



BRISBANE NORTHSIDE ARM BOWLERS ASSOCIATION

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NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Well this week has just flown by and so much has happened. The Easter Raffle for the MABA State Team was drawn this week with all of the lucky winners listed in the story in this issue.

Our Bank Account is now operational and ready to go and big thanks to Glenn Norton for arranging this. Our signatories are Glenn Norton, Tony Watson and Warren Cresdee.

The final version of the Membership Form has been sent out to those on email and we already have some back to get us started, so I look forward to seeing many others completing the form. I will send a copy of the form to all Clubs, so just ask your Club organiser for a copy. After lots of EOIs we are looking forward to seeing the completed forms.

Your Committee are now working on finalising the Association Inc and we have adopted the Model Rules and our home Club will be Kallangur, as our proposal has been accepted this week also.

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.

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.

I visited Sandgate, Pine Rivers and Glass House Mountains this week and still managed a game at Kallangur and talked with a few potential new members. I look forward to seeing you all around the greens.

Tony Watson
President

EASTER RAFFLE RESULTS



We would like to thank all of our Sponsors and all those who purchased tickets in our Easter Raffle to assist in raising funds for the MABA State Team.

Reg Grocott of Kallangur BC drew the winning tickets and they were as follows:

1st Prize – Easter Basket Donated by Travel Counsellors Kris Higgins – Keith Ziebell of Kallangur Bowls Club

2nd Prize – Hamper Donated by Peter Dutton – Doug Brumwell of Kallangur Bowls Club

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3rd Prize – Easter Hamper Donated by Steven Miles –
Tony Watson Brisbane Northside Arm Bowlers Association

4th Prize – 2 Bottles of Wine Donated by Ali France –
Di West of Kallangur Bowls Club

Gain we would like to particular thank our Sponsors or their generous donations.

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.

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 is full, however, if you are still interested in playing you can put your name down as a reserve.

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.

CHANGES TO ARM BOWLERS POLICY



I have been in communication with a couple of people in Victoria pertaining to petitions to get this item changed back to requiring a Medical Certificate and was asked for a letter of support from BNABA and have supplied that, as I believe that the feeling in our group is that we are not in favour of the changes either.

The changes to the Artificial Device Policy are almost upon us and we are in the process of seeking clarification on these rules with Bowls Australia. As there seems to be a lot of grey area in the interpretation of when a bowler can pick up an arm.

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.



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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.

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

This is a new section suggested by our Committee Members to allow our Members to let us know what is coming up at their 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.

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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

Glasshouse Mountains and Samford have expressed
interest in holding events, so watch for changes.

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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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

MAY 2019
 Monday 6th May – Laidley – 2 Games 3 Bowls Triples
 13th – 26th May – Gold Coast – Qld State Championships – Singles, Pairs, Triples & 4s

JUNE 2019
 Sunday 23rd June – Dalby – 3 Bowls Triples

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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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