

Round 8: May 1



2022 Pennants

We've only got the three rounds remaining in the season from here and there is still plenty to play for across the Grades. Mother nature is starting to show her head again at just the wrong time as we roll into round 8 this weekend. Hopefully the rain isn't too heavy across the Saturday and maybe it'll even clear up in the afternoon to give the greens a rest before we get to it on Sunday. Either way, I'm sure we've all got our fingers crossed that we can get the bowls rolling on Sunday in what looks set to be another great round.

Club Championship

With only a couple of rounds left to go we thought we'd give you an update for the Club Championship. Keep in mind there are plenty of points left out there and the Champion of Club Champions to go, but we've got an interesting look at the ladder so far. I can tell you now that this will change, but plenty to play for with a couple rounds to go.

| Pos. | Club |
|------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Canberra Bowling Club |
| 2 | Vikings Bowls Club Inc. |
| 3 | Goulburn Railway Men's Bowls Club |
| 4 | Queanbeyan Bowls Club |
| 5 | Yass Bowling Club |
| 6 | Weston Creek Men's Bowling Club |
| 7 | Crookwell Services Bowling Club |
| 8 | Belconnen Bowls Club |
| 9 | Queanbeyan RSL |
| 10 | Canberra North RUC |
| 11 | Yowani Country Club Bowling Club |
| 12 | Bungendore Bowling Club |







Results - Round 7

| Canberra North Bowling Club | 15 | 18 | 14 | 47 | 67 | 25 | 20 | 22 | Canberra Bowling Club |
|-----------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| Vikings Bowls Club | 15 | 22 | 36 | 73 | 54 | 6 | 20 | 28 | Weston Creek Bowling Club |
| BYE | | | | | | | | | Queanbeyan Bowling Club |
| Belconnen Bowling Club | 15 | 27 | 17 | 59 | 44 | 16 | 8 | 20 | Queanbeyan RSL Memorial Bowling Club |

Ladder

| Pos | Name | Won | Loss | Draw | Bye | Points | Matches | Points AVG | Shots AVG |
|-----|---------|-----|------|------|-----|--------|---------|------------|-----------|
| 1 | VBC | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 55 | 6 | 9.2 | 8.7 |
| 2 | CBC | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 46 | 6 | 7.7 | 10.5 |
| 3 | QBC | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 46 | 6 | 7.7 | 5.5 |
| 4 | BBC | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 45 | 6 | 7.5 | 14.3 |
| 5 | QRSLMBC | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 33 | 6 | 5.5 | 2.0 |
| 6 | WCBC | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 27 | 6 | 4.5 | -6.5 |
| 7 | CNBC | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0.0 | -34.5 |

Vikings top it out after each team has played each other once. Plenty of ups and downs through the first seven rounds of the season, but we're getting a pretty good picture of things now and Vikings hold out at the top. They've got Canberra and Queanbeyan equal behind them, still within distance to make a jump, but they may just be getting in each other's way through the last couple of rounds. Belconnen round out the top four with a handy gap back to QRSL in fifth. You'd suggest that Weston Creek have left it too late to make a run for the finals, but I've seen some strange things happen before. For Norths then season is done with only a bit of pride left to play for to see if they can pick up a rink along the way.







| Home | Away | Venue |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Queanbeyan Bowling Club | Queanbeyan RSL Memorial Bowling Club | Queanbeyan Bowling Club |
| Belconnen Bowling Club | Canberra Bowling Club | Belconnen Bowling Club |
| Canberra North Bowling Club | Weston Creek Bowling Club | Canberra North Bowling Club |
| BYE | Vikings Bowls Club | |

Queanbeyan will come off the bye looking to sure up their finals position this week against QRSL in a cross town class. QRSL sit outside the four and will need a win this week if they're to make the jump, but in saying that if they can get the win then the season is well and truly alight. It'll be an interesting clash, but you'd suggest that QBC on a home deck should be able to make the most of it and take home the win.

Belconnen and Canberra will go head to head in a top four clash, with the winner looking to set up a top two spot through the final rounds. Belconnen have been up and down this year and so have Canberra, so it'll be up to who really shows up for the matchup this weekend. Both teams have staked their credentials through the season, so this matchup should give us a good idea to see how the finals could look. I'm tipping Belconnen to take it out at home and really shake up the season.

