

VLBA 2009/2010 STATE EVENTS

**All State Events are open to all female VLBA affiliated members.
Seeding is not permitted in any VLBA State Event.
Laws of the Sport of Bowls apply.
Trial Ends must be completed before designated
start of play (Laws of the Sport of Bowls 18.1(2)).
A blind draw must be done for all State Events
(refer page 49, Guide to Compiling a Draw).**

**The Controlling Body reserves the right to alter the Conditions of Play for
State Title events if necessary.**

**Club coloured discs are permitted for ALL rounds of State events. All
members of a side/team must use the same discs. All discs shall be identical
in colour/s on both sides of each bowl.
A Club, as the Controlling Body for all club and social games, may decide
when discs may be used.**

**Registered Club shirts, with Bowls Australia logo, may be worn for Pennant,
State Events, Tournaments and social events. If registered Club shirt worn, all
members of a side must be attired in the same shirt.**

4.1 DISTRICT/ZONE ROUNDS

(i) State Title Fours Championship - Day 1 – Sectional play 12 ends. Rounds 1, 2 & 3 shall be played. Day 2 – Knock-out play, 18 ends. Subsequent play knock-out 18 ends to reach Zone Winner.

(ii) State Title Singles Championship – All games 25 up, Knock-out. Two rounds each day to reach Zone Winner.

(iii) State Title 3 Bowl Pairs Championship – Day 1 - Sectional play 12 ends. Rounds 1, 2 & 3 shall be played. Day 2 – Knock-out play of 18 ends. Subsequent play knock-out play of 18 ends to reach Zone Winner.

(iv) State Title Champion of Champions – All games 25 up. Two rounds each day to reach Zone Winner. To qualify, the Club Champion must have played 25 up in Club Championship.

(v) State Title 2 Bowl Triples – Day 1 - Sectional play 12 ends. Rounds 1, 2 & 3 shall be played. Day 2 – Knock-out play of 18 ends. Subsequent play knock-out play of 18 ends to reach Zone Winner.

(vi) State Title Novice Singles All games 21 up, Knock-out. Two rounds each day.

(vii) State Title Over 60 Singles – All games 21 up, Knock-out. Two rounds each day.

4.2 WITHDRAWALS FROM STATE EVENTS

Clubs or Players who withdraw from any State Event after the publication of the draw may be fined \$50.00 per player. Please note that players withdrawing from any State Event must notify the Metropolitan Zone or Country District Association Match Committee, the VLBA Competitions Committee in the case of the final rounds, and the green where drawn to play. PLEASE DO NOT PHONE AN OPPONENT.

Players or teams who withdraw before completion of all Sectional Play may be fined \$50.00 per player, at the discretion of the VLBA Competitions Committee.

Any player with fines outstanding to the VLBA is ineligible to enter VLBA State Events

4.3 ENTRY FEES

The Singles, Pairs, Triples, Fours, Novice Singles and Over 60 Singles entry fees will be \$4.00 per player, payable to the District Association. The District Association will forward \$2.00 per player to the VLBA with the relevant Advice Form. The Champion of Champions entry fee will be \$6.00 per Club, payable to the District Association. The District Association will forward one only \$22.00 entry fee to the VLBA with the relevant Advice Form.

4.4 ENTRY DATES - Entries for State Title Singles, Pairs, Triples, Fours, Champion of Champions, Novice Singles and Over 60 Singles close on the dates specified by the Country District Association and the VLBA for Metropolitan Districts. All elimination rounds of the State Events are played within the Metropolitan or Country District Association. These events are played out to give one winner per Group/Zone. The Group/Zone winner's full name must be forwarded to VLBA Headquarters via the Group Councillor prior to the final rounds.

The VLBA must receive this information by:

11 December 2009 State Title Singles and Triples
8 January 2010 State Title Novice Singles
25 February 2010 State Title Champion of Champions & Pairs
23 March 2010 Zone District Pennant Winners
30 March 2010 State Title Fours & Over 60 Singles

4.5 INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY FOR STATE EVENTS

In this rule 'weather' means wet weather and excessive heat.

