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WARWICK MASTERS GALAXY OF BOWLS SA STAR PLAYERS

Alan Simmonds
Media Officer Bowls South Africa

Change, not for change sake, but to showcase those in form and with consistency shown throughout 2017 seems the key for the 2018 Warwick Wealth/Bowls South Africa SA Masters at 70-year-old Wingate Country Club, Pretoria, over Feb 9-11.

No fewer than seven men and four women take their places – one of each, however, replacing the Australian stars Carla Krisanic and Barrie Lester, who graced the event last year.

Big men's news is back after ill health is Eden's Billy Radloff, a former silver medallist and he is joined by Francois Koen (BGN), 2017 Junior Masters champion Wilson Malobolo (SBA), runner-up and Gold Squad member Stephan de Jager (BOL), Bradley Robinson (NIBA) making a stir, the all-conquering National Singles and African States double gold medallist Wayne Rittmuller (Port Natal) plus, WP's Joel Roëbert who has vigorously knocked on the door for three years.

Music man Jason Evans (JBA) defends, runner-up last year, the silky Rudi Jacobs (NW), bronze medallists Gerry Baker (JBA) – a perennial podium man – and Brendon Ainley (NIBA), the latter substituting late and shining, Pierre Breitenbach (NW) the 2016 champion, George Lotter (NW), classy Martin Lewis (JBA), pin-up star Thinus Oelefse (EKB) and SA pairs and fours medallist Morgan Muvhango (SBA) return.

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But it will be a shock to some, former Commonwealth Games champion Bobby Donnelly (JBA) is missing as are the immaculate Prince Neluonde (JBA). WP leftie Nic Rusling, the 2014 titleholder, Protea Wayne Perry (JBA), Free State enfant terrible, Protea Clinton Roets and Port Natal favourite Gippo Vermeulen, winner in 2012 and 2013.

Who will win? The answer, of course, is yes; you tell me. My picks – Baker, Ritmuller, Evans, Radloff might be in the shake-up; an each-way bet goes to Jacobs.

The women's event boasts South Africa's best and champion Colleen Piketh (JBA) – to represent SA in Australia at the World Singles



GLORY BOY: Jason Evans

next year along with Breitenbach) looks hard to oppose, but ...

Back come the five-time champion, the scintillating Elma Davis (EDB), multiple champion everywhere Protea Esmé Haley (JBA), last year's silver medallist Jacqui janse van Rensburg (JBA), prolific winner Protea Esmé Kruger, nationals specialist and Protea Nici Neal (SBA), her district pal Susan Nel a two-time winner, Boland wunderkind Anneke Snyman, consistent Sue Tarr (BGN) and exuberant Maggie Zyl (WP), the "Queen of the Western Cape," and WP's Linda Stringer (WP who impressed on debut.

Back is triple champion Tracy-Lee Botha (JBA), also my favourite for the title, Leone du Rand



MOVING UP: Sables' Wilson Malobolo, Junior SA Warwick Wealth Masters champion.



THE FUTURE: Sadly missing Prince Neluonde together here with rising star Morgan Muvhango



STAR BOWLER: Colleen Piketh

(BGN), consistent lead Charlotte Rossouw (JBA) and up & bouncy Roxanne Tingle (JBA) the 2017 Junior Masters champion.

Out go top-class Tracy Meyerdricks (JBA) who has decided to quit the elite ranks, Ezile Fourie (Boland) back to the Junior Masters and, unfortunately, bubbly Ashleigh Parks (JBA).

The Seniors have the usual quota of former elite players; the juniors the future of this sport – more black faces required in these divisions.

Organisation will be top class under the watchful eyes of convenor Sanette Kritzinger, Elbert Broer, Francois Schute, Joy Slotow and Len Carver.



