

# Nowra Bowls Newsletter

## **Dates of Interest**

*(see flyers on notice board or Facebook for more details)*

- Open Pennants 2026 Zone Play offs - Saturday 16.5.2026  
locations to be confirmed but NOT in Nowra
- Monthly Pairs - Monday 18.5.2026
- Club 4's - Semi Final - Sat 23.5 @1.00pm
- Club 4's - FINAL - Sun 24.5 @1.00pm
- State Pennant FINALS - Friday 21.8 to Sunday 23.8.2026

## **Umpires Corner**



There was a discussion recently that on second thought, needed a bit of research to clear up. Whilst there were loads of "experts" available on the day .. clarification was needed. After referral to the Match Committee and the Umpires Cohort.

### **Rebounding jack (Rule 21)**

The end will continue if:

21.1 when the jack is at rest on the rink, it is driven against the face of the bank and rebounds onto the rink of play; or

21.2 when the jack is at rest in the ditch, it is moved by a toucher and this takes it back onto the rink.



DON'T FORGET TO

# REDEEM YOUR BONUS POINTS

Bonus Points expire at end of business March 31st

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## **Bonus Points**

If you have not used or spent your Bonus Points by now .. It too late - too sad.

## **Websters Whimsy**

I told my wife the other day that I wish to be cremated ... she has made an appointment for next Tuesday.

## **CLUB NOWRA**

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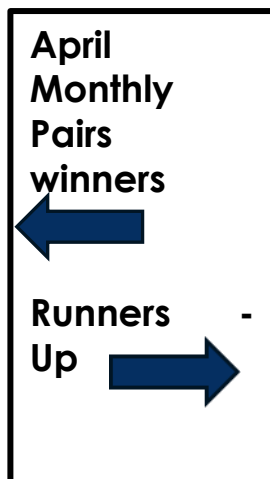
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## April - Monthly Pairs

As we are heading into the business end of our Pennants season this format gives all a good chance to practice against top opponents so get a team together and come along on the third Monday of every month. The April edition of this tournament was as good as ever with good humoured banter ringing around both greens.

Winners this month were Mike Mitchel and Tim Flynn with a close score of 3 wins plus 30. Second prize went to the Team from Ulladulla led by Nick King with 3 wins plus 26 and third place to the team led by Rod Potts from Husky, 2 wins plus 15.

Again, a huge shout out to Dave Murphy and the team from TyrePower of North Street Nowra who sponsor this great event. They support us .. so why not support them !!



Tim Flynn & Mike Mitchell



Annie Swinburne & Nick King

## Pennants Update - 2026

(@ 1.5.2026 - Rd 9)

**3's**

Team	W	L	D	Pts
Nowra 3	6	0	1	63.5
St Georges Basin 3	4	3	0	38
Mollymook 4	3	3	1	34.5
Milton Ulladulla 4	2	6	1	23
Culburra 4	2	5	2	21

**5's**

Team	W	L	D	Pts
Shoalhaven Heads	4	1	1	43.5
Nowra	3	2	1	33
Berry	1	5	0	13.5

**6's**

Team	W	L	D	Pts
Huskisson	7	2	0	67.5
Greenwell Point	6	2	1	62
Shoalhaven Heads	5	4	0	51.5
Worrigee	6	3	0	53
Nowra	1	7	1	20
Culburra	1	8	0	16

## Dates for Monthly Pairs 2026

Monday 18th May  
Monday 15th June  
Monday 20th July  
Monday 17th August  
Monday 21st September  
Monday 19th October  
Monday 16th November  
Monday 21st December



# STATE PENNANT FINALS



The *2025/26 Open Gender State Pennant Finals - Grade 4* will be held from Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd August, 2026 and we will be co-hosting the event with Bomaderry BC with the Final to be held in Nowra this year.

“Pennants” is the ultimate representative and oldest Bowls event on the NSW calendar. This statewide competition has been played since 1895 and includes every club from across NSW in 7 grades. In recent years it has become an open gender competition where teams from all 16 Zones play off for the ultimate prize.

Getting to host these events is a huge privilege and a chance to showcase your club, your town and your location. Like all large events, the success relies on the support given by club members. All members from both the Men and Ladies clubs will soon be asked to assist in making this event better than last years.

Soon “*Da new Management*” will be asking us to offer our services as an Umpire, marker, car park attendant, bus driver along with several other support roles. In preparation for the event, we will need helpers all week.

So, please pencil in your diary the above dates and wait for the flyer and list to appear on the notice board.



**Websters Whimsy**

I sometimes wonder what ever happened to the people I gave directions too ...



## Webster's Whimsy

I was telling my doctor the other day that my joints are getting weaker .. He advises me to roll them tighter !

## Websters Whimsy

Have you ever noticed that all the instruments, gadgets, telescopes and equipment searching for intelligent life are pointed away from the Earth !!



# Meet a Bowler

As we are the best littlest club on the south coast, we tend to pick up new bowlers, whether they be new to the sport or new to the area. With a load of new faces joining, it would be good to get to know the new guys by way of a little bit of fun. If you want to see yourself in this format then email [wesmac2541@gmail.com](mailto:wesmac2541@gmail.com) or call 0429 772 021. The cartoons will also be good pressies for your grandchildren!!!