(i) For VLBA rounds of State Title events conducted in METROPOLITAN DISTRICTS the games in progress will be stopped if the Melbourne city temperature recorded at the Weather Bureau (☎ 1196) has reached 34° Celsius or over. The game will be continued at a time and place as determined by the Controlling Body with the scores as they were at the time of the stoppage.

(ii) For VLBA rounds of State Title events conducted in COUNTRY DISTRICTS the local heat Policy will be applied and matches will be stopped once the local heat Policy top temperature has been reached. The game will be continued at a time and place as determined by the Controlling Body with the scores as they were at the time of the stoppage.

(iii) For VLBA Final rounds of 16 for State Title events the games in progress will be stopped if the temperature has reached 34° Celsius or over. The game will be continued at a time and place as determined by the Controlling Body with the scores as they were at the time of the stoppage.

4.6 STATE TITLE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

The final of this event will be conducted on Thursday 21 & Friday 22 January 2010 (inclusive). (Saturday 23 January 2010, if required.) Venue will be Bendigo BC, Gaol Rd, Bendigo Ph: 5443 4045

VLBA FINALS GROUP/ZONE WINNERS 1 - 16. 2 Elimination Rounds, Semi Finals and State Title. All finals games 25 up, knock-out.

4.7 STATE TITLE 3 BOWL PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

The final of this event will be conducted on Wednesday 17 & Thursday 18 March 2010 (inclusive). (Friday 19 March 2010, if required.) Venue will be Berwick BC, Manuka Rd, Berwick Ph: 9707 1524

VLBA FINALS GROUP/ZONE WINNERS 1 - 16. 2 Elimination Rounds, Semi Finals and State Title. Knockout 18 ends. 3 Bowls.

4.8 STATE TITLE FOURS CHAMPIONSHIP

This event will be conducted on Wednesday 21 & Thursday 22 April 2010. (Friday 23 April 2010, if required)

Finals of this event will be at Burden Park BC, Cnr Heatherton & Springvale Rds, Springvale Ph: 9546 8851

VLBA FINALS GROUP/ZONE WINNERS 1 - 16. Day 1 - 3 games Sectional play of 12 ends. Semi final and final knockout 18 ends.

4.9 STATE TITLE CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

The final of this event will be conducted on Wednesday 17 & Thursday 18 March 2010 (inclusive). (Friday 19 March 2010, if required.) Venue will be Berwick BC, Manuka Rd, Berwick Ph: 9707 1524

To qualify, the Club Champion must have played 25 up in Club Championship.

VLBA FINALS GROUP/ZONE WINNERS 1 - 16. 2 Elimination Rounds, Semi Finals and State Title. Knock-out 25 up, 2 games each day.

4.10 STATE TITLE 2 BOWL TRIPLES

The final of this event will be conducted on Thursday 21 & Friday 22 January 2010 (inclusive). (Saturday 23 January 2010, if required.) Venue will be Bendigo BC, Gaol Rd, Bendigo Ph: 5443 4045

VLBA FINALS GROUP/ZONE WINNERS 1 - 16. 2 Elimination Rounds, Semi Finals and State Title. Knockout 18 ends. 2 Bowls.

4.11 STATE TITLE NOVICE SINGLES

This event will be conducted on Sunday 31 January & Sunday 7 February 2010 (Sunday 14 February 2010, if required) Finals of this event will be at Euroa BC, Templeton St, Euroa Ph: 5795 2108

This event is open to female bowlers who have not been affiliated with any Bowling Association and affiliated for the first time with the VLBA after 1st September 2007.

VLBA FINALS GROUP/ZONE WINNERS 1 - 16. 2 Elimination Rounds, Semi Finals and State Title. All finals games 21 up, Knockout.

4.12 STATE TITLE OVER 60 SINGLES

This event will be conducted on Wednesday 21 & Thursday 22 April 2010. (Friday 23 April 2010, if required)

Finals of this event will be at Burden Park BC, Cnr Heatherton & Springvale Rds, Springvale Ph: 9546 8851

This event is open to VLBA affiliated female members over 60 years of age at the commencement of the event.

