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Welcome

Welcome to the September edition of the Bowls NSW newsletter!

In this issue, we are excited to announce the schedule for our upcoming Member Conference, set to take place at Wenty Leagues on November 1st.

This year's Conference has a focus on participation and engagement and offers something for everyone! Whether you're a club administrator, coach, volunteer, or passionate club member, the Member Conference is one event you and your fellow clubmates do not want to miss.

Additionally, we are thrilled to announce the nominees for our 2024 Awards Night! Congratulations to all nominees for their outstanding contributions and success.

Furthermore, EOIs for Bowls NSW Junior, Selection and Umpires Committees are now open, as are nominations for two elected director positions to join the board of Bowls NSW.

2024 Bowls NSW Player Awards Night Nominees



Bowls NSW is thrilled to announce the nominees for the highly anticipated 2024 Awards Night, and tickets are now officially on sale for this prestigious celebration!

The Awards Night, set to take place on Thursday, 31 October at Wenty Leagues, is a highlight of the year, where we gather to celebrate the remarkable achievements of our talented bowlers and clubs. The 2023/24 season has been nothing short of spectacular, with our players delivering extraordinary performances

and setting new benchmarks for excellence in the sport.

Tickets to the Bowls NSW Awards Night are now on sale! Tickets for this unmissable event are limited, so be sure to secure your seat today. Join us for an unforgettable evening as we celebrate the incredible accomplishments of our members and clubs. To purchase tickets please go online to bowlsnsw.jotform.com/242458847405868.

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2024 Awards Night Nominees

2024
AWARDS
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FEMALE BOWLER OF THE YEAR
NOMINEES:



Ellen Fife
Cabramatta



Dawn Hayman
St Johns Park



Jamie-Lee Worsnop
Cabramatta

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MALE BOWLER OF THE YEAR
NOMINEES:



Ben Winther
Mt Lewis



Brett Spurr
Mt Lewis



Jack McShane
Merrylands



Jay Breust
Malua Bay

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FEMALE SENIOR BOWLER OF THE
YEAR NOMINEES:



Wendy Clarke
Ballina



Christine Myers
South Tamworth



Carol White
South Tamworth

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MALE SENIOR BOWLER OF THE
YEAR NOMINEES:



Gary Corey
Cabramatta



Warren Shipley
Soldiers Point



Robbie Warren
Towradgi Park

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FEMALE BREAKOUT BOWLER OF
THE YEAR NOMINEES:



Maree Grant
Ballina



Christine McGarrity
Merimbula



Sherilee Stewart
West Tamworth

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MALE BREAKOUT BOWLER OF
THE YEAR NOMINEES:



Jay Breust
Malua Bay



Kyle Hansen
Taren Point



Jack McShane
Merrylands

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FEMALE JUNIOR BOWLER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES:


Chanel Chakouch
St Johns Park


Reese Finn-Young
Merimbula


Jasmine Smith
St Johns Park

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MALE JUNIOR BOWLER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES:


Travis Moran
Warilla


Tom Rich
Merrylands


Tim Thorning
Gunnedah

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DISABILITY BOWLER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES:


Aaron Kelly
West Tamworth


Vicki Parkinson
Lemon Tree Passage


James Reynolds
Cabramatta

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CLUB OF THE YEAR NOMINEES:


Cabramatta


Raymond Terrace


St Johns Park

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For more information or to
purchase tickets please go online
to bowlsnsw.com.au

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2024 Awards Night Nominees

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CLUB ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR
NOMINEES:



Peter Jarrett
(Alstonville)

Lennon Scott
(Raymond Terrace)

William Carpenter
(Hunters Hill)

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COACH OF THE YEAR
NOMINEES:



Brenton Merchant
Cex Woolgoolga

Sue & Geoff Hamilton
Turramurra

Frances Sodaro
Western Suburbs

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AWARD
NOMINEES:

**PENNANT HILLS
BOWLING CLUB**

**HILLSDALE
BOWLING CLUB**

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VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
NOMINEES:



Brian Gibson
(Woonona)



Dixon Bell
(Bar Beach)

Maureen Randell
(Merrylands)

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UMPIRE OF THE YEAR
NOMINEES:



Wal Hamilton
Asquith

Phyllis Haworth
Forster

Colin McRae
Tathra

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CLUB INNOVATION AWARD
NOMINEES:

**BEECROFT
BOWLING CLUB**

**MARRICKVILLE
BOWLING CLUB**

**LOWLANDS
BOWLING CLUB**

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Member Conference Schedule Released

Bowls NSW is pleased to release the full schedule and presenters for the 2024 Member Conference, set to take place on November 1 at Wenty Leagues.