Norths and the Creek finish off the round in a bottom of the table clash. The Creekers sit equal with QRSL on wins, but they haven't had the same success on rink wins, seeing them sitting a bit behind them. It'd take a massive shift for the Creek to make the jump to the top four, so I think it is just pride on the line this weekend as Norths go after the elusive win. Can't see them getting it, I'm tipping the Creek to take full points.







Results - Round 7

| Queanbeyan Bowls Club | 24 | 20 | 19 | 63 | 68 | 18 | 22 | 28 | Yass Bowling Club |
|--------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|------------------------------|
| Vikings Bowls Club | 15 | 15 | 12 | 42 | 54 | 16 | 15 | 23 | Weston Creek Bowling Club |
| BYE | | | | | | | | | Belconnen Bowls Club |
| Goulburn Railway Bowls Club | 18 | 9 | 20 | 47 | 52 | 12 | 20 | 20 | Canberra Bowling Club |

Ladder

| Pos. | Club | Won | Loss | Draw | Bye | Points | Matches | Points AVG | Scores AVG |
|------|------|-----|------|------|-----|--------|---------|------------|------------|
| 1 | CBC | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 58 | 6 | 9.7 | 17.5 |
| 2 | GRBC | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 50 | 6 | 8.3 | 15.7 |
| 3 | YBC | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 46 | 6 | 7.7 | 5.5 |
| 4 | QBC | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 30 | 6 | 5.0 | -5.2 |
| 5 | BBC | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 6 | 4.7 | -0.5 |
| 6 | VBC | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 6 | 3.5 | -14.3 |
| 7 | WCBC | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 6 | 3.2 | -18.7 |

CBC hold out in front here thanks to a massive win out at Goulburn last week, who sit right behind in second. They've got a handy gap back to second place now with it all in front of them running into the finals. For Goulburn, they'll need to fight for the double chance now as Yass come slipping at their heals, just off the pace. Following in behind Yass in fourth, a long way off though, is Queanbeyan. They find themselves in a battle to hold onto the fourth place with Belconnen and Vikings sitting in behind on rinks wins alone for the season. This will be a good battle for the remainder of the season with the top three sorted, but the club coming in fourth will be able to match it so everyone will be gunning for it. That leaves Weston Creek sitting behind in last place. Theoretically they could still make the jump, but they'd need a big swing in points and form to be able to get there. They've made some headway over the last couple weeks, but will need more if they are going to make it.







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| Home | Away | Venue |
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| Belconnen Bowls Club | Canberra Bowling Club | Belconnen Bowls Club |
| Goulburn Railway Bowls Club | Yass Bowling Club | Goulburn Railway Bowls Club |
| Queanbeyan Bowls Club | Weston Creek Bowling Club | Queanbeyan Bowls Club |
| BYE | Vikings Bowls Club | |

Belconnen will host Canberra alongside the Grade 1 matchup here, but the results could be a bit different. Canberra have been flying in Grade 2 whilst Belconnen have struggled for results a bit across the season. Nevertheless, Belconnen need to post some wins to get past Queanbeyan into the top four, so they've got it all to play for. Hard to make a call following a bit of time off, but I'm tipping Canberra to keep the form running this week with another win.

Goulburn will host Yass in our second match for the round. Both clubs have held some good form through the season with Yass really starting to get a wriggle on after a slow start. The two clubs sit second and third, but Yass will see this as an opportunity to push their season forward and make the leap into the top two this weekend. Goulburn hold some strong form at home though, which leaves my tip leaning in their direction. It'll be a tight one, but I suspect Goulburn will get over the line.

Queanbeyan and Weston Creek round it out over at Queanbeyan Bowling Club. Weston Creek just haven't found their rhythm in grade 2 this year and I suspect the trend will continue this week. Queanbeyan needs to put up wins to hold on to the top four and this week is a massive opportunity to post big points that simply can't be missed. I'm tipping Queanbeyan to show up when they're needed and post a big win this weekend.







