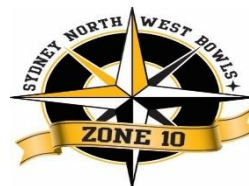




2021

Pennants Information Booklet



2021 Changes to Bowls NSW State COP

No: C01/2021

Date: Monday 11 January 2021

To: Zones, Districts & Clubs

Re: 2021 Conditions of Play refinement

The Board of Bowls NSW has approved a submission from the State Match Committee to make two refinements to the 2021 Conditions of Play.

The State Match Committee proposed the refinements after receiving constructive feedback from numerous parties.

The changes made are outlined below

Condition 3.8.23.10 – Highest Grade of Pennant Entered by a Club

An additional clause has been added to this Condition.

The change imposes a limit that a Maximum of three (3) players who have changed their declared club from the previous season shall be eligible to play 2 or more grades below their previous season grading in a Club's Highest Grade.

Condition 2.23 restricting Movement of Players

A refinement to the restriction of movement of players be made to include more specific clauses and to limit that a third in fours may follow only their second bowl to the head (consistent with lead playing in the third position in pairs and the second in triples).

The State Match Committee further advises that COP 2.23 now explicitly states when a player is able to walk from the mat end to the head end.

There is NO provision for a singles player to request permission from the marker or a player in a team event to request permission from an opponent to view the head at any time not specified within this Condition.

Please also note that Appendix A4 in the Laws of the Sport of Bowls is not in force for any NSW Association Event. As per the provisions of this Appendix, the Controlling Body (Bowls NSW) has *adapted and included* the requirements in the State Conditions of Play for 2021.

An updated version of the 2021 Conditions of Play is now available on the Bowls NSW website for

2021 Northmead Pennants Draw

Round 1		6/03/2021	Round 2		13/03/2021	Round 3		20/03/2021
Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue
2	MERRYLANDS	Merrylands	2	WENTY LEAGUES	Northmead	2	DUNDAS SPORTS	DUNDAS
3	THE HILLS	Northmead	3	CASTLE HILL	Castle Hill	3	DENISTONE	Denistone
5	BEECFOFT	Northmead	5	MERRYLANDS	Merrylands	5	BYE	
6	TOONGABBIE	Toongabbie	6	BEECROFT	Northmead	6	THE HILLS	The Hills
7/1	BURWOOD	Northmead	7/1	MERRYLANDS	Merrylands	7/1	TOONGABBIE	Northmead
7/2	ATC BOWLS	ATC Bowls	7/2	DENISTONE	Denistone	7/2	NORT EPPING	Northmead
Round 4		27/03/2021	Round 5		10/04/2021	Round 6		1/7/04/2021
Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue
2	TOONGABBIE	Northmead	2	CARLINGFORD	Carlingford	2	MERRYLANDS	Northmead
3	HUNTERS HILL	Northmead	3	GREENLEES PARK	Greenlees	3	THE HILLS	The Hills
5	THE HILLS	The Hills	5	DENISTONE	Northmead	5	BEECROFT	Beecroft
6	PUTNY TENNYSON	Putney	6	MERRYLANDS	Northmead	6	TOONGABBIE	Northmead
7/1	WENTY LEAGUES	Wenty	7/1	CASTLE HILL	Northmead	7/1	BURWOOD	Grenlees
7/2	THE HILLS	Northmead	7/2	WENTY LEAGUES	Wenty	7/2	ATC BOWLS	Northmead
Round 7		24/04/2021	Round 8		1/05/2021	Round 9		8/05/2021
Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue
2	WENTY LEAGUES	Wenty	2	DUNDAS SPORTS	Northmead	2	TOONGABBIE	Toongabbie
3	CASTLE HILL	Northmead	3	DENISTONE	Northmead	3	HUNTERS HILL	Hunters Hill
5	MERRYLANDS	Northmead	5	BYE		5	THE HILLS	Northmead
6	BEECFOFT	Beecroft	6	THE HILLS	Northmead	6	PUTNEY TENNTSON	Northmead
7/1	MERRYLANDS	Northmead	7/1	TOONGABBIE	Toongabbie	7/1	WENTY LEAGUES	Northmead
7/2	DENISTONE SPORT	Northmead	7/2	NORT EPPING	North Epping	7/2	THE HILLS	The Hills
Round 10		15/05/2021	Lay Days			State Pennant Finals Venues		
Grade	vs	Venue				Grade	Venue	
			Zone Finals			1	Foster Bowling Club	
2	CARLINGFORD	Northmead	Sat	29th May Venue TBA		2	Parkes BC/Parkes Railway	
3	GREENLEES PARK	Northmead	Sun	30th May Venue TBA		3	NBC Sports/Toongabbie Sports	
5	DENISTONE SPORT	Denistone	State Pennant Finals			4	Yamba/Maclean Bowling Club	
6	MERRYLANDS	Merrylands	Fri	16th July		5	St George Basin CC/Nowra BC	
7/1	CASTLE HILL	Castle Hill	Sat	17th July		6	Maitland City BC/Lorn Park BC	
7/2	WENTY LEAGUES	Northmead	Sun	18th July		7	Warilla/Kiama Bowling Club	
Round 1		9/04/21 - 5.30pm	Round 2		10/04/21 - 9.30am	Round 3		16/04/21 - 5.30pm
Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue
1	MERRYLANDS	Merrylands	1	GRANDVIEWS	Grandviews	1	WENTY LEAGUES	Northmead
Round 4		17/04/21 - 12pm	Round 5		24/04/21 - 12.40pm	Round 6		30/04/21 - 5.30pm
Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue
1	CABRAMATTA	Cabramatta	1	ST JOHNS PARK	Northmead	1	MONA VALE	Northmead
Round 7		1/05/21 - 9.30am	Round 8		7/05/21 - 5.30pm	Round 9		8/05/21 - 9.30am
Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue
1	BELROSE	Belrose	1	BYE		1	MT LEWIS	Northmead
Round 10		15/05/21 - 12.40pm	Round 11		16/05/21 - 9.30am	Nominated home side to do raffle each week One person on each rink to put Mats & Jack away Bage draw each Saturday at 6pm		
Grade	vs	Venue	Grade	vs	Venue			
1	TAREN POINT	Northmead	1	ENGADINE	Engadine			

