



**BOWLS**  
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PENNANT WRAP

ROUND 5, 2021

The weekend that was...



## Pennant Wrap

### Movers and Shakers

It seems that consistency is key come the middle of the season. Clubs are starting to make some big moves through the grades, but it is the clubs who can find form across all of the rinks who are serving themselves well.

Big wins are great, but when you can consistently pick up points you start to find yourself making some moves on the table towards the back end of the year. That is unless your CBC's First Grade squad and you can do both.

The Women's competition had a break for the weekend but are starting to catch up on some of the matches they missed during those drizzly Saturdays a couple weeks ago. You can see a ladder starting to take shape for the competition with the grades starting to piece themselves together as we run into the second half of the year.

A quick note for those of you following the Men's First Grade Competition; The competition is considered to be 'sectional' under the Conditions of Play which means that the finals will be played in the following format.

(c) *Grades that have sections will play a final series as set out below:*

<i>Major Semi Final</i>	<i>First in Section A</i>	<i>v</i>	<i>First in Section B</i>
<i>Minor Semi Final</i>	<i>Second in Section A</i>	<i>v</i>	<i>Second in Section B</i>
<i>Preliminary Final</i>	<i>Loser Major Final</i>	<i>v</i>	<i>Winner Minor Semi Final</i>
<i>Grand Final</i>	<i>Winner Major Semi Final v Winner Preliminary Final</i>		

Section A is the "Northern Conference" and Section B is the "Southern Conference", which makes the cross conference matches all the more important before we run into the final 3 intra-conference matches which will determine who makes it through to the finals. All clubs will be looking to build some form over the next couple weeks to get themselves into the finals.



## Women's Weekend Pennant Grade 1/2

Home	R1	R2	T	T	R2	R1	Away	Date
Canberra North Bowling Club	15	23	36	43	20	23	Goulburn Railway Women's Bowling Club - Gold	21/02/2021
Canberra North Bowling Club	32	22	54	35	21	14	Queanbeyan RSLM Bowling Club - Blue	6/02/2021

General Bye for the Women's competition, but we've had a couple of catch-up matches played over the previous week's so here are the results!

CNBC got both of their washouts played over the previous couple weeks with some mixed results. They took a strong win over QRSL Blue taking away all the points with wins on both rinks. The second rink was a tighter affair only getting up by the single shot. Rink one was dominating though taking the win by 18 shots to give them a difference of +19 on the day.

In their other catch-up match they took a loss against a strong opposition in Goulburn Railway Gold. Both clubs took a rink away in the match but it was a strong performance on Rink 1 from Goulburn which gave them the overall victory for the day. The win was an important one for Goulburn to need that to stay in touch. Another good result in their other catch-up game and they'll be sitting well to pounce in the back end of the season.

No more byes for the remainder of the season in the Women's competition but a few catch-up matches to go still. The ladder is still tough to read, but we can see competition heating up to finish in the top four and qualify for the Grade 1 finals.

Just a reminder for those following along at home, the Women's competition will be split into Grades 1 and 2 for the finals series. The top four teams at the end of Round 10 will compete in the Grade 1 Finals Series, while the next four teams will compete in the Grade 2 Finals Series. Unfortunately that means the bottom two clubs will miss out on Finals for 2021.

Table – 2/3/2021

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	WCWBC	4	3	1	0	0	228	116	112	24
2	QRSLMBC - Gold	3	3	0	0	0	139	76	63	24
3	CNBC	4	2	2	0	0	168	152	16	18
4	GRWBC - Green	3	2	1	0	0	104	138	-34	16
5	QRSLMBC - Blue	4	2	2	0	0	159	165	-6	15
6	YCCBC	2	1	1	0	0	77	89	-12	8
7	GRWBC - Gold	3	1	2	0	0	100	124	-24	8
8	CBC/YBC	3	1	2	0	0	100	139	-39	6
9	VBC	3	1	2	0	0	93	137	-44	6
10	QBC	3	0	3	0	0	98	130	-32	3



## Men's Pennant Grade 1

Home	R1	R2	R3	T	T	R3	R2	R1	Away
Queanbeyan Bowling Club	20	21	30	71	45	14	17	14	Belconnen Bowling Club
Tuggeranong Vikings LBC	26	15	17	58	50	13	21	16	Canberra North Bowling Club
Weston Creek Bowling Club	16	26	16	58	63	25	17	21	Queanbeyan RSLM Bowling Club
Canberra Bowling Club	29	26	21	76	33	17	9	7	Yass Bowling Club

Queanbeyan continue their push towards a finals spot with a good win against a struggling Belconnen squad. QBC remain in the chase to topple CBC off the top of the ladder along with QRSL, but the challenge will be a tough one with CBC flying. Belconnen would just about be saying goodbye to 2021 at this stage. 24 points off a spot in the finals halfway through the year means it would be some sort of miracle to turn the ship around from here.

