



BOWLS
ACT

PENNANT PREVIEW

ROUND 8, 2021

A quick snapshot of the week ahead.....



Match of the Round

Men's Grade 1

Queanbeyan Bowling Club v Canberra Bowling Club @ QBC

Huge matchup coming in hot this week. CBC find themselves undefeated through 6 matches so far this year but come up against the Southern Conference Rival in Queanbeyan Bowls Club whose only loss so far is to CBC in Round 1.

After putting that loss in Round 1 behind them Queanbeyan have been a picture of consistency across the green taking home plenty of points. They find themselves sitting just the 3 points behind the ladder leaders and looking to make a point this weekend at home.

What's the point they're looking to make? "You're not invincible" comes to mind, but maybe that's just me. Could be there is no point to be made, rather they just want that top spot. With just the 3 points separating the two this looks all set to decide who'll take home the top spot at the end of the season.

I'd suggest we'll see this match coming again later in the year (see what the North has to say about that!), but for now this is as close as you'll get to a Grand Final standard.



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre
Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606
@bowlfact

 www.bowlfact.org.au
 0499 587 783
 admin@bowlfact.org.au

Women's Weekend Pennant

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	QRSLMBC - Gold	6	6	0	0	0	295	141	154	46
2	WCBC	6	5	1	0	0	308	183	125	40
3	CNBC	6	3	3	0	0	257	220	37	28
4	GRWBC - Green	6	3	3	0	0	199	263	-64	24
5	CBC/BBC	5	3	2	0	0	182	211	-29	20
6	QRSLMBC - Blue	6	2	4	0	0	227	241	-14	17
7	VBC	5	2	3	0	0	170	216	-46	14
8	YCCBC	4	1	3	0	0	131	172	-41	10
9	QBC	5	1	4	0	0	174	211	-37	9
10	GRWBC - Gold	5	1	4	0	0	150	235	-85	8

Men's Grade 1

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	CBC	6	6	0	0	0	407	265	142	63
2	QBC	6	5	1	0	0	389	293	96	60
3	QRSLMBC	6	5	1	0	0	380	312	68	53
4	TVLBC	6	3	3	0	0	322	397	-75	33
5	WCBC	6	2	4	0	0	358	318	40	29
6	CNBC	6	2	4	0	0	327	353	-26	28
7	YBC	6	1	5	0	0	248	399	-151	16
8	BBC	6	0	6	0	0	287	381	-94	6

Pos.	Northern Conference	Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	QRSLMBC	6	5	1	0	0	380	312	68	53
2	CNBC	6	2	4	0	0	327	353	-26	28
3	YBC	6	1	5	0	0	248	399	-151	16
4	BBC	6	0	6	0	0	287	381	-94	6

Pos.	Southern Conference	Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	CBC	6	6	0	0	0	407	265	142	63
2	QBC	6	5	1	0	0	389	293	96	60
3	TVLBC	6	3	3	0	0	322	397	-75	33
4	WCBC	6	2	4	0	0	358	318	40	29



Men's Grade 2

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	GRBC	5	5	0	0	0	321	255	66	50
2	CBC	6	4	2	0	0	362	320	42	45
3	WCBC	6	3	3	0	0	373	347	26	36
4	QBC	6	2	4	0	0	327	354	-27	30
5	BBC	6	2	4	0	0	329	360	-31	23
6	TVLBC	5	1	4	0	0	262	338	-76	20

Men's Grade 3

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	CSBC	6	4	1	1	0	411	321	90	49
2	QRSLMBC	6	4	2	0	0	358	330	28	46
3	YBC	6	3	2	1	0	342	362	-20	39
4	CNBC	6	3	3	0	0	359	332	27	36
5	TVLBC	6	2	4	0	0	311	373	-62	26
6	YCCBC	6	1	5	0	0	318	381	-63	20

Men's Grade 4

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	WCBC	6	5	1	0	0	391	321	70	52
2	QBC	6	5	1	0	0	380	307	73	50
3	GRBC	6	4	2	0	0	369	325	44	48
4	TVLBC	6	3	3	0	0	354	359	-5	35
5	YCCBC	6	1	5	0	0	321	357	-36	21
6	QRSLMBC	6	0	6	0	0	287	433	-146	10

