



BRISBANE NORTHSIDE ARM BOWLERS ASSOCIATION

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NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT



We would like to welcome Geoff Hankinson from Chermside Bowls Club to our group this week and I look forward to meeting Geoff at Northern Suburbs.

We held our formation meeting on Monday 15th April 2019 at Northern Suburbs and we had a good turnout of members.

Our Committee has been formed and the Committee is made up as follows:

President: Tony Watson (Kallangur)

Treasurer: Glenn Norton (Windsor)

Secretary: Warren Cresdee (Toombul)

General Committee Members:

Warren Blackbourne (Glass House Mountains)

Geoff Inder (Samford)

Keith Pretzel (Kallangur)

Tony Watson (Laidley)

Your Committee are now working on the Association Inc and the Bank Account, so lots of work to be done and we will keep everyone informed as we move forward.

We will have the Membership Form finalised sometime next week and will send out to all Interested Arm Bowlers so that we can start those Memberships happening.

Armed Bowlers Australia have added a page to their site for us to have anything uploaded to do with our group, so I encourage anyone to have a look at the following link and see what they are doing for us <https://armedbowlersaustralia.com/brisbane-northside-aba/>

Northern Suburbs have agreed to hold our first tournament and therefore will have our insurances covered on this one.

Kelvin Kerkow advises that once our insurances are in place our Financial Members will be covered to and from events that we organise and on the Greens, as well as if you are representing our Association outside of games you will be totally covered by insurance.

A Membership Fee of \$20 per member will be put into place and membership forms will be sent out after we open the bank account.

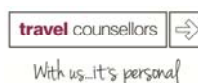
You will notice that there are a few changes occurring within our Calendar of Events and this will continue to evolve as we get more clubs involved throughout the year.

It has also been suggested that we could add a For Sale section into our Newsletter and I am happy to do this, so please let me know if you have Bowls Gear to sell and I can place a Free Advert for you in future newsletters.

I look forward to seeing you all on the greens.

Tony Watson

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NORTHERN SUBURBS PAIRS



Our next tournament venue is Northern Suburbs on Sunday May 26. Please arrive at 8.30am for a cuppa and in preparation for a 9am start.

Nominations are to be sent to Tony Watson at Brisbane northsidearmbowlers@gmail.com or phone 0408 766 992. I look forward to seeing a lot of members at this one. This is what you have asked for ... local events ... so please support this event.

I have sent out the flyer and will resend it prior to the date.

KAWANA TOURNAMENT



Brisbane Northside Arm Bowlers Association had 4 of its members attend the Tournament at Kawana on Sunday April 14 2019. Tony Mason and Trevor Waters and Warren Cresdee and Tony Watson teamed up and performed quite well. Both teams won one and lost one against pretty strong opposition. Unfortunately Tony and Trevor got away before I could get a photo.

Well done to Kawana for putting on a great Tournament and the food was great at lunch time also.

BNABA Donation to MABA State Team

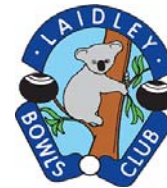


Brisbane Northside Arm Bowlers Association raised a further \$102 from its Easter Raffle for MABA State Team for the upcoming Adelaide Nationals.

This donation is in addition to the original amount of \$1000 which Brisbane Northside Arm Bowlers Association raised via a donation from Peter Dutton.

Well done to our Members and we look forward to seeing some of them being selected by MABA to attend the Nationals.

LAIDLEY TOURNAMENT



Tony Watson (Ynot) and Ross Knight are foundation members of Brisbane Northside Arm Bowlers Association so let's get behind their Tournament at Laidley on Monday 6th May 2019.

Laidley has room for 1 more team, so let's help them fill those spots.

Remember this is triples and the lead doesn't have to use a bowling arm. So bring along that partner that usually has to just sit and watch Arm Bowls and get them involved with us.

Again, I will be there and I hope to see some of our Brisbane Northside Members and look forward to catching up with our friends from Laidley.

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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 feelings on this change, but it is now Policy, so we will have to live with that for the time being.

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.

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.

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.

ARMED BOWLERS PETITION



I am writing to you in the hope that if you feel as I do, that only those who need to use an Bowling Arm Device for a medically assessed condition be allowed to do so. You can support your "Brothers in Arms" in preserving the "Status Quo". Currently, you require a medical certificate and registration card to use an Arm. This will change on the 1st May and then anyone can pick up an Arm.

