Sheriffs Department, NSW Rural Fire Service, Australian Federal Police (both NSW and ACT based), are invited to participate. As well as retired and family members from each of these agencies (including the ACT). Australian Defense Force personnel (within NSW) are also permitted to participate and the Nurses and Midwives Association of

NSW. Registrations for the 2019 NSW Police (& Emergency Services) Games is available online only via the official event website: www.nswpolicegames.com.au along with further information and contacts. NSW Police Bowling Club Inc. will be coordinating the lawn bowls events. Enter to have some fun and practice at the venue for October 2020 where the Australasian Police and Emergency Services Games will be held.

Upcoming Events

Two-Bowl Triples Kingfisher Trophy

Umina Beach BC - 11 -12 July

Drakes Pride NSW Junior Carnival

Windang BC - 11 - 13 July

NSW State Junior Championships

Warilla B&R 14 - 19 July

Mixed Pairs Spring Tournament

Moruya BC 2-13 September

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