



Zone 10

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“IN THE ZONE”

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Zone 10

News

No 1 Pennants

The Board of Bowls NSW has resolved that Grade 1 Pennants across NSW will be revamped from next year, with the implementation of a new competition format in 2015 which will combine 16 sides from each of the Sydney Zones (9, 10, 11, 12 and 13) across two geographically-based sections. This restructure is aimed at establishing a sustainable and meaningful competition for all players and Clubs who aspire to compete at the highest level possible.

At the completion of a 7 sectional rounds of the competition, a 3-week finals series will be played for the chance for one of the sides to be crowned the Metropolitan Champion. The 5 Metro Zones will then each host a Final between their top 2 sides, with each Zone winner qualifying to compete in the State Pennant Finals as per previous years. It is proposed that the combined-Zone format will then be expanded State-wide in 2016 to provide the opportunity for Clubs from any Zones across NSW to participate under the revised Grade 1 Pennant structure.

It is anticipated that the new 2016 structure will see the State divided into ‘Conferences’, with sides competing against each other within those conferences, instead of Zone boundaries, to produce a winner to qualify for the State Finals. The Conferences (and the various sections within them (if required)) would be established on the basis of geographic regions to create viable competition numbers and minimal travel for participating sides.

Five regional conferences have been proposed:

- Western NSW • Northern NSW • Newcastle/Hunter • South Coast • Greater Sydney Metropolitan
- Additional details including the proposed makeup and format of competition and conference structures from 2016 will be given further consideration in the coming months in consultation with Zone Committees.

Greg Helm

Chief Executive Officer Bowls NSW

Grade 1 Pennant Competition

Proposed – Combine the 5 Metropolitan Zones for Grade 1

- SMC - Controlling Body (Competition draw and collation of results etc)
- Sectional Play of the State Grade 1 Pennant Competition
- All aspects of State COP will apply.
- Grade 1 Promotion and Relegation as per COP - Reviewed Yearly.
- Inclusive of all 5 Metropolitan Zones - (16 Sides from Zones 9,10, 11, 12 and 13)
- 16 Sides - Split into 2 Sections comprising 8 Sides (Geographical draw).
- 3 Sides from Each Zone plus highest Metro Gr2 Side. (16 Sides)
- SMC reserves the right to invite-select sides with Zone consultation.
- 7 Round Competition plus 3 Week Final Series
- Each of the 5 Metropolitan Zones has a Grade 1 FINAL – (The Highest two sides from each Zone after Sectional Rounds to play a Final).
- Each Zone Final played in their Zone
- Grade 1 Zone Winners to play at Grade 1 State Finals.
- A Metropolitan Champion is decided over a 3 week Final Series.
- Grade 1 Competition to be reviewed yearly.

GRADE 1 SYDNEY METROPOLITAN PENNANT COMPETITION MODEL

Composition of Sides in 2 Sections

(3 Sides from each Zone plus (16th Side – Highest Grade 2 Metro Side)

Inclusion of a Grade 2 Side will create 4 sides from a Zone. The 4 sides will split with 2 sides in each Section.

Based on results from 2014 and as an **example**, the Sections would be made up of the following clubs with the top 3 clubs from each Zone (according to 2014 results) + Cabramatta would have a 2nd side in due to them winning Grade 2 State Pennants in 2014. Dependant on who was the best performed side in Grade 2 (out of Zones 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13) would determine how the Sections were divided to try to alleviate the longest travel. Promotion & relegation would also be a part of the selection process each year.

Each side in each Section would play against each other once – 1 section x 8 Sides x 7 Competition rounds. Once the 7 rounds are completed, the top 2 sides from each Zone would then play off to decide the Club to represent their Zone at the State Zone Pennant Play-Offs. There would also be a 3 week playoff to decide the champion Metropolitan Club – the format to be confirmed.

