

INTERNAL COMPETITION FORMATS AND RULES

CLUB COMPETITIONS

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COMPETITION FORMATS

Men's Singles and Ladies Singles

4 bowls each player – first to 21 is the winner.

A marker is needed. (**Markers** – please read the guidance notes for markers).

Mixed Novice Singles

Singles competition open to men and ladies that have not previously won any bowls competition at any level at any outdoor bowls club. 4 bowls each player – first to 21 is the winner.

A marker is needed. (**Markers** – please read the guidance notes for markers).

Men's Pairs and Ladies Pairs

4 bowls each, 21 ends.

If the result is a draw after 21 ends, play an extra end – toss a coin again to determine whose jack it is.

Mixed Triples

Competition open to men and ladies. 3 bowls each – played on Triples Day, apart from the Final.

Format of the day defined by the Competition Secretary. Final to be over 18 ends on Finals Day.

Mixed Fours (West End Garage Cup)

Competition open to men and ladies. 4 bowls each – All played on one day – Format of the day defined by the Competition Secretary. Final is played on the day of the event.

Mixed Open Handicap Singles

Singles competition open to men and ladies. 4 bowls each – first to 21 is the winner.

A marker is needed. (**Markers** – please read the guidance notes for markers).

The *difference* between the handicaps of the two players is the advantage afforded the player with the higher handicap. The player with the lower handicap plays off zero.

Example 1 - Player A has handicap –2 and B has handicap +3. A plays off zero and B starts at +5.

Example 2 - Player A has handicap +2 and B has handicap +5. A plays off zero and B starts at +3.

Handicaps are computed on the basis of success in the previous year's singles competitions (Quarters, Semis or Finals) plus any singles win in the preceding 3 years. Novices get a bonus and beginners a special bonus. This formula is used to re-compute handicaps each year.

Mixed 100-UP

Singles competition open to men and ladies – 4 bowls each player – first to 100 or more points is the winner.

A marker is needed. (**Markers** – please read the guidance notes for markers).

Shot bowl to count 4 points – Second 3 points – Third 2 points – Fourth 1 point.

Shot bowl takes the mat and jack for the next end.

Tied Bowls

If tied for shot - end declared DEAD – no points awarded – same player keeps the mat and jack.

If tied for second bowl – shot bowl only counts – 4 points only awarded.

If tied for Third shot – First and Second Bowls count – 7 points only awarded.

If tied for Fourth shot – first, second and third bowls count – 9 points awarded.

Both Players Scoring 100

If on any end both players can reach 100, the end is played to a conclusion as usual and all points are awarded. If scores are equal at 100 an extra end is to be played and all points again awarded. If scores are still even, further extra ends are to be played on the above basis until a winner is achieved.

Mixed 3 Wood Singles

Singles competition open to men and ladies – 3 bowls each player, 18 ends.

If the result is a draw after 18 ends, play an extra end – toss a coin again to determine whose jack it is.

A marker is needed. (**Markers** – please read the guidance notes for markers).