Men's Grade 5

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	CSBC	6	5	1	0	0	393	333	60	56
2	CBC	6	4	2	0	0	395	311	84	46
3	TVLBC	6	4	2	0	0	330	352	-22	44
4	QBC	6	2	4	0	0	347	362	-15	28
5	CNBC	6	2	4	0	0	333	358	-25	25
6	BBC	6	1	5	0	0	301	383	-82	17

Men's Grade 6

Pos.		Played	Won	Loss	Draw	Bye	For	Against	Score Diff.	Points
1	GRBC	6	4	2	0	0	355	305	50	44
2	YBC	6	4	1	1	0	363	325	38	44
3	WCBC	6	3	2	1	0	347	334	13	41
4	BuBC	6	3	3	0	0	360	349	11	36
5	CSBC	6	3	3	0	0	319	335	-16	36
6	CNBC	6	0	6	0	0	291	387	-96	15



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre

Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606

@bowlsact



www.bowlsact.org.au



0499 587 783



admin@bowlsact.org.au

Women's Grade 1/2

Yowani CC Bowling Club v Goulburn Railway Bowling Club – Gold @ Yowani

Yowani are set to host Goulburn Gold this week in a must win match. They currently hold on to a position in the finals but a resurgent Queanbeyan are chasing hot on their tails just a point behind. Not only that Goulburn Gold are just the two points away as well. A loss here means the race for the finals is well and truly on. Goulburn Gold will be throwing everything they've got at this one in an attempt to gate crash the finals. All set to be a tense affair, but its tough to look past Yowani setting the ship straight this week.

Goulburn Railway Bowling Club – Green v Vikings Bowls Club @ GRBC

Goulburn Green will look to solidify their position this week as they host Vikings. Vikings are looking good coming off their victory against Yowani, but they face a tougher opponent this week and will need to be at their best. Goulburn need a couple more points to hang in there for a Grade 1 spot and they'll look at this as a chance to get a couple of them. Should be a great matchup out in Goulburn.

Queanbeyan RSLM Bowling Club – Blue v Queanbeyan RSLM Bowling Club – Gold @QRSLMBC

QRSL v QRSL. A battle against your own here on Yass Road. QRSL Gold don't look like dropping a game, but their clubmates need a win if they are looking to get a spot in Grade 1. The Gold team have been unstoppable but the friendly affair could put them off their game, or at least that's what Blue are hoping for. I can't see Blue getting the choccies here, but if they can pull it off then they are setting themselves up for a race to the finals.

CBC/BBC v Canberra North Bowling Club @ CBC

CBC/BBC play host to CNBC here and they'll be looking to press the issue a bit. CNBC hold 8 points over them sitting in third overall which leaves CBC/BBC thinking they're a sneaky shot at Grade 1. This could well be one of the best matches of the round as both clubs chase Grade 1 spots running into the last two rounds. If CNBC can take home the points I'd say they're a lock for Grade 1 so everything to play for!

Queanbeyan Bowling Club v Weston Creek Bowling Club @ QBC

Queanbeyan have looked much better through the last couple rounds and will look to capitalise on their form to grab some vital points. They sit just outside the finals but are hoping they can sneak in there and make a splash in April. Weston Creek continue to fly high in second place and have a double chance all but locked in. They'll look to remove "all but" from that last sentence this week and to see if they are any chance of catching the runaway QRSL Gold team.



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre
Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606
@bowlsact

 www.bowlsact.org.au
 0499 587 783
 admin@bowlsact.org.au

Men's Grade 1

Canberra North Bowling Club v Belconnen Bowling Club @ CNBC

Inter-Conference matches are over now (well, one to be played later) and everyone will be looking to solidify their spot in the top two of conference to reach the finals, none more so that CNBC. They hold that second spot in the Northern Conference and will be looking at the winless Belconnen as the target to boost their standing. Belconnen are out to throw a few punches and see if they can disrupt the season for everyone else and CNBC looks like the perfect target to do so. Could be an interesting affair this one, let's see if Belconnen can grab that win.

Yass Bowling Club v Queanbeyan RSLM Bowling Club @ Yass

Yass will play host to Queanbeyan RSL this week in the start of their fight to reach the finals. They've only got a couple of matches to stake their claim, but a win against the top of the Northern Conference would do wonders to the cause. QRSL don't look like dropping this one on the way to the finals as they look to build some form and come into the end of the season firing on all cylinders. I'd be tipping QRSL but this is the time of year where upsets tend to pop up.