Results - Round 7

| Weston Creek Bowling Club | 13 | 13 | 21 | 47 | 52 | 18 | 14 | 20 | Canberra Bowling Club |
|------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------------------------------------|
| Vikings Bowls Club | 20 | 14 | 17 | 51 | 60 | 13 | 25 | 22 | Yowani Country Club Bowling Club |
| Canberra North Bowling Club | 21 | 25 | 11 | 57 | 66 | 31 | 17 | 18 | Crookwell Services Bowling Club |

Ladder

| Pos | Name | Played | Won | Loss | Draw | Bye | For | Against | Score Diff. | Score % | Points |
|-----|-------|--------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|---------|-------------|------------|--------|
| 1 | CSBC | 7 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 452 | 354 | 98 | 127.68 | 64 |
| 2 | CBC | 7 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 438 | 368 | 70 | 119.02 | 61 |
| 3 | YCCBC | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 411 | 401 | 10 | 102.49 | 56 |
| 4 | WCBC | 7 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 424 | 412 | 12 | 102.91 | 32 |
| 5 | VBC | 7 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 359 | 453 | -94 | 79.25 | 20 |
| 6 | CNBC | 7 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 350 | 446 | -96 | 78.48 | 19 |

Crookwell top it out in Grade 3, though they're closely followed by Canberra who have accrued a few points themselves to make a formidable charge for the top spot. Yowani have secured their finals appearance, but it would take a terrific surge to make the top two from here, they've got 24 points down to fourth though so should feel comfortable in knowing where they sit. Weston Creek sit in that fourth position with another 12 points heading back to fifth placed Vikings. That is a handy buffer and one you'd think would be enough to hold on, but they'll need to make sure they hold some form to keep fourth and impact the finals series. Vikings hold just the one point over Norths in sixth, so there could be a showdown in the run for the wooden spoon this year, with neither club wanting the honour.









| Home | Away | Venue |
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| Weston Creek Bowling Club | Canberra North Bowling Club | Weston Creek Bowling Club |
| Crookwell Services Bowling Club | Vikings Bowls Club | CROOKWELL SERVICES BOWLING CLUB |
| Yowani Country Club Bowling Club | Canberra Bowling Club | Yowani Country Club Bowling Club |

Weston Creek and Norths will go head to head over at Stirling to kick things off as the Creekers look to sure up their finals position for the season. Norths have been disappointing so far through the year with just the solitary win, but Weston Creek have only put up the two wins to find themselves holding a decent advantage in fourth. I'll tip the Creek to post a win and secure themselves a finals berth this weekend.

Crookwell will play host to Vikings in an important matchup this weekend. Crookwell hold out on top of the ladder coming into the round and will really look to take advantage of a struggling Vikings to drive it home. With only a couple weeks remaining big wins against the bottom clubs are extremely important, and you don't get many better opportunities than playing them at home. I expect Crookwell to really take advantage of the situation and post big points to try to secure their top spot.

Yowani will play host to Canberra in what should be a very interesting matchup this weekend. Yowani have surprised a few with their results so far this season, but looking through the ladder they can stand tall that they deserve to be there. This week will be a real test for them though to see if they can match it at the top. Canberra need to stay in touch with Crookwell or they could be heading out there for the finals soon, but they won't have it easy against Yowani. This could be a real tester for the finals series for both clubs as we start to get to the pointy end. I'm tipping a Yowani upset here to really make things interesting at the top of the table.







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Results - Round 7

| Vikings Bowls Club | 19 | 18 | 14 | 51 | 58 | 27 | 17 | 14 | Yass Bowling Club |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------------------------------------|
| Queanbeyan Bowls Club | 24 | 23 | 30 | 77 | 45 | 19 | 15 | 11 | Yowani Country Club Bowling Club |
| Queanbeyan RSL Memorial Bowling Club | 42 | 22 | 27 | 91 | 44 | 14 | 21 | 9 | Belconnen Bowling Club |

Ladder

| Pos | Name | Played | Won | Loss | Draw | Bye | For | Against | Score Diff. | Score % | Points |
|-----|---------|--------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|---------|-------------|------------|--------|
| 1 | QRSLMBC | 7 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 498 | 342 | 156 | 145.61 | 66 |
| 2 | YBC | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 445 | 395 | 50 | 112.66 | 58 |
| 3 | QBC | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 427 | 365 | 62 | 116.99 | 56 |
| 4 | VBC | 7 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 353 | 421 | -68 | 83.85 | 28 |
| 5 | BBC | 7 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 398 | 443 | -45 | 89.84 | 27 |
| 6 | YCCBC | 7 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 336 | 491 | -155 | 68.43 | 17 |

