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## BOWLS AUSTRALIA — NATIONALS COMPETITION — JOONDALUP

Statement by Member for Joondalup

MS E.L. HAMILTON (Joondalup) [12.53 pm]: Last month, Joondalup and the northern suburbs were proud to host Bowls Australia's Nationals competition. For the very first time, the peak national competition for lawn bowls was held at three different bowls clubs in the City of Joondalup, including at the Joondalup Bowling Club. More than 800 participants of all ages and abilities competed across the three northern suburbs bowling clubs in junior, senior, para and able-bodied events. Six different titles were contested, with the Australian Senior Sides Championships and Australian Championships taking place at the Joondalup Bowling Club. As patron of the club and sponsor, I could not be prouder of the team for their efforts in ensuring that the competition went smoothly and showed the very best of our amazing community. The Joondalup Bowling Club is developing in leaps and bounds, with greens that are the envy of other clubs, new lights and new shirts, and it is now competing in the premier league.

A massive shout-out goes to club president, Chris Leggett; club secretary, Linda Bye; treasurer, David Urquhart; marketing and sponsorship officer, Larry Young; and the wonderful Greg Barry for their leadership at the Joondalup Bowling Club. I would also like to thank each and every person from the Joondalup Bowling Club who volunteered during the event for their contribution to the success of the national competition. I look forward to the Nationals returning to WA again in October 2026 and seeing the competition return to Joondalup. Congratulations again to all involved.