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Bowls NSW Conditions of Play 2017-2018

The Bowls NSW Conditions of Play have been updated for 2017 - 2018. It is important that Club Match Committees and bowlers have a sound understanding of these conditions as it is the basis of play for all Association events. Some of the changes you will find are as follows:-

2.3:Conduct of Association Events

State Championships are an open draw, knockout. Major Singles and Pairs are also an open draw knockout but clubs may include eligibility restrictions on the formation of teams in Triples / Fours providing those conditions are published before entries are called for those events.

2.6.3.1:Change of Declared Club

Amended to reflect that a change of Club during season must make written application to the State Match Committee and his employment must be full time or a primary source of income for the Player.

2.6.4:Winners / Qualifiers

always remain eligible to continue to compete in that specific event during the season, irrespective of any change of declared Club Membership, provided he is registered with the RNSWBA.

2.17:Markers

Failure to mark if required will incur a penalty not exceeding \$110.00 and or have their entry declined for any association event for a period of up to 12 months.

4.16.1.1.Previous Season State Pennant Winners

A Player who was graded in a side that was a State Pennant Winner in Grades 2 - 7 in the previous season shall be ineligible to play in that Grade or lower in the current season.

The 2017 - 2018 Bowls NSW Conditions of Play can be downloaded from the Bowls NSW Web Site

A Good Night Had By All

Terrigal BC celebrated it's 2016 Presentation Night on Saturday 3rd December with a night of good fun and good cheer. The night was attended by BCC Secretary and State Councillor Doug Rose who made formal presentations of Zone merit badges to Alan Bailey and Ken Follet. Also a framed large photograph to be displayed in the Club of the winning 2016 BCC - Z15 Grade 6 Pennant Side was presented to the players. The Most Improved was Joe Griffin and the George Freeman Bowler of the Year was Darren Morrison.



BOWLING NUMBERS ON THE UP

An important objective of the BCC-Z15 Executive is to increase the number of bowlers participating in competition play and to encourage the involvement of experienced bowlers with enthusiastic new bowlers. One initiative has been to offer free entry in the 2017 Zone Championship events to those bowlers who have taken up bowls since 1 January 2015 and extend that offer to free entry to the team that includes one or more of those new bowlers. The draws for the State Fours and President Reserve Fours are out and we can report that we are off to a promising start in 2017. There was a total entry list of 69 teams – which is up from 53 last year an additional 64 bowlers are participating in the Fours Championships. That is a 30 % increase on last year and an absolutely fantastic start to the new year. Furthermore, 15 of the additional 16 teams are taking advantage of the free entry. The other piece of good news is that whilst Pennant player numbers are down in most Zones, entries in the Central Coast Pennant competition are up from 94 sides last year to 96 sides in 2017. That is a significant increase and an encouraging commitment at club level when overall membership numbers are still in decline.

It is important that we continue to encourage our new bowlers to experience the cut and thrust of competition play and we cannot overlook the important role of clubs in encouraging new bowlers to participate in Club championship events. Let's make 2017 a year of getting more players back into competition play.



Denise Ellison Terry Delroy Hayley McDonnell Nathan Terelinck Sharon Croker Peter Taylor

THE ENTRANCE STRIKES GOLD IN MIXED GOLD CHALLENGE

Over 250 players set out to prove that they were up to the challenge when they proudly represented their respective clubs in the State finals of the 2016 U-Design Bowls Club Challenge at Warilla and surrounding clubs on Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 December. Seven Divisions were contested, allowing everyone the chance to take part in this multi-discipline inter-club competition. Three Men's, two Women's and two Mixed Divisions had sides of 6 players and battled it out in singles, pairs and triples. The Entrance combinations of Denise Ellison & Terry Delroy Pairs, Sharon Croker, Hayley McDonnell, Nathan Terelinck Triples and Peter Taylor Singles defeated Dapto Citizens in the Final 2-1 of the Mixed Gold Challenge to record a most memorable win.

Bowls Administrators Tuned In

As bowlers we are quick to criticise and slow to give praise so let's give credit where it is due. We all like to see our sport show-cased on television, so to Bowls Australia the Bowls Show on SBS was a welcome surprise and the Premier League played at Pine River BC provided four nights of top entertainment. This was followed by Bowls NSW live streaming of the Rookies finals from Raymond Terrace, the State Championship Singles and Pairs from Ettalong and the Champion of Champion of Club Champion Singles and Pairs from Wagga Wagga. The icing on the cake goes to World Bowls with the live telecasting of medal events from Christchurch New Zealand. The gold and silver and bronze medals just added a little more glitter to the cake.



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Ettalong Memorial Bowler of the Year

Mitch Johnson proudly represented his father in presenting the Alan Johnson OAM perpetual trophy for Ettalong's Bowler of the Year to Aron Sherriff for 2016. Alan Johnson was also recently honoured with Ettalong's No 1 green being named after him in recognition of his outstanding services to the Club and the sport of Lawn bowls.



Mitch Johnson Left
Aron Sherriff Right



ENTRY to ZONE TRIPLES CHAMPIONSHIPS CLOSE TUES 24th JAN 2017
Hone your Drawing skills for Pennants, **FREE ENTRY** for teams that include a bowler that has taken up the sport since 1st Jan 2015 and Bowls NSW Registration number is higher than 148,428, also the pathway to a State title.