VLBA FINALS GROUP/ZONE WINNERS 1 - 16. 2 Elimination Rounds, Semi Finals and State Title. All finals games 21 up, Knockout.

4.13 STATE TITLE UNDER 25 SINGLES

This event will be conducted on Sunday 25 October & Sunday 1 November 2009 (Sunday 8 November 2009, if required). Venue will be Werribee RSL BC, Chirnside Park, Werribee Ph: 9741 3229

This event is open to VLBA affiliated female members under 25 years of age at the completion of the event, as per the published dates.

All games, including finals 25 up, Knockout.

4.14 STATE TITLE UNDER 18 SINGLES

This event will be conducted on Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 March 2010 (Monday 29 April 2010, if required). Venue will be Clayton BC, Springs Rd, Clayton Ph: 9544 9929

This event is open to VLBA affiliated female members under 18 years of age at the completion of the event, as per the published dates.

Day 1 – Sectional Play 21 up. All finals games 25 up, Knock-out.

4.15 DRAW FOR SECTIONAL PLAY:

ROUND 1: 1 v 2 and 3 v 4

ROUND 2: 1 v 3 and 2 v 4

ROUND 3: 1 v 4 and 2 v 3

- **Sections to contain four (4) entries, where possible**

4.16 DETERMINATION OF A WINNER FOR SECTIONAL PLAY IN EVENTS OTHER THAN SETS PLAY

A SCORING

- (a) Two (2) Points shall be awarded for a Win.
- (b) One (1) Point shall be awarded for a Tie.
- (c) NIL points awarded for a Bye.
- (d) The team scoring the most points shall be the winner.
- (e) If points scores are equal, the team with the largest difference between 'total shots for' and 'total shots against' shall be the winner.
- (f) If there is still a tie, the team with the lowest 'total shots against' shall be the winner.
- (g) If there is still a tie –
 - i. The winner of the game between the two teams shall be the winner.
 - ii. Between two teams who drew their game, the winners shall be determined as in (iii) below.
 - iii. Between three or more players or teams, the result shall be determined by drawing to the Jack.

B FORFEITS

(a) Before a game commences

(i) A team receiving a forfeit will be credited with a Win, plus a margin of 3 shots.

(ii) A team giving a forfeit will be shown as Loss, minus 3 shots.

(b) After a game commences

(i) If a player or team receives a forfeit the player or team shall be credited with two points for the win and a shots margin equal to the average of net shots margins recorded in all games played in that round in that section. Fractions shall count.

(ii) The player or team conceding a forfeit shall receive no points and shall be debited with a shots margin equal to that credited to their opponent.

(iii) If a player or team forfeits more than one game in a section they shall be considered not to have played any games in that section and all of the scores obtained by that team in their completed games shall be discarded when determining the winner of the section.

(iv) A player or team who forfeits the last round of sectional play shall be disqualified from winning the section if the player or team has scored equal highest points with any other player or team in the section.

C COUNTRY DISTRICT ASSOCIATION'S STATE TITLE CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Each Group shall do a blind draw using only District names. In the event of an unequal number of Districts within the Group, the first name drawn shall be the bye. Therefore, the remaining District names will play the first game.

The winner of that game will play against the District named as the bye. The subsequent winner will represent the Group in the Finals.

4.17 STATE EVENTS – GROUP/ZONE LEVEL

Players must be from the same Country District or Metropolitan Zone. No minimum number of entries required, eg if only two teams entered, the event must be played. If draw is uneven in sectional play a bye will occur.

4.18 STATE EVENTS – FINALS

All competitors must check with Competitions Committee immediately on arrival. All Official VLBA guests to check with Catering Committee on arrival.

4.19 VLBA GUESTS AT STATE TITLE EVENTS

The President and Secretary of District Associations, and the Club President and Secretary, or two Executive members, will be provided with lunch by the VLBA when they have a player participating at a State Title Event.

