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NORTHERN TASMANIAN WOMEN'S BOWLING ASSOCIATION, PAST PRESIDENTS ASSOCIATION COLLECTION

Bowling Clubs, Northern Tasmania

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The Northern Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association Past Presidents Association was formed in 1979. The decision to form the association was made at a meeting held on 5 October 1979, chaired by Mrs Mabel Terry, President of the Northern Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association, and attended by 30 past presidents of clubs affiliated with the Northern Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association.

By October 1980 membership had grown from the initial 30 members to 55. Early meetings were held and games played at the Launceston Bowls Club, then at East Launceston Bowling Club and Trevallyn Bowls Club. Venues for meetings also included Rutherglen, Kings Meadows Hotel and the ABC, Scottsdale, Patons, Kings Meadows, Longford, Deloraine and George Town bowls clubs.

In 1986 Southern, Northern and North Western Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association past presidents associations met at the Longford Bowls Club, where a game of bowls and fellowship was enjoyed by members: this became an annual event.

Association members visited various clubs in the north and hosted return visits. Social functions, often followed by a game of bowls, Christmas lunches and bus trips were well attended events. Trophies, usually taking the form of gift vouchers, were donated to the Northern Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association each year.

The tenth annual report noted that membership had increased from 50 to 84 and in 1991 membership stood at 97.

The collection was donated to the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery in October 2003.

1.Minutes of Meetings

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| 1/1 | Northern Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association, Past Presidents Association, minutes of meetings book, October 1979-February 1994 (includes annual reports) | 1979-1994 |
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2.Financial Records

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| 2/1 | Northern Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association, Past Presidents Association, account book (includes names of members) | 1979-1988 |
| 2/2 | Northern Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association, Past Presidents Association, account book (includes names of members) | 1988-1993 |

3.Miscellaneous Records

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| 3/1 | Northern Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association, Past Presidents Association, subscription book (includes name and club of each member) | 1994-2003 |
| 3/2 | <i>Tasmanian Women's Bowling Association Inc.: bowls handbook 1999-2000</i> , Hobart, 1999 | 1999 |