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**TO: DISTRICT SECRETARIES
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District Secretaries are requested to forward a copy of this circular together with the attachments to the clubs under their control.

WARWICK: BOWLS SA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – 2017

This serves to confirm that entry forms for the Warwick: Bowls SA National Championships can be downloaded from the Bowls SA website through the "tournament" icon on the home page.

The national championships will be played in the following formats.

Pairs & Fours.

- The Fours Championships (3 rounds per day) is to be played with two bowls on a league system in sections of six teams, over 15 ends. The play-offs of section winners shall be on a knockout basis.
- The Pairs Championships (3 rounds per day) is to be played with four bowls on a league system in sections of six teams, over 15 ends. The play-off of section winners shall be on a knockout basis.
- All games of sectional play in the fours and pairs are to be completed, as net shots could decide section winners.
- In knockout play the same format as used in section play will be used up to and including the quarter finals. The semi finals and finals will be played over 21 ends. In the event of a peel an extra end or ends will be played until a result is achieved.

Singles.

- Singles are restricted to 256 open and 128 senior entries.
- The event is played on a knockout basis.
- Players may only enter either the open or senior event as indicated on the entry form.
- The finalists from the previous year's tournament will automatically qualify to play and the Tournament Committee will contact these players to confirm their entry.
- In the event of a greater number of entries being received by the closing date, a draw shall be done to decide the participants in each event.
- Those entries that are unsuccessful will be retained to replace withdrawals in the order in which they were drawn.
- One week prior to the start of the tournament the list containing the remainder of the original entries will become defunct.
- Should any withdrawals occur within the week prior to the start of the tournament or during the pair's discipline, they will be replaced from a draw from a list that will be available at all the pair's venues. At this stage only players who have entered in the pairs and fours disciplines will be considered as replacements.



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