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## Welcome

### Welcome to the December edition of the Bowls NSW Newsletter!

CEO Tim Rowe has provided a quick update to members after the first few weeks in his role.

Bowls NSW, in conjunction with Bowls Australia, recently ran the first Inter-Schools Challenge State Finals. Congratulations to all the participating schools and clubs who helped make the day, and the whole competition a resounding success.

Also in this edition of the Bowls NSW newsletter – Rookie Singles qualifiers, club community grant updates, job postings and much more!

## Christmas Closure Dates



The Bowls NSW Head Office will be closed from 1pm, Wednesday 21st December and re-open at 8:30am, Thursday 5th January 2023.

We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holidays, and we look forward to a fantastic 2023!

# A Message from CEO Tim Rowe



**To the incredible NSW Bowls Community,** it's my pleasure to have been appointed into the role of CEO to oversee the administration and delivery of the sport we all know and love. I come to you from a high-performance sporting background myself, having represented my State of NSW on several occasions from juniors to seniors for middle distance athletics (5,000m and 10,000m to be more specific). Whilst this was many moons ago now and wasn't as a lawn bowler, I know firsthand what it means to wear the Waratah emblem and the hard work and sacrifice that goes into the days, weeks, months and years, before putting that representative shirt on.

I also know what an amazing network of clubs, volunteers, coaches and umpires we have across bowls here in NSW and the work that each one of you put into furthering our sport at a grass-roots and more importantly, a fundamental level for our sport. You are the backbone of bowls in our State, and I will do everything I can in my capacity as CEO to support you into the future. Thank you for your commitment in 2022 and for the work you do to advance bowls in NSW.

In my first two weeks in the role, I just wanted to acknowledge that we have passed through a significant period of change and I thank you for your patience here. Combined

with the impacts of COVID this has been a challenging journey and one that will continue to define our sport into the future. Whilst we will always face challenges, I am certain we can collectively come together for the good of our sport in addressing these together and I look forward to continuing to connect with you along this journey.

I wanted to wish you all a very safe, happy and heartfelt Christmas this year. Hug the ones you love and have a fantastic festive season with your closest of family and friends. I look forward to great year with you all into 2023.

**Kind regards,**  
**Tim Rowe**



# Applications Open Bowls NSW Manager - Sport

Bowls NSW is seeking a Sports Manager who will oversee the delivery of all BNSW Sport events and activities. Other duties will include;

- Manage and lead the Sport team
- In consultation with the State Match Committee, annually deliver the Sport Calendar
- Engage with Clubs, Zones, Districts in a professional manner
- Maintain strong working relationships with Clubs, Zone and District administrators
- Service the Match, Selection, Umpire and Junior Committees through strong administration and Governance
- Oversee the BowlsLink database and BowlsLink education program
- Oversee the delivery of coaching and umpiring programs
- Develop the NSW State Pathway programs
- Regularly engage with Regional Bowling Managers
- Refine and develop the State "Conditions Of Play" annually with the State Match Committee

The successful applicant will have the following;

- Strong understanding of the sport of lawn bowls
- Ability to embrace new technology
- Knowledge of lawn bowls' laws & NSW Conditions Of Play
- Understanding of Bowls Club, Zone & District Governance
- Understanding of Membership based sporting organisations
- A developed network of contacts across Bowling Clubs, Zones & Districts
- Relevant tertiary education
- Strong bowling experience essential
- Bowls Club, district, zone management or committee experience
- Experience working in a fast-paced environment
- Experience mitigating conflict through good Governance
- Broad stakeholder management experience
- Experience managing conflicting priorities
- Positive and outgoing
- Professional
- Ability to work under pressure
- Organisational and time management skills
- Excellent attention to detail
- Confident in delivery
- Willingness and a positive approach to change
- Advanced working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint essential
- NSW drivers' licence (Essential)
- Working With Children Check (Or an ability to obtain)
- Ability to travel and regularly work out of hours

For the full job description please go online to:  
<https://bowlsnsw.com.au/2022/12/19/manager-sport/>

Applications are to be returned via email to:  
[communications@bowlsnsw.com.au](mailto:communications@bowlsnsw.com.au)

Applications close  
8 January 2023



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# Inter-Schools Challenge



## Inter-Schools Challenge a Huge Success

In its inaugural year, the Inter-Schools Challenge has proven to be a hit with high schools, as hundreds of students took to the greens over the year to give bowls a go. The initiative, started by Bowls NSW in conjunction with the Bowls Australia Regional Bowls Managers (RBM's) aimed to introduce the sport to students through the help of local bowling clubs, where coaches provided students with training

before letting them compete against each other in friendly competitions. School champions would qualify for Regional Finals, with Regional winners qualifying for the State Finals.

