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BOWLS OPERATIONS NEWS

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Region Sides Championship

The first Bowls Victoria Region Sides Championship was successfully staged last weekend 7 & 8 January 2012 at the Corowa Services BC, Corowa and the event has been heralded as a great showcase of the lawn bowls talent from around the state that assembled at this venue for possibly the last time.

From the moment the march-on and opening ceremony were conducted there was a buzz of anticipation around the venue as to who would emerge from the rigours of the first day of sectional play and advance to the semi-finals.

After the rigours of Saturday's sectional rounds the four regions that had earned the right to contest the final day's action were:

Section A: Peninsula Casey
Section C: Sandbelt

Section B: Bendigo Campaspe
Section D: Strzelecki

It was also noted that the competition in this structure for the first time had not provided an undefeated team as all finalists going into Sunday's finals had failed to salute the judge on one occasion each.

In uncharacteristic conditions for Corowa at this time of year teams faced damp conditions as a result from overnight and early morning showers and it saw Peninsula Casey book their spot in the final with an emphatic 62-48 win over highly fancied Sandbelt, and in the other semi-final it was victory to Bendigo Campaspe over a very gallant Strzelecki 61-50.

The new region format had provided two different identities to contest the final and the combatants did not disappoint the crowd as they fought out a very high standard match. Although Peninsula Casey were sailing in un-chartered waters after never before getting through to the final, their strict selection policy & criteria seemed to work a treat as two rink wins each were recorded by Bendigo Campaspe and Peninsula Casey and it was the Bendigo & Campaspe team that stole the honours after surviving a nail-biting run to the wire to win 71-67.

Bendigo Campaspe Team Manager Charlie Pavone was high in his praise of the effort put up by Peninsula Casey and was not backward in also acknowledging the fine efforts of his Region Sides winning team.

The efforts of Peninsula Casey skip Paul Twyerould and his team deserve mention as they amassed 4 ½ wins + 57 shots from their five contested matches on the weekend to emerge the most successful rink of the entire competition..

Women's Novice Singles State Finals

This Sunday 15 January at the Queenscliff BC the last 16 players representing their respective regions will be facing off in the first day of competition in the Women's Novice Singles State Finals. The last 16 round of matches will get underway at 10.00am with Qtr. Finals scheduled for a 1.00pm start.

Players and their Regions are listed below in the knockout matches to be contested.

Murray Mallee	Margaret Gruar (Cohuna)	v	Ovens & Murray	Kylie Whitehead (Wodonga)
Northern Gateway	Cris Curilli (Fitzroy Victoria)	v	Yarra	Tayla Spence (Bundoora RSL)
Sandbelt	Jan Aubrey (Burden Park)	v	West Coast	Carole Dunn (Macarthur)
Metro West	Gou Engebretsen (Yarraville/Footscray)	v	Bendigo Campaspe	Mary Cusack (Golden Square)
Eastern Ranges	Pam Hillard (Mooroolbark)	v	Strzelecki	Karren Sheers (Neerim District)
Wimmera	Lindy Morgan (Donald Golf)	v	Peninsula Casey	Pula Pumpa (Mornington)
Central, Goulburn Murray	Di Rettalick (Finley)	v	Geelong	Kerry Gooley (Geelong West)
Gippsland	Roslyn Noetzel (Lakes Entrance)	v	Central Victoria	Jacki Cox (Dunolly)

The Semi-Finals and State Final will be contested at Queenscliff the following week on Sunday 22 January with the semi-finals commencing at the same time.

Kid's Fun Days

The Bowls Victoria Event Support Committee embarks on its annual journey to a region of the state to conduct the Kid's Fun Days. This year's Fun Days are being staged on the following days at the clubs listed below and commence at 9.30am and run through until 12.00noon approx.

Age groups for the Kid's Fun Days are for 8-17 year olds.

Tuesday 17th January at Grangeburn BC in Hamilton

Wednesday 18th January at Warrnambool BC in Warrnambool

Thursday 19th January at City Colac BC in Colac

Pennant News

Saturday 14 January 2012 sees the return for most to weekly pennant duties. Just a friendly reminder that if your club is unable to field a team in a fixtured match that the earliest possible notice you can give your opponents that the match will not proceed may help to alleviate unnecessary travel and free up other members to be used as replacements in other teams for their respective clubs.

Tuesday 17 January 2012 and Metropolitan Midweek Pennant fires up again for the run home to the finals.

Reminder

The next Bowls Victoria Regional Representative (BVRR) meeting is 10:30am on Wednesday 25 January 2012.

U18 Quad Series – Sorrento Bowls Club, WA.

Earlier in the week, the Victorian U18 Squad crossed the Nullarbor to compete in the Quad Series, to take on New South Wales, South Australia and host state, Western Australia.

Narrowly missing out on the overall title last year, the Vics were keen to make amends and after the first day of competition, were at the top of the leader board.

The second day of competition wasn't as successful as the first day, but the Victorians were still in the hunt for the overall trophy going into the last day.

It all came down to the last game, where the girls pairs needed to at least tie their game, but unfortunately the result didn't go the Victorians' way, and NSW claimed the overall prize by only half a game.

We would like to congratulate the Victorian team on their fantastic efforts, and a special thank you goes out to Todd & Holly Simmons, Doug Kneebone and Faye Ruthven for coaching and managing the side.

DAY 1 - Tuesday January 10th

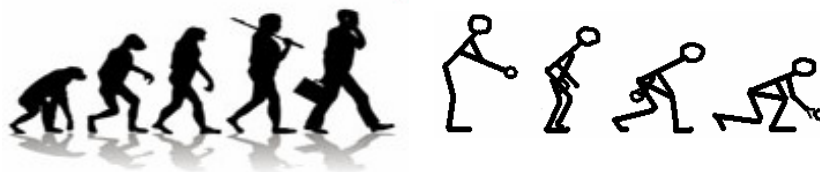
ROUND 1																POINTS	SHOTS	
Girls								Boys										
Singles		Fours		Pairs		Triples		Singles		Fours		Pairs		Triples				
F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A			
VIC	24	22	10	19	14	10	30	23	25	13	7	12	29	10	26	18	12	38
SA	22	24	19	10	10	14	23	30	13	25	12	7	10	29	18	26	4	-38
WA	18	25	14	14	2	19	20	23	14	25	12	11	11	12	17	16	5	-37
NSW	25	18	14	14	19	2	23	20	25	14	11	12	12	11	16	17	11	37

DAY 2 - Wednesday January 11th

ROUND 2																POINTS	SHOTS	
Girls								Boys										
Singles		Fours		Pairs		Triples		Singles		Fours		Pairs		Triples				
F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F	A			
VIC	24	25	21	18	11	19	19	24	21	25	21	11	22	6	13	22	24	47
SA	7	25	16	10	8	14	11	17	23	25	8	9	14	18	30	13	12	-60
WA	25	24	18	21	19	11	24	19	25	21	11	21	6	22	22	13	19	-31
NSW	25	7	10	16	14	8	17	11	25	23	9	8	18	14	13	30	25	44

DAY 3 - Thursday January 12th

ROUND 3														POINTS	SHOTS
BOYS				GIRLS				BOYS							
Pairs		Triples		Pairs		Triples		Singles			Fours				
F	A	F	A	A	F	A	F	F	A	F	A	F	A		
VIC	24	8	18	17	6	16	16	23	25	22	16	9	28	40	
SA	14	10	9	25	22	9	20	13	20	25	13	22	16	-54	
WA	10	14	25	9	9	22	13	20	25	20	22	13	23	-37	
NSW	8	24	17	18	16	6	23	16	22	25	9	16	29	51	



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