



THE ACT TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS THE

2017 ACT Adult Representative Team Nomination Form

Incorporating selection of the Walter Rachuig Trophy Team, TBA Restricted Challenge Team and TBA Seniors Challenge Team.

SELECTION EVENT TO BE HELD AT

AMF Belconnen

1 Emu Bank
Belconnen ACT 2617

AND

AMF Tuggeranong

76 Cowlshaw Street
Tuggeranong ACT 2900

ON

AMF Tuggeranong -Friday 12th May 2017- 6pm

AMF Belconnen - Saturday 13th May -12pm

COST

\$110 plus \$20 nomination fee

Nominations can be handed directly to an ACTTBA board director or scanned and emailed to president@acttba.org.au

TBA Accreditation: A17/0190



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Tenpin Bowling Australia

ACT TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION - REPRESENTATIVE TEAM SELECTION INFORMATION

Walter Rachuig Trophy

The Walter Rachuig Trophy is designed to determine the best team of bowlers, male and female, from each of the represented areas. This Trophy is contested on a scratch basis, and is open to bowlers of all levels. A Rachuig team consists of **Six (6)** men and **Six (6)** women, with **Five (5)** of each on the lanes at any one time.

TBA Restricted Challenge

The TBA Restricted Challenge is contested on a handicap basis and caters for averages up to a specified level. This event is primarily utilised as a pathway event for bowlers who are aspiring to be selected for a future Walter Rachuig Team. A Restricted team consists of **Four (4)** men and **Four (4)** women, with all bowlers on the lanes for all games. Bowlers make **Three (3)** appearances, being a Team, Doubles, and Singles event of **Six (6)** games each. Bowler's averages are readjusted at the conclusion of the Singles and Doubles events.

TBA Seniors Challenge

The TBA Seniors Challenge is a scratch competition that is also contested as Singles, Doubles, and Teams. Teams consist of **Four (4)** men and **Four (4)** women, with all bowlers bowling all games.

TBA Adult National Championships

These three events are held in conjunction with the TBA Adult National Championships, and all bowlers will be required to complete an "All Events" entry at the Championships.

ELIGIBILITY (General) Participants in each event must meet the following minimum requirements in addition to the specific requirements for each event. All participants must;

1. be capable of conducting themselves in a manner so as not to bring themselves, the team, or the sport into disrepute
2. be TBA Registered players prior to the commencement of the nomination cut-off date. Bowlers will be required to upgrade to Silver membership for those events where it is required.
3. reside within the ACT district as per the definition by Tenpin Bowling Australia
4. have completed a minimum of **Twenty-four (24)** games of league in a registered centre, which is conducted within the ACT district as per the definition by Tenpin Bowling Australia. Games completed as pre-bowls do **not** count towards this requirement
5. currently participate in a league in a registered centre
6. have completed an all events entry in the 2017 ACT State Championships
7. be current and financial with the ACT Tenpin Bowling Association. Any monies outstanding for any reason must be reconciled before a nomination will be accepted.

ELIGIBILITY (Walter Rachuig Team)

In addition to the General eligibility above, nominees for the Walter Rachuig Team must;

1. have attained, or will attain, the age of **Eighteen (18)** years on or prior to the first day of the TBA Adult National Championships in the year of competition
2. it is desirable that bowlers possess a minimum end of year league average, over a minimum of 24 games of **200** for males and **190** females.

ELIGIBILITY (Restricted Challenge Team)

In addition to the General eligibility above, nominees for the Restricted Challenge Team must;

1. not have any League average over a minimum of 24 games at the end of any league in the preceding year with an average exceeding;

184 for males, and **174** for females

2. have attained, or will attain, the age of **Eighteen (18)** years on or prior to the first day of the TBA Adult National Championships in the year of competition

ELIGIBILITY (Seniors Challenge Team)

In addition to the General eligibility above, nominees for the Seniors Challenge Team must;

1. have attained, or will attain, the age of **Fifty (50)** years on or prior to the last day of December in the year of the event.

SELECTION OF TEAMS - Structure

The required number of bowlers will be selected from the accepted eligible nominations received for each team, according to the terms and conditions specified in this nomination form. To assist with the selection process, all bowlers **MUST** include a bowling resume with their nomination form for discussion by the Selection Committee. Please include relevant information to assist with selection process.

A selection committee will be appointed by the ACTTBA Board prior to the selection tournament and following nominations closing; this committee will be responsible for the selection of all ACT adult representative teams. This selection committee will comprise of the following.

