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**CRACK SIDES SELECTED FOR WORLD BOWLS 2016**

# PROTEAS COULD BE ON VERGE OF GREATNESS IN NEW ZEALAND



**THE BEST:** South Africa's men and women Protea lawn bowls sides to compete at World Bowls in New Zealand at the end of the year. From left: Jessica Henderson (assistant coach, manager), Rudi Jacobs (NW), Theuns Fraser (head coach), Gerry Baker (JBA), Kallie Haupt (president Bowls South Africa), Nici Neal (SBA), Elma Davis (EDB), Colleen Webb Piketh (JBA), Sylvia Burns (WP), Jason Evans (JBA), Thinus Oelofse (EKB), Pierre Breitenbach (NW), Susan Nel (SBA)

This is the big year – World Bowls – with 14 sides vying for the Leonard Trophy (men) and Taylor Trophy (women). South Africa's Proteas for Christchurch, New Zealand from November 28-December 16 have a tough determined air about them.

They will need it.

A rampant Australia, hosts New Zealand, Malaysia and the British home nations all pose a huge threat to Protea successes.

The men's event was first held in Australia in 1966 - the outdoor championships; the women's event debuting in 1969. Since then they have been held every four years and from 2008 the men's and women's events have been combined.

Qualifying national bowls organisations (usually countries) are represented by a team of five who play in singles and fours, then again in pairs and triples. Gold, silver, and bronze

medals are awarded in each of the four disciplines and there are also the coveted trophies for the best overall team; Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland compete as one Irish team.

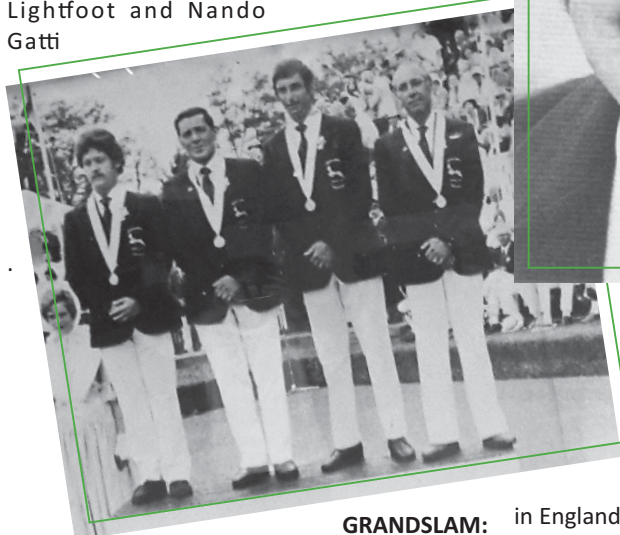
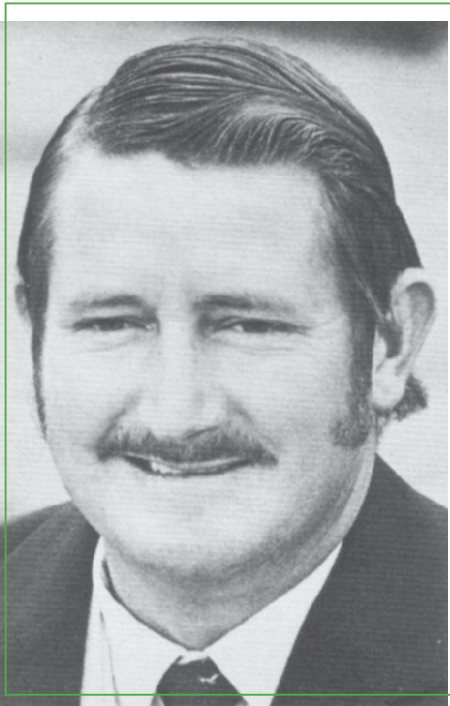
As I expected, there were no surprises from the SA national bowls selectors, who went with experience for Christchurch.

Of the women's quintet only Piketh and Nel (Burns, a former world champion was non –

travelling reserve) remain from the 2012 foray in Australia; Baker and Breitenbach in the men's side.

As is now normal; for major international events, Theuns Fraser will be head coach and his assistant coach/manager remains the hard-working Jessica Henderson.

