

## BOCCIA ACCROSS NSW PARALYMPIC SPORT FOR CP ATHLETES

NEWSLETTER

February 2016

### 2016 NSW State Titles to be hotly contested at Narrabeen

We have 39 entries for the NSW State Titles, with a strong turnout from the BC3s and BC4/EMUs. The maximum of 16 BC3s are registered and an impressive 14 BC4/EMUs have put their names down. BC2s and BC1s are represented with five and four entries respectively. Registrations are now closed and the draw will be completed and sent out in the next couple of weeks. Everyone is welcome to come and support the players, as they fight for the crown of their respective classifications.

This event will be a key selection event, by which the final NSW Team will be chosen to represent NSW in the upcoming May National Titles. Play commences on Friday, 4 March concluding with the finals on Sunday, 6 March, at the Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen.



Photos from last year's Titles

### Medals decided at Hunter Singles Cup

Congratulations to everyone who helped make this year's Hunter Cup a wonderful event! We had 23 players from as far afield as Coff's Harbour, Armidale, Tamworth, Orange and Canberra as well as a large contingent from Sydney and our own local players.

The standard of play was impressive, with many really tight games and close scores.

Results were:

BC1/2 1st - Chris Allerdice (Northern Beaches Waves), 2nd - Scott Elsworth (NBW), 3rd - Neil Dalton (Hunter Boccia, and playing in his first ever tournament!)

BC3 1st - Wendy Evans (HB), 2nd - Ange McReynolds (NBW), 3rd - Dave Pearey (HB).

EMU 1st - Phil Bates (HB), 2nd - James Nutt (HB), 3rd - Adam Alcorn (HB)

No BC4 or BC 5 players competed.

The Rammers' Cup was won by Wendy Evans, and the Throwers' Cup by Phil Bates.

Many thanks to all the referees and timekeepers for their help, and to the indefatigable Emily for her work as the secretariat.

See you next year.

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#### Sydney Singles Heats Up

With 28 athletes competing in this mixed classification tournament Terry Cooper – (BC3) is holding an early lead. Weekly games are contested at Woy Woy, Penrith and Allambie. The top 8 at the end of the term will compete in a final series!

Each athlete has a points handicap which evens out the competition. The new introduction of the Bonus Point – for winning all 4 ends means that every game goes down to the final ball.

#### BNSW Update

Boccia NSW is looking forward to another exciting year, with the Hunter Singles, in February, NSW State titles in March and the Northern Beach Cup in April. Because of the busy start to the year we have put off the Boccia League until June 2016 when we see 5 teams competing for the coveted Trophy. While boccia is a serious sport the friendly and relaxed atmosphere at the State titles brings out the best in our players, giving them the opportunity to take home good memories, new friends and maybe even a medal!

So have a great boccia year to our clubs large and small and our players old and young. Play well and enjoy the play.

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#### Upcoming Events

##### March:

4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>: 2016 NSW State Titles @ Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen.

##### April:

9<sup>th</sup>: Northern Beaches Singles @ Knox Grammar School. Registrations close - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March.

15<sup>th</sup>: NSW Development Day @ CPA

21<sup>st</sup> April – Multi Sports Day @ CPA Allambie

29<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> May: National Titles – BC3 Classification  
Venue: Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen.

##### May:

2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> National Titles – BC1/BC2/BC4 and EMU  
Venue: Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen.

#### 2016 NSW School Knockout Competition

The school competition is back for its 6<sup>th</sup> year. In 2015 there were over 70 schools from metropolitan and regional NSW. Reigning Champions Killarney Heights lead by Spencer Cotie are aiming for the 3<sup>rd</sup> peat. The battle for school supremacy gets underway in early May, with the School Grand final held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August at Sydney Olympic Park.



**Pictured above: 2015 Champions – Killarney Heights**