BACK IN THE FOLD: Tracy-Lee Botha



JOINING THE RANKS: Billy Radloff

MASTERS 2018 SELECTION

WOMEN'S OPEN

SECTION 1

Colleen Piketh (JBA)
Charlotte Rossouw (JBA)
Roxanne Tingle (JBA)
Leone du Rand (BGN)
Bronwyn Webber (PNB)
Nici Neal (SBA)
Maggie van Zyl (WPB)
Anneke Snyman (BOL)

SECTION 2

Esmé Kruger (BGN)
Sue Tarr (BGN)
Jacqui Rensburg (JBA)
Esmé Haley (JBA)
Susan Nel (SBA)
Linda Stringer (WPB)
Elma Davis (EDB)
Tracy-Lee Botha (JBA)

WOMEN'S SENIOR

SECTION 1

Lorraine Victor (BGN)
Cathy Dryburgh (JBA)
Jenny Raymond (EDB)
Louise Larkin (PNB)
Lynne Marnewick (SBA)
Trish Young (WPB)

SECTION 2

Marina Brink (WPB)
Sylvia Burns (WPB)
Rea Potgieter (BGN)
Pam Cole-Cook (KBA)
Nan Roos (KZN)
Glenda Matthews (PNB)

WOMEN'S JUNIOR

SECTION 1

Shimanda Nuppen (EKB)
Rienie Lucas (BGN)
Ezile Fourie (BOL)
Dezi Rosenblatt (EPB)
Kimberly du Preez (SBA)
Samanthe Olivier (WPB)

SECTION 2

Meaghan Kitley (EKB)
Elizanne du Toit (EKB)
Liette JV Zyl (BGN)
Bridget Calitz (LIM)
Cicile Krige (SFS)
Lavona Gordon (WPB)

MEN'S OPEN

SECTION 1

Jason Evans (JBA)
Francois Koen (BGN)
Pierre Breitenbach (NWB)
Wilson Malobolo (SBA)
George Lotter (NWB)
Stephan de Jager (BOL)
Bradley Robinson (NIB)
Gerry Baker (JBA)

SECTION 2

Rudi Jacobs (NWB)
Martin Lewis (JBA)
Thinus Oelofse (EKB)
Morgan Muvhango (SBA)
Billy Radloff (EDB)
Wayne Rittmuller (PNB)
Joel Roebert (WPB)
Brendan Ainley (NIB)

MEN'S SENIOR

SECTION 1

Theuns Fraser (KZN)
Piet Robbertse (EDB)
Eddie Fann (KBA)
Mike Marnewick (SBA)
Kenny Kyriacou (BGN)
Geoff Gower (EPB)

SECTION 2

Bernardus vd Spuy (BGN)
Kevin Campbell (WPB)
Willie Kilian (EPB)
Tony Doyle (SBA)
Lewis Klopper (JBA)
Tommy Jamie (BGN)

MEN'S JUNIOR

SECTION 1

Conrad Potgieter (BOR)
Ryan Smith (JBA)
Paul White (PNB)
Cecil Bornman (BGN)
Brendan Ferns (WPB)
Brendan Bakkes (SFS)

SECTION 2

Wayne Roberts (PNB)
Brendan Wysoke (JBA)
Eugene Ferreira (WPB)
Corrie Tagg (SBA)
Chad Wakeford (BOR)
Charles Matthewson (NCB)



NATIONAL WINNER: Wayne Rittmuller

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



GIVE NEWBIES WHAT THEY SEEK AND DESERVE

Used so often, it's almost a cliché, nevertheless the utterer usually means what they say – "I wish I had begun playing bowls earlier." That is something to work with and Bowls SA wants to harness this and demonstrate it to everyone's advantage.

The Membership and Marketing team have a wonderful poster (see with this message) which, in my opinion, clearly sets out the huge benefits bowls has to offer to anyone seeking to plunge into the hurly burly of our exciting sport.

It is what is referred to in business terms as the Value Proposition – devised by Michael Lanning and Edward Michaels, who first used the term in a 1988 staff paper for the US consulting firm McKinsey.

It highlights the numerous health and life skills

that we, who have played bowls for a period of time, have come to take for granted. Ask any new person on the bowling scene how they enjoyed their first exposure to a weekend, regional or national tournament; how they enjoyed their first experience of competitive bowls?

Without exception, the experience of fierce competition and social interaction afterwards is something they did not anticipate experiencing - it is the 'bug' that bites - realisation there is more to the sport than meets the eye.

They soon discover more often than not, bowls is played in a highly competitive, but equally as importantly friendly atmosphere, where good shots are applauded by teammates and opponents alike.

Is there a fierce will to win? Absolutely, after all, is that not why sport is played?

But afterwards the comfort of an ice-cold beverage with good friends heals all adversity. It is a realisation even the best make mistakes – just less often. It's the realisation strategy is of huge importance - participation as a team where team spirit stands supreme.