- a) At least 1 member of the ACTTBA Board, to be appointed as Chair of the committee,
- b) At least 1 Independent party members who have not nominated for selection into **ANY** adult team,
- c) The respective team Coach or suitably qualified technical personnel
- d) A minimum of 2 members including the committee Chair.

Additional committee members may be sought to a total maximum of Five (5) including the Chair. The independent party members only will resolve any disputes in selection of a member of the committee. Any person interested in being a part of this committee should express this in writing to president@acttba.org.au.

The Selection Committee will be comprised of:

Paul Delany
Mark Stephens – Committee Chair
Drew Charlton
Lauren Tait
Michael Craig

Any changes or additions to the committee will be advised prior to selection event commencement.

SELECTION OF TEAMS - Event

The selection tournament will consist of sixteen (16) games, held over Two (2) days. This will be bowled on 2 different patterns. Day 1 – 8 games Day 2 – 8 games, The intention is to bowl in 3-person team's format though this is dependent on level of nominations.

This format is subject to change depending on the number of nominations received, but will be conducted as close as is practicable to the above format. Pacers may be used where required to meet the number of bowlers per lane.

SELECTION OF TEAMS - Criteria

At the completion of the selection tournament, the selection committee will meet and select all teams within Five (5) days. Bowlers will then be contacted individually by the selection committee chair and will have Twenty-Four (24) hours to accept the offer of position. Once all teams are filled, an announcement will be made on the ACTTBA website. These teams will be selected based on the criteria outlined below:

a. *A bowlers performance in the Selection Event will be used in the selection process, criteria within the selection event that will be considered:

- I. Finishing positions on each day of the selection event
- II. Overall pin fall from the selection event
- III. Bowler interaction and chemistry throughout the selection event will influence their selection.

The selection event will encompass 20% weighting of the overall selection process.

- b. Bowlers all events performance in the 2017 ACT State Championships - 15% weighting

- c. Recent experience (last 2 years) and strong performance** in the relevant team the bowler has nominated for in the Walter Rachuig, Seniors Challenge or Restricted Challenge events or other representative teams. - 20% weighting
- d. Previous experience and performance in representation at any international, national or state level events (greater than 2 years) - 15% Weighting
- e. A bowler's performance in league (where peer comparisons are possible will be used as tie breakers and general assistance in selection), ACTTBA events, state and national events over the last Twelve (12) months.
30% Weighting - these criteria is largely to assist gauge performance against peers and likely competition.

All bowlers will be given feedback on their performance including why they were selected and why not selected. Constructive Feedback may include suggested areas of improvement or positive feedback for the athletes and their coaches.

*** Team selection for restricted challenge will be performed based on section (a) of the selection criteria due to handicap requirements.**

**** Strong performance is considered finishing within the top 3rd of the field in a relevant event.**

Bowlers performances will only be reviewed against the team for which they have applied, e.g Youth performances and Adult performances cannot be easily compared as such only performances that can be measured against the same criteria will apply during selection (i.e adult v adult or senior v senior)

Subject to eligibility, bowlers will be able to nominate for any team they would be interested in being selected for to represent the ACT. All nominations will be encouraged to provide a supporting paragraph on the nomination form expressing their interest to all teams and their priorities for selection in 2017.

Following being advised they have been selected; bowlers will have Twenty-Four (24) hours to accept for decline this offer. If a bowler would like to discuss this offer the Selection Committee Chair will be made available to them to discuss this offer in further detail. A bowler may be selected into multiple teams if deemed appropriate by the Selection Committee.

EXEMPTION FROM PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

Any bowler who is unable to complete the Selection Tournament as described or is unable to meet the full eligibility requirements may apply to the committee for an exemption, which if granted will allow the bowler to be considered for selection into the team. Bowlers relying on exemption are encouraged to complete as much of the selection tournament as possible. Exemption requests should accompany a bowler's nomination form.

DISPUTES AND APPEALS OF SELECTION

Any person who wishes to lodge a dispute or appeal following the selection of these teams may do so by submitting this in writing to the Selection Committee chair via the ACTTBA President within Twenty-Four (24) hours of the announcement being made on the ACTTBA website.

The independent appeals panel (if required) will be comprised of:

Graham Shoesmith
Michael Cooke
Tina Hohmuth

Any changes to the appeals panel will be advised by email to all bowlers.

DRAFTING of PLAYERS

The ACTTBA reserves the right to apply to TBA for additional players to cover any shortfall in any of the teams as required. Such a shortfall may be through a depleted or under-skilled pool of nominees, or any other reason.