Queanbeyan Bowling Club v Canberra Bowling Club @ QBC

Top of the table clash here as Queanbeyan play host to CBC. CBC are the unstoppable force and Queanbeyan not quite the immovable object, but very close to it. That'd suggest that I'm tipping a CBC win but I wouldn't be so hasty on the suggestion. QBC play at home and have had fantastic form since their loss in Round 1 to CBC so they'll be out to show that it won't be all smooth sailing for CBC on the back end of the year. If you've got the chance head out to QBC this weekend to watch some fantastic bowls on display.

Tuggeranong Vikings LBC v Weston Creek Bowling Club @ TVLBC

Vikings and Weston Creek will play off for pride here. Bridging 27 points to two red hot teams in four rounds seems just a bridge too far in my books so I'd suggest this match will be both clubs trying to stay off the bottom of the conference ladder. Not a spot either team thought they'd be at the start of the season, but I suspect this will be a great match. No love lost between southsiders this fiery affair will be an all out battle to take the points. Should be a ripper.



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre

Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606

@bowlsact



www.bowlsact.org.au



0499 587 783



admin@bowlsact.org.au

Men's Grade 2

Canberra Bowling Club v Weston Creek Bowling Club @ CBC

CBC will host a Weston Creek side looking to see if they can sneak into the double chance position come the end of the year. They need to pull back 9 points and have the chance to do it all at once this weekend, but I'd suggest that it'll be a tall ask. Not out of the realms of possibility but it'll be tough going. CBC have been playing well and will look to put the Creekers out of reach for a couple more weeks. A win here for CBC and they can go focus on getting ready for the finals.

Tuggeranong Vikings LBC v Queanbeyan Bowling Club @ Vikings

Vikings will play host to Queanbeyan this weekend looking to pull themselves off the bottom of the ladder and into a finals spot. They sit 10 points behind Queanbeyan, but they've got an extra game in hand (all be it against undefeated Goulburn). They will look to get themselves sitting in that finals position after this week but it'll be tough to get there. Queanbeyan will look to put this question to bed as they March towards April (pun fully intended).

Goulburn Railway Bowling Club v Belconnen Bowling Club @ GRBC

Goulburn have the chance to all but seal their spot at the top of the table here. 5 points ahead and a game in hand they face 5th placed Belconnen at home. Belconnen's season has been up and down, but its starting to get to the pointy end of the season and they need to find some form fast if they're any chance of sneaking into the finals. Tough ask; I'd be tipping Goulburn at home every day of the week.



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre

Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606

@bowlfact



www.bowlfact.org.au



0499 587 783



admin@bowlfact.org.au

Men's Grade 3

Yass Bowling Club v Yowani CC Bowling Club @ Yass

Yass would be looking at the ladder thinking they could well even make it to the top with some big wins over the coming weeks and it all starts with a home game against Yowani. Yowani have been struggling through the season looking to pick up points where they can, but Yass need them all this week. You can't look past Yass taking home the win here, but with a double chance in the making I'm not sure if they can get enough.

Tuggeranong Vikings LBC v Canberra North Bowling Club @ Vikings

I'd suggest this is Vikings last stand if they are any chance to make the finals in Grade 3 this year. CNBC have 13 points on them and a massive advantage in score difference so they'll need every single point available to them to bridge that gap. CNBC will look to put them away this weekend and starting looking towards the finals. They are still an outside chance of reaching the top two, but I'd be putting that out of my mind this week and focussing on the job at hand. Seal the finals.

Crookwell Services Bowling Club v Queanbeyan RSLM Bowling Club @ Crookwell

Top of the table clash alert! Crookwell will host QRSL here in an opportunity to all but seal top spot for the year. QRSL lost by 19 shots overall last time around at home, but they'll be thinking they're a better team these days after a massive win against Vikings before the rains came. Tough to beat Crookwell at home so the work is sitting before the QRSL squad, but if there was ever a time to stand up and be counted it's now. Good luck, you'll need it.



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre

Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606

@bowlfact



www.bowlfact.org.au



0499 587 783



admin@bowlfact.org.au

Men's Grade 4

Yowani CC Bowling Club v Queanbeyan Bowling Club @ Yowani

I'd suggest it is lights out for Yowani's season already, but if there was going to be a knockout blow it could well be this weekend. Queanbeyan look strong and will be fighting for the top spot come the end of the season, but to get there they need points. Yowani could be a nice points builder for them if they play at full capacity but they'll definitely need to show up ready to go.

