



# BRISBANE NORTHSIDE ARM BOWLERS

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## NEWSLETTER

### BRISBANE NORTHSIDE ARM BOWLERS



I would like to welcome Peter Jordan of Toowong Bowls Club to our Group and look forward to meeting up with Peter on the Greens.

This week we feature a wrap up of the Arm Bowls Program that was held at Pine Rivers Bowls Club on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

We still need to have some of you volunteer for a Committee and we are currently calling for around 5 Committee members to make this work and drive the group. Come on Ladies we need you to on the Committee.

It appears that we may have to get our own insurance, but Kelvin Kerkow is looking into that for us over the next week or so. We will also need to get an ABN which I will source over the next week, in order to open a Bank Account.

Also, to open the Bank Account we will need a Chairman, Secretary and President, so the Committee members are vital if we are to proceed.

Ideally we would like to see members from various Clubs in order to gain a good cross-section of our Brisbane Northside and consequently gain input from a number of Clubs.

If you are interested please let me know at [brisbanenorthsidearmbowlers@gmail.com](mailto:brisbanenorthsidearmbowlers@gmail.com) by COB Friday April 5 2019.

I am also having a meeting on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at Northern Suburbs Club to see how they might hold some of our games throughout the year.

Consequently, with all of the items we will have to purchase, I see that we will have to introduce a membership fee of \$20. This will be voted on by the Committee at the next meeting.

It looks like you will need to be a member to play in our tournaments also, so that you are covered by our Insurance, but we need confirmation from Kelvin Kerkow on this.

I look forward to your support in the upcoming events. Dates for upcoming events are notified in the newsletter, so have a look at them and put those dates into your planners. Flyers will follow in due course.

### BOWLING ARM PROGRAM



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On Monday 25 March a Bowling Arm Program was presented by Dennis O'Toole and Alan Thorp at Pine Rivers Bowls Club, with 33 bowlers attending the workshop and representing ten bowls clubs. The morning session covered techniques and delivery using the bowling arm as well as the theory of bowls based on bowling best practice and shot selection and delivery. This was followed by practical application of this presentation on the green with bowling arm members practising delivery and shots and non- arm bowlers being given the opportunity to try using various release mechanism bowling arms.

In the afternoon session, twelve club coaches attended Alan [Thorp's] presentation on coaching current arm bowlers and beginners. Discussion also covered the new Artificial Devices Policy that will be effective as of 1st May. It was a great day with lots of tips, ideas and helpful demonstrations of bowling arm techniques and thought raising awareness on the importance of the 'mental' aspect of the game. Our thanks go to both Dennis and Alan [Thorp] for their time, humour and helpful presentations.

Susan Williams [Media Officer Pine Rivers Ladies' Bowls Club]

## CHANGES TO ARM BOWLERS POLICY



Some changes to the Policy for Artificial Devices have seen that anyone can use a Bowling Arm from May 1 2019 without having to have a Medical Certificate or be Registered.

Highlights of the changes state that if you start with an Arm you must finish with an Arm, however you may throw the Jack with your hand if you like. The interpretation of this seems to be that you can start with the Arm mid-game.

There is mixed feeling on this change, but it is now Policy, so we will have to live with that.

## BOWLS AUSTRALIA STICKER



by [Aidan Davis](#)

Bowls Australia's (BA) Board has signalled an impending change to the national Artificial Devices Policy, pertaining specifically to the use of bowlers arms.

The revised Artificial Devices Policy, which will come into effect from May 1, 2019, has removed the existing stipulation that players need to have received approval from the State/Territory Association to use a bowlers arm, and also removes the need for a medical certificate to use a bowlers arm.

The changes to the policy come after extensive consultation and feedback from key stakeholders.

It is envisaged that the leniency will result in greater opportunity for persons with physical restrictions and impairments to continue playing the sport, and is in line with the policies of other national bodies.

- [Artificial Devices Policy](#)

Further to the changes, Bowls Australia wishes to clarify the procedure to request replacement National Merchandising Program (NMP) logo stickers for approved bowlers' arms

In the event that an approved bowlers' arm's existing National Merchandising Program (NMP) logo sticker has come off due to wear and tear over time, Bowls Australia may be contacted to request a replacement sticker be posted out, to then affix to the arm.

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Players will need to provide details of their arm (ideally a photo) so that BA can confirm that the device is indeed an approved bowlers arm, which can be done by post or email to [admin@bowls.com.au](mailto:admin@bowls.com.au).

Any queries relating to these changes to the policy can be raised with BA's Tony Sherwill or Bronwyn White on 03 9480 7100 or [admin@bowls.com.au](mailto:admin@bowls.com.au).

[artificial devices policy bowlers' arms](#)

## NEW MEMBERS SOUGHT



You are no longer required to be a Registered Arm Bowler, so if you bowl with an arm and would like to join Brisbane Northside Arm Bowlers Association, it is currently free to do so and will remain that way until we formalise our Committee, so please contact Tony Watson on 0408 766 992 or email [brisbanenorthsidearmbowlers@gmail.com](mailto:brisbanenorthsidearmbowlers@gmail.com).

