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**TO: DISTRICT SECRETARIES  
EXECUTIVE  
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**RE-MACHINED BOWLS.**

President of Bowls South Africa Mr Kallie Haupt is delighted to announce that bowls will become more accessible and inclusive to our youth with a process that will enable everyone to participate in our Sport. Our biggest challenge has been to make smaller bowls available for the youth as all old bowls were too big and a process has now been devised to take all these "old large Bowls" and machine them down to a size acceptable for the youth. The size of the bowl used is paramount to the game and thus these smaller bowls will now make our sport inclusive to everyone no matter of age and the size of the hand and will no longer be an obstacle and thus reinforces our motto that BOWLS is **#1SPORT4LIFE**.

Bowls South Africa's project to have clubs' large-size bowls re-machined down to more useful small-size bowls is well on its way to reaching the launch date of 16 January 2017. This process has taken a year to perfect.

Agreements are currently being signed off between Bowls SA and the project's service providers.

The protocol to be followed by the Clubs and Districts around the country will be released early during January. This protocol will provide all the information that Clubs and Districts will need to participate in this ground-breaking project. Bowls SA requests Clubs and Districts to wait for this protocol document. Please be patient for a little while longer, we are almost there!

We thank all those that have worked tirelessly and the sponsors who have come on board for their unstinting efforts to drive this project to this point and look forward to seeing the results being used all over the country in the near future.

This project will not only change Bowls in South Africa but make bowls accessible to everyone and augments the National campaign **#1sport4life**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Ravenscroft".

**JOHN RAVENSCROFT  
OPERATIONS MANAGER**