CLUB	ZONE		CLUB	ZONE
BELROSE	9		ASHFIELD	11
NORTH SYDNEY	9		DOUBLE BAY	11
HARBORD	9		ALEX -ERSKINVILLE	11
MERRYLANDS	10		TARENPOINT	13
WENTY LEAGUES	10		GRANDVIEWS	13
CARLINGFORD	10		ENGADINE	13
CABRAMATTA	12		MOUNT LEWIS	12
ST JOHNS PARK	12		CABRAMATTA	12

COMMENTS

- Benefits the viability and quality of the Grade 1 Pennant in the Sydney area.
- Potential to make Grade 1 from all Zones stronger, both through player movement and improved general standard of competition each week. (Migration of players to Grade 1 Sides across all 5 Zones)
 - Strengthens Grade 2 and Grade 3 Competitions.
- Improves general standard of competition each week “No one enjoys winning or losing by big margins

The above information has been supplied by Bowls NSW via their website

Editors Comment – Mark Waters

This is a massive step for Bowls NSW to implement, especially with such a short lead in time, and there obviously will be supporters and detractors. The sport of bowls has been around for a long time, and in reality, very little has changed over the years to get the best players playing against each other on a regular basis. Yes Premier League has come and gone, replaced by the Champions League but the Grade 1 competition has struggled in many zones for many years due to the number of clubs that simply do not have the talent to match the top clubs - whether this has simply been the lack of numbers within a club, players moving for financial inducements or players moving just to get the chance to better their game by competing regularly against stronger players within a club. With the restriction of 3 clubs per Zone in Grade 1, there will now be a number of clubs that their Grade 2's will be strengthened, with this in turn filtering down through the grades to eventually(hopefully) even up the competition. It is up to these clubs to ensure that they foster growth within their clubs, as not all players aim for the No 1 Grades and are happy to play their Pennants knowing that they are a reasonable chance of competing against players of a similar standard both within their zone and state. Only time will tell how this change will result, but there has to be some form of change – and it needs to be sooner or later.

Zone 10 Executive

With the year-end fast approaching, the Zone Executive is asking that all Zone 10 members start giving some thought to nominating for the 2015 Zone 10 Committees (Match & Game, Selectors, Coaching & Umpires). These are very important positions to ensure the continuing smooth running of the Zone and new blood, fresh ideas and constructive input are very welcome and certainly encouraged. Don't be that person that sits at your local club around the Table of Knowledge (or No Idea) and complains about the direction taken within our and your Zone – be proactive and become a part of one of the strongest Zones within NSW.

Important Dates - 2015

Some important dates have been announced by Bowls NSW & Zone 10 for 2015

The 2015 Zone 10 Pennant season will commence **Saturday 28th February**.

State Senior Inter-Zone Championships – 19th to 21st May (Host Venue Zone 9 - Harbord)

State Pennants Finals – 1st to 3rd August (Various Venues)

State Inter-Zone Championships 12th to 14th September (Host Venue Zone 15 – The Entrance)

The full Zone 10 Programme for 2015 can be found on the Zone 10 website

Australian Open - 2015

Due to the Australian Open being played in Queensland and there are no pre qualifying events, it should be noted that this event will take precedence over all Zone & Club events for the period 13th to 25th June.

State Pennant Venues

The venues for the 2015 State Pennants have been released & Zone 10 has gained the hosting rights to the No 6's, which will be played at Northmead & Merrylands (final at Merrylands).

All host venues are

2015 Host Clubs

Grade 1 - Dapto Citizens & Albion Park (Zone 16)

Grade 2 - Cabramatta & Ingleburn (Zone 12)

Grade 3 - Kahibah & Warners Bay (Zone 2)

Grade 4 - Leeton Soldiers & Narrandera (Zone 8)

Grade 5 - West Dubbo & Dubbo Railway (Zone 4)

Grade 6 - Northmead & Merrylands (Zone 10)

Grade 7 - Orange City & Blayney (Zone 5)

Umpire Re – Accreditation

A call to all umpires that have their Umpires badge due for re accreditation within the next 6 months. There may be a change to the way umpires are re accredited in the wind and Zone 10 Umpires Co-Ordinator Les Watkins has suggested that now might be an opportune time to contact him to arrange your re-accreditation as soon as possible.

This process will only take approximately 1 hour so please contact Les
marajansumi@gmail.com

and try and arrange a time/place. It may be an idea to talk to other umpires within your club to check on their dates, and then get them all done at the same time. Umpires are needed desperately, please don't let you accreditation lapse!!

