



Greetings!

- 1. Calendar.** We have now distributed the calendar for the coming season. We are concerned with the continuing pressure of given events. Bowls Australia has added two more events to their list of competitions. The pennant season is being driven by the growing number of fixed dates. This will be discussed further.
- 2. What is the MBA position on....?** Our Executive Committee has discussed many items and ideas from clubs. We are formulating a range of statements which we will discuss with the MBA Match and Programme committee before circulating the paper to clubs. We do not envisage any major structural changes in the forthcoming season.
- 3. Awards Night.** We would like to express our best wishes to Jeff Allen, Volunteer of the Year, who also gives so much of his time to the Match and Programme Committee! The Bowls SA staff did an excellent job running the evening.
- 4. Congratulations!** The state team can be very proud of their achievement in winning the sides championship –the first in 29 years! With so many of the players progressing through the Under 18 teams we have gathered now a formidable side which will be competitive for many years to come.
- 5. Constitution.** We have almost completed our revision in time for the AGM 10am 27th August at a venue to be advised.
- 6. Finals.** There was good feedback regarding the finals. Congratulations to clubs that competed and won for the first time. 11/22 clubs that went top did not go on to win the finals. We are writing guidelines for the 2018 finals to ensure there is consistency across all venues. Our intention is there will be a presentation ceremony for all finals and while the current trophies will be presented as usual, we will ensure the plaques are available for all winners of finals on the day.
- 7. Salisbury Bowling Club.** On Sat 27th May 2pm the Salisbury Bowling Club will open their new All Weather Green! Best wishes!

Enjoy winter bowls or whatever you do!

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