QRSL keep a hold of the top spot in Grade 4 with plenty of points in the gap to second and third place. 8 points is a good buffer at this point in the season, but there's only another two points down to third. So a drop in form could see them slide out of the top two if they're not on their game. Yass (second) and Queanbeyan (third) will be hoping the drop comes, but they've got plenty to do themselves to make the gap. Huge amount of points down to fourth placed Vikings, 28 in fact. That means Vikings would need to double their points tally in three rounds to bridge the gap which is just not happening. Vikings will fight it out with Belconnen, who sit just 1 point behind them, for the last finals spot, but you'd imagine looking at the ladder that they'll be making up the numbers come finals time with a clear separation on the table. Yowani round it out in sixth place, 10 points off the next above, and you would imagine they'll finish the season there as the others put in big efforts to secure their spots.







| Home | Away | Venue | | |
|----------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Yass Bowling Club | Queanbeyan RSL Memorial Bowling Club | Yass Bowling Club | | |
| Belconnen Bowling Club | Queanbeyan Bowls Club | Belconnen Bowling Club | | |
| Yowani Country Club Bowling Club | Vikings Bowls Club | Yowani Country Club Bowling Club | | |

Tantalising top of the table clash to kick things off here. QRSL head out to Yass in what should be a thrilling matchup between the two who are chasing that top spot. QRSL hold a couple points out front, but a matchup on Yass' home deck could be enough to bring the hard work undone and make the top three a tight contest. Both teams hold good form so I'm expecting a great matchup here, but the home advantage for Yass is a bit too much to go past for me. Tight win to Yass and the top three to come together is my tip.

Belconnen will host Queanbeyan in what is an extremely important matchup for them. Queanbeyan are knocking on the door of the top two and can't afford to drop any points if they want to stay in that race through the back of the season. For Belconnen though, they can't be dropping points if they want to jump into the finals series. They're a point of Vikings meaning every rink is going to be crucial through the next three rounds, so I expect them to put it all on the line. Sometimes you get the home advantage just when you need it, and boy do Belconnen need it right now. It might be enough to get them over the line this week, but it'll be a tough ask.

Yowani will host Vikings this weekend looking to see if they can snag another win for the season. Vikings need the points badly, but Yowani can throw a surprise or two for those who aren't paying them enough respect this year. You'd suspect that even the home advantage won't be enough for Yowani this weekend, but we've seen stranger things happen and if Vikings don't show up this weekend it could be a huge blow in their season. I'm tipping Vikings, but I wouldn't be surprised to see this one fall the other way.







Results - Round 7

| Vikings Bowls Club | 16 | 27 | 25 | 68 | 68 | 34 | 17 | 17 | Canberra North Bowling Club |
|----------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|------------------------------------|
| Queanbeyan Bowling Club | 24 | 13 | 13 | 50 | 81 | 20 | 42 | 19 | Weston Creek Bowling Club |
| Goulburn Railway Bowling Club | 17 | 21 | 15 | 53 | 56 | 20 | 16 | 20 | Crookwell Services Bowling Club |

Ladder

| Pos | Name | Played | Won | Loss | Draw | Bye | For | Against | Score Diff. | Score % | Points |
|-----|------|--------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|---------|-------------|------------|--------|
| 1 | GRBC | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 421 | 357 | 64 | 117.93 | 55 |
| 2 | CSBC | 7 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 426 | 377 | 49 | 113 | 54 |
| 3 | WCBC | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 422 | 398 | 24 | 106.03 | 52 |
| 4 | QBC | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 406 | 413 | -7 | 98.31 | 39 |
| 5 | VBC | 7 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 407 | 414 | -7 | 98.31 | 32 |
| 6 | CNBC | 7 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 338 | 461 | -123 | 73.32 | 20 |

Goulburn are top of the table in Grade 5, but only by a solitary point as Crookwell close in on them with a handy win on the weekend. Weston Creek aren't far off either, just another 2 points behind Crookwell as the top three battle it out for home finals and a double chance. Each club is making a strong claim for the top spot, but for the time being the Railway holds out in what should be a thrilling finish to the season. Queanbeyan rounds out the top four sitting 7 points clear of Vikings behind them, but they'll need to hold plenty of rinks to make sure they get that finals berth come the end of the season. Norths close it out in sixth place with the finals out of reach. They're 19 points off the finals pace at the moment and that's enough for me to call lights out.