All these factors help create an environment where this apparently "easy game" translates into something far more complex.

Bowls South Africa et al must build on the value proposition, reinforcing the benefits to our current membership, while at the same time utilising it as tool to engage and encourage new members.

Our Membership and Marketing Standing Committee have done an outstanding job in building the brand of lawn bowls and for that I salute them.

They have introduced numerous tools specifically designed to engage with new and current members. We can only maximise their efforts by the energies put into place by everyone at club level.

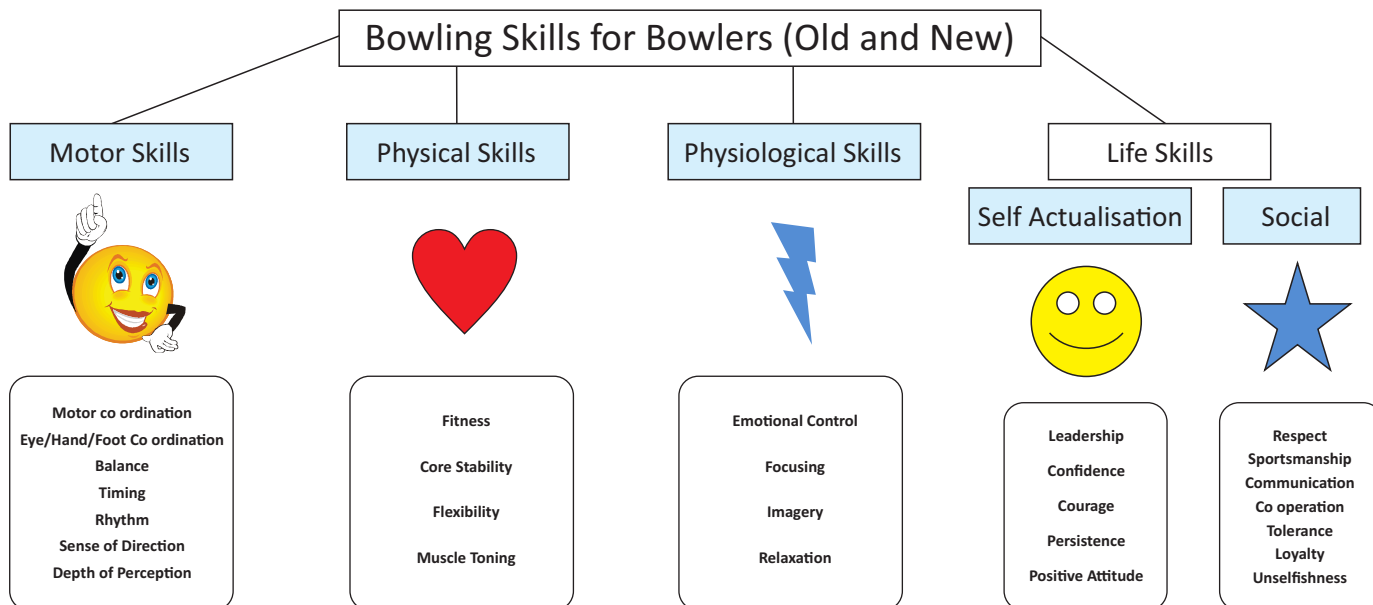
Clubs need to set their strategies aligned to sustaining current membership and engaging with new members. Let's get more people saying 'I wish I had started playing bowls earlier in my life' and let them become the ambassadors and agents for growth.

Word of mouth is a powerful agent for change.

**Rob Forbes -
President, Bowls South Africa**

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ELAINE THE 'KILLER' DOWN SOUTH

Umkomaas Bowls Club played host to the Warwick Wealth-sponsored "Killer" trips tournament last month, reports the sponsor's Stuart Milligan accompanied by Stacey Killian.

The format of this tournament is two games of trips, 10 ends and each player draws for a position in a team as well as a different team each round. The participants carry their own individual scores through to determine the overall prize winners.

The 30 players that took part thoroughly enjoyed the format and it was Elaine Critchlow (23 points) that pipped Martin Young (21 points) for honours.

A big thanks to Marion Liebenberg for the smooth running of the event.