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PLAYER MOVEMENTS

It's that time of the year again when players get itchy feet to move clubs or are enticed to move with offers that do not always come to fruition. This year seems no different to any other, with plenty of speculation and rumours as to who is moving where amongst the top Grade 1 Clubs. We can't guarantee our information is 100% until clearance papers have been executed but our research suggests the following movements are likely. There are certainly no guarantees that these players will be playing in the 1's, but they will certainly be under consideration.



AVOCA BEACH

Transfers out:- Peter Andrews to Terrigal
David Cameron to Gosford City
Heath Crawford to ?
Rod Rewko to Terrigal
Alan Rogers to Ourimbah
Tony Shoebridge to Terrigal

Transfers In: - Nil

ETTALONG MEMORIAL

Transfers Out:- Beau Humphries to Wyong
Shane White doubtful starter

Transfers In :- Sam Chapman from Warners Bay
Brett Jacobson from Terrigal
Andrew Swan from St Johns Park
John Wiblen returning after year off

GOSFORD CITY

Transfers Out: - Nil

Transfers In :- David Cameron from Avoca Beach
Tony Coates from Ourimbah
Garry Frost from The Entrance

GWANDALAN

Transfers Out :- Troy Jackson year off
Glen Malligan To Halekulani
Billy Maskell to Toronto
Steve McPhillips to Halekulani
Chris Willingham to Halekulani

HALEKULANI

Transfers Out: - Neil Dell to Mingara
Glen Malligan from Gwandalan
Steve McPhillips from Gwandalan
Chris Willingham from Gwandalan

TERRIGAL :-

Transfers In :- Peter Andrews from Avoca Bch
Kevin Cooper from Northmead
Andrew Parsons from The Entrance
Rod Rewko from Avoca Bch
Tony Shoebridge from Avoca Bch
Nathan Terelinck from The Entrance

Transfers Out :- Brett Jacobson to Ettalong
Miro Perovic to The Entrance

THE ENTRANCE

Transfers Out:- Chris Brydon to Diggers
Garry Frost to Gosford
Peter Lyddieth to Mingara
Andrew Parsons to Terrigal
Peter Taylor to Lismore
Nathan Terelinck to Terrigal
James Wells to Mingara
Brett Williams to Black Head
Miro Perovic from Terrigal

Transfers In :-

WYONG

Transfer Out:- Rob Davies back to Swansea Workers
Transfers In :- Beau Humphries from Ettalong

FINAL OPPORTUNITY FOR TICKETS TO BCC PRESENTATION NIGHT

The 2016 Central Coast bowling year will be officially wound up at its Presentation Night being held at Ettalong Memorial BC on Sat 11th Feb commencing at 6pm. It will be a top night and represents top value at only \$25 per head for a two course meal, wine on the table, top entertainment with "Joey B" and a special mystery guest who started his career at Ettalong, won the BCC Bowler of the Year and went on to represent NSW and Australia.

For individual tickets or to book a table of Eight(8) ring Peter Coombes on 4385 1580 or mobile 0407 294 623



Train Smart

Twenty Minutes of disciplined and structured practice is far more beneficial than one hour of just rolling up was one of the main points of discussion by Sports Psychologist Fiona McCarthy at her presentation on "Mental Toughness" at Bateau Bay BC on 6th December. Hosted by the Bowls Central Coast Coaching Academy, 35 men and women coaches were absorbed by Fiona's presentation that analysed the three most important factors of Concentration, Confidence and Pressure that we are confronted with as competitive bowlers.

Breakers Bowler of the Year

2016 was a big year for Terry Gains at Breakers BC Wamberal winning the Major Singles in a cliff hanger over Darren Hooper and skipping the winning rink in the club Fours championship culminating in being named the Bowler of the Year. Congratulations Terry!



POSITION VACANT

MATCH COMMITTEE

Bowls Central Coast is calling for expressions of interest to provide assistance to Zone Match Committee. Ideally that person should have Match Committee experience at Club level, good computer skills particularly with Microsoft Excel, Scroll, the printing of cards and an eye for detail.

Please contact Reg Richardson on 4342 4912 or Tony Hegyi 4334 3080

RAFFLE FINALE

Last chance to BUY/SELL BCC Raffle Tickets with all ticket Butts and money to be back to the Zone by 31st January 2017
DRAWN 11th FEB 2017

GOOD LUCK !

ALOHA on the Central Coast !

Phil Westcott (Ettalong) & Kerry Watkins won the Sporties @Woy Woy club section of Aloha which was made up of 19 teams. Another strong Club section was played at Mooney Mooney with Rod Rewko (Terrigal) and Darren Morris taking out line honours in a tight contest. Both teams then travelled to Singleton to have a crack at winning their way to Hawaii to contest the unofficial Barefoot World Championships in February 2017. Phil Westcott had another bowling commitment so he called upon the services of Andrew Swan to substitute. Andrew and Kerry Watkins combined well and went through to win the Singleton section and a trip to Hawaii. It's now over to the lads to sort out who is going to Hawaii?



Phil Westcott Kerry Watkins



NEVILLE PARKS & NEVILLE JACKSON



ALAN TARGETT WILLIAM BUTLIN

Diggers Celebrate 60 years

Eighty players and guests attended the Diggers Presentation Day on Saturday 10th December and also celebrated the Club's 60th anniversary. Max Lamb who had done a lot of work researching the Club's history was invited to present his findings. President Brian Ems and Lady President Philpa Porter cut a beautifully decorated cake which everyone enjoyed for sweets.

Neville Parks and Neville Jackson were recipients of Bowls NSW Merit Badges and Alan Targett and William Butlin also received BCC-Z15 Merit awards from Zone 15 Deputy President Tony Hegyi.