You can show **support by** downloading, completing and forwarding a [personal letter click here](#) or a [petition for yourself and/or your Club click here](#) to Darryl Clout, President, Bowls Aust. PO Box 52, Northcote, VIC 3070.

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Thank you in anticipation

Yours Sincerely

Pamela Bryant

We will be tabling this Petition on Monday night at our Committee Meeting.

NEW MEMBERS SOUGHT



You are no longer required to be a Registered Arm Bowler, so if you bowl with a Bowling Arm and would like to join Brisbane Northside Arm Bowlers Association, Membership is only \$20 per year to do so, so please contact Tony Watson on 0408 766 992 or email brisbanenorthsidearmbowlers@gmail.com.

Membership is also open to non arm bowlers to become Associate Members of Brisbane Northside Arm Bowlers Association.

You also do not need to be affiliated with MABA to join BNABA, 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.

AROUND OUR CLUBS

SAMFORD SOCIAL DAY



Samford Bowls Club will hold a Mufti Social Bowls Tuesday. Usually 2-4-2 pairs if you were interested you could also explain to other members what we are

at. Ring in 32891204 11am - 12 noon for 1pm start. Play to 4.30pm with mid break for tea & biscuits. Entry is just \$13.

Please note that this is not a specific Arm Bowls Tournament and is open to all members of Clubs.

Please support Samford Bowls Club as they are one of our members.



BNABA UPCOMING EVENTS 2019

Please Note Change of Venue for May 2019

MAY 2019

Sunday 26th May 2019 – Northern Suburbs Bowls Club

JUNE 2019

Sunday 9th June 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

JULY 2019

Sunday 28th July 2019 – Northern Suburbs Bowls Club

AUGUST 2019

Friday 23rd August 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday 22nd September 2019 – Northern Suburbs Bowls Club

OCTOBER 2019

Monday 28th October 2019 – Kallangur Memorial Bowls Club

NOVEMBER 2019

Monday 25th November 2019 Northern Suburbs Bowls Club

DECEMBER 2019

Sunday 22nd December 2019 – Home Club Christmas Party

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SUNSHINE COAST NEWS

KAWANA TOURNAMENT



Report on the Arm Bowlers Pairs event held at Club Kawana Sunshine Coast, Queensland on Sunday 14th April 2019.

Great weather for the event, and our Greens were running fairly well considering all the rain we have had leading up to our day.

We received many compliments for our handling of the day. our greens and the lunch provided, together with the fellowship and camaraderie amongst those who attended.

MINOR SPONSORS 2019

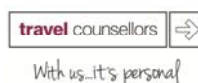


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We had 24 teams of players from Sunshine Coast, Brisbane, Hervey Bay and Bargara, Gold Coast, Toowoomba and Dalby, and thanks to all those who played and then had up to three and a half hours drive to get home.

Most of these players attend other MABA games which are played throughout our State, and do not seem to mind the fact that they have to travel fairly long distances.

They always have a great time whether or not they are winners, and we appreciate having their attendance at Club Kawana.

Our winners on the day were Brian Barrett and Pat Hannon from Belmont in Brisbane. Runners up were a local pairing of Jenny Edwards from Kawana and Bob Rowley from Caloundra.

Winners of the losers were David Johnson and Cheryl Hutchinson from the Gold Coast, and the runners up another local pairing, James Hope from Nambour and Manfred Franklin from Kawana.

Congratulations to all winners, and we trust all players had a great time.

Geoff Cooper

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 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 7th 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:

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 30th of June and 1st 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

Or Peter Hutchinson 0431198318

Email: pocmhutch@gmail.com

MABA UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS 2019

APRIL 2019

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

MAY 2019

Monday 6th May – Laidley – 2 Games 3 Bowls Triples
13th – 26th May – Gold Coast – Qld State Championships – Singles, Pairs, Triples & 4s

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JUNE 2019

Sunday 23rd June – Dalby – 3 Bowls Triples

JULY 2019

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

Wednesday 3rd July – Broadbeach – 2 Games Pairs

AUGUST 2019

Monday 19th August – Urangan – 2 Games Pairs

SEPTEMBER 2019

Monday 9th – Thursday 25th – Adelaide – National Championships

Monday 23rd September – Coolangatta – 2 Games Pairs

OCTOBER 2019

Sunday 13th October – Musgrave Hill – 2 Games Pairs

NOVEMBER 2019

Monday 18th November 2019 – Mooloolaba – 4 Games Pairs & AGM

DECEMBER 2019

Monday 9th December – Manly – 2 Games Pairs

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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