South Africa's men remain the only side to win all four disciplines at one go – the "grand slam" which was achieved at Zoo Lake in 1976 by Kevin Campbell (WP), Bill Moseley (JBA), both still playing, with the late Doug Watson, Kelvin Lightfoot and Nando Gatti



**GRANDSLAM:**

**Above: Kevin Campbell (24), Nando Gatti (49), Bill Moseley (31) and Kelvin Lightfoot (49) Right: Doug Watson (31)**

Amazingly, there has not been a single men's success at a gold medal in any discipline since.

The women have fared more successfully.

They won the inaugural event in Sydney, Australia with the likes of Sara Sundelowitz,

Yetta Emanuel, Kathy Bidwell, May Cridlan and Elsie MacDonald taking fours and pairs gold and, of course the Taylor Trophy. Then in 1996 they won the overall trophy again, this time at Leamington Spa in England – Jannie de Beer, Barbara Redshaw and Hester Bekker winning gold in the trips.

In 2004, back at Leamington, Loraine Victor, Jill Hackland, Trish Steyn (now Young) won the trips and in 2008, significantly at Christchurch, Lorna Trigwell (now Smith), Victor and Sylvia Burns won the same event; Burns, of course, plays again this year.

Looking at the gold medals table, South Africa stands in sixth spot overall: Australia - 18

medals, New Zealand - 16, Scotland - 13, England and Ireland - 12 apiece, South Africa - 10.

Can our sides, clearly comprised of world class players summon their courage and obvious skills to make a grand showing?

Veteran skip and "leftie" Gerry Baker, a multiple champion at every discipline and in so many major events such as the Commonwealth Games, approaching the end of an outstanding career, would love a world championship gold medal to complete his tally of successes; I feel he just might.

Bowls South Africa president, Kallie Haupt, is to attend meetings in New Zealand and watch his side, was phlegmatic about the South African foray.

"This is the pinnacle; what the last four years of success and hard work has been all about. Last time in Adelaide we played below our potential, but I sure this talented team will acquit itself with honour. So much work has gone into the preparation, now, as ever, it comes down to nerve, skill and rub of the green – but I am supremely confident."

No end of practice, no sparing of effort and plenty of self-belief will accompany our sides. All South African bowlers should support the Proteas and continually remind them of their own prowess and that their nation is behind them.

This newsletter and his personnel wishes our Proteas all the best for Christchurch.

**Alan Simmonds**  
**Media Officer, Bowls South Africa**

# MALAY TEAM ON TOP



**GOOD TRIP:** The visiting Malaysian bowls side which pipped the Proteas in a three-Test encounter indoors at Midstream. Their South African coach Dr Simon Botha is on the left

# FULL STEAM AHEAD

Hello fellow bowlers,

The 2016 Quadrangular Tournament is one tournament where our senior players can anticipate matching their skills against our neighbouring countries. It is disappointing that Namibia had pulled their senior team side out of the competition for domestic reasons. Our World Bowls players will be in action and it will be interesting to measure their superiority over our juniors who have during the past two occasions excelled.

At zone camps, up-and-coming talent throughout the country displayed their talents at six different venues and it is important we have a full time development programme in place. The national coach, Theuns Fraser, is presently putting together a national structure to handle this programme.

Applications for a marketing officer have been invited; Ilze Bakkes in Bloemfontein (see BSA website) can give you the details; we have also created a separate email address for marketing.

For the AGM, former executive Andy Strong (Ekurhuleni) was the only nominee to fill the vacancy left by Fred Kruis (NW) who resigned for health reasons; we will pay tribute to Fred in the August newsletter.

At the meeting a spread of topics and motions are on the table for the workshop and council meeting on August 27/28, with discussions basically centred on:

- The need for improving our image, marketing and communication;
- Tournaments are vital to showcase our sport, but also to meet the aspirations of our most talented individual members;
- Transformation is not only about numbers, but the total metamorphosis of our sport at all levels.
- The weekend presents a unique opportunity for council to influence the future of SA bowls.

Good bowling to you all.



## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

This year's Spec-Savers: Bowls SA Pro 10 Pairs finals will be at Western Province Cricket Club, Cape Town over the week-end of September 10/11 September 2016 and districts should enter their qualifying teams - district winners and runners-up.

Closing date for entries is on or before July 31.

Districts must provide the names and indicate which pair were winners; details to Lynette Botha at the Western Province Bowls office - email: wpbowls@mweb.co.za or contact 021 5315872.

Accommodation for contestants has been booked at the Southern Sun Newlands Hotel from the evening of Friday, September 9 to Sunday, 11 September.