The 2022 Inter-Schools Challenge State Finals took place at NBC Sports Club, where eight triples teams from five high schools met to battle it out for the title! With

the sun beaming down, teams from Sylvania, Kingswood, Camden, St Benedicts and Chatswood played three sectional rounds with section winners to play-off in the final. Matches were conducted in sets play with a tie-breaker if needed, the short, sharp format making for exciting games all through the day which kept players involved. Club coaches from each school and club, as well as Bowls Australia RBM's,





# Inter-Schools Challenge

were also on hand to assist students where needed.

After sectional play was completed, it was Sylvania High School (1) and Kingswood High School who secured their place in the final, courtesy of some brilliant bowling. The final was no different, with shots being exchanged on regular occasions and students showcasing a level of talent well beyond their months of

experience! In a tight affair, it was Sylvania (1) who claimed a 4-2, 3-3 victory, picking up a much needed two on the last end of their second set to secure the win.

Players, coaches and spectators all commented on how they enjoyed the experience, and how fantastic it was to be able to compete for a state title while representing their school.

Bowls NSW would like to thank all the host venues, local clubs, Bowls Australia RBM's, high schools, teachers, parents and students for making our inaugural event such a success.

The final standings for the 2022 Inter-Schools Challenge were as follows:

1st Place	Sylvania High School (1)
2nd Place	Kingswood High School
3rd Place	Camden High School (1)
4th Place	Camden High School (2)
5th Place	St Benedict's Catholic College
6th Place	Sylvania High School (2)
7th Place	Chatswood High School (1)
8th Place	Chatswood High School (2)



# - Inter School Lawn Bowls Challenge



Bowls NSW invites interested Schools and their students to participate in the Inter School Challenge. Schools may wish to partner with local Bowling Clubs for coaching / tuition prior to the event.

## Qualifying events will be held:

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Time:</b>
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## Conditions of play:

2 x 5 ends with a tie breaker. We will assess this as we deliver the program.  
only one registered junior bowler per team.

## It is FREE to enter.

Teams will be Triples (3 persons) and may be boys, girls or mixed.

There is no limit to the number of teams from any school.

(Students to wear School sports uniform, wear shoes that are flat (or thongs/slides and/or bring an extra pair of socks)

To register your team please forward this entry form to:

Entry Form			
<b>School name</b>			
<b>Venue</b>			
	Player 1	Player 2	Player 3
Name			
Date of Birth			
Contact email			
Contact phone			
Member of a BNSW Club	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Name of Club			

Please go online to [https://bowlsnsw.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/2023\\_inter\\_school\\_entry.pdf](https://bowlsnsw.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/2023_inter_school_entry.pdf)  
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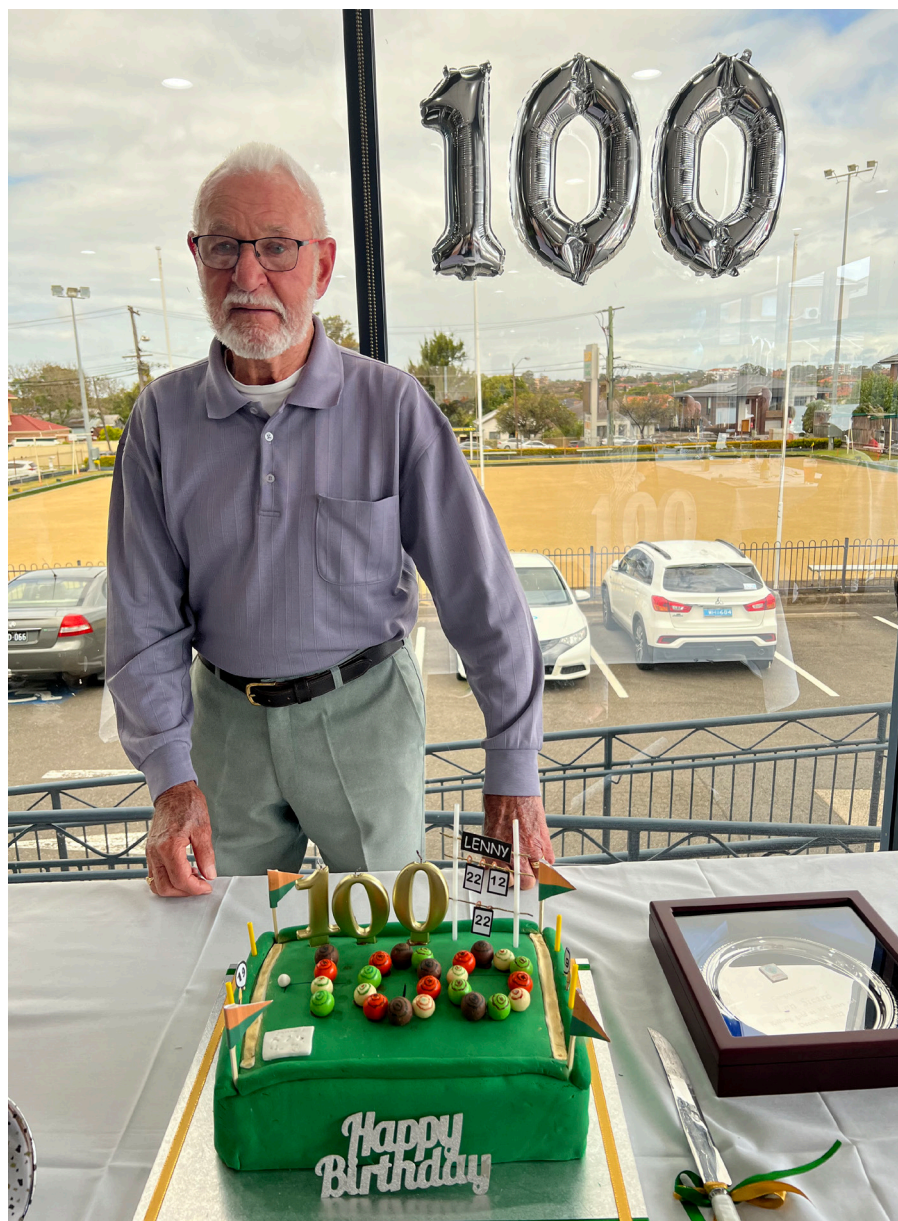
# Rookie Singles Qualifiers