WINNERS: Team Lyn Walton



RUNNERS UP: Team Gino Alilovic

NO 'REST' FOR THE WINNERS

The "Banners Rest Drawn Trips" tournament sponsored by Warwick Wealth was held at the Banners Rest retirement village on the KZN south coast on a splendid winters morning, reports the sponsor's Stuart Milligan accompanied by Stuart McMurtie.

Ten trips teams participated in the point per end, one-off game on a green running faster than normally.

The eventual winners were Lyn Walton's team that pipped Gino Alilovic's team for the winner's cheque. After some serious competition on the greens all the participants were treated to a wonderful spread of snacks provided by the club members.

A big thanks must go to the organisers Boy & Janet Venter for another well run tournament.

ERIC PRAISED IN PARADISE



STATE CHAMPS: From left - Eric Johannes, Ian Crichton, Allan Brough, Sam Granata from Paradise Point

Remember Eric Johannes who played for WPC in Cape Town? Well he is alive and well Down Under; still playing the kind of bowls that saw him earn international colours for South Africa.

Paradise Point has enjoyed a brilliant Champion of Club Champions season, undefeated at club level, district level, group level and now at state level.

The team of Allan Brough, Wayne Krohn, Sam Granata and Johannes representing Group 1 (Gold Coast Tweed & Cunningham Districts) are Bowls Queensland's latest state champions, in the fours.

The boys were singing the praises of their skip - "He'd just got off a plane from South Africa, hadn't slept since for two nights, flew into the Gold Coast at 7.20am and he was ready to bowl on time at 8.30am" Granata said.

"He's been integral to our success; we can put bowls in the head, but he's got to steer us and get us out of trouble!" Krohn quipped (adding, "he's done that for four games!")

The Dolphins were the only men's team to go through to the state final with four wins in Section 1, to face Greenslopes, the winners of Section 2.

Thanks to Naomi Cescotto




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IRISH QUARTET STRIKES EURO GOLD ON CHANNEL ISLANDS

The youthful Ireland team of Catherine Beattie, Megan Wilson, Andrew Kyle and Mark Wilson epitomised those immortal Fleetwood Mac lyrics 'people out there turning silver into gold' at the 11th European Bowls Championships on the Channel Islands at the Le Creux Bowls Club in St Brelade, Jersey today.

Demonstrating great consistency to claim silver medals in all three disciplines – missing both the men's and women's pairs gold on shots aggregate after being equal top scorers - the Ireland quartet were the toast of the championships at a colourful closing ceremony.

Of the disciplines, Guernsey's Matt Solway and Matt Le Ber clinched the men's pairs gold medal after a three-way countback with Kyle and Wilson, along with Scotland's Jason Banks and Greg McLachlin; while England's Jamie-Lea



CLOVER: Ireland's newly-crowned European champions Mark Wilson, Catherine Beattie, Andrew Kyle and Megan Wilson.

Winch and Rebecca Wigfield won the women's event with a comfortable shots difference over Beattie and Megan Wilson.

In the mixed fours it was the Welsh team of Bethan Russ, Emma Gittins, Chris Klefenz and Chris Ashman who emerged with the gold medal, with Ireland team's shots clinching the silver ahead of Scotland's Emma McIntyre, Natalie Docherty, Jason Banks and Greg McLachlin.

The field of 16 bowling nations across Europe included UK powerhouses England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland, along with representatives from Guernsey, Isle of Man, Spain, Turkey, Cyprus, Germany, Netherlands and Israel. The bowls fraternity warmly welcomed the two

men and two women teams from fledgling nations France, Switzerland and Hungary who gave their best and clearly enjoyed their first forays on the international stage.

RESULTS:

MEN'S PAIRS: Gold: Guernsey (Matt Solway & Matt Le Ber) 23 points +67 shots; Silver: Ireland (Andrew Kyle & Mark Wilson) 23 +59; Bronze: Scotland (Jason Banks & Greg McLachlin) 23 +56.

WOMEN'S PAIRS: Gold: England (Jamie-Lea Winch & Rebecca Wigfield) 24 points +99 shots; Silver: Ireland (Catherine Beattie & Megan Wilson) 24 +62; Bronze: Cyprus (Diane Roberts & Linda Ryan) 22.