Once entries have been received a rooming list will be prepared. Players will share rooms and districts should indicate married couples. Districts should organise travelling arrangements.

Costs of flights should be invoiced to Bowls SA who in turn shall refund costs directly; for teams travelling by road, invoices to Bowls SA at R1.90/km.

Bowls SA shall arrange for a bus to collect players travelling by air from the Cape Town International airport and to deliver them to the hotel.

The bus will depart from the airport at 1.30pm on Friday and collect players from WPCC on Sunday for the airport. If players can not observe these times they should make their own arrangements.



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# SPECSAVERS FINALS IN

# CAPE TOWN



Transport for the account of Bowls SA between the hotel and the venue will be provided daily.

Districts should arrange for players travelling by air to arrive at the Cape Town International airport before 1pm on the Friday; return flights should be arranged from 6pm on Sunday.

All meals on Saturday/Sunday are free; greens will be available for practice on Friday from 3pm.

All players are expected to register at WPCC on Friday evening and attend the opening function where a light finger cocktail supper will be provided.

Players must produce their Bowls SA membership cards when registering.



2015 CHAMPS:  
Danie Loubser and Trish Young

World Bowls is to rebrand its world junior championships as the 'World Youth Championships'. "Times have changed," said president John Bell in announcing the decision. "At Broadbeach in April there were three mothers and two husbands in the field. All of the competitors were eligible to vote in their own country, were licensed drivers and of legal drinking age. These are adults, not juniors. "This was an obvious decision and we're sure it will stimulate the event's image and commercial possibilities." Since the junior championships were first conducted in 2005, the age criteria has been 18-25, with players not to have reached 26 on the championship's first day. However, in most countries, and with no disrespect intended, 'junior' conjures up visions of children who offer very little in marketing opportunities for prospective corporate partners or naming sponsors as the demographic has limited spending power or financial stability. In contrast, 'youth' suggests dynamic, mature, independent thinking young folk - a prime target market for purveyors of motor vehicles, IT devices, brand name clothing and jeans etc, holidays and travel destinations, boutique liquor etc. The scope is endless.

Next year's World Youth Championships, featuring men's and women's singles along with mixed pairs, will be conducted at the Broadbeach Bowls Club on Austral's Gold Coast between March 27 and April 2.

# BRANDING BOOST FOR WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS



**YOUNG ONES:** Aussies Aaron Wilson and Ellen Ryan, 2016 world junior singles champions

# PLETT SPONSOR



**TOP LOOK:** The best dressed at the Plettenberg Bay BC trips tournament

Bowls has come a long way from the time when it was considered "old man' marbles" and was played almost exclusively by the elderly. Indeed, the older the game of bowls seems to get, the younger the players. It is now played by people by of all ages, sizes and colour. Bowls has shed its fuddy duddy whites-only attire and welcomes funky, trendy colours, unless you're playing league of course, in that case, it's still Wimbledon whites.

These days it's not uncommon to see a group of young men, celebrating a friend's bachelor party on the bowling greens, bowl in one hand, beer in the other. Companies have office parties and team builders at bowling greens around the country, and there is a barefoot bowling movement. Even kids are embracing the sport. Helen Melon, has also taken to bowls, becoming the proud sponsor of the Plettenberg Bay Bowling Club Business League Bowls

tournament, held twice a year in, January and October.

This family event is fun for all, with bowls, braais, boerewors and beers. Not to mention relaxing in the club lounge after a good day's bowling. There is no dress code, all ages are welcome, and each year sees a better and better turnout.

Says Helen Ward, principal, "Bowls is a great community sport, allowing players time to have some competitive fun, meet new people, and become part of the growing Plett Bowls community."

The league winners of the Helen Melon Trips trophies, held in January 2016, were Plett Sports in Division A and Yellowwood Spur in Division B, with the team from Red Bourne Lodge winning the prize for the best-dressed team. All in all 108 players took part in the tournament, - 36 teams. Due demand, the league has been extended from six weeks to eight weeks. The next league starts in October - please book now.

Plettenberg Bay Bowls club was officially opened in 1984 and today enjoys a healthy membership in excess of 120 players. The club itself has three greens and a spacious club house with magnificent views of the Langkloof and Tsitsikamma mountains.

New players are always welcome, and free coaching is offered to beginners keen to learn the game, and to those who want to improve theirs. The club enjoys an active social programme with at least two events a month.

