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Wolinski, Naomi

(1881 - 1969)

Born	18810326, Sandhurst (Bendigo) Victoria Australia
Died	19690914, Sydney New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Bowler, Sports administrator, Welfare worker

Summary

Following her husband Ury, Naomi Wolinski took up lawn bowls in the late 1920s, playing at the Wollstonecraft Bowling Club. In 1930 she co-founded the New South Wales Ladies' (Women's) Bowling Association, serving as inaugural vice-president, honorary secretary (1931-32), and president (1933-58), and becoming a life-member in 1938. She also co-founded the association's journal, *(Women's) Bowls News*, and chaired its editorial committee for nearly ten years.

Wolinski used her influence in women's bowling circles to organise fundraising and the production of clothing for servicemen during wartime. She was elected foundation president of the Australian Women's Bowling Council in 1947, and was vice-president (1938-50) and president (1950-64) of the National Council of Amateur Sports Women of New South Wales.

In 1953 Naomi Wolinski was awarded Queen Elizabeth II's coronation medal and in 1960 she was appointed M.B.E.

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