GENERAL PLAYING RULES

1. All TBAL Rules and regulations will apply to this Selection Tournament.

2. ATTIRE

Bowlers must wear neat acceptable attire. The wearing of Jeans, track pants, tank tops, hats, torn clothing or shirts with offensive wording or inappropriate images that may offend others will not be accepted.

3. DISPUTES

Any protests, disputes or complaints arising during the Selection Tournament must be lodged with the Tournament Director within fifteen (15) minutes of the alleged infringement, and confirmed in writing within forty-eight (48) hours. The Tournament Director, and at least one other available ACT Tenpin Bowling Association member will adjudicate disputes. Their decision will be final (subject to TBA appeals process).

5. ABSENTEE/TARDY BOWLERS

Competition will commence at the times specified, with a brief warm-up preceding that time. Those nominees who arrive after play has commenced for the day will be permitted to bowl, commencing at the stage at which play has reached for the day. They will forfeit all completed frames missed.

6. SMOKING

Smoking by competitors is prohibited from the commencement of warm-up through to the completion of the days play on each day of the Selection Trials.

7. SELECTION TRIALS

Selection Trials will be held to determine the teams, in accordance with the General Information in this document.

8. PROVISIONAL TEAM

At the conclusion of the Selection Trials, the teams which are declared will be considered **provisional**, subject to the bowler remaining financial in accordance with the details included in this form. Failure to remain financial may result in automatic disqualification from the team and replacement by the highest available reserve.

9. TEAM ADMINISTRATION

A Manager and Coach may be appointed by the ACT Tenpin Bowling Association for each team. The Coach and Team Manager will be responsible for the day-to-day management of the final team, including the scheduling and running of all training sessions.

10. PAYMENT

Payment of championship entries, representative team nomination fees and other fees may be made to the ACTTBA bank account prior to the event. Please contact the Treasurer for account details (treasurer@acttba.org.au) NB. All forms must still be received by the due date.

11. NOMINATIONS

Nominations for all teams will close at the same time, as per the time and date specified on the *Nomination Form* that accompanies this document. Nominations **must** include the appropriate nomination fee to be accepted. The nomination fee **is not refundable**.

The ACTTBA reserves the right to not accept a nomination, if the association is able to provide good and sufficient reason. Any bowler whose nomination is refused has the right of appeal to the full board of the ACTTBA.

12. REFUNDS

Refunds of the Bowling Fee will only be considered in extreme cases. Any refund will be in the form of games not bowled (at cost). Requests for refunds must be submitted in writing within seven days of the absence and be accompanied by supporting documentation (e.g. medical certificate).

13. TEAM VACANCIES

If a vacancy in any team occurs for any reason the vacancy will be filled by the next available reserve named at the conclusion of the selection trials.

14. ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation will be organised by the ACTTBA in conjunction with the State Team Management Coordinator. Team members will be required to stay in team accommodation for the full duration of the teams travel dates to be specified by the respective management committee.

15. COSTS OF COMPETING

Each member of each team is required to pay a number of costs to cover transportation, accommodation, and competition costs. These costs may vary between teams, but will be required to be paid for each team a bowler participates in. Bowlers requiring an exemption or modification to the schedule must make written application to the ACT Tenpin Bowling Association at least **Fourteen (14)** days prior to the due date specified. Such applications will be assessed on a case-by-case basis and should not be considered automatic.

16. FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES

- a) In the period leading up to the events, all bowlers who are selected for the Teams **will be able** to participate in fund raising activities to offset the cost of the Teams. It is hoped that the bulk of the expenses will be paid through fund raising and sponsors, however some expenses may be incurred.
- b) **Any such expenses will be required to be paid three (3) weeks prior to departure or that person/s WILL BE replaced by the first available reserve.**
- c) Any fundraising money raised will only be distributed to those team members who have participated in fund raising efforts.
- d) No nominee may attempt to raise funds on an individual basis using the names ACT State Tenpin Bowling Association, ACT State Representative Team, ACT Bowling, ACT Rachuig Team, ACT Seniors Team etc., without the written permission of the ACT Tenpin Bowling Association. If nominees wish to raise funds separately to the organised fund raising activities, written application should be made to the Committee Chairperson detailing the proposed activity. All applications will be considered on their merits.
- e) Individual sponsorships are permitted, but sponsor must be agreed by the committee if advertising of sponsors on Team uniforms is required and will only be permitted with the approval of the Committee.
- f) Suggestions for any fund raising activities would be most welcome.

17. TEAM SESSIONS

Team members will be required to attend all Team sessions prior to the Tournament. Failure to attend the training sessions may be cause for immediate disqualification and replacement from the team.