Tipping

Well – my tipping for the NRL Premiers was a little off the mark – congratulations to South Sydney on a great win - and while Sam Burgess was a worthy winner of the Churchill Medal, James Graham certainly was best for the Doggies (so maybe a pass mark there?)

Now we are in Spring Racing Carnival fever with Melbourne coming into the spotlight with the Derby, Cup, Oaks & Stakes Days next week.

My fearless tip for the Melbourne Cup –

LUCIA VALENTINA

Box Trifecta – Protectionist/Lucia Valentina/Mutual Regard/Fawkner

GOOD LUCK!!



BOWLS
NEW SOUTH WALES

State Championships

The 2014 NSW State Championships were held at

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BOWLING CLUB

commencing Saturday, 18th October. Unfortunately Zone 10 clubs came home empty handed, with no one getting past the 2nd Round in any of the events which is very disappointing considering the talent that travelled to Ettalong

Results were –

State Singles

Andrew Swann (Wentworthville Leages)

Round 1 v Craig Donaldson (Zone 13 – Taren Point) (Lost 8 – 31)

Overall Winner – Lennon Scott (Zone 2 – Raymond Terrace)

State Pairs

Michael Clarke & Tom Ellem (Merrylands)

Round 1 v Tom Hawkins & Rick Roper (Zone 11 – Waverley) (Won 25 – 22)

Round 2 v Scott Thorning & Nathan Wise (Zone 3 – South Tamworth) (Lost 19 -22)

Overall Winner - Scott Thorning & Nathan Wise (Zone 3 – South Tamworth)

State Triples

Andrew Sutton, Andrew Bush & Mick Linnell (Northmead)

Round 1 v Wayne Crane, Jamie Mitchell & Jeremy Henry (Zone 16 – Warilla) (lost 6 – 30)

Overall Winner – Murray Chapman, Jake Chapman & Craig Donaldson (Zone 13 – Taren Point)

State Fours

Peter Williams, Paul Webb, Zeljko Trbara & Tom Ellem (Merrylands)

Round 1 v Murray Munns, Darren Worrell, Paul Daniels & Tony Arndell (Zone 4 – Barradine) (Won 25-15)

Round 2 v Greg Mallard, Larry Seeley, Hedley Waugh & John Chalker (Zone 7 – Tathra) (Lost 10 – 24)

Winners – Geoff Rymer, Shannon White, Mark Berghofer & Brent Norman (Zone 12 – St Johns Park)

State Senior Singles

Trevor Imer (Northmead)

Round 1 v Alan Smith (Zone 13 – Gymea) (Won 31- 24)

Round 2 v Geoff McGillivray (Zone 16 – Warilla) (Lost 25 – 31)

Overall Winner – Geoff McGillivray (Zone 16 – Warilla)

State Senior Pairs

Jeffery McDonald & Kenneth Freeland (Toongabbie)

Round 1 v Harry Black & Ray Jankelowitz (Zone 11 – Double Bay) (Won 20 – 19)

Round 2 v Peter Thompson & Richard Malley (Zone 16 - Windang) (Lost 5 – 27)

Overall Winner – David Shearer & Crawford Linton (Zone 9 – Belrose)

State President's Reserve Singles

Richard Marrins (Gladesville)

Round 1 v Shane Allard (Zone 13 – Taren Point) (Lost – Forfeit)

Overall Winner – Jamie Nabbe (Zone 16 – Warilla)

State President's Reserve Pairs

Keith Ho & John Restrano (Gladesville)

Round 1 v Keith Hurley & Robert Luland (Zone 5 – Portland) (Lost 7 -24)

Overall Winner - Keith Hurley & Robert Luland (Zone 5 – Portland)

A few action shots from the week of the State Championships



Trevor Imer



Andrew Swan



Keith Freeland



Tom Ellem



Paul Webb – Peter Williams – Zeljko Trbara



Michael Clarke

The most recent winners of a State Championship representing Zone 10 were –

Singles - David Holt (The Hills) - 2003

Pairs - John Farr & Shannon White (Rydalmere Central) - 2002

Triples – Peter Charlwood, Brian Elderton & Shane Garvey (Merrylands) - 2000

Fours - John Bezear, Brian Elderton, Andrew Waddell & Kevin Walsh (Merrylands) - 2003 & 2002