# WELL DONE TO ALL AT COACHING COURSE



**PASSED:** A large Level 1 and 2 coaches' course was held in June in Ekurhuleni; congratulations to Callie Smit and his committee for passing 24 candidates, also to Miems Pretorius and her committee for passing 28 candidates for Markers, Level 1 and 2 Level 2 candidates. That takes some doing, as it is the practical for such large groups that takes time.

## INVITATION TO APPLY FOR LEVEL 3 COACHING COURSE

Coaching and the development of bowling skills are the key elements in the success of our sport. It is the objective of Bowls SA to have well qualified coaches around the country to assist in raising the enjoyment and standard of our sport and to provide the necessary assistance for players of all ages and levels. NSCC is delighted to invite applications from Level 2 (District) Coaches who are interested in upgrading their qualifications to Level 3 (Academy).

The cost of training a single coach is ±R10 000, as Bowls SA covers the candidates' travel, accommodation and certification costs. Therefore, Bowls SA requires that the candidates make a minimum 3-year commitment to serve the district's coaching needs and districts make a commitment to utilise the skills of the Level 3 coach for a minimum of three years. Contracts for this commitment from the candidate to the district and from the district to Bowls SA will need to be accepted as part of the on-line application forms.

Should districts not use the coach to actively perform the duties for which they are trained or the candidate does not fulfil the commitment without valid reason, the districts will be required to repay the cost of training (±R10 000) to Bowls SA. Candidates, who currently coach within a district which does not utilise coaching at top level, will be required to pay their own costs for travel, accommodation and certification.

The next Level 3 course will be held at sequestered venue dependent on

applications, from Sunday (pm) 22 January 2017 to Thursday (am) 26 January 2017.

Pre-requisites are as follows:

- DSCC and district executive must motivate applications to NSCC (forms on-line) – the candidate must be accepted by elite and district players as a coach. A maximum of 18 candidates will be accommodated. If more than one candidate is nominated by a district their nominees must be prioritised (form on-line).
- Portfolio (on-line submission): The primary goal of this is to get to know something about the candidates prior to the course.
- ±100 hours of coaching at Level 2 (minimum ±200 hours in total).
- Current (i.e. refreshed) minimum Level 1 Technical Official.
- Computer literacy is highly recommended (Word – word processing, Excel – spread sheets, PowerPoint – presentations, email – communication, Internet – research). Please note that if the applicant is not computer literate, assistance will be required to complete the application forms on-line. In addition, a presentation needs to be developed (more information on this will be provided in the letter confirming acceptance of the application) and should the candidate prefer to use a PowerPoint document during this presentation, assistance will be required prior to the course to develop this – NSCC will provide assistance to operate the document during the presentation.
- Current first-aid qualification recommended.

The registration fee per candidate is R150 – an invoice for the amount will be sent to your District Office from Bowls SA, on confirmation of acceptance by NSCC. In addition, if the candidate does not yet own a copy of the 2013 edition (white cover) of Lawn Bowls Coaching, this needs to be ordered via the District Office at a cost of R300. Districts are encouraged to support and to assist candidates in covering these costs as qualified Level 3 coaches can be a great asset to the district. Travelling, accommodation and meal costs will be covered by Bowls SA.

Only complete applications submitted on-line by 31 July 2016 will be considered. To apply, please go to the appropriate links provided below:

**Candidate application:**

<http://forms.nmmu.ac.za/websurvey/q.asp?sid=1398&k=pjnvffzeum>

**District Executive motivation:**

<http://forms.nmmu.ac.za/websurvey/q.asp?sid=1634&k=uibpuwtpgp>

**District Priority List (if more than 1 applicant from the District):**

<http://forms.nmmu.ac.za/websurvey/q.asp?sid=1633&k=jdzktdyilg>

Applicants will be advised of their acceptance, once the applications have been processed by NSCC and approved by the Bowls SA Executive. They will then be provided with pre-course tasks & instructions at least two months prior to the course and advised of travelling and accommodation arrangements at least one month prior. Please note that should less than 10 applications be received, this course may be deferred to a later date.

For any further enquiries, please contact Dix (via email or telephone – [dixie@nmmu.ac.za](mailto:dixie@nmmu.ac.za) or 082 220 3707).