Tuggeranong Vikings LBC v Queanbeyan RSLM Bowling Club @ Vikings

Vikings have the chance to seal the finals spot here. QRSL still can't find that elusive win and Vikings are looking to just solidify the position, seems like a pretty simple prospect. With four matches left I'd suggest QRSL will look for a scalp and this could well be it if Vikings get a bit slack. Always be careful of the person with nothing to lose. That's my advice if you're playing in this match.

Goulburn Railway Bowling Club v Weston Creek Bowling Club @ GRBC

With just the four points between third and first this looks like it'll be a tense affair. Weston Creek hold that top spot but the third placed Goulburn will play host this week. Always a tough trip out to Goulburn, so it'll be all on the Creekers to hang on to that lead after this round. I'm tipping a tight one. Don't even try to get me to tip a winner before this has been played as I don't think you could call it in the lead up.



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre
Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606
@bowlfact

 www.bowlsact.org.au
 0499 587 783
 admin@bowlsact.org.au

Men's Grade 5

Crookwell Services Bowling Club v Tuggeranong Vikings LBC @ Crookwell

Vikings find themselves in a fight for the top two here, looking to make the chase on CBC to just sneak in for the double chance. Crookwell however look like they got the other spot in the top two sealed for their own. I won't say that Vikings can't win this one, but Crookwell have some good form and they're playing at home. That would suggest to me that if you're Vikings you'll need to find something special if you want to go home with a win.

Canberra Bowling Club v Canberra North Bowling Club @ CBC

Head to head in a battle for the lake we've got CBC v Norths with both clubs looking for a win. CBC will look to sure up their place in the top two while CNBC are fighting it out to make the jump into the finals. With a big gap on the table between the top three and the bottom three it would be a good guess to suggest CBC will take this one out. They definitely head into it as favourites, but the underdog has it all on the line which is always a sure fire recipe for upsets. I still can't go past CBC here, but the ingredients are all on the table.

Queanbeyan Bowling Club v Belconnen Bowling Club

Queanbeyan take on the bottom of the ladder Belconnen this week at home as they look to take maximum points in their run to the finals. They've only got the 3 points over CNBC below and still have to play them later in the year so they'll be out for blood. Belconnen have the chance to rattle a few feathers through the back end of the year and I'd be a bit worried about it if I was playing them. No room for complacency here you still need to be at your best if you want to take home some points!



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre

Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606

@bowlfact



www.bowlfact.org.au



0499 587 783



admin@bowlfact.org.au

Men's Grade 6

Canberra North Bowling Club v Weston Creek Bowling Club @ CNBC

The Creekers will be looking to put some much needed points on the board as they head into the heart of the city to take on Norths. Norths would feel a bit hard done by to be 0 and 6 through the season so far having played some solid bowls, but you don't get handed wins. History would suggest a Weston Creek win, but they'll need to be on song if they want to take the points home.

Bungendore Bowling Club v Crookwell Services Bowling Club @ Bungendore

Bungendore will play host to Crookwell here in an extremely appetising affair. Both clubs hold 36 points through the season so far and look set to battle it out for the last finals spot come end of season. Not only that, they both sit within reach of top spot, just the 8 points away, so will be looking to win and win big to get the season firing. Wins and losses have been swinging everywhere so far so it's time to find some form.

Yass Bowling Club v Goulburn Railway Bowling Club @ Yass

Yass and Goulburn go head-to-head at the top of the ladder here as they look to take an outright lead, currently sharing the spoils on 44 points. Yass takes home ground advantage and will look to capitalise as Goulburn heads down the highway, though a shorter trip this week. With points and scores so tight between the two I'm tipping a great match here, don't be surprised if they're still lock at the end of the day.

Looking forward

Plenty of great matches ahead this week, but we can't go past the biggest story. Yes, the weather chat is back!

Forecast is for showers through the whole weekend and with Round 7 of the Men's competition knocked completely out last week we're all hoping we can get back out there this week. The Women have already had their turn earlier in the year, but we're starting to run out of time to get the matches played as we march towards the finals.

Let's all start doing our anti-rain dances and crossing our fingers so we can get out on the greens for the weekend!

Good luck out there!

Ciaran O'Rourke

Executive Officer

Bowls ACT

exec@bowlsact.org.au

@bowlsact – Facebook and Instagram



Chifley Health and Wellbeing Centre

Maclaurin Cres, Chifley, ACT, 2606

@bowlsact



www.bowlsact.org.au



0499 587 783



admin@bowlsact.org.au