## Mark Farmer

**Nickname:** Not Applicable - *lucky that the Editor did not get a hold of this one and make one up !!*

**Place of Birth:** Orange

**Primary School:** Eglington (Bathurst)

**High School:** Kelso High (Bathurst)

**First Job:** Furniture maker

**Last Job:** Commercial Diver

## Favourites

**Team:** The Mighty Dragons .. shhh

**Meal:** Anything Tina cooks - crawler!!

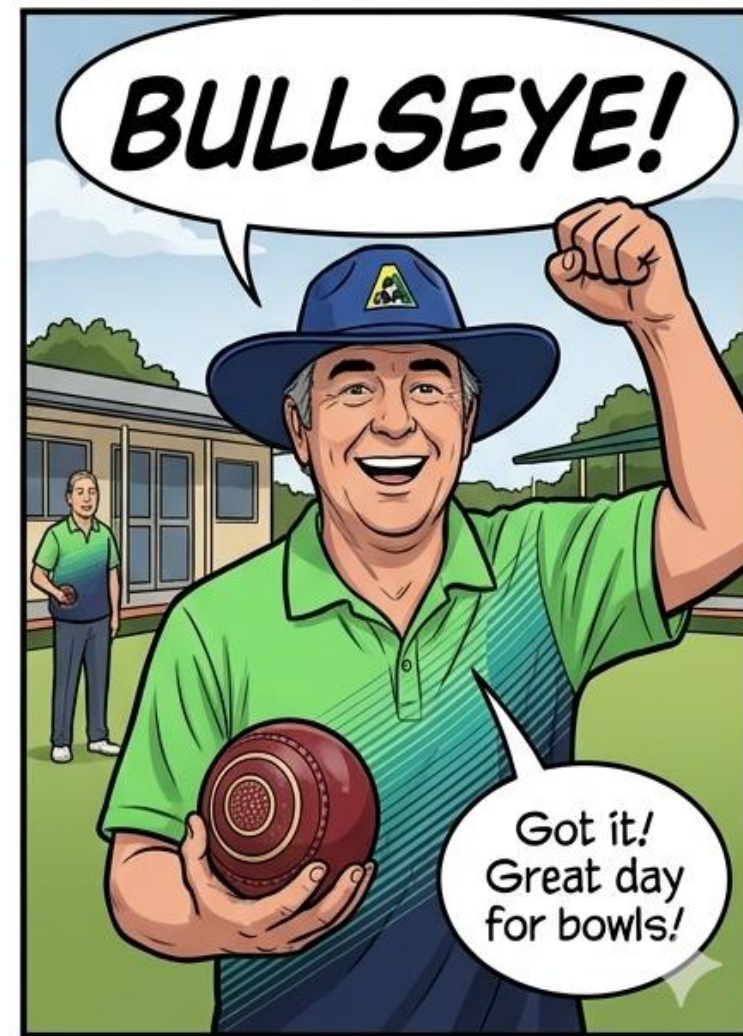
**Movie:** Master and Commander

**Sporting Moment:** Reserve grade grand final in 1986

## Bowls Advice:

**Best given:** Practice, then practice some more

**Worst Given:** bias is on the outside!



# Lady Bowlers

In preparation for the *Lyrebird Carnival* the Nowra Lady Bowlers hold monthly challenges amongst themselves with drawn singles games. The April "Queen of the Green" was Faye Potter who had a strong run to the final and took the Crown in a good win over Ida Ferchow 25 - 5.

The *Princess* mantel was won by Lorraine Crosswell with a close win 25-23 over Barbara Daniels.



April "Queen of the Green" - Faye Potter



April "Princess of the Green" →  
Lorraine Crosswell



## New Members

Like all sporting clubs nowadays, groups such as the Lady Bowlers require new members. The girls get together on Tuesday mornings for social games and they also hold competition and tournaments both at home and away venues.

The club have many ladies available to assist new members with some coaching, training and mentoring .. So, if you know a lady who has some free time pass on her details to Ida, Faye or Nerida.

## 2026 Lyrebird Shield

After many months of work by a small band of shovelers & much dedication to his craft by Scott Mathieson, the lower green was re-introduced back into play for the eagerly awaited Lyrebird Shield. This annual event on the Lady's calendar was not held last year due to weather so was keenly anticipated in 2026.

A cool morning met the bowlers on a bright sunny day with a Nowra blue sky overhead. Both greens were crammed full with 84 bowlers from as far afield as the Illawarra and Sydney. President of the Nowra Lady Bowlers Nerida Brown said that *".. the day was a great success. We were able to renew some friendships as we had teams from all over the South Coast"*.

The winners on the day were from Culburra (\$550.00); Second place (\$400) went to Sussex Inlet and St Georges Basin (\$250.00 taking away the third prize.

Days such as these don't go ahead without the keen support of sponsors. So, a huge call out to Club Nowra for providing the total prize pool of \$1380.00. There was also a lot of help from within the Club and the Committee also wish to those that helped behind the scenes with umpiring, scoring, cooking and food preparation and being on the computer. A team effort made the day go smoothly and we are all looking forward to 2027!

**1st - Culburra**

**2nd - Sussex Inlet**

**3rd - St Georges Basin**

**Teams from Illawarra and Sydney**