With a focus on participation and engagement for members and clubs, this year's conference is packed with exciting sessions and insights from leading figures in sports. Members can look forward to a day of learning, sharing ideas, and networking, with 11 unique sessions set to take place across the day.

From BowlsLink education and umpiring updates to practical on-green masterclasses and discussions

on marketing and coaching, the 2024 Member Conference offers something for everyone! Whether you're a club administrator, coach, volunteer, or passionate club member, the Member Conference is one event you and your fellow clubmates do not want to miss.

We are also thrilled to welcome Steve Glasson OAM as a guest speaker. As one of the most celebrated players in the sport's history, Steve's accomplishments are unmatched. His playing career boasts three World Outdoor Championships medals, eight Asia Pacific Championships medals, and a record-breaking nine Australian Indoor Championship titles. Beyond his playing career,

Steve excelled as the Head Coach of the Australian Jackaroos, leading the team to an impressive nine World Championship gold medals and eleven Commonwealth Games medals during his tenure.

Go to register please go online to <https://bowlsnsw.jotform.com/242337784339062>



2024 MEMBER CONFERENCE

1 NOVEMBER | WENTY LEAGUES



9:00am - 9:45am	Conference Centre and Registration Desk opens at Wenty Leagues. Coffee & Tea provided to attendees.				
9:45am - 10:00am	Welcome - Bowls NSW President Dilys Kindleysides & Bowls NSW CEO Tim Rowe				
10am - 10:40am	Keynote Address - Steve Glasson OAM				
10:40am - 11:00am	Brief Morning Tea				
11:00am - 12:00pm	Innovation for Increasing Participation	Juniors in Focus	Bowlslink Education Competitions	Small Club Success Stories	Bowls Masterclass
12:05pm - 12:45pm	Lunch				
12:45pm - 1:45pm	CLUBMAP Engaging & Empowering Volunteers	Match & Competition Session	Board Panel & Discussion	Umpiring & Laws of the Sport Update	Bowls Masterclass
1:50pm - 2:10pm	Afternoon Tea				
2:15pm - 3:15pm	The Modern Coaching Approach in Bowls	Match & Competition Session	Bowlslink Education Membership	Marketing 101 for Bowls Club	Bowls Masterclass
3:20pm - 4:00pm	Update to Members from Bowls NSW CEO Tim Rowe & Bowls Australia CEO Matthew Kennedy				
4:10pm - 5:00pm	Social Drinks, Networking and Partner Expo				



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Innovation for Increasing Participation with Kerry Turner

Join former World Champion and trailblazer Kerry Turner as she leads an inspiring session on Innovation for Participation, designed to help you harness the latest trends to grow participation in Bowls, particularly for women and girls.

Juniors in Focus with Brett Hughes, Lee Stinson and Gavin Holburn

Unlock the potential of the next generation of bowlers in this dynamic Juniors session. Learn valuable tips for engaging juniors in your club and find out how to get involved with the Inter-Schools Challenge.



Bowls Masterclass with James Reynolds and Cameron Curtis

Suitable for players of all abilities, join NSW Pathways Coach James Reynolds and former World Champion Cameron Curtis for an exclusive Bowls Masterclass at our Member Conference! From draw to drive, learn from the best about every shot in the game.

CLUBMAP | Engaging & Empowering Volunteers with Brett Hughes and Terry Dillon

Learn how to unlock the full potential of your club by engaging volunteers and securing crucial grants in this expert-led session! Gain valuable strategies to empower your volunteers and unlock vital funding opportunities for your club.



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1 NOVEMBER | WENTY LEAGUES



Match & Competition Session with Warren Shipley and Lee Stinson

This session will provide invaluable insights into the latest updates in the sport, covering essential topics such as pennant gradings, competition formats, season calendar planning, updates to the CoP for 2024/25 season, and the exciting growth of new competitions.

Umpiring & Laws of the Sport Update with Alan Clarke and Andrew Lynn

This in-depth session dives into the essential rules that shape the game of bowls, making it a must-attend for players, umpires, and club officials eager to sharpen their knowledge. Engage in lively discussions, ask questions, and gain a deeper understanding of umpiring in NSW.



The Modern Coaching Approach in Bowls with Ellen Falkner MBE

Join three-time Commonwealth Games gold medallist and Bowls Australia Coach Development Manager Ellen Falkner MBE as she takes you through an engaging session focused on the modern coaching approach, specifically tailored for bowls.

Marketing 101 for Bowls Clubs with Glenda Wynyard and Jack Geraghty

Hear from the team at The Media Precinct and discover how your club can start its own powerful marketing journey! Get hands-on tips to promote your club, explore the latest trends shaping the marketing world, and gain insights into Bowls NSW's most recent campaigns. Don't miss this opportunity to elevate your club's visibility and engagement.