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## 'VALENTINE'S DAY' AT GORDONS BAY



**BAY BEST:** Jenny Elliott, Marius Kies, Mike Valentine



**CLOSE BEHIND:** Nick Byrne, Anton and Julie van der Westhuizen



**THIRD SPOT:** Peter Rix with Ann and At Du Plooy

Gordons Bay president Mike Valentine, welcomed all to the Warwick Wealth/Gordons Bay President's All-Day. A random draw developed into strength versus strength, reports Warwick's Doug Street. Also attending were Warwick's Sandy Street and Gareth Milford. Three games were played until well

into the afternoon. The event was closely contested with just a few points separating the top four places. A new floating trophy (in the form of a shield) was presented to the winners. It was a family affair for the minor spots with the Van der Westhuizens and Du Plooy's fighting it out for second and third places

respectively. The caterers did the club proud with a superb three-course meal. Thereafter Mike and Sandy presented the cash prizes. Live music was on the go during the course of the evening and all enjoyed a most memorable day with the weather playing its part as well.



**HOT DAY:** Dee Kaplan (Killarney) and Winnie Clarence (Morningside CC). See a glimpse of the new Warwick blue mats

## AMAZING WOMEN'S TRIPS RAISES R100 000

The annual Warwick/Garrun Women's Trips was played at Killarney BC, Gauteng, in May. This is a charity-driven day run by Sheila Sheer and her hardworking team, reports Lionel van Niekerk, who says he doubts there is another such tournament of this magnitude for ladies in South Africa. They string four greens for

seven rinks accommodating 56 teams of trips (168 players). This is by far the best-run tournament I have attended. They raised close to R100 000 on the day - their slogan is everyone is a winner. It was a privilege for us to be able to be of assistance in offering a sponsorship.



**ALMOST:** Wilson Malobolo, Lionel van Niekerk, Protea Morgan Muvhango, Victor Siphali – runners-up at Randburg

The annual Randburg BC Lifetime Members' Memorial Tournament was held to partly raise

funds for club members to go to the nationals, reports Warwick's Lionel van Niekerk.

## BOBBY TAKES FINAL AT RANDBURG

Warwick Wealth sponsored and Protea Bob Donnelly's side won the final.

This was a well-run tournament that attracted a full compliment of entries.

# WARWICK HAS FUN AT KLEINMOND



**TOPS:** Dirk and his winners, (three on the right) with club president Valerian Strydom and Warwick's Doug Street on left, at Kleinmond

The Warwick/Kleinmond BC's Presidents (all day) Trips escaped predicted rain and was a most successful event, reports Warwick's Douglas Street accompanied by his wife Sandy. Valerian Strydom the president opened the event by welcoming all, with teams from as far as Cape Town, Oakdale, Worcester and Somerset West entering - 24 in all. Armand Ascaray (Parow), the youngest player was aged only 13, while Jan Stubbe was the most senior at the ripe old age of 87. The day was closely contested, but local knowledge of the conditions prevailed as a home team skipped by Dirk Kotze came out on top. Second spot went to Kleinmond's Marius Schutzler and his team; third place were Nadine Ascaray and side from Parow (see pictures). Mike Slatem and his Greyton side took the sportsman's prize. The club put on an excellent spread, as the people of Boland always do. Hampers were available in the lucky draw and the seven top teams received prizes.



**SECOND SPOT:** Marius Schutzler and his team (in centre) went close at Kleinmond



**FAMILY AFFAIR:** The Ascarays of Parow came third – Nadine, Armand and Arnold

## DAVIS TO OFFICIATE AT NEW ZEALAND WORLD BOWLS

Australia will have the most umpires of any country at the upcoming World Bowls Championships in New Zealand. Nine of the best umpires from across the country have been chosen to represent Australia later this year at the World Bowls Championships in Christchurch.

Bob Carlson, Pam Hockings, Sarah Hope, Di Milner, Doug McConnachie, John Roberts, Daryl Rowley, Lauren Smith and Mark Schafer make up the nine representatives

selected as International Technical Officials by Bowls Australia and confirmed by World Bowls for the sport's marquee event across the ditch, which will be staged from November 29 to December 11.

The contingent, who earned their stripes through stellar performances at national events such as the Australian Open, Australian Premier League, Australian Sides Championships and Australian Indoor Championships, will be part of 33 umpires at the event from across the globe, with a further nine from New Zealand, eight from Scotland, three from England, and one each from Canada, Hong Kong China and South Africa (Trevor Davis, Eden; a BSA executive). In addition to the nine Australians, former National Officiating Director Mark Cowan will also attend as a representative of the World Bowls Laws Committee.