Vikings pick up some much needed points against Norths at home as they headlined the big day out in Tuggeranong. Solid wins in two out of three rinks mean they start to make their move on the back end of the year to get back to that finals spot. Norths would be disappointed to let the chance get away from them, but have plenty of time left to solidify their finals position.

QRSL remain undefeated after heading down Hindmarsh drive to take on Weston Creek. A tight affair across the green QRSL managed to take the overall win for the day and put themselves in an almost unassailable position on top of the Northern Conference. You would guess they've booked their spot in the finals with this win, I can't see anyone else in the North catching up.

The story is getting old quick for the other clubs, but CBC have put in another dominant performance this time against Yass Bowling Club. They put up plenty of shots across the board to take the overall win by a staggering 43 shots as well as all the rinks for the day. A big win means they continue to sit up the top of the ladder outright, but there is a couple clubs nipping at the heels. Yass find themselves 14 points short of Norths for the second Finals spot in the Northern Conference and will need to turn the ship around real quick. Feels a bit more like the Titanic heading straight for an iceberg though...



Tables

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	CBC	5	5	0	0	0	352	219	133	53
2	QRSLMBC	5	5	0	0	0	334	257	77	51
3	QBC	5	4	1	0	0	321	251	70	50
4	CNBC	5	2	3	0	0	285	263	22	28
5	TVLBC	5	2	3	0	0	261	337	-76	23
6	WCBC	5	1	4	0	0	268	276	-8	17
7	YBC	5	1	4	0	0	206	331	-125	14
8	BBC	5	0	5	0	0	227	320	-93	4

Pos.	Northern Conference	Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	QRSLMBC	5	5	0	0	0	334	257	77	51
2	CNBC	5	2	3	0	0	285	263	22	28
3	YBC	5	1	4	0	0	206	331	-125	14
4	BBC	5	0	5	0	0	227	320	-93	4

Pos.	Southern Conference	Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	CBC	5	5	0	0	0	352	219	133	53
2	QBC	5	4	1	0	0	321	251	70	50
3	TVLBC	5	2	3	0	0	261	337	-76	23
4	WCBC	5	1	4	0	0	268	276	-8	17



## Men's Pennant Grade 2

Home	R1	R2	R3	T	T	R3	R2	R1	Away
Tuggeranong Vikings LBC	16	19	12	47	65	24	17	24	Belconnen Bowling Club
Canberra Bowling Club	17	22	13	52	54	23	17	14	Goulburn Railway Bowling Club
Queanbeyan Bowling Club	25	16	15	56	69	27	21	21	Weston Creek Bowling Club

The party bus stopped at Grade 1 for Vikings on the weekend as Grade 2 starts the list of defeats off for the rest of the grades. Belconnen handed them another loss for the season in what was a much needed win for the away team. The win shifts Belconnen's fortunes and puts the onus on themselves to hold onto their spot in fourth. A finals berth for the second grade squad could be just what the doctor ordered out at Hawker.

Canberra Bowling Club and Goulburn played out an epic top of the table clash over at Forrest with Goulburn coming out winners by just the two shots overall at the end of the day. The win puts Goulburn outright on top with a game in hand as well. The season is shaping up well for the men from the Railway as they stamp their claim on the path to the finals. Back end of the year will be crucial for both GRBC and CBC in what looks to be a very even competition.

Weston Creek were too good for the Queanbeyan Bowling Club at home on Sunday taking out the overall win as well as two rinks for the day. The win was a great one for Weston Creek as they put their eye towards a top two finish and a double chance in the finals. QBC may well look back with a bit of frustration on the loss come the end of the year as they miss an opportunity to stake their claim for fourth spot. They need to Belconnen to falter a bit in the back straight as they continue to push for the finals.

Table

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	GRBC	4	4	0	0	0	257	202	55	40
2	CBC	5	3	2	0	0	293	256	37	37
3	WCBC	5	3	2	0	0	320	283	37	34
4	BBC	5	2	3	0	0	279	297	-18	23
5	QBC	5	1	4	0	0	264	304	-40	18
6	TVLBC	4	1	3	0	0	198	269	-71	16



## Men's Pennant Grade 3

Home	R1	R2	R3	T	T	R3	R2	R1	Away
Yowani CC Bowling Club	16	24	13	53	56	29	9	18	Queanbeyan RSLM Bowling Club
Crookwell Services Bowling Club	25	19	29	73	49	23	16	10	Canberra North Bowling Club
Tuggeranong Vikings LBC	18	13	17	48	63	16	32	15	Yass Bowling Club

Yowani have missed out on a massive win by the slimmest of margins in this one. A big win on Rink two made the score somewhat flattering as they were outplayed on the other two, but the chance was there for Yowani to re-build their season on the spot. QRSL will take the points and head back home as they hold onto their spot in the finals. They'll want to show a bit more through the back end though as the sharks circle below.

