

Lilleshall Hall Bowls Club

COMPETITIONS

1. The player listed first in each round of the draw is designated as the **challenger**.

The **challenger** is responsible for arranging the match. This includes:

- Contacting your opponent to arrange the game, as early as possible.
 - Agreeing the best day and time for the game to be played.
 - Offering a **minimum of two different playing dates**.
 - Providing a minimum of **3 days' notice** for these dates.
 - In a singles match, arranging a **marker and** booking a rink.
 - On arrival, the rink to be played on should be drawn at random from a selection of four rinks, or all available rinks, whichever is the fewer.
 - **All matches must be played by the