Grade One

Tuesday 23.3.21

Castle Hill 1 v Northmead (R1)

Thursday 25.3.21

The Hills v Northmead (R2)

Wednesday 31.3.21

Northmead v Wenty (R3)

Thursday 8.4.21

Pennant Hills v Northmead (R4)

Wednesday 14.4.21

Northmead v Castle Hill 2 (R5)

Thursday 15.4.21

Northmead v Castle Hill 1 (R6)

Wednesday 21.4.21

Northmead v The Hills (R7)

Thursday 22.4.21

Wenty v Northmead (R8)

Wednesday 28.4.21

Northmead v Pennant Hills (R9)

Thursday 29.4.21

Castle Hill 2 v Northmead (R10)

Grade Two

Tuesday 23.3.21

Pennant Hills v Northmead (R1)

Thursday 25.3.21

Wenty v Northmead (R2)

Tuesday 30.3.21

Castle Hill v Northmead (R3)

Thursday 8.4.21

Northmead v Bye (R4)

Tuesday 13.4.21

The Hills v Northmead (R5)

Thursday 15.4.21

Northmead v Pennant Hills (R6)

Wednesday 21.4.21

Northmead v Wenty (R7)

Thursday 22.4.21

Northmead v Castle Hill (R8)

Wednesday 28.4.21

Bye v Northmead (R9)

Thursday 29.4.21

Northmead v The Hills (R10)

Grade Four

Tuesday 23.3.21

West Pennant Hills v Northmead (R1)

Thursday 25.3.21

Northmead v West Pennant Hills (R2)