Crookwell put in another good win to ensure they sit atop the table at the mid-point of the season. A great home win against Norths means they have five points on Norths now as they try to keep a strong form line rolling through the season. Norths will be a bit miffed after that one I imagine. The chance was there to take the bull by the horns but they missed it altogether. They're still in the ring though and they'll have the opportunity in the reverse to get themselves on top at the pointy end of the season.

Yass take a fantastic away win to put a little bit of fire behind their chase for the finals. The win sits them in fourth with a nice little buffer either side of them on the table. Clear air suggest they'll take the chance to have a spell as they look to punch in some good results and push for the finals. Vikings however will be devastated. They've missed a chance to really push the issue and get themselves up into that fourth spot. They'll need to find some form quickly, a couple of losses will see the season gone before they know it if they can't get it together in the coming weeks.

Table

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	CSBC	5	3	1	1	0	344	270	74	39
2	CNBC	5	3	2	0	0	304	272	32	34
3	QRSLMBC	5	3	2	0	0	284	288	-4	34
4	YBC	5	2	2	1	0	282	307	-25	29
5	TVLBC	5	2	3	0	0	269	299	-30	26
6	YCCBC	5	1	4	0	0	267	314	-47	18



## Men's Pennant Grade 4

Home	R1	R2	R3	T	T	R3	R2	R1	Away
Tuggeranong Vikings LBC	19	15	20	54	74	23	31	20	Weston Creek Bowling Club
Yowani CC Bowling Club	15	14	18	47	66	18	21	27	Goulburn Railway Bowling Club
Queabeyan RSLM Bowling Club	15	19	15	49	64	26	15	23	Queanbeyan Bowling Club

Vikings couldn't catch a break on the home greens this weekend as they take another hit in Grade 4 with a loss to Weston Creek. There must have been something in the air on the Parkway as all the away teams got a boost on the way to Tuggeranong. The win sees the Creekers sitting happily in second place chasing Queanbeyan out in front. Vikings need to find some form as they hold onto the last finals position by just the two points over Yowani.

Driving straight down Northbourne into town Goulburn got the job done with some good form against Yowani on the weekend. They just about took all three rinks as well with Yowani only managing to get some points through a draw on rink 3. The win sees Goulburn look to put a good string of form together to start their attack on the top two. They sit 4 points off the double chance and will look to have a real crack at breaking into it through the second half of the season. Yowani need to find a few more wins. They've picked up handy points in their losses, but will need a bit more than that as they try to chase down Vikings to pick up fourth and a finals berth.

QRSL's season of woe continues as the cross town rivals in QBC take the win at QRSLMBC. They've still not managed to put a win on the board and you can count them out of the finals at this stage. While disappointed with some of their efforts so far this year there is still plenty of pride on the line through the back end of the year. QBC will take the win and walk away from that one. They would have liked a few more points against the bottom of the table, but the win keeps them outright first as they push to take the lead heading into the finals.

Table

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	QBC	5	5	0	0	0	325	251	74	48
2	WCBC	5	4	1	0	0	311	276	35	42
3	GRBC	5	3	2	0	0	313	270	43	38
4	TVLBC	5	2	3	0	0	287	316	-29	23
5	YCCBC	5	1	4	0	0	278	290	-12	21
6	QRSLMBC	5	0	5	0	0	242	353	-111	8



## Men's Pennant Grade 5

Home	R1	R2	R3	T	T	R3	R2	R1	Away
Canberra Bowling Club	28	37	23	88	31	12	10	9	Belconnen Bowling Club
Crookwell Services Bowling Club	31	1	26	76	54	21	18	15	Queanbeyan Bowling Club
Canberra North Bowling Club	23	15	20	58	59	23	23	13	Tuggeranong Vikings LBC

There's winning and then there's WINNING. CBC have put in the latter as they demolished Belconnen on Sunday at Forrest, taking the overall win by 57 shots as well as all three rinks. With a huge blowout on this one Belconnen will be disappointed as they slip out of the finals position on the ladder. The win for CBC sees their Score Diff. go through the roof, but they still sit behind Crookwell on the table as the gap between third and fourth gets even bigger. They need more of this to secure the double chance as Vikings continue to fight it out as well.