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Small Club Success Stories

with Parkes, Lowlands and Nambucca Heads Bowling Clubs

Bowling clubs across New South Wales are finding new ways to engage with members and the broader community. Hear from three of our regional clubs as they share their success stories on how they have innovated to increase engagement and membership.

BowlsLink Education

with Jayson Pinnock

Join Bowls Australia Club Support Manager Jayson Pinnock as he runs through two BowlsLink education sessions. With one session focused on Membership and the other Competitions, attendees will have the opportunity to learn key basic information across all areas of the database.



Board Panel & Discussion

with the Board of Directors of Bowls NSW and CEO Tim Rowe

Open session with the Board of Directors of Bowls NSW and Bowls NSW CEO Tim Rowe.

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MEMBER CONFERENCE & PARTNER EXPO



Committee EOIs and Director Nominations Open



Come and Join our Committees Expressions of Interest are Open

Expressions of interest (EOIs) to join our State Selection, Umpires and Juniors Committees are now open. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in joining our small and committed team of trusted advisors across our committees. These positions are vital in shaping the direction we take for the future of our sport.

To be considered for a position on a Bowls NSW Committee, EOIs must be submitted by 5pm Friday the 11th of October 2024.

Go online to <https://bowlsnsw.jotform.com/232548216431048> to submit your nomination.



Bowls NSW Director Nominations Open

Following the initial term of the Board of Bowls NSW Ltd and in line with clause 15 of the Bowls NSW Constitution, nominations are now open for the election of two (2) elected Directors to join the board.

For clarity, nominations are open for two (2) positions on the Board

comprising of one (1) male Director position & one (1) female Director position.

Nominations must be delivered to the Chief Executive Officer before 10am Friday 4 October 2024.

To download the nomination form please go online to bowlsnsw.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/2024_Director_Nomination_Form.pdf



Open Pennant EOI Now Open

Expression of Interest for Hosting 2024/25 NSW Open Pennant Finals

Bowls NSW is now accepting Expressions of Interest (EOI) from clubs interested in hosting the 2024/25 NSW Open State Pennant Finals. This prestigious event will take place from Thursday, 26th June to Sunday, 29th June 2025, with Thursday designated as a practice day. We invite clubs to submit proposals indicating their interest in hosting any of the seven Pennant grades.

Key hosting requirements include:

- A minimum of four high-standard greens.
- A clubhouse capable of accommodating players, officials, and spectators.
- Parking and accommodation for participants and visitors.
- Provision of catering and live scoring during the event.

A hosting fee of \$7,000 + GST per grade applies.

If your club is interested, please submit your EOI by Thursday, 12th December 2024.

For more information please contact Lee Stinson at lee.stinson@bowlsnsw.com.au



Bowls NSW State Mixed Pairs



RECORD ENTRIES

468 MIXED PAIRS TEAMS ENTERED

In line with our Strategic and Operational Plans, which are focused on increasing participation in event activity, we've been blown away after receiving a RECORD

468 team entries into Mixed Pairs Qualifying – a massive 48% increase from last year! Qualifying takes place from 2-3 November, stay tuned for the draw!

For more information please
go online to
bowlsnsw.com.au or
call the office on 02 9283 4555



Rookie Pairs Qualifying Draws Released

We are thrilled to announce that the much-anticipated Rookie Pairs Qualifying Draws have now been released on Bowlslink!

A list of all the host venues is also available to view on the Rookies webpage bowlsnsw.com.au/rookies.

The qualifying rounds will take place on Saturday, 12th October at multiple venues across the state, with 32 places up for grabs in the Rookie Pairs State Finals, set to be held at Raymond Terrace from 21st–22nd November.

With a record number of entries this year, the competition is shaping up to be one of the best yet!

Go online to view the Rookie Pairs Qualifying draw on [Bowlslink](https://bowlslink.com.au).



Bowls Australia and Clubmap Webinar

BOWLS CLUB WEBINAR

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WEBINAR: **ALL ABILITIES BOWLING**

or Session 1 - Tuesday Oct 8 7:00PM (AEDT)
Session 2 - Tuesday Oct 8 9:30PM (AEDT)

- Club & STA toolkits and success stories
- Panel discussion with para athletes
- Resources and Policies
- Finish with Q & A

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OR GO TO
bowls.clubmap.com.au



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[CLUBMAP.COM.AU](https://clubmap.com.au)

Bowls Australia and ClubMAP are hosting a webinar on October 8 focusing on all abilities bowling.