The World Bowls Championships will be played at Burnside Bowling Club, (HQ) and host sectional play and finals, in addition to Bowls Papanui and Fendalton Bowling Club.

**Aidan Davies, Bowls Australia**

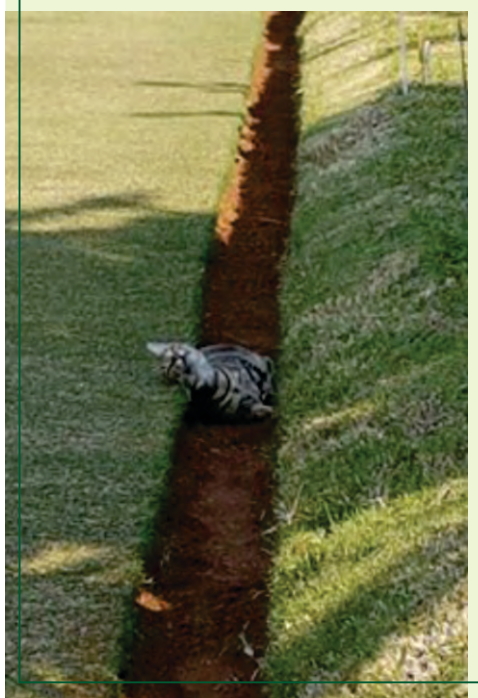


**BIG HONOUR:** Bowls SA Executive Member & top technical official Trevor Davis (Eden), seen in his 2014 Commonwealth uniform, has been selected to officiate at the 2016 World Bowls Championships in New Zealand. With him will be 10 Australian umpires; 1 from Canada, 3 from England, 1 from Hong Kong, 9 from New Zealand, 8 from Scotland. Well done and good luck.

# BOWLS SA ROUNDUP



## PURRFECT! OLYMPIC BOWLS?



**NOT A TOUCHER:** You have all heard of "put the cat in the ditch – well, here is the real thing

At the World Bowls European Development Seminar being staged in Glasgow Gary Smith, World Bowls Chief Executive announced World Bowls has launched the formal process of seeking International Olympic Committee (IOC) recognition for our sport. Smith said: 'We had to await the results of a full review undertaken by the IOC of their eligibility criteria to firstly ensure that we met the minimum number of member nations' criteria. The review was completed in December 2015 and the criteria were issued to us a couple of months ago and we meet it. The initial step required was to send a formal letter to IOC

advising them that we are seeking their recognition. We are now required to complete a 40 page questionnaire and to submit this with a wide range of relevant documents as our IOC Recognition Request File to reach IOC by 31 August 2016. Our application with then be considered by the IOC Executive Board during its meeting in December 2016'.

This positive development will be welcomed by our global bowls community and we will keep you fully informed of progress with our application.

## ISRAEL TRIP A SUCCESS

South Africa's visually impaired bowlers joined England, Scotland and Israel, as 68 players participated in the Israel Open Pairs competition, played over three days in three different eye sight categories, reports manager, Graham Ward. The SA Team of nine bowlers and directors travelled from Cape Town and Johannesburg via Istanbul in May. Beppie Summersgill (EKR) and Derek Carter (CG) won gold in the B1 totally blind pairs section. Steven Coleman (WPBA) and Dianne Du Plessis (SFS) Silver in the B2 pairs section and Princess Schroeder (WPBA) and Eben Fourie (MPL) Gold in the B3/ B4 combined pairs section. Teams of 8 players each from the 4 participating countries participated in a friendly Test series of singles and pairs. South Africa were narrowly beaten by England and ended in third place with Israel winning the home challenge. Medals won by SA players: Beppie Summersgill (EKU) Silver in the ladies



B1 singles; Beppie Summersgill (EKU) & Derek Carter (CG) Silver in the B1 pairs; Steven Coleman (WPBA) Gold in the men's B2 singles; Princess Schroeder (WPBA) Gold in the ladies B3 singles and together with a lead from Israel, Gold in the B3 pairs; Carol Miller (EKU) Silver in the ladies B4 singles; Roy Peters (WPBA) Gold in the men's B4 singles. The team spent an enjoyable day with players from England and Scotland at the Dead Sea, before their long trip home.

