



23 September 2025

To All Club Secretaries and Presidents

RE: Circular 2025 - 72: Upcoming Hosting Opportunities

The Ekurhuleni Bowls District is proud to be appointed as the host of the following prestigious events:

Gauteng Challenge	-	17 – 18 January 2026
Bowls SA Inter-District (B Sides)	-	09 – 13 March 2026
Gauteng Open (PD & VI)	-	26 – 28 June 2026
Gauteng Open (Juniors)	-	27 – 28 June 2026
Gauteng Open	-	03 – 26 July 2026
Colts & Fillies	-	12 – 13 September 2026
Bowls SA Inter-District (Open Sides)	-	09 – 13 March 2027
Bowls SA Disabled Nationals	-	11 – 18 April 2027

Although this is an amazing achievement for our District, it is also an incredible opportunity for our clubs to generate well-earned cash flow and get their name up in lights.

As a District, we are asking each club to consider the above events and dates, and then to submit their intent to host whichever event they prefer. The goal is to allow clubs to choose their preferred events and then to have enough time to prepare properly for the event.

The clubs wishing to host will then be shortlisted and inspected.

Based on the results, the hosting clubs with the most acceptable greens, facilities and ease of access will be selected by Bowls SA or EKB (depending on the event).

Once selected, the hosting clubs will have sufficient time to plan their strategies and prepare thoroughly.





They will need to ensure that they meet the following compliance requirements:

1. Health and safety compliance (such as evacuation plans)
2. Signage compliance (such as emergency numbers and warning signs)
3. Accessibility for physically disabled and visually impaired players and visitors
4. Comprehensive First Aid Kit (Government Regulation 7 is required)
5. Comprehensive Umpires Kit
6. Strike Alert Lightning Meter (calibrated and certified)
7. Temperature and Humidity Meter (calibrated)
8. Dedicated Tournament Official to run the event and capture all results
9. A computer to capture all results immediately after play ceases
10. A qualified Technical Official for each green during play
11. A copy of the Laws of The Sport of Bowls (Crystal Mark Fourth Edition)

On appointment of the hosting clubs, the members of the District Standing Committee for Technical Officials will perform a compliance check for the above.

The EKB Executives and the appointed Tournament Committees will arrange information sessions with all the hosting clubs to discuss finer details, and to provide Conditions of Play, Draws, Scorecards, Menus and such.

This is going to be an epic year in our District. Let's seize the opportunities with eagerness and pride.

Please submit your club's intent to host an event by 20 October 2025 by sending an email to the District Secretary ( [secretary@ekurhulenibowls.co.za](mailto:secretary@ekurhulenibowls.co.za) ) .

Should there be any queries, please feel free to contact me.

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