President Reserve Singles – Mick Debono (Northmead) - 2004

No winners for Senior Singles, Senior Pairs or President Reserve Pairs

All information and photos courtesy – Bowls NSW website & Facebook

NSW Rookies Championship

These championships will be played at Raymond Terrace BC commencing 1st November & Zone 10 will be represented by

Singles – Darrin Ede (West Pennant Hills)

Pairs – Paul D'Arcy & David Dodge (Castle Hill)

NSW Champion of Club Champions

These Championships will be played at Nowra BC commencing 11th November and Zone 10 will be represented by

Singles – Paul Webb (Merrylands)

Pairs – Don Strickland & Matt Searle (Wenty Leagues)

Last Zone 10 Winners of this Championship –

Singles – Michael Ingersoll (The Hills) 2007

Pairs – Matt Steyck & Brendan Edwards (Merrylands) 2007

We wish all players the very best of luck in all their matches

City v Country Series

The 2014 City v Country Series will introduce a new format to this years event

The format is as follows:

- The sides (City and Country) will each have 3 groups of 2 rinks (4 players per rink).
- There will be an open draw to decide which rinks make up the two rink groups.
- Points will be awarded in each round for a winning rink, winning group and overall.
- These points will then determine the overall winning side, top rink and top group.



Congratulations and good bowling to Mason Lewis, Zeljko Trbara & Paul Webb, all from Merrylands, who have been selected to play in this event

Zone 10

Representative

Under 25's & Under 18's

Matches against Zone 2 @ Rydalmere Central BC (9th November) & Zone 12 @ Cabramatta BC (30th November) will finish the Representative year for Under 25's & Under 18s.

Selections are for Rydalmere Central

Zone 10 "Under 25"			
Lead	Second	Third	Skip
Darby LEWIS	Jamie PHILLIPS	Michael O'LOUGHLIN	Paul WEBB
Merrylands	Merrylands	Merrylands	Merrylands
Shane PARTRIDGE	Mathew SMITH	Mathew MCGAW	Kyle MARTINEZ
Toongabbie	Toongabbie	Toongabbie	Toongabbie
Franklin FONG	Martyn LEWIS	Sam HATCH-CACCAMO	Mason LEWIS
Merrylands	Merrylands	Carlingford	Merrylands
ZONE 10 "UNDER 18"			
Lead	Second	Third	Skip
Jack McSHANE	Kyle BREESE	Jarod McCARTHY	Bill HARKINS
Denistone	Merrylands	Gladesville	The Hills
Michael PHILLIPS	Rhys KELLY	Jacob ROBERTS	Jack WALKER
Merrylands	Toongabbie	The Hills	The Hills
Robert SUPALA	Josh GLENDINNING	Jordan PEISLEY	Mark HARKINS
North Ryde RSL	The Hills	Merrylands	The Hills

Zone 10 Club News

Again I would ask that the clubs of Zone 10 support this newsletter with articles of information from your club - after 29 issues of this newsletter, out of 25 Zone 10 clubs, I would say that at least 10 clubs have not supplied any information at all to publish - this newsletter relies on your support to continue. Please tap your Bowls Secretary and/or Publicity Office on the shoulder and ask why your clubs news is not shown....it is not a hard job to send to me at either publicity@zone10.org.au or fax to 02 99 044 766. If I receive it, it will publish it!!!!

Brush Park Notes from John Arkins

The Hunt & Hunt Trophy was held at Brush Park Bowling Club on Saturday 25th October. This very popular mixed event was proudly sponsored by Hunt and Hunt Lawyers of North Ryde.

Overall Winners:
Ivor Gleeson and Trevor Gardiner
with Ian Hunt (centre)



Second Place :
Noel Heard, Betty Palmer
and Frank Lacey with Ian Hunt.



Joint third and fourth place :
Bill Wyatt, Glen McDonald, Greg Taylor,
Dennis Hammond, Ron MacKenzie &
Graham Willis with Ian Hunt (centre).