18. SPECIAL NOTE

A total ban will be enforced on alcohol consumption during each day's play for the Selection Trials and the Trophy Events at the National Championships.

19. SELECTION TRIAL SCHEDULE

Friday May 12th	AMF Tuggeranong	8 Games	CHECK IN BY	6 PM
Saturday May 13th	AMF Belconnen	8 Games	PLAY COMMENCES at	1230 PM

**ACT TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION
REPRESENTATIVE TEAM NOMINATION FORM**

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
POST CODE: _____ D.O.B _____ Email: _____
TELEPHONE: Home _____ Work: _____
TBA REG NUMBER: _____ Highest Average
(as of 31/12/16): _____

PREVIOUS YEARS LEAGUES BOWLED:

CENTRE / AVERAGE

LEAGUES CURRENTLY BOWLING IN:

CENTRE / AVERAGE

I HEREBY NOMINATE FOR THE: Walter Rachuig Team
 Restricted Challenge Team
 Seniors Challenge Team

- I have attached my resume with this nomination form.
 I have attached a summary of my selection priorities for 2017 if nominating for multiple teams above.

I certify that I am currently bowling in a league in a registered centre. I further certify that, should I be successful in making a team, I shall be able and available to attend the tournament and the Adult National Championships.

I have read the attached Nomination Form, including the General Information, Rules, and Code of Conduct attachments, and acknowledge that I will abide by them. I have enclosed the nomination fee for each team nominated.

(signature)

Nominations are to be handed directly to any member of the ACT State Tenpin Bowling Association or scanned and emailed to:

The President
President@acttba.org.au

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE 8pm Tuesday 9th May. NO LATE NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
Nomination fee: \$ 20.00 Selection Event Cost \$ 110**

ACT TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION - CODE OF CONDUCT

These Rules of Conduct will apply to all TBA Tournaments and are to be read in conjunction with TBA Rules and Regulations.

Bowlers must conduct themselves in a sportsperson like manner whilst competing or whilst in the tournament centre. Un-sportsperson like conduct will not be tolerated and may lead to the bowler/bowlers being disqualified.

COACHES are permitted to coach at all times, but must not move into the player's area or hold up play. Coaches may stand directly behind the player's area for bowlers to approach them or be called to them, but this must not take up time that will interrupt play. The player could be disqualified if this happens.

CARD SYSTEM

A penalty card system will apply to this tournament. Tournament Officials have the authority to issue cards for any breach of the Code of Conduct. If, in the opinion of a Tournament Official, an incident is considered to be a very serious breach of the code, then that person may issue either a Yellow or Red Card immediately, without having to verbally warn.

INFRACTIONS

The actions that a card may be issued for include, but are not limited to the following:

1. EQUIPMENT ABUSE
2. PHYSICAL ABUSE
3. VERBAL ABUSE
4. OBSCENE GESTURES and/or LANGUAGE
5. CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL
6. CONTRAVENING THE TBA ANTI DOPING POLICY
7. UNFAIR ADVANTAGE BY:
 - a) Deliberate Foul
 - b) Use of Abrasives
 - c) Sledging
8. FAILURE TO FOLLOW TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS DIRECTIVES

PROCEDURE AND PENALTIES

These rules will be implemented by the offender being given a verbal warning or being shown either a Yellow or Red Card at the time of the alleged infraction, with the following results:

First Infraction: The offender will be given an official verbal warning.

Second Infraction: A YELLOW CARD will be shown.

Third Infraction: A RED CARD will be shown.

The penalty for a third infraction is:

i) For a Competitor:

Disqualification for the remainder of the Tournament and a possible suspension from future TBA competitions. The Tournament Committee must convene at a convenient time within 24 hours of the RED CARD being shown to discuss the need for further action to be taken under Chapter 5.

ii) For and Office Bearer or Team Official (Coach, Manager etc)

Immediate removal from the position held. The Organisational Body that the officer is associated with must convene a hearing as soon as possible following the infraction to investigate and discuss the need for further action to be taken.

iii) For a TBA Registered Bowler not involved in the event:

The Association/Registered bowling centre that the person is registered with will be advised of the infraction and they must convene a hearing as soon as possible following the infraction to investigate the infraction and discuss the need for further action to be taken.

iv) For a non TBA person:

Centre Management and/or Tournament Officials should ask the offenders to leave the location. If the person refuses, put the matter into the hands of the Police and ask them to remove the offender.

In each of the clauses shown above, a detailed report will be submitted to the TBA CEO. TBA reserves the right to carry out its own investigation and impose any penalty deemed necessary in addition to any Centre or Association penalties imposed.