MIXED FOURS: Gold: Wales (Bethan Russ, Emma Gittins, Chris Klefenz & Chris Ashman) 25 points; Silver: Ireland (Catherine Beattie, Megan Wilson, Andrew Kyle & Mark Wilson) 22 +54; Bronze: Scotland (Emma McIntyre, Natalie Docherty, Jason Banks & Greg McLachlin) 22 +44.



GRR: The triumphant Malaysian Tigers after their medal haul at this month's Asian Bowls Championships in New Delhi.

The formidable Malaysian team snared five of a possible eight senior gold medals at the 12th Asian Lawn Bowls Championships in India.

South Africa's deputy head coach Dr Simon Botha coaches the Malaysian open team.

In a powerhouse display at the RK Puram Sports Complex in New Delhi, the Malaysians, in their distinctive yellow and black Malay Tiger outfits captured gold in the men's and women's singles, men's and women's pairs and the women's fours; the hosting India team clinched gold medals in the men's and women's triples; while a Singapore quartet claimed the men's fours championship.

Special congratulations to Malaysia's legendary Siti Zalina Ahmad, who won an unprecedented tenth women's singles gold medal in the championships.

In the keenly contested U25 competition, India claimed another gold medal when its rising star Alok Lakra won the boys' singles crown, while Hong Kong China's teen sensation Gloria Ha

added the girl's singles gold to her imposing list of achievements, then joined forces with James Po to collect the mixed pairs title.

RESULTS: 12th Asian Lawn Bowls Championships, New Delhi, India

MEN:

SINGLES: Gold: Soufi Rusli (MAS); **Silver:** Tony Cheung (HKC), **Bronze:** Koko Ontong (Thailand), Errol Johnson (Sri Lanka).

PAIRS: Gold: Malaysia (Hizlee Rais, Fairul Muin); **Silver:** Brunei (Ampuan Ahad, Pengiran Tengah); **Bronze:** China (Yongmin Mao, Liu Qiang), India (Anand Narzary, Krishna Xalxo).

TRIPLES: Gold: India (Chandan Kumar Singh, Sunil Chhetry, Dinesh Kumar), **Silver:** Thailand (Anuruk Rodmanee, Patawee Montien, Koko Ontong), **Bronze:** Hong Kong China (Tony Cheung, Timmy Kwong, Kenneth Fung), Malaysia (Syamil Ramli, Ijoi Redzuan, Soufi Rusli).

FOURS: Gold: Singapore (Anthony Loh, Melvin Tan, Kevin Pang, Bernard Foo); **Silver:** India (Dinesh Kumar, Chandan Kumar Singh, Mridul, Krishna Xalxo); **Bronze:** Hong Kong China (CT Wong, Terry Kung, Timmy Kwong, Kenneth Fung), Malaysia (Hizlee Rais, Syamil Ramli, Ijoi Redzuan, Fairul Muin).

WOMEN:

SINGLES: Gold: Siti Zalina Ahmad (MAS); **Silver:**

TIGERS BARE CLAWS AT ASIAN CHAMPS

Shermeen Lim (SIN); Bronze: Helen Cheung (HKC), Farzana Khan (IND).

PAIRS: Gold: Malaysia (Auni Kamis, Siti Zalina Ahmad); **Silver:** Singapore (Shermeen Lim, Tammy Tham); **Bronze:** Hong Kong China (Helen Cheung, Jenny Miu), Thailand (Sue Bryant, Chamaipron Kotchawong).

TRIPLES: Gold: India (Farzana Khan, Nayanmoni Saikia, Pinki); **Silver:** Malaysia (Azlina Arshad, Nabilah Tarmizi, Zuraini Khalid); **Bronze:** Thailand (Thanom Kanngandee, Thamonphan Lapcharoenpongorn, Tomak Nannapat), Hong Kong China (Phyllis Wong, Elisa Cheung, Yunse Ha).

FOURS: Gold: Malaysia (Nabilah Tarmizi, Auni Kamis, Zuraini Khalid, Azalina Arshad); **Silver:** Hong Kong China (Phyllis Wong, Elisa Cheung, Jenny Miu, Yunse Ha); **Bronze:** Singapore (Lim Kwee Choon, Low Choon Geok, Amira Goh, Tammy Tham), Thailand (Chamaipron Kotchawong, Thanom Kanngandee, Thamonphan Lapcharoenpongorn, Tomak Nannapat).

