











Round 7 Review

Some wet weather around the capital region impacted a few games across the weekend, with all washed-out games to be played this Saturday April 22nd. Most grades were able to see all games completed, giving a better picture of who is in & out of contention for the finals.

Bowls ACT members can find all the results on BowlsLink in 2023. I congratulate all the clubs for doing their best to have results in promptly and accurately after the games.

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Grade 1

Weston Creek bounced back after their first loss last week to account for Vikings 59/57 in a great contest and maintain a gap for first place. Belconnen are up into second, accounting for Queanbeyan on all rinks while Canberra and Queanbeyan RSL played a classic, with the Forrest club claiming two rinks in a 58 all draw. Grade one has played remarkably close this year with CBC still in the hunt, just 7 points behind fourth placed QRSL with the three round going to be critical. QRSL play Vikings next week as my game of the round, with both sides equal on points giving the winner a chance to solidify their position in the top four.

Grade 2

Grade two has Goulburn Railway still in first place, remaining undefeated after accounting for Weston Creek by a big margin, with a 20 point gap to second place Railway are looking safe to grab top spot. The next few positions are almost anyones, with Canberra knocking off second place Crookwell on all three rinks to move within a point of the NSW club. Yass returned to form, claiming maximum points against Belconnen and now sit just behind fourth place Norths who went down by one shot to Queanbeyan, despite claiming two rinks. Norths take on Weston Creek next weekend in a game critical to their finals chances as my pick of the games.

Grade 3

With Norths v QRSL washed out only two games were completed with Canberra getting their first win of the season over Yowani. The Cobras will need to keep winning if they are any hope of making finals and will play 5th place Norths next week in a crucial clash for both clubs. The other completed game saw Vikings get over the top of Queanbeyan 59/58 with Stephen Cottle doing the damage for Tuggeranong, claiming just the one rink but by a big enough margin for the master board.



















Grade 4

Belconnen look to be playing for pride after falling to Vikings on the weekend. A tough season for the grade 4 side, but all players will be better for the opportunity. Yass are looking strong, claiming two rinks from Yowani and hot on the heels of ladder leading Weston Creek who are also looking to have found some form in a 32 shot demolition of Crookwell. The NSW club sits in third will be looking to bounce back next week when they take on fourth place Yowani as my game of the round.

Grade 5

A tough day out for Belconnen, going down to a very impressive Bungendore side. The 2022 Grade 6 winners look right at home in Grade 5 and remain undefeated. Queanbeyan claimed a big board and two rinks over Canberra BC to remain in contention. Vikings and Goulburn Railway were washed out and have been rescheduled for Saturday the 22nd.

Grade 6

Only one game completed in Grade 6 this week with washouts denying the Canberra North v Yass clash as well as the Vikings v Queanbeyan game, both have been set down to be played this Saturday April 22nd. Queanbeyan RSL have found a spark in the grade with Colin Cassidy doing big damage in the Yass Rd clubs defeat of Weston Creek.

Grade 7

Goulburn Railway continue on their winning ways, taking care of Bungendore who are now out of contention, but can be commended on introducing so many new players to the competition. Yass leapfrogged Vikings into second place, claiming two rinks and the master board while Crookwell are heating up, claiming a win over Yowani to sit just two points behind fourth place. Crookwell amazingly are +69 through their last two games and take on Goulburn in the pick of the games in round 8.

If you have any photos or stories to share from the weekends games send them through to exec@bowlsact.org.au and I'll be sure to give you a shoutout!!

Best wishes and great bowls!!