<p>Clubs & Districts will be charged for meals if they do not attend State Events after advising they would be attending, unless the VLBA are notified of their non-attendance <u>PRIOR</u> to the event.</p>
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4.20 ZONES FOR STATE EVENTS

- ZONE 1** All Clubs in Ballarat, Grampians & Maryborough DLBA's
- ZONE 2** All Clubs in Bellarine, Colac & Geelong DLBA's
- ZONE 3** All Clubs in Camperdown, Far Western & Warrnambool DLBA's
- ZONE 4** All Clubs in Central Wimmera, Northern Wimmera, Tyrrell & West Wimmera DLBA's
- ZONE 5** All Clubs in Murray Valley, Northern & Sunraysia DLBA's
- ZONE 6** All Clubs in Bendigo, Campaspe Valley & North Central DLBA's
- ZONE 7** All Clubs in Central Murray, North Eastern & Ovens & Murray DLBA's
- ZONE 8** All Clubs in Central, Central Highlands & Goulburn Valley DLBA's
- ZONE 9** All Clubs in Flinders, Mountain Valley, & Peninsula DLBA's
- ZONE 10** All Clubs in East Gippsland, Gippsland, North Gippsland & South Gippsland DLBA's
- ZONE 11** Altona, Altona North, Altona Sports, Buckley Park, Deer Park, Doutta Galla, Footscray Park, Hoppers Crossing, Keilor, Laverton, Maribyrnong Park, Mt Cottrell, Newport, Rosamond, Spotswood/Kingsville RSL, St Albans, Sunbury, Sunshine City, Sunshine RSL, Sunshine VRI, Werribee RSL, Williamstown, Yarraville/Footscray
- ZONE 12** Alphington, Broadmeadows, Bundoora, City of Heidelberg, Coburg Moreland, Craigieburn; Darebin City; East Ivanhoe; Essendon; Fitzroy Victoria; Fairfield; Fawkner; Gladstone Park; Glenroy; Ivanhoe; Kingsbury; Lalor; Moonee Ponds; Preston; Princes Park; Reservoir; Strathmore; Thornbury; West Coburg
- ZONE 13** Bennetswood; Blackburn; Blackburn North; Box Hill RSL; Chirnside Park; Croydon; Diamond Creek; Doncaster; Donvale; Eltham Rec; Greensborough; Greythorn; Heatherdale Rec; Heidelberg Golf; Hurstbridge; Kew Heights Sports; Lilydale; Mitcham; Montmorency; Mooroolbark; North Balwyn; Richmond Union; Ringwood; Rosanna; Templestowe; Yarra Glen; Yarra Valley CC
- ZONE 14** Beaumaris; Berwick; Black Rock B&T; Burden Park; Carrum; Chelsea; Cranbourne; Cranbourne RSL; Dandenong Club; Dandenong City; Dandenong RSL & Rec; Edithvale; Hampton Park; Keysborough; Mentone; Mordialloc; Narre Warren; Noble Park; Parkdale; Willow Lodge
- ZONE 15** Ashburton; Balmoral Gardens; Bayswater; Boronia; Burwood District; Camberwell Central; Chadstone; Clayton; Coatesville; East Malvern RSL; Eastwood Golf; Ferntree Gully; Glen Waverley; Heathmont; Malvern; Mt

Waverley; Mulgrave CC; Riversdale Golf; Oakleigh; SOC; Vermont South;
Waterford Valley Lakes; Waverley Golf

ZONE 16

Albert Park VRI; Alma; Armadale; Auburn; Bentleigh; Brighton Beach;
Brighton; Caulfield Park; Cheltenham; Elsternwick Park Sports; Glen Eira-
McKinnon; Hampton; Hampton RSL; Highett; MCC; Melbourne; Middle
Park; Moorabbin; Murrumbeena; Murrumbeena Park; Port Melbourne; St
Kilda; Sandringham; The Bentleigh Club; The Elsternwick Club; Toorak