UNDER 25:

BOYS SINGLES: Alok Lakra (India); Silver: James Po (Hong Kong China); **Bronze:** Naufal Azmi (Malaysia), Neret Aiangetuen (Thailand).

GIRLS SINGLES: Gold: Gloria Ha (Hong Kong China); **Silver:** Nurul Alyani (Malaysia), **Bronze:** Angel So (Hong Kong China), Linda Zakaria (Malaysia).

MIXED PAIRS: Hong Kong China (Gloria Ha, James Po); Silver: Hong Kong China (Angel So, Adrian Yau); **Bronze:** Malaysia (Daeng Dahasry, Naufal Azmi), India (Alok Lakra, Ananya Saikia).

NSC: MEMBERSHIP & MARKETING

We wish to advise that the members of the NSC M&M have been re-allocated as liaison between Bowls SA and Districts as follows:

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District Secretaries are further requested to please forward names and contact details of their DSC M&M representatives to the Bowls SA Marketing Officer at mandm@bowls.co.za if they haven't already done so. The channel of communication will remain open between NSC M&M and DSC M&M to allow the discussion and exchange of ideas and materials, to better assist

clubs in their marketing efforts.

Districts are kindly requested to send feedback to NSC: M&M regarding the use of marketing Toolkits at Club level. Please include the following information for each Club in your District:

- How many Toolkits were ordered

- How the marketing material has been used by the Club
- Photos of the marketing materials in use
- Any changes to membership numbers since receiving the Toolkits

Districts are requested to send this information to their specific NSC: M&M liaison.

Two international representatives will join bowls immortality in Australia over the next two weeks when the sport crowns this year's men's and women's world singles champions.

Kyriacos (Kenny) Kyriacou (Gauteng North) and Nici Neal (Sables), a previous silver medallist in this event - men's and women's national singles champions of 2016 respectively, represent South Africa.

A stellar field of 53 contenders hailing from 32 countries will strive for the ultimate honour at Sydney's palatial St Johns Park Bowls Club in the 15th World Singles Champion of Champions.

It all begins on October 30 for seven days of competition, the event features 29 men and 24 women going into action on the pristine greens at St Johns Park.

Qualifying rounds are conducted continuously over the first five days, with semi-finals on Saturday, 4 November, followed by the men's and women's world finals on Sunday, 5 November.

This annual championship, first conducted in Australia at Moama in 2003, offers the ultimate 'rags to riches' fairytale story – fact is, any club singles winner, anywhere in the world, can progress through at regional, state and national level to win a shot at a world title – a place in this competition is won out on the green without the necessity to curry favour with national selectors.

This year's field will no doubt comprise several players who fall under the 'reviously unheralded' category, while it also carries a spate of the sport's heavy hitters. Australia's Carla Krizanac won two gold medals at last year's world championships in Christchurch in the women's triples and fours, while Laura Daniels from Wales claimed gold in the women's pairs and is a former world indoor singles titleholder.

The line-up will also feature two former winners; Thomas Greechan from Jersey, who captured the 2011 men's title in Hong Kong; and young Malaysian superstar Emma Fir yana Saroji, the 2015 women's champion at Club Helensvale on Queensland's Gold Coast.



KENNY & NICI SEEK GOLD DOWN UNDER



MEN'S REPRESENTATIVE: Kenny Kyriacou



WOMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE: Nici Neal

MEN:

SECTION 1: Pat Bird (Canada), Chadwick Chen (Hong Kong), Izzat Dzulkeple (Malaysia), Dean Elgar (New Zealand), Simon Green (England), Zvika Hadar (Israel), Vevai Kalimu (Papua New Guinea), David Kingdon (Wales), Arun Kumar (Fiji), Todd Priaulx (Guernsey), Tomas Leong (Singapore), Clive McGreal (Isle of Man), Cabous Olivier (Namibia), Uthen Ontong (Thailand), Andries van der Walt (Botswana).

SECTION 2: Ozkan Akar (Turkey), Thomas Greechan (Jersey), Phil Jones (Norfolk Island), Barry Kane (Ireland), *Kyriacos Kyriacou (South Africa)*, Bob Manson (Cyprus), Matthew Mercer (Zambia), Johnny Ng (Macao), Akira Okuda (Japan), Derek Oliver (Scotland), Jose Riveros (Argentina), Scott Roberts (USA), Dalton Tagelagi (Niue), Aaron Teys (Australia).