NBC & NWBC Players / Supporters Code of Conduct



- Players and supporters are at all times, ambassadors of NBC Sports Club. It is incumbent upon them to act in a manner becoming of a member of NBC Sports Club
- Players must always abide by any lawful direction or request from the Side Manager or any Club Official.
- Club uniforms and bowls equipment should always be governed by the law of the game as outlined by the RNSWBA, WBNSW or relevant controlling body. Players should know the law and abide by them.
- Players and supporters must always observe and abide by the rules, regulations and licensing requirements of any host club and conduct themselves in a fit and proper manner at all times.
- Players should at all times present themselves at the appointed or nominated time by officials for all requirements of practice of play. They shall not unduly prevent or hinder other players in pursuit of it.
- When travelling to other venues, players must notify the Side Manager if they are travelling direct to the venue.
- When staying in accommodation provided by the club, the premises and property shall be treated with respect and care. Any damage incurred will be at the expense of the offending party.
- The use of loud and/or offensive language or aggressive behaviour will not be tolerated under any circumstances.
- Prohibited drugs will not be tolerated whilst representing NBC Sports Club.
- Any serious or wilful infringements of the conditions in this Player/Supporter Code of Conduct shall be deemed as bringing the club into disrepute. Irrespective of the circumstance, this may result in disciplinary action being taken against the individual/s concerned, not only by the BMC but also by the Board of NBC Sports Club



2021 Pennant NBC Player Policy

The following conditions will apply to all players who nominate for Pennants for the 2021 season.

- Players who nominate themselves for the 2021 pennant season must be available for scheduled pennant games. If you are unavailable for a game please place your name on the unavailability list.
- Players must arrive for each game at the advised time and venue. In the event of not being able to meet the criteria, players must advise the side manager or Chairman of Selectors.
- The selectors will determine the playing positions and grading for all players. Players are expected to play accordingly for the betterment of the club. If you have a grievance in relation to your selection, please feel to discuss your concerns with the Selectors. Selectors will meet at 3pm each Monday before the next round.
- Players must advise the selectors of their non-availability for selection for any round by placing their name on the Non Available List no later than 5:00pm on the Sunday preceding the round.
- Selected players and reserves must advise of their availability no later than 5:00pm on the Thursday preceding each round by indicating their availability on the selection sheet or notifying the Chairman of Selectors. Players must indicate if they are travelling directly to away games

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Rick Gordon – 0428 101 499

John Farr – 0403 820 728 (E): johnfarrzone10@hotmail.com

Mens Pennant Payment Pennants Payments

GRADE 1. \$60 per win in points on the Club Card.

GRADE 2. \$40 per win in points on the Club Card.

GRADE 3. \$30 per win in points on the Club Card.

GRADE 4. \$30 per win in points on the Club Card.

GRADE 5. \$20 per win in Points on the Club Card.

GRADE 6. \$20 per win in Points on the Club Card.

GRADE 7. \$20 per win in Points on the Club Card.

NORTHMEAD BOWLING CLUB SELECTION POLICY

SELECTORS

1. A panel consisting of up to 4 selectors plus Bowls Co-ordinator.
2. The 4 nominated selectors plus Bowls Co-ordinator will select all grades.

PHILOSOPHY AND AIMS

The aim of the selection process is to select teams to represent Northmead Bowling Club in Pennant competition. Northmead aims to enter competitive teams in all grades allocated using a strategic mix of capable and experienced players and also to develop newer players to their highest potential standard. Players are to be graded in line with their capability and future potential.

Northmead wants its teams to be regarded by other clubs as providing hard competition but also displaying the highest standards of sportsmanship. High standards are expected from players selected to represent the club on the green and afterwards.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Teams will be selected in order to be competitive for the grade played in. Selections will also need to consider the situations of all teams playing pennants in order to give the sides the maximum chance of winning the zone and state competitions.

BALANCE

In addition individual grades will be selected on the basis of the relative strengths and weaknesses of players and to ensure individual rinks do not become unbalanced to the detriment of the overall grade i.e. the master board is more important than rink wins.

COMPATIBILITY

Compatibility in this context is not about friends playing together it is about matching players within a rink to form an effective team. Consideration will always be given to bowling ability but also to other qualities that apply in team sport such as leadership, teamwork, encouragement and attitude.

RECENT PERFORMANCE

Selectors will take into consideration of players recent performances in competitive bowls such as pennants, zone, state and club championships.