This informative session aims to promote inclusive practices within the sport, catering to participants of varying skill levels and abilities.

The webinar will feature two sessions: one starting at 7:00 PM and another at 9:30 PM, ensuring accessibility for a diverse audience across different time zones.

Participants can expect insights and practical strategies for enhancing inclusivity in bowls clubs.

Go online to bowls.clubmap.com.au to register.



Keeping things Crystal Clear

Two questions that continually creates a stir during a discussion, are:

1. Can you stop a bowl on your rink?

Laws:

Law 29.1 Playing out of turn

29.1.1 If a player plays out of turn, the opposing skip can stop the bowl and return it to the player to play it in the proper order.

Law 37.6 Bowl displacement by a bowl from a neighbouring rink

37.6.1 If a bowl at rest on the rink is in danger of being moved by a bowl from a neighbouring rink, any player at the head must choose whether to:

37.6.1.1 lift the bowl at rest to allow the other bowl to pass and then replace it, as long as this action would not influence the outcome of the head; or
37.6.1.2 stop the bowl from the neighbouring rink.

37.6.2 If, during a Singles game, a bowl at rest on the rink is in danger of being moved by a bowl from a neighbouring rink, the marker must stop the bowl from the neighbouring rink.

37.6.3 If a bowl that has been stopped was in its original course and was delivered on a bias that would have taken it back into its own rink, it must be replayed.

Law 42 The Marker's Duties

42.2 The marker must:

42.2.11 stop any bowl that is from a neighbouring rink and could move a jack or bowl that is at rest.



Summary:

Yes, you can stop a bowl on your rink providing the incident complies with the laws above, that is a Player playing out of turn or a bowl at rest on your rink is in danger of being moved by a bowl from the neighbouring rink.

2. Can you stop a bowl from going into the ditch?

Laws:

Law 37.1 Bowl displacement by another player:

37.1.1 Displacement of a bowl in its original course that has not disturbed the before it is displaced.

37.1.1.1 If the bowl is displaced by a member of the team that delivered the bowl and it has not disturbed the head after it is displaced, the opposing skip

must declare the bowl dead.

37.1.1.2 If the bowl is displaced by a member of the team that delivered the bowl and it has disturbed the head after it is displaced, the opposing skip must:

37.1.1.2.1 replace the head; and

37.1.1.2.2 declare the bowl dead.

37.1.1.3 If the bowl is displaced by an opponent and it has not disturbed the head after it is displaced, the skip of the team or the Singles player that played the bowl must choose whether to:

37.1.1.3.1 have the bowl replayed;

37.1.1.3.2 place the bowl where the player believes it would have come to rest; or

37.1.1.3.3 leave the bowl where

State Umpires Committee



it came to rest.

37.1.1.4 If the bowl is displaced by an opponent and it has disturbed the head after it is displaced, the skip of the team or the Singles player that played the bowl must choose whether to:

37.1.1.4.1 replace the head and have the bowl replayed;

37.1.1.4.2 replace the head and place the bowl where the player believes it would have come to rest; or

37.1.1.4.3 declare the end dead.

37.1.2 Displacement of a bowl in its original course that has disturbed the head before it is displaced.

37.1.2.1 If a bowl has disturbed the head before it is displaced by a player, this disturbance is valid. (The opponent must not replace any part of the head that has been disturbed before the displacement.)

37.1.2.2 If the bowl is displaced by a player and it has not disturbed the head after it is displaced, the opposing skip or the opponent in Singles must choose whether to:

37.1.2.2.1 place the bowl where the player believes it would have come to rest; or

37.1.2.2.2 leave the bowl where it came to rest.

37.1.2.3 If the bowl is displaced by a player and it has disturbed the head after it is displaced, the opposing skip or the opponent in Singles must replace any part of the head disturbed after the displacement and choose whether to:

37.1.2.3.1 place the bowl where the player believes it would have come to rest; or

37.1.2.3.2 leave the bowl where it came to rest.

37.1.4 Displacement of a bowl in motion.

37.1.4.1 If a bowl in motion is displaced by a player and it has not disturbed the head after it is displaced, the opposing skip or the opponent in Singles must choose whether to:

37.1.4.1.1 place the bowl where the player believes it would have come to rest; or

37.1.4.1.2 declare the end dead.

Summary:

No, you can not stop a bowl that is in course or in motion from going into the ditch. Stopping a bowl that is belonging to a player on your rink, whether the bowl is in course or in motion is "Displacement of a bowl". The circumstances with Displacing a bowl are covered in Law 37.1.

If you have any further questions, please contact the State Umpires Committee at -
umpires@bowlsnsw.com.au