



Shirley Park Bowling Club Ltd

Men's Competitions Rules & Format 2024

1. Dress for all rounds up to the final for both players and markers (arranged by the challenger) will be white above the waist, grey trousers and regulation bowling shoes.
2. The first named on the draw sheet is the **CHALLENGER, WHO MUST**, within a week of the start of the round, offer two reasonable dates to the opponent. If the challenger fails to do so, the opponent should offer 2 dates to the challenger. If a date cannot then be agreed, the challenger forfeits the match.
3. Entry of matches in the rink booking diary must be made on the **rink request slips** to be found at the beginning of the diary on the men's notice board desk.
4. The **closing date** for each round will be shown on the draw sheet. **Extensions to the deadline are at the discretion of the Competition Secretary and must be approved.**
5. All singles competitions (except Top 40) should have a marker. If one cannot be found then players should contact the Comp Sec who will assist in finding a marker, agree a new date or allow an extension. Markers can be men or women.
6. If the player/team is unable to fulfil the match by closing date the player/team will concede the match and indicate this by completing a scorecard showing that the match has been conceded and placing it in the competition result box.
7. The winning player/s of each match should write their name on the draw sheet, and place signed score card in the result box at the end of the men's notice board desk.
8. Having entered various competitions, you then realise you are not going to be available to play on **FINALS WEEKEND (14/15th SEPTEMBER)** please tell the Competition Secretary **immediately**. PLEASE DO NOT PLAY A COUPLE OF ROUNDS BEFORE YOU SCRATCH.

Friday Evening is Aggregate Night (Club Night). No club competitions may be played on a Friday evening after 6.00pm. Competitions started before 6.00pm and not finished by this time must resume on another day.

Championship Singles - 21 shots

Handicap Singles - 21 shots for the lower handicapped player; 21 shots plus the difference between handicaps for the higher handicapped player

Two Wood Singles - 21 ends. The competition will be run on one day, which will also include the Ladies, to alleviate the necessity of markers and applying for rink allocation. **The competition will take place on Sunday 4th August.**

Top Forty - 10 ends. 4 bowls. It is a mixed handicapped competition (50% of handicap applies and added to card before start), Play to the jack as cast no marker needed.

100 up Singles - First to 100 points. Shot wood = 4 pts, 2nd = 3 pts, 3rd = 2 pts 4th = 1pt. If scores are equal after 20 ends then extra end(s) will be played until there is an outright winner.

Veteran's Singles - for members aged 65 and over. 21 shots plus the addition of the difference between handicaps for the highest handicapped player.

West Wickham & Hayes Singles - For members with a handicap of minus six or below 21 shots.

Mixed Handicap Drawn Pairs - 18 ends for all rounds up to the final; 21 ends in the final Difference in handicap to go on scoreboard at the start of the game but no ends.

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Friday Night Mixed Aggregate - Please check what time discs are down, as this varies throughout the latter part of the season.

Leon Rose - This is a Mixed Triples Handicap Competition, **which will be played on Sunday 23rd June.** The Ladies' & the Men's Competition Secretary will draw the teams and try to balance the Handicaps as near as possible.