

BSBC COMPETITION NOTES

(notice updated April 2024)

Club finals weekend- The dates are set by the club and are entered on the club's yearly fixture list. The playing of a final on a different date is only possible in exceptional circumstances. If you know you will not be available to play that weekend, it may be best if you do not enter the following competitions- the ladies and men's 2 wood, 4 wood and nominated pairs/triples competitions plus the mixed nominated pairs and the President's Shield.

Play by dates for all rounds other than the finals- These are set by the Competitions Secretary after the draw has been made.

The challenger and their responsibilities- For each match the person (or persons in pairs/triples events) whose name(s) appear first in the draw table is/are the challenger(s). The challenger is to agree a date with the opponent(s) to play the game. Also, for all singles games, the challenger is to agree with the opponent who is to act as marker and the challenger is to arrange for that marker to be at the green on the date and time agreed for the match.

Home & away- The challenger(s) is/are 'home' on the scorecard and scoreboard. Their opponents are 'away'.

Dress code- For all rounds, including the finals, the dress code is greys.

Possession of mat on first end- A toss of the coin is made to decide who has the mat at the start of the first end. The winner of the toss can elect that their opponent has the mat first.

Match duration-

Singles (4 woods)- First to reach 21 shots

Singles (2 woods)- 21 ends *

Singles (President's Shield) (3 woods)- 15 ends *

Pairs (3 woods each player)- 18 ends *

Triples (3 woods each player)- 15 ends *

* **Tied matches-** If the scores are tied after all the required ends have been played, then one extra end is to be played to decide the winner. A toss of a coin is made to decide who has possession of the mat at the start of the extra end. The winner of the toss can elect that their opponent has the mat.

Recording the result- In singles, both players are to sign the completed scorecard. In pairs/triples, one player from each team is to sign the completed scorecard. Completed scorecards to be placed in the wallet provided on the office competitions notice board. Please also update the draw table on the office competitions notice board with the result.

President's Shield- Entry is open to both ladies and men who, at the start of the current season, have never before won a singles competition (2 wood, 3 wood, 4 wood or Novice) in this or any other bowls club.

Novices Cup- Entry is open to both ladies and men who started to play bowls after the 31st March two years prior to the current season and have never before won a singles competition (2 wood, 3 wood, 4 wood or Novice) in this or any other bowls club.

Trophies- Last season's winners to return the trophies to the Competition Secretary in good time before the date of the current season's final. Following each final the Competition Secretary will temporarily retain the trophy to arrange for names to be engraved. The engraved trophies will be presented to the winners at the club's end of season AGM.