| Home | Away | Venue |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Vikings Bowls Club | Goulburn Railway Bowling Club | Vikings Bowls Club Inc |
| Crookwell Services Bowling Club | Queanbeyan Bowling Club | CROOKWELL SERVICES BOWLING CLUB |
| Weston Creek Bowling Club | Canberra North Bowling Club | Weston Creek Bowling Club |

Vikings will host Goulburn this week in what should in reality be a walk in the park for the top place Railway. Goulburn hold top spot by a solitary point and really need to take advantage of a struggling Vikings to drive home the advantage over the weekend. They've got the big trip though and they'll have Vikings ready to make their move on the top four. A win here for Vikings will show they've got what it takes to make the finals and to give it a real shake, so I'd be expecting some good bowls down in Tuggeranong. Tipping Goulburn, but a win for Vikings would set the season alight.

Crookwell will host Queanbeyan in another important matchup this weekend as they look to chase some extra points through the final three rounds. Queanbeyan sit inside the top four, but it is a shaky grasp on the fourth spot as Vikings circle below. A win here would just about guarantee them a finals spot, but Crookwell are after the top spot and need a win here to get there. Every match counts in this season, but some are more important than others, and this is one of those for both clubs. Losses will have huge ramifications for both club's aspirations. I'd tip Crookwell at home, but Queanbeyan will lay it all on the line.

Weston Creek and Norths round it out this week as the Creekers look to see if they can make the jump to the top two. North have had a disappointing year, but they'll be looking to take a few more wins where they can, and this could be a good opportunity to upset the applecart. The Creekers will look to really press home the advantage this week to give their title hopes every opportunity they can, and you'd suspect they'll do so at home. I'm tipping the Creek to get it done, and by a good margin as well.







Results - Round 7

| Canberra Bowling Club | 25 | 15 | 22 | 62 | 53 | 22 | 19 | 12 | Vikings Bowls Club |
|----------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----------------------------------|
| Belconnen Bowling Club | 11 | 24 | 9 | 44 | 62 | 32 | 11 | 19 | Goulburn Railway Bowling Club |
| Bungendore Bowling Club | 26 | 22 | 13 | 61 | 47 | 17 | 19 | 11 | Yowani CC Bowling Club |

Ladder

| Pos | Name | Played | Won | Loss | Draw | Bye | For | Against | Score Diff. | Score % | Points |
|-----|-------|--------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|---------|-------------|------------|--------|
| 1 | CBC | 7 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 432 | 354 | 78 | 122.03 | 60 |
| 2 | BuBC | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 441 | 350 | 91 | 126 | 57 |
| 3 | GRBC | 7 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 412 | 399 | 13 | 103.26 | 45 |
| 4 | VBC | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 363 | 398 | -35 | 91.21 | 41 |
| 5 | BBC | 7 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 364 | 400 | -36 | 91 | 29 |
| 6 | YCCBC | 7 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 343 | 454 | -111 | 75.55 | 20 |

Canberra top out another ladder here, leading grade 6 by a slim margin of 3 points over a fast finishing Bungendore. Both clubs have had their hiccups but seem to be regathering their momentum when it counts. Bungendore put up big numbers to try to bridge the gap, but they'll need to double down moving forward to make the final jump. Goulburn sit in third, 12 points adrift of the top two but with Vikings nipping at the heels behind, just 4 points off. Both clubs look like they've almost secured the finals berth with Belconnen 12 points behind Vikings, but they'll be keen to build momentum and nothing does that better than wins. Belconnen don't look likely to make the 12 point jump having struggled recently and Yowani close it out in sixth well too far behind to cause anyone nightmares about dropping out of the finals. Could yet cause headaches for some though!









| Home | Away | Venue | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Canberra Bowling Club | Bungendore Bowling Club | Canberra Bowling Club | | | |
| Goulburn Railway Bowling Club | Yowani CC Bowling Club | Goulburn Railway Bowling Club | | | |
| Belconnen Bowling Club | Vikings Bowls Club | Belconnen Bowling Club | | | |

Another top of the table clash here as Canberra play host to Bungendore in a crucial matchup for the grade. Both clubs have had good form throughout the season, but this is where it counts as both clubs look to hold the top spot through the final weekend. Bungendore will need to be at their best if they're to get the job done, but they've got talent across the rinks to do so. Canberra could struggle a bit here, but they could take the home advantage and run with it, and must do so if they want to make the early work count. I'm tipping Bungendore on the upset to really make the final weekend an interesting one.