## STAND AND DELIVER

To assist BSA, Districts should nominate players to serve on Bowls SA national standing committees; a short CV should be attached. Existing members will automatically be reconsidered and need not submit a CV. Should an existing member wish to retire and not be considered, they should inform BSA. The executive are sole arbitrators as to who shall be appointed. Nominations should be in by July 31 for Academy, Selectors (both men & women), Coaches, Disability, Greenkeepers, Technical Officials and Transformation.

## MISTAKEN IDENTITY

A caption to a photograph in an All Cape report last month referred erroneously to John Edwards, president of WP Bowls, when in fact the person was WP's main sponsor from Personal Trust, Mark Gibbs. The error is regretted and this newsletter apologies for any inconvenience.

## JUNIOR MASTERS

With the age limit for the 2017 Junior Masters being lifted to under-30 year districts should nominate suitable singles players for consideration to reach Bowls SA on or before July 11. The playing record highlighting their singles record should accompany the nomination. Candidates should not have turned 30 before February 10, 2017.

## LOTS OF ENDS IN OZ!

How bowls shaped up in Australia in 2015:

- 623 000 participants;
- 364 000 in social programmes;
- 215 000 in competitions;
- 420 000; bowls club members;
- 180 000 playing members.

# EUROPE MOVES AHEAD

The European Development Seminar in Glasgow, an initiative of World Bowls, the global governing authority of lawn bowls, has ushered in a new era of confidence, co-operation and growth for the sport in Europe. Importantly, it was an opportunity for Europe's emerging nations to rub shoulders with an array of administration, participation and officiating professionals from the powerhouse Bowls England and Bowls Scotland organisations. A series of excellent presentations identified the key issues along with recommended remedial action, and the resulting attention to these will have a major impact on the well-being and growth of bowls in the region. Even seasoned participants were impressed with the contributions from emerging nations; France – launching its adopted strap line for bowls in France: 'It's more than a game it's a way of life' - Turkey and The Netherlands. In particular, dynamic



Turkish trailblazer Ozkan Akar, who had never seen a lawn bowl until six years ago, unearthed a grand proposal from one of his country's most luxurious resort hotels, the Rixos Premium Belek, to build a state-of-the-art bowls complex within its grounds. Currently there is only one bowling green in Turkey, at the River Garden Hotel, also in Belek.

*\*The programme and arrangements of the seminar were organised by World Bowls and kindly supported by Bowls Scotland (host national association), Travel Places (travel and accommodation coordinator), Hunter Johnstone Marketing Solutions, St Vincent Bowls Club, Bowls England, Bowls Development Alliance, Bowls International Magazine, Aero Bowls, and Taylor Bowls.*

# OBITUARY



## MARIE LOUW

A fine lady who served bowls with distinction for many years as the president of the North West District Bowls has died. She was an Honorary Life member of North West Bowls and was a past national selector for Bowls South Africa. On club level, she was a past president of Klerksdorp Bowls Club and also an Honorary Life Member of the club. Marie's contribution to our sport will be remembered with fondness and appreciation. We extend our condolences to her family together with her many friends.

# SPAR MARGATE WEEK'S 50TH - BEST EVER!

This year there were 44 Women's and 42 Men's teams of fours from across the country that took part in the event held over five days in May.

Prize money this year was a fantastic R54 000 shared equally between men and women.

The winners of the women's tournament were Jenny Jones, Wilma Richardson, Barbara Fernihough and Pam Johnston. Jenny and Pam are from Edenvale and Wilma from Northmead in Benoni while Barbara is local, and a member at The Bell.