You also do not need to be affiliated with MABA, however, if you have aspirations of playing in the MABA State Team then you would be well advised to remain a member of MABA. I personally will be remaining a member as I like to travel to other Clubs.

We welcome all levels of players and look forward to meeting you on the Greens on the Northside of Brisbane.

## BNABA UPCOMING EVENTS 2019

Please Note Change for July 2019

### MAY 2019

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club (to be confirmed)

### JUNE 2019

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

### JULY 2019

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

### AUGUST 2019

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

### SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

### OCTOBER 2019

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

### NOVEMBER 2019

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

### DECEMBER 2019

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

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## SUNSHINE COAST NEWS

### KAWANA TOURNAMENT



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**ARM BOWLERS**, don't forget to get your entry in as soon as possible for Sunday 14th April at Club Kawana, Sunshine Coast, for our all day pairs event.

With several members of the State Team likely to be playing, come and challenge their credentials as State members and see if you can beat them in a friendly, but winner take all attitude in your game.

Lunch included in the \$25 entry fee, and good prize money on offer.

Only room for 3 more teams, make sure you're one of them.

Contact: Geoff. Cooper on mobile. 0417 754 910.

**SEE YOU THERE.**

## MABA UPCOMING EVENTS 2019

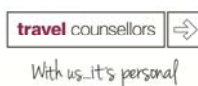
### MABA STATE SELECTION 2019



David Johnson - Secretary of MABA, states the following:

“Ladies and Gentlemen I invite you, on behalf of all the selectors and our coach, to participate in the following games to be eligible, if selected, to play for the Queensland National Arm Bowling Team, playing

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at Tranmere in South Australia. ***The National Championship is played over the period Monday 9 September – Thursday 12 September 2019 inclusive.*** The team will fly from Brisbane on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> Of September and return to Brisbane on the following Saturday. Six State sides will compete in the competition and the minimum numbers of games played daily is three. You are required to be a Queensland Registered Arm Bowler and a financial Member of the Maroon Arm Bowlers Association (INC).

The following are the remaining dates subjected to the selection criteria:

Hervey Bay Carnival @ Pialba on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> Mar 2019 and Urangan on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Apr 2019.  
and/or  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Apr 2019 @ Club Kawana  
and/or  
Queensland Arm Bowlers State Titles 27 April – 01 May 2019 @ Musgrave Hill Bowls Club,  
and/or  
Queensland State Championship 13 May -19 May @Gold Coast. and/or  
Australian Open 1 – 14 June 2019 @ Gold Coast.

There is no physical requirement for you to compete in all of the above events but it is a case of being seen to be recognised. The selectors will be reviewing the cards of these events to see who you played and how you went. No other selection trials will be held. There will be a 2 day National Camp held at Manly on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June and 1<sup>st</sup> of July. All selected Team Members are expected to attend.

You are required also to contact either of the following to advise them that you are interested and available for selection in the above mentioned National Championships.

The details are as follows:

Geoff Geary: 07 54931278

Email: [geoff.geary@gmail.com](mailto:geoff.geary@gmail.com)

Or Peter Hutchinson 0431198318

Email: [pocmhutch@gmail.com](mailto:pocmhutch@gmail.com)

## MABA UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS 2019

### APRIL 2019

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Kawana – 2 Game Pairs

27<sup>th</sup> April – 1st May – Musgrave Hill - Qld Arm Bowlers State Titles – Singles & Pairs

### MAY 2019

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Laidley – 2 Games 3 Bowls Triples

13<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> May – Gold Coast – Qld State Championships – Singles, Pairs, Triples & 4s

### JUNE 2019

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Dalby – 3 Bowls Triples

### JULY 2019

30<sup>th</sup> June & 1<sup>st</sup> July – Manly – National Team Practice /Training Camp

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Broadbeach – 2 Games Pairs

### AUGUST 2019

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August – Urangan – 2 Games Pairs

### SEPTEMBER 2019

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> – Adelaide – National Championships

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – Coolangatta – 2 Games Pairs

### OCTOBER 2019

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Musgrave Hill – 2 Games Pairs

### NOVEMBER 2019

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019 – Mooloolaba – 4 Games Pairs & AGM

### DECEMBER 2019

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Manly – 2 Games Pairs

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## SPONSOR NEWS

### Winter Pyjamas For Kids in Care



I think this is a wonderful idea, so please support it if you can.

Steven Miles MP is starting a campaign in our Murrumbidgee community to ask for donations of winter pyjamas for kids in care.

It would be awesome if you could help by letting your community know to drop off donations to my electorate office at Kallangur. The PJs need to be new, but can be in any size, from 000 upwards for boys or girls.

### · Steven Miles MP Winter Pyjama Drive for Kids in Care

· Pyjama donations from now until the end of May 2019

· New PJs please for boys and girls from 000 size upwards to teenagers

· Drop off at my electorate office at 1/15 Goodfellows Road, Kallangur between 9.30 am and 4.00 pm on weekdays.

· My electorate office is next to the Kallangur Post Office in the ALDI complex.

Thank you so much.

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