

GENERAL NEWS

- Australia Day Social Bowls - Sunday January 26 9:30am start, names by Saturday Jan. 25. List is on the Notice Board.
- Text messaging service to replace TeamApp - Trial messages still being sent.
- New Wide-brimmed/Bucket hat and hoodies orders are being taken. Please see Bowls Staff if you would like to order either. We need nearly 20 more to place an order.
- Members are encouraged to wear name badges when representing the Club.
- Please check <[Coaching Sessions](#)> availability.

TOURNAMENTS

- **Congratulations** to **Peter Harry** for winning the Turn of the Year Singles.
- Merrylands will be hosting a BPL Cup qualifying section on Friday February 21 at 5:30pm. To enter <[click here](#)>.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

- <[Mixed Triples Draw](#)> final to be played TBA.
- <[Open Minor Fours Draw](#)>. SF & Final TBA.
- <[Mixed Pairs](#)> Semi & Final Sunday February 2.
- <[Women's Major Singles](#)> Final TBA
- <[Men's Major Singles](#)> Final TBA
- **Events Closing Soon**
 - Open Senior Pairs Jan. 29 Play Feb. 12 onward
 - Open Graded Pairs Jan. 29 Play Feb 16
 - Open Graded Fours Feb. 5 Play Feb 23
 - Major Triples Feb. 19 Play Mar. 9 onward

GREENS UPDATE

- Merrylands green is on schedule to be ready for play from AustraliaDay.
- Guildford Clubhouse green is scheduled to be opened for Thursday Twilight January 24th.
- Guildford Greenkeepers green is on schedule to be open by the end of February.

SOCIAL BOWLS

- Social bowls start at 9:30am on Tuesday, Friday & Saturday.
- Thursday Twilight and Friday Social bowls are at Merrylands until the Green at Guildford is back in play.

Venue	Day	Gender	Names	Cards Called	Jackpot
Merrylands	Tues	Men/Open	8:30am	9:30am	\$84
Merrylands	Wed	Open	8:30am	9:30am	n/a
Merrylands	Thur	Ladies/Open	8:30am	9:30am	n/a
Merrylands	Thur	Open	5pm	5:30pm	\$50+
Merrylands	Fri	Open	8:30am	9:30am	\$50+
Merrylands	Sat	Open	8:30am	9:30am	\$424+

HAPPY NEW YEAR

We would like to wish all our members a fabulous 2025. See you on the green!

PENNANT

- **Open Gender Pennant Launch this Saturday in the Greenview Room. 6pm start - Cocktail Dress (optional)**
- Open Gender Pennant Trial Dates: (pennant uniform)
 - Sunday Jan. 12 9:30am & 1pm
 - <[teams](#)> to be updated today
 - Saturday Jan. 18 9:30am
 - Saturday Feb. 1 Times
 - Friday Feb. 7 6pm
 - Sunday Feb. 9 10am
 - Saturday Feb. 15 1pm
- With Open Gender Pennants just around the corner, now is a great time to get back into bowls drills as a means to improve your game. The information folder is outside the Office and the Bowls Staff can assist. Check <[here](#)> to find out more about doing drills.

FLAG UNFURLING

The Flag unfurling for the ladies' Grades 1 and 3 will now take place at approximately 12:15pm (in between the 2 sessions for trial). The ladies are asked to be in full uniform and bring their Pennant Medals for the photos.

BOWLS NSW

Australian Indoor Qualifying next weekend. Good luck to all our Merrylands entries. <[draw](#)>

YOUTH ACADEMY

- The Friday afternoon Academy Schedule of Activities can be found <[here](#)>. Players are encouraged to contact Club coaches and schedule personal training/coaching outside the Academy activities times.
- Upcoming events - Bowls NSW Gold Squad Camp (Warilla) 11-12 January. Junior South Pacific Championships (Warilla), U18 Metro Shield (Grandviews) 2 February, U25 Metro Shield (Grandviews) 9 February <[Eol to represent](#)>
- All families of juniors are reminded to indicate to Gavin by early next week if their children *are likely to* require transport and supervision for the State Championships at Merimbula in April.
- The January Monthly Check-In will be emailed during the Region u18 Championships.