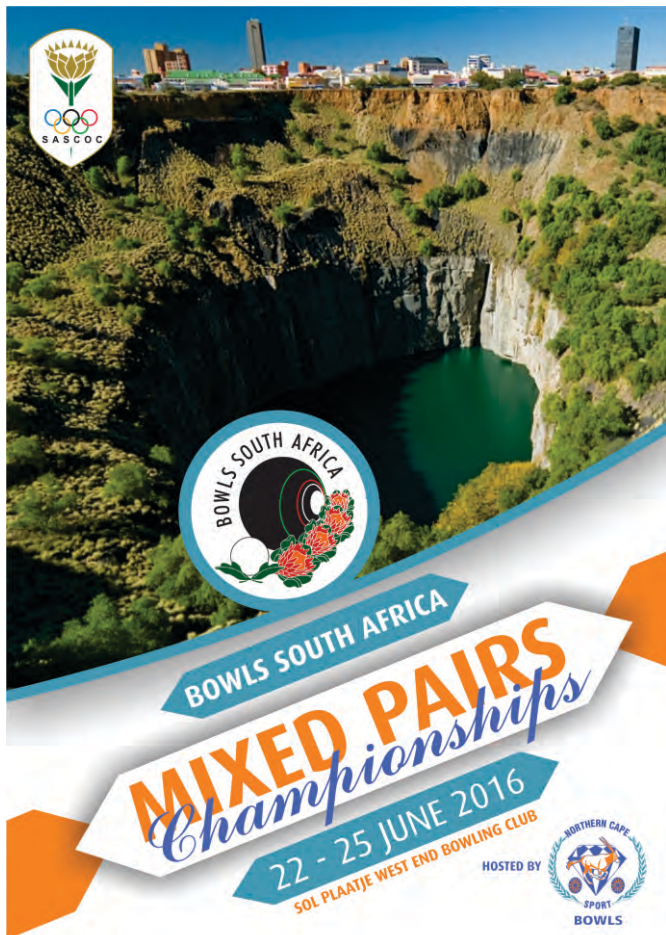
The men's winners were all homegrown local lads Cedric Glanfield, Ken Tonge, Ron Canning and Alan Dinning.

The highlight of the tournament was, no doubt, the impromptu and hilarious performance of the "Chip 'n Fails", when the men stripped of their shirts and modelled their "bods" to the delight of the screaming women spectators.

To keep updated on their 2017 Margate Week and other tournaments, visit Margate's web page - [margatebowlingclub.com](http://margatebowlingclub.com)



# MIXED PAIRS TRIUMPH



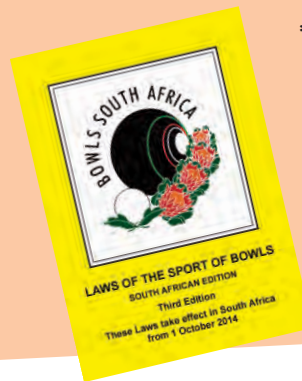
**WINNERS:** Perfect Delivery/SA Mixed Pairs champions - from EP Hennie Slabbert and Dalena Muller (The Woods) who defeated Port Natal's Brad Lezar and Charmaine van der Westhuizen (Parkhill) at hosts Kimberley, Northern Cape. (Full story in August Newsletter) Picture: TREVOR DAVIS

## BSA PRICE LIST

Please order items through your district office

• Markers Guide for Beginners / Merkers Gids vir Beginners (If more than 10)	R20.00 R15.00	• Markers Badges, Certificates and Log Books	* R45.00	• Coaches Reference Manual Hard Copy	R300.00
• An Introduction to Bowls / Inleiding tot Rolbal	R25.00	• Coaches Badges, Certificates and Log Books	* R45.00	• Coaches Reference Manual CD	R25.00
• Laws of the Sport of Bowls	R30.00	• Technical Official - Level 3 & 4 Badges, Certificates & Log Books	* Free	• Replace lost /stolen badges including postage	R35.00
• The Etiquette of Bowls / Rolbal Etiket (If more than 10)	R20.00 R15.00	• Coaches Senior & Elite Badges, Certificates and Log Books	* Free		
• Better Greens Breed Better Bowlers - Greens Improvement Programme	R25.00	• Development Guidelines	* R25.00		
• Technical Official & Markers Log Books	* R15.00	• Green Keeping Level 1	* R50.00		
• Coaches Log Book	* R15.00	• Lawn Bowls: Greens Management	R300.00		
• Technical Official Badges, Certificates and Log Books	* R45.00	• Play Bowls	R60.00		
		• Walk the Line DVD	R50.00		
		• SA Masters DVD	R50.00		

\* DISTRICTS ONLY



## BSA CALENDAR 2016

### JULY

29 - 31 International Quadrangular Edenvale, EKB

### AUGUST

12 - 14 National Camp Wingate Park, BGN  
27 Bowls SA Annual General Meeting Edenvale, EKB

### SEPTEMBER

10 - 11 SpecSavers Bowls SA Pro10 Pairs WPCC, WPBA

### NOVEMBER

14 - 20 World Singles CoC Christchurch, New Zealand

### NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

28 - 11 World Bowls Championships Helenvale, Australia



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