



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

RULES AND CONDITIONS OF PLAY

Eligibility

Only full members of Hope Valley Bowling & Community Club Inc. and who do not play pennants for another Club may play in the Club Championship Competitions.

Entry Fees

Entry fees with the entry form must be forwarded to reach the Championship Director by the closing date.

Closing Date

Entries **will not** be accepted after the nominated closing date except in extenuating circumstances approved by the Championship Director.

Round Due Dates

1. Rounds must be played on or before the date specified on the draw sheet. Non completion means you will forfeit. Extensions will only be given where the Greens have been declared unplayable by the Greens Manager/Greenkeeper or negotiated with the Championship Director.
2. Players will negotiate a suitable time to play their match within the designated time frame. If opposing parties are unable to arrange and play their match prior to the due date both parties shall forfeit unless an alternative arrangement has been negotiated with the Championship Director.
3. Sheets will be provided on the noticeboard to book times (at the discretion of the Greens Manager/Greenkeeper) and the players must play on the designated green. Postponement by mutual agreement is possible (e.g. inclement weather) provided rule 2 is followed.
4. Note that it may be a condition of entry that all first rounds for a particular competition will be played on a single day. However, if both parties agree to book and play the game on another day, within a week of the set day, and inform the Championship Director of said arrangement, then that game will be deemed to have been played under the conditions as set and the winner can progress to the next round. Note that the only exception to this is the "Open Singles" competition which has a 'round-robin' first round format.



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All the following are local rules for this competition as per Laws of Bowls 19.4

Replacements

Replacements and substitutes will be allowed as per the Laws of Bowls.

Note: - Replacement players are NOT permitted for singles matches.

Dead Ends

There are no dead ends in any competition played over a set number of ends. If the jack is displaced out of bounds it is to be placed on the 2-metre centre mark for the remainder of that end.

If a dead end occurs in a Singles game, then the end is replayed as per the Laws of Bowls. The only exception is in the '100 up' competition where the jack is replaced on its original spot.

Competition formats

Singles

- All singles games (excluding 100 up and Open Singles) will be played with 4 bowls with the winner the first player to 21 shots. Grand Final will be played to 25 shots.
- '100 up' games played with 4 bowls with nearest shots scoring 4,3,2 & 1 points each end. First player to 100 points wins.
- 'Open Singles' is a 2-bowl game over 15 ends. Grand Final to be played over 18 ends. Highest shot scorer wins the game. If the match is tied after the required number of ends an additional end is to be played to determine the winner.

This event is free to enter and open to all men and women pennant bowlers. There is automatic entry to all players from the top 2 Saturday pennant sides as well as any other member who wishes to enter. All first-round matches will be held on a nominated Sunday. The draw for the Open '2 Bowl' Singles will take place on the selected day and include all those attending on the day. The format for the first round will be a 'round robin' with 3 players allocated to a rink. Each player will play the other 2 players on the rink with the spare player acting as marker. The player with the most wins from the 2 games, or if wins are equal the



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best score differential, will proceed to the next round. Some lucky losers may also proceed to round 2 to fill the draw.

- Handicaps for the 'Handicap Singles' will be based on the players position on the 3rd Saturday Pennant, or if not playing, at the discretion of the Championship Tournament Committee.
- Singles players must arrange their own markers except for the final.

Pairs

- All pairs are to be played in a 2-2-2-2 format.
- All games to be played over 15 ends. The Grand Final will be played over 18 ends. Highest shot scoring pair wins the game. If the match is tied after the required number of ends an additional end is to be played to determine the winner.

Triples

- Triples are 3-bowls games over 15 ends.
- The Grand Final will be played over 18 ends. Highest shot scoring triple wins the game. If the match is tied after the required number of ends an additional end is to be played to determine the winner.

Practice

- Up and back roll-up, with as many bowls as are to be used in the competition, is permitted before the commencement of the game.
- Other than the pre-game roll-up no player may practice on the green prior to a match, except for the grand final where an opposing team or player has already played a match that day.

Dress Code

For all knock-out rounds and semi-final games dress code is casual.

On Grand Final day all players (and officials) are to wear full club uniform.

Grand Finals

Finals are to be played on a date to be determined by the joint Men's and Ladies Committees and this is the only occasion when the club uniform needs to be worn. Some negotiation with the date may be possible where players are in multiple finals.

If a player is playing in 2 or more matches on the day, then each game must be on a different rink.