Crookwell have also shown the gap between the top three and the bottom three for Grade 5 as they put a massive in on the board against Queanbeyan. Vikings dropped a rink which means Crookwell now takeover as outright leaders of the pack in Grade 5. Despite the heavy loss QBC still manage to move up the ladder into fourth. They'll need to play well to hang onto that spot, and they'll need to improve if they want to do more than make up the numbers in April.

Vikings slip away with the win here against Norths by just the single shot. Norths put together a massive performance to try to get their season back on track but the win was snatched away at the end of the day. They sit just the two points outside the top four, so it is by no means lights out as they've shown they have what it takes to mix it with the best. Plenty of action to go in this one so don't get too far ahead of yourselves by making a call based off the table below.

Table

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	CSBC	5	4	1	0	0	328	278	50	46
2	CBC	5	4	1	0	0	340	246	94	44
3	TVLBC	5	4	1	0	0	287	278	9	44
4	QBC	5	1	4	0	0	273	319	-46	16
5	BBC	5	1	4	0	0	247	316	-69	16
6	CNBC	5	1	4	0	0	266	304	-38	14



## Men's Pennant Grade 6

Home	R1	R2	R3	T	T	R3	R2	R1	Away
Bungendore Bowling Club	9	21	20	50	61	18	15	28	Goulburn Railway Bowling Club
Canberra North Bowling Club	22	19	7	48	66	34	18	14	Yass Bowling Club
Crookwell Services Bowling Club	15	21	14	50	62	21	15	26	Weston Creek Bowling Club

Bungendore will be swapping their socks over and buying new pillowcases to try and throw the bad mojo off after another week where they take out two rinks and still lose overall. Superstitious folk would be racking their brains to work out where it all went wrong here. Solid wins on Rinks 2 and 3 were undone by a massive deficit on Rink 1 where Goulburn picked up 19 shots to take the overall win. The win sees Goulburn start to solidify their finals position. The back straight will be massive here as five clubs look to take up four spots in the finals.

Norths couldn't get the job done against a travelling Yass squad as their winless season continues. They've picked up points through the season, but missed out on the elusive win so far. I'm not willing to call it yet, but it's getting close to lights out for North. Yass will be pleased with the win as they make some moves on the table. Strong form and consistency will be key to the rest of the season as clubs look to put wins on the board.

Weston Creek take over top spot on the table after a great away win at Crookwell. The win sees them two points up on second placed Crookwell as the ladder continues to tighten up through the season. Crookwell will be looking for consistent efforts coming through the second half of the year. They've shown they can be good on their day, but need to pull it together week after week if they want to go all the way. The Creekers will look to push further now as they've taken the win for three weeks on the bounce, the best form line in the competition to date.

### Table

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	WCBC	5	3	1	1	0	292	272	20	38
2	CSBC	5	3	2	0	0	278	276	2	36
3	YBC	5	3	1	1	0	301	270	31	35
4	GRBC	5	3	2	0	0	296	264	32	32
5	BuBC	5	2	3	0	0	292	300	-8	26
6	CNBC	5	0	5	0	0	242	319	-77	13



## Yarn of the Week

Vikings were settling in for a sour evening on Sunday with just the one win in Grade 1 and losing the other three matches at home before the Grade 5 squad pulled together a result that put some happy beers over the bar in the Town Centre.

A tight contest all day across the green at The RUC, Rink 1 for the Vikings was being dominated by Norths, but kept their calm through the back end before it all came down to the 21<sup>st</sup> end. The other rinks had finished up for the day with Norths up by a shot heading into the 21<sup>st</sup> before Jack Kearslake and Co. rallied. They took the end by the two shots they needed to catapult Vikings past Norths and take the overall win for the day 59-58.

Tough break for Norths but I'm sure there were a couple of people re-telling the story down at Tuggeranong that afternoon, putting a bit more mayo on it each time they found someone who's ear they hadn't yet chewed to pieces. I heard a rumour that by the end of the night the boys were saying they had a couple of broken bones coming into that last end and couldn't even see the other end of the green. I think the count was at about 10 people who had personally played on Rink 1 and put the winning shot down by the time everyone was heading home.

*If you have any stories that you pick up through the rounds we'd love to share them. Each week I'll be looking for a "Yarn of the Week". Simply a fantastic tale about sportsmanship, gamesmanship, friendship and community spirit to share the love of this great game. If you see something that you think fits this theme feel free to email it through ([exec@bowlfact.org.au](mailto:exec@bowlfact.org.au)) including your contact details so I can get in touch.*

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