Congratulations to our sixteen Rookie Singles competitors who have won through qualifying and will now compete at the State Finals at Raymond Terrace from 4-5 February 2023! Draws for the 2022/23 Rookies State Finals will be released in early 2023.

Zone	Qualifier
Zone 1	Joshua Arndell ( <i>Maclean</i> )
Zone 2	Joel Field ( <i>Charlestown</i> )
Zone 3	John Clark ( <i>Gunnedah</i> )
Zone 4	Susie Simmons ( <i>Bathurst City</i> )
Zone 5	Michael Winter ( <i>Camden</i> )
Zone 6	Shaun O'Toole ( <i>Kurri Kurri</i> )
Zone 7	Peter Keatley ( <i>Malua Bay</i> )
Zone 8	Brian Harris ( <i>Leeton</i> )
Zone 9	Rohan Marshall ( <i>Lane Cove</i> )
Zone 10	Marc de Villecourt ( <i>Greenlees Park</i> )
Zone 11	Jason Lawrence ( <i>Pacific Palms</i> )
Zone 12	Rick Lucey ( <i>Cabra Vale Diggers</i> )
Zone 13	Dan Scanlan ( <i>Engadine</i> )
Zone 14	David Graham ( <i>North Haven</i> )
Zone 15	Paul Lewry ( <i>Munmorah</i> )
Zone 16	Ken Bryant ( <i>Kiama</i> )



# Congratulations Len Sicard Rolling Gold at 100 Years Old



Mount Lewis Bowling Club hosted a celebration for Len Sicard, to congratulate him on the fantastic achievement of reaching his 100th birthday.

Len is a very active member of Mount Lewis Bowling Club.

Len's Daughter Lorraine said

"I would like to thank everyone involved in making yesterday a wonderful day.

Thank you to everyone involved with NSW Bowls for organizing the beautiful engraved plate & certificate. They are so special.

It was also impressive receiving the letters of congratulations from World Bowls and Bowls Australia.

Thank you Sandra Jowett for making the presentation and giving up your time at such a busy time of year.

To all the staff, bowlers and friends who decorated the club and provided the delicious nibbles, a big thank you.

Thank you to Terry for a great job too. I think Dad was a little overwhelmed but very appreciative."

Congratulations Len on reaching this incredible milestone!





Businesses  
save an average of  
**\$1,400**  
on their energy bills

## Wholesale energy price rise

In the first 3 months of the year, wholesale energy prices saw a year-on-year increase of 141%, and they continue to rise - these will begin to flow through to retail prices across both small business and residential customers from July 1st.