Goulburn will host Yowani as they look to put some pressure up the table this weekend. They've fallen a bit behind the top two and have some pressure coming from Vikings behind them, so they need to find good form to really start to press on the back end of the season. Yowani have struggled through the year and I'd suggest they'll continue to do so with an always tough trip out to Goulburn. Goulburn by big points is my tip.

Belconnen and Vikings round it out as Belconnen put up their last stand for a finals berth. They're 12 points off Vikings so would really need to use the home deck and take all the points this weekend if they're going to make the jump. For Vikings though, this is the chance to put the matter to rest and secure the finals spot. The top two seems a step out of reach, but a win here and they'll know the path ahead and can prepare. I'd say that Vikings will know the path at the end of this match as they get the points in a fairly tight match here.







Results - Round 7

| Vikings Bowls Club | 21 | 19 | 17 | 57 | 70 | 20 | 25 | 25 | Canberra North Bowling Club |
|----------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|------------------------------------|
| Yass Bowling Club | 45 | 21 | 14 | 80 | 32 | 17 | 11 | 4 | Weston Creek Bowling Club |
| Goulburn Railway Bowling Club | 25 | 23 | 5 | 53 | 68 | 33 | 21 | 14 | Crookwell Services Bowling Club |

Ladder

| | | | | | | | | | | Score | |
|-----|------|--------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|---------|-------------|--------|--------|
| Pos | Name | Played | Won | Loss | Draw | Bye | For | Against | Score Diff. | % | Points |
| 1 | CNBC | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 407 | 349 | 58 | 116.62 | 61 |
| 2 | YBC | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 449 | 339 | 110 | 132.45 | 53 |
| 3 | VBC | 7 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 410 | 400 | 10 | 102.5 | 45 |
| 4 | WCBC | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 412 | 422 | -10 | 97.63 | 41 |
| 5 | CSBC | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 406 | 409 | -3 | 99.27 | 36 |
| 6 | GRBC | 7 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 349 | 514 | -165 | 67.9 | 16 |

Norths have found their sweetspot in Grade 7 topping the table by a healthy 8 points to the next closest Yass. They're equal on wins but Norths have made them count taking out plenty of rinks along the way to put a good gap to second place. Yass hold a further 8 points down to third placed Vikings in what should be enough to hold them in the top two, but then again you never know in Grade 7. Another 4 points back we've got Weston Creek in fourth who look set for a finals appearance. They've got Crookwell 5 points back, but would feel confident that they can get the job done over the coming three rounds. Goulburn haven't had things their way this year and look all set to finish on the bottom after going down to the next best Crookwell last week.







| Home | Away | Venue |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Vikings Bowls Club | Goulburn Railway Bowling Club | Vikings Bowls Club Inc |
| Crookwell Services Bowling Club | Yass Bowling Club | CROOKWELL SERVICES BOWLING CLUB |
| Weston Creek Bowling Club | Canberra North Bowling Club | Weston Creek Bowling Club |

Vikings will play host to Goulburn as they look to see if they can make the jump up the ladder this weekend with big points required. Goulburn have struggled of late and with no ease in sight Vikings will be really looking to press home the advantage here. They need to make up 8 points through the final rounds to get to the double chance, but opportunities to make up points don't get much better than this. I'm tipping Vikings to take all the points here and start to put a bit of pressure up the ladder.

Crookwell will host Yass as they look to see if there is any light left in their season for 2022. Yass sit up in second spot with a double chance halfway in their hands for the season, but a loss here will cast that into some doubt as Vikings look to bridge the gap. Crookwell have been up and down throughout the season so far, but this week is coming to the crunch where they need to be putting their best bowls down consistently. I'm tipping Yass to get the job done here and for lights out to be called on the Crookwell hopes.

Weston Creek will host the ladder leading Norths this week in another great matchup. Norths have been somewhat of a surprise packet in the competition this year, holding the outright lead on the ladder, but they'll need to keep the good bowls coming to hold onto it. They've got a good chance against an up and down Weston Creek this weekend, but it won't be all their own way. The Creekers need to put a win on the board to settle the debate with Crookwell below. I don't think they'll jump into the top two, but a win here and the path to the finals becomes a much easier one. I'd tip Norths, but a very unconfident tip.