RELIABILITY

This refers to past experience of players representing the club and whether, in the selector's opinion, the player can be relied on to be available for matches ready to play at their best and have demonstrated in the past that they can deal with necessary changes for the betterment of the team. This also applies to players who have made themselves unavailable at late notice on past occasions as this can be very disruptive across all grades.

DEVELOPMENT

Selectors will give high regard to developing players for the current season but also for the future of the club. This may mean for example advancing less experienced players, trying players in different positions, matching highly experienced players with newer players to develop bowling skills, leadership and teamwork.

The match committee will arrange regular practice times (usually Friday afternoon) for players to roll up and practice drills in the presence of coaches and senior players. These sessions are not mandatory but players wishing to develop their game are encouraged to attend. It is also a bonding opportunity for players to get together with teammates.

BEHAVIOUR

Whilst bowling ability is of great importance conduct and behaviour of players is also a consideration. Poor behaviour will be considered in the selection process. This applies to a range of situations but may include being overly critical of teammates, excessive alcohol consumption before and during a game, overly emotional reactions to events in a game such as abusing opponents or persistently poor etiquette on the green.

FEEDBACK

Selectors will seek feedback where appropriate from side managers, skips and other players in terms of recent performances.

PROCESS OF SELECTION

Selectors will generally meet during the pennant season on Monday afternoon. Teams will be selected and the Bowls Co-ordinator will post the teams on the club noticeboard and website by Tuesday afternoon.

Players are expected to confirm their availability for the Saturday pennant match by 6.00pm Thursday night either by ticking their name on the team sheet or some other method arranged with the Bowls Co-ordinator. Players must also indicate if they are going direct to away games.

After Thursday night the selectors may make changes to teams depending on the non-availability of players. The Bowls Co-ordinator will have the authority of the selectors to change teams in cases of unforeseen circumstances. For example, illness on the day of the game.

APPEALS AND DISPUTES

Players may attend the selection meeting on the Monday afternoon to discuss their concerns. Prior notice should be given to the Bowls Co-ordinator.

Players may also make an appointment to discuss concerns with the Chairman of selectors.

COMMUNICATION

As there a large number of players in the club it is not always possible to immediately communicate all changes to everyone. However the selectors will attempt to directly contact players affected by the following changes;

- Players being selected in a lower grade than their last game (in the current season)
- Players being changed from Skip position to another position

Selectors will ring the affected player on their contact number by 8.00 pm on the night of selection or before 12.00pm on the Tuesday when teams are posted. If the player cannot be contacted please note that teams will be posted as usual. Please ensure your contact details are up to date.

Other changes such as positional changes (other than skip) or moving players between rinks will not necessarily result in a phone call. Players should note those who were unavailable for the previous round are not guaranteed their same position and won't necessarily be contacted before the teams are posted.

Selectors will aim to keep players updated on events and issues via notices placed on the bowls noticeboard and through Team App & Facebook

Northmead Women's Bowling Club (NWBC) Selection Policy

Northmead Women's Bowling Club supports an open and fair process for the selection of teams. Selection will be based on clear criteria that are available to all players prior to the bowling year commencing.

1. Introduction

The purpose of this policy is to outline the processes to be followed by Selectors when selecting players/teams for Pennants, Social or any other competitions where the Selectors are involved in the selection process.

2. Objectives

- The objective of the Selection Committee of NWBC Club is to ensure the best possible teams are selected to represent the Club at Pennant level, Club Representation Events and for Social Bowls.
- To promote the development and growth of members by mixing experience with those who are at the learning stage of their bowling journey.

3. The Process

- The Selectors will select such teams/or individuals as required for Pennants, Club Representation Events and Social bowls.
- The Selectors will have total discretion in selection based on one or more of the selection criteria stipulated in this policy.
- A majority decision of the selectors is required.
- Selectors must be able to justify their selections to the Management Committee if requested to do so.

