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To: All Club Presidents and Secretaries

RE: Circular 2025 – 69: EKB Saturday League Season 2025 / 2026

Everyone involved in planning and scheduling of bowls will always say that League is the **“worst ten weeks of the year”**.

Ekurhuleni Bowls has taken this matter seriously and has been working on viable solutions.

Finally, we can **move ahead** and overcome this.

We are living in **exciting times**.

This is our opportunity to make the change and **stride into the future**, albeit a slight bit nervous.

After much time in deliberation and conversation with clubs, players, presidents, competition secretaries, and role players in our district as well as those in other districts, **we have implemented a new format for League**.

The **goal** of the new League format is to:

- ✓ Consume less time
- ✓ Release more time for Club Competitions
- ✓ Cost less per player
- ✓ Reduce travelling time and cost
- ✓ Reduce the potential effect of inclement weather
- ✓ Reduce the potential effect of illness due to climate change
- ✓ Providing more opportunity for players to participate



- ✓ Reducing the impact of players inability to attend all games
- ✓ Increase the sociability of bowls
- ✓ Increase the opportunity for clubs to earn more revenue
- ✓ Decrease the risk of driving in the dark

Thank you to all the clubs who have provided such **incredible support** for this new format of play. We appreciate your support.

To those clubs who are nervous, unsure or in the process of evaluating how this format will work and be implemented, let's give it a go and do our best to make it work. Together we can succeed.

This is a new endeavour and comes with uncertainty and risk, but then, **nothing worthwhile is free from risk.**

We are **one hundred percent committed** to doing the best we can for you!

Let's make League better than before!

Yours in bowls

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