Castle Hill Notes from Paul Bryon

Mixed Pairs Championship

The difference between the teams was only 1 point right through till the penultimate end, where the ultimate winners Lan Lim and Jeff Starr grabbed an important 4 shots followed by a further 3 shots on the last end when the runners up team of Damian Armitage (a rookie) and Jackie Jones were obviously playing for multiples. A great game of bowls worthy of a championship.



Jeff Starr, Lan Lim, Jackie Jones, Damian Armitage

2014 Rookies Championship

Played as a round robin over two days, this competition is always an interesting event to watch. This year saw 5 entrants, with the eventual winner Paul D'Arcy winning 4 of the 6 games to take out the championship. Paul has shown great promise this year by winning the Club Pairs and Zone 10 Rookie Pairs. Runner-up was Damian Armitage who just last weekend was the Mixed Pairs Runner Up



Photo – left to right: David Dodge, Scott Murphy, Damian Armitage, Paul D’Arcy and David Stephens.

Hunters Hill Notes from Jock Cunningham

GUINNESS WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT

News from HHC is that like many other clubs around Australia HHC is supporting Chris Thomas in his attempt on Guinness World Record for the most bowling clubs he can play at in 12 months.

I played Chris Thomas earlier this week in his bid to break the Guinness World record for the most bowls club played in a year over 10 ends.

After the game I asked him how some Q’s on how supports his challenge. Basically he has a caravan and staying at North Ryde Caravan Park while in Sydney and then moves around to other camping areas pending the clubs he plays at. He plays on the average 2 to 3 games a day mostly 7 days a week.

He gets support from Men’s Shed, Cancer Council Australia

His challenge started in July this year and will finish in July 2015. Currently he has played in 300 plus clubs and another bowler is also trying the same idea only that he finishes in January 2015 & he has played 500 plus clubs to date.

Chris is looking to the support of each of the bowling clubs he plays at for financial support via donations and the purchase of Cancer Council polo shirts at \$49.

Maybe this is a chance for all the clubs in Zone 10 to support Chris in his attempt. When I spoke after our game he indicated the many Zone 10 clubs he was playing in this week.

If people go on the Facebook website below they will see the many bowling clubs images that have supported Chris in his attempt.

For further info, please visit Chris' facebook page "Chris Will For Cancer"

Note - Chris will also be playing at West Pennant Hills this week

Chris's contact details are:

Chris Thomas
M: 0449 295 342
Facebook: Chris Will For Cancer



Jock & Chris

Bank account details:

BENDIGO BANK
BSB: 633000
Account: 105 805 295

Pennant Hills Notes from Martin Billam

Up Coming Events

30th October - Twilight Bowls 5:30 pm then fortnightly
Single entries taken between 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm on 9875 1008

9th November - "Brekkie Bowls Triples"
Single entries or teams accepted.

30th November - "3 Bowl Mixed Pairs Tournament"
Single entries or teams accepted.

All events - Martin Billam 0411 145 347 or Bowls Office 9875 1008 or mensbowls@phbc.com.au

West Pennant Hills Notes from Website & David Wilson

Good luck to Darren Ede who will be playing in the finals of the Rookie Singles Championship on Saturday 1 November 2014. The finals are being played at Raymond Terrace Bowling Club. Darren will be playing off against bowlers from Grafton, Moyura and Avalon on Saturday morning. The semi finals are played in the afternoon with the final played late on Saturday afternoon. For a new bowler, Darren has performed very well so he needs the support of WPH bowlers to be in attendance on the day. I will be there and I hope others too. Well done Darren and may you succeed.

Zone 10 Tournaments

A quiet time of the year for tournaments - but if you have anything coming up for 2015, get the details sent in and it will appear here

Zone 10 Calendar

November 2014

Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd November – State Rookies Championships (Raymond Terrace)
Tuesday 11th November to Friday 14th November – Champion of Club Champions (Nowra)

December 2014

Wednesday 10th December – Zone Meeting

January 2015

Friday 16th January – Pennants Entries Close
Friday 30th January - State/Zone Fours Entries Close

February 2015

Saturday 14th February – State/Zone Fours Commence
Saturday 28th February – Zone 10 Pennants Commence

March 2015

Sunday 8th March – Alan Buckley Shield
Friday 20th March – Junior Championship Entries Close