4. Criteria for Pennant Selection

Selection decisions will be based mainly on performance, however the selectors will also consider the following:

- Attendance at social, competition, training and club/team events.
- Good sportsmanship.
- Ability to play as part of a team in the position as selected.
- Attitude and commitment to NWBC regarding Club representation.
- Achievements at Club, District and/or State competitions.
- Ability and commitment to play in conditions and on expected dates for Pennants including District and State Playoffs.
- Availability for any practice/trials associated with Pennants.
- Players who are unable to attend or compete at trials and/or specific days of Pennants due to leave, sickness, work or other extenuating circumstances will be taken into consideration during the selection process.
- The player **MUST** note unavailable dates on the Pennant Nomination Form OR nominate as a reserve as unavailable these dates. It will be at the discretion of the selectors from the nominated available members and those partially available for the pennant competition for the selection of all grades.
- Players who have recently transferred to NWBC, and have demonstrated their abilities at their previous Club, District and/or State.
- Any other factor that is relevant to the circumstances.
- In addition players must be financial members of the Club
- *Selections should be advised to the Management Committee for their information before publication on the notice board.*

5. Non Pennant Selection Policy

In the event a player has nominated for Pennant selection and is **not** selected then the following process will occur:

- Each non selected player is to be notified by the Chair to have an individual discussion with the Chair and one other selector. The non-selected player can bring another member as support to the discussion.

6. **Post Pennant Selection Policy**

In the event a selected player becomes unavailable after selection, a replacement player will be decided upon by the Selection Committee.

- Inform players of the dates and criteria for team selection. The player availability list will be displayed on the notice board. There will be no cut-off date, players joining the club at any time before or during Pennants will be eligible for Selection.
- Selectors will take direction from the Management Committee regarding the number of sides to be entered but will be responsible for fair and unbiased based selection.

7. **Appeals**

- Players have 7 days to appeal the selection decision.
- ***The appeal should be made in writing and directed to the Management Committee.***

8. **Players**

- Make yourself familiar with the selection criteria and clarify any concerns with the Chair of Selectors prior to Pennant trials beginning.
- Make yourself available for Pennant trials when asked to do so.

9. **Criteria for Social Selection**

Selectors:

- Ensure players of varied playing ability are selected within a team on a regular basis to assist with the promotion of skills within those of lesser ability.
- Notwithstanding the previous point, ensure those with greater skills are selected on a regular basis to play against teams of equal skill to ensure players receive competition commensurate with their skill level.
- Ensure new bowlers are selected in teams where there is an appropriate mentor to assist with their game.
- Ensure competing teams are evenly balanced to ensure a level playing field.
- Make every effort to ensure all players receive a game.
- Vary the type of competition to ensure players have a variety of play.

Players:

- Make yourself available for social bowls as often as possible.
- Assist your team players

NWBC

Chair Cheryl Thompson
Selectors Christine Keys
 Joanne McKennall
 Jan Williamson
 Pat Nolan

After Match Functions

Players, Side Managers & Supporters are encouraged to come back to the club following each Pennants Round.

At 5:35pm-6:00pm each Saturday the Pennant Club Captain will update all results.



Pennants Cash Draw

At 6pm & 7.30pm each Saturday, two Pennants Draws will take place. Each player that nominated to play pennants (including reserves and side managers) have been allocated a number.

Each week \$100 can be won. The numbers will be entered into the random number generator and if the player drawn is present they will win the money. If the player is not present, the \$50 jackpots to the next round.

A list of players/side managers and their numbers will be on the notice board.

Pennant Practices

**Fridays 3pm-5pm
(before every round)**



Pennants Practice is not compulsory, but players are encouraged to attend.

Each week we will provide coaches for training drills, help with one on one coaching, specialist position advice and help in any area of players game that they require help with.

Men's Weekly Selections

NBC Selectors will meet every Monday afternoon to select the next round. Players that wish to discuss matters with selectors are encouraged to do so in a positive manner. If you wish to attend a selection meeting, it is best to advise the Chairman, Brett Hughes beforehand that you will be attending.

Selected teams will be available by 12pm on the Tuesday afternoon prior to the next round. They will be placed on the notice board and can also be viewed on the clubs website, team app and on the Northmead Bowling Club Facebook Page. If you require any help in accessing either of these options, please contact Brett Hughes.