The rise is being driven by a multitude of factors - coal power stations closing (Liddell in April 2023 and Eraring closing 7 years early in 2025) plus a number of outages; global oil, gas and coal prices, unrest in Europe, plus weather events. Many markets are seeing price rises and volatility at this time.

## Rate change notification

In the coming weeks, you will receive a rate change notification from your current retailer detailing what your new pricing will be and how this will affect your energy contract moving forward.

This is where we come in! Let us help you to maintain the best possible price in a rising market.

## Start saving today

MiC will do a completely free comparison and let you know whether we can find your business savings or whether it is best to stay put with your current retailer.

Now is the time to take action, we want to ensure you are not paying any more than you need to in the current volatile market!

**Call 02 9137 5268 for a Free Energy Review**

Or visit [www.makeitcheaper.com.au/partners/bowls-nsw/](http://www.makeitcheaper.com.au/partners/bowls-nsw/)

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Sorted by **best** reviews

Make it Cheaper has commercial relationships with the following energy retailers: AGL Energy, Alinta Energy, Blue NRG, Energy Australia, Origin Energy, Momentum Energy, Next Business Energy, Origin Energy, Simply Energy, Shell Energy, Smartest Energy & Tango. Availability of retailers and plans can vary state by state and is dependent on the property and connection type. At times commercial relationships may impact what retailers or plans are made available.

\*Make it Cheaper compared actual customer's usage, rates and applicable discounts against what they would have paid under the recommended current offers from its panel of multiple energy retailer partners between January 1 to 23 May 2021 and found savings for 80% of energy users.

^Average savings of \$1,408 (ex GST) for customers who switched from their existing plan or retailer to a new one recommended by Make it Cheaper between 01/01/21- 14/02/22

# Position Vacant - Bowls Coordinator Castle Hill



## CASTLE HILL BOWLING CLUB

Castle Hill Bowling Club is entering a new chapter in the club's 60+ year history through its amalgamation with Castle Hill RSL Group and is seeking a Bowls Coordinator to oversee all Bowls operations within the club.

As a member of the Castle Hill RSL Group, 'Sports and Wellness' team, the Bowls Coordinator will work closely with the Bowls Advisory Committee to foster a competitive, but friendly environment, grow and develop the game of bowls and support our teams in all forms of competition.

We are seeking a coordinator with a passion for Bowls and a strong playing and coaching background. You will be engaging and proactive with a desire to develop talent.

Your key responsibilities will be;

- Coordinate the club's bowls program to grow participation in:
- Mid week and weekend organised social and competition play
- Pennant Play
- Tournaments
- Corporate / Charity Events
- Schools program
- Barefoot Bowls
- In conjunction with the BAC and Match Committee assist with the development of the yearly bowls calendar of events
- Deliver the annual Bowls program and daily running of the open gender, single-gender and other organised Bowls events
- Integration between bowls and hospitality services
- Actively recruit bowlers to the Castle Hill Bowls Club to provide a deeper talent pool of Club members involved in Pennant play and Club Championships
- Conduct coaching programs that encourage men and women to take up bowls.
- Build a financially sustainable business model for our Bowls operations

Applications should include an up to date CV and cover letter addressing your suitability for the role.

**Applications Close At 11.59pm (Aest) On 31st Of January. However We Will Be Reviewing Applications As Received And Will Be Commencing Interviews Through This Time So Early Application Is Strongly Encouraged.**

For all enquires or to apply, please contact:  
Brett Andrews (02) 9846 1200 or [andrewsb@chrg.com.au](mailto:andrewsb@chrg.com.au)





# Community Building Partnership Injects Over \$800,000 Into Bowling Clubs



Twenty-nine bowling clubs across New South Wales have received funding from the NSW Government's latest round of the Community Building Partnership program. The purpose of the program is to invest in infrastructure projects that deliver positive social, environmental, and recreational outcomes, while also promoting community participation, inclusion and cohesion.

Bowling clubs have long held a position as a community hub for many areas in New South Wales, and the latest injection of funds to twenty-nine of our clubs is a welcome boost for these communities. The latest club projects covered an array of areas from machinery upgrades to kitchen repairs and roof replacements, with funding ranging from \$7,000 – \$100,000 per club.

The Bowls Australia Regional Bowls Managers (RBM's) were on hand to assist all successful clubs through the application process, ready to offer any guidance where necessary. New South Wales have five dedicated RBM's available to assist clubs, and their contact information can be found on the Bowls Australia RBM webpage.

Bowls NSW thanks Bowls Australia and their incredible RBM's for the work they do for clubs. Their services are available free of charge to all bowling clubs in New South Wales. If you would like to see the full list of successful clubs from the Community Building Partnership, click here.



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