April 2015

Friday 3rd to Monday 6th April – Easter
Saturday 25th April – ANZAC Day

May 2015

Sunday 10th May – Mother's Day
Tuesday 19th May to Thursday 21st May – State Seniors Inter Zone Championships (Harbord)
Friday 29th May – State/Senior/President Singles Entries Close

June 2015

Friday 12th June – State/Senior/President Pairs Entries Close
Saturday 27th June - State/Senior/President Singles Commence

July 2015

Friday 10th July – State/Zone Triples Entries Close
Saturday 18th July - State/Senior/President pairs Commence

August 2015

Saturday 1st to Monday 3rd August – State Pennant Finals
Saturday 8th August – State/Zone Triples Commence
Saturday 22nd August – Champion of Club Champions

September 2015

Saturday 12th to Monday 14th September – State Inter Zone Championships (The Entrance)

IMPORTANT

Please note dates are subject to confirmation by the Zone 10 Committee. Please check on www.zone10.org.au for updates

2015 Australian Open – \$225,000 in Prize Money – June 13 to 25 (at the Gold Coast)

Entries opened on September 1 for the richest event in world bowls, the 2015 Australian Open. Bowlers from all corners of the country and globe will descend on the coastal tourist destination next June for a chance to enjoy some time in the sun on greens widely regarded as the world's best, with a guaranteed amount of matches and a chance to secure a slice of the \$225,000 prize money up for grabs.

Thousands of bowlers have played in the country's richest and most prestigious event, the Australian Open, over its 10 year journey, but no one has experienced the event on a scale or magnitude that will be on display from June 13 to 25 across a minimum of nine bowls clubs situated in the heart of the 'theme park capital of Australia'.

There's no need to partake in an arduous qualifying tournament any more, simply enter online or through the manual entry process and you'll be guaranteed a place in the main draw.

Disciplines include men's and women's singles, pairs And fours, under-18 boys' and girls' singles, bowlers with a disability singles and pairs. Visit the new Australian Open website below for more information... <http://www.australianopen.bowlsaustralia.com.au/>



Australian Premier League



The Australian Premier League is set to be staged again from November 18 to 21, under lights at Brisbane's premier bowls facility, Club Pine Rivers - with free admission for spectators to experience the adrenaline-fueled format.

Matches begin at 1pm AEST daily, with the competition broadcast live on Fox Sports and SKY NZ from 5pm-10.00pm during the four days of competition, providing unprecedented exposure for the sport of bowls.

APL snapshot

- Each team shall comprise of 3 players plus a non-playing coach
- Two players from each Team shall be nominated to compete in the game (lead/skip).
 - The third player will be the substitute for that team.
- Playing positions / order between the 3 players may be altered at any time, provided that the order must not be altered once an end has commenced.

Competition Format

- The APL will be played as a sectional based competition in the preliminary rounds and convert to a “knock out” format for all finals play
 - The event will be played in “sets play” format

Game Format – Pairs

- There will be three (3) bowls per player for each end
- Each game will be played over two sets with each set consisting of 5 ends



The Zone 10 website is a wealth of information of event programme, draws, results, club events, By-laws, Regulations and Conditions of Play, Club information and Entry Forms. I encourage all members of Zone 10 to “hit” the website at least once a week as a further way of keeping informed on the happenings within Zone 10. A new website is under development and it should be rolled out early in 2015. It is hoped that you let all your bowling friends and family know about this link so that they too can keep up to date with the happenings in and involving Zone 10 and they too can be “In The Zone” www.zone10.org.au

Get “In The Zone”!!!!

Have you won a Championship or Tournament lately – were the details shown “In The Zone”?? No – well please have a chat to your Clubs’ Publicity Officer or Bowls Secretary and ask them to please submit to

publicity@zone10.org.au

Not only do you want to see your name “up in lights” but achievements should be acknowledged not only by your club but by all of Zone 10. All information sent to me is published so please diarise Tuesday each week to send information (and photos if possible) to me for inclusion.

You can’t be *in the zone* if you are not “*In The Zone*”!!!!

Deadline for information – **Wednesday 12th November**

The next issue of “In The Zone” will be distributed – **Thursday 13th November**