WOMEN:

SECTION 1: Rose Baso (Papua New Guinea), Tirelo Buckley (Botswana), Donna Fleming (Scotland), Yukie Kato (Japan), Donna Knight (England), Carla Krizanac (Australia), Yuk-Ping Lai (Macao), Sheryl Mar (Fiji), Bernice McGreal (Isle of Man), *Nici Neal (South Africa)*, Mary Wright (Canada), Dorothy Yu (Hong Kong).

SECTION 2: Patsorn Bryant (Thailand), Laura Daniels (Wales), Guurtje Copier (Netherlands), Selina Goddard (New Zealand), Petal Jones (Norfolk Island), Susan Kariuki (Kenya), May Lee (Singapore), Eddah Mpezeni (Zambia), Bernie O'Neill (Ireland), Joy Peyroux (Niue), Emma Fir yana Saroji (Malaysia), Caryn Sinclair (Zimbabwe).



GOLD STARS: Past champs Thomas Greechan (Jersey) 2011 and Emma Fir yana Saroji (Malaysia) 2015





BOWLS SA ROUNDUP

OBITUARY



It is with great sadness that we advise of the passing of Jennifer Elliott.

She was a past WPBA Executive member and a served as a BSA Tournament Committee Convenor. She served out sport with distinction.

We extend sincere condolences to her family and many friends.

COLL & PIERRE SET FOR OZ

Protea stars Colleen Piketh (JBA) and Pierre Breitenbach (NW) who showed to good effect last year, will again represent South Africa at the World Cup Singles (indoor) at Warilla, near



Sydney, Australia from 12-25 March 2018. We wish them luck.



The protocol distributed with Circular 11/2017 has been thoroughly tested. It was found the time needed was far too long to fit it all in on one day and still allow players traveling long distances to get home before dark. As attacking skills count 20%, it was decided not

PROTOCOL ADJUSTED

only to weight the final scores 80% (drawing): 20% (attacking), but also that the number of bowls played follow the same ratio. The adjusted protocol replaces that distributed with Circular 11. This protocol, the player protocol (limited version of the same document), score sheets and data sheets will be sent directly to the personnel involved in each district.

Queries should be addressed to Theuns Fraser (tfservices@mtnloaded.co.za), Trevor Davis (tpdavis@mweb.co.za) or Dix (dixie@nmmu.ac.za)

2018 Z-SQUAD DATES IN DISTRICT CALENDARS

PLEASE REFER TO CIRCULAR 57/2017

If your district players are interested in higher honours, then please make sure that you fulfil the following tasks now in preparation for 2018. It is in the interests of every district to follow the program as NO player will be included in any National programme without having participated regularly in district Z-Squad assessment events.

It is very important that you get these dates INTO your district 2018 calendars NOW while districts are working on them – once they are published, it is too late!



Copy and paste your table with your district in the heading, into an email to tpdavis@mweb.co.za at your earliest opportunity.

Please indicate any remaining planned dates for 2017, so that we can follow up on outstanding results.

Please remember that the latest documents



may be found at the following link: <https://goo.gl/HD2pgM> - always check this link prior to each event, to make sure that you are operating with the latest information.

Should there be any queries regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact Trevor Davis – 044 690 3307 / 071 877 3328; or tpdavis@mweb.co.za.

BSA NATIONAL EVENTS 2018 CLOSING DATES

Closing date is **1 February 2018** for entries into these national events:

U/15 & U/20 National Championship

Submit entries to Lara York at sfsbowls@gmail.com

Perfect Delivery: Bowls SA Open Inter District Championship

Submit entries to Prof Stadler at secretary@bowlssc.co.za

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Submit entries to Maureen Florens at portnatalbowls@telkomsa.net

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Submit entries to Ann Davies at comps@jbabowls.co.za

Warwick: Bowls SA Men's National Championship

Circular 54/2017 for entry forms & Bowls SA website www.bowlssa.co.za
Submit entries to Peter Wildman at wildmanp@mweb.co.za

Warwick: Bowls SA Women's National Championship

Circular 54/2017 for entry forms & Bowls SA website www.bowlssa.co.za
Submit entries to Petro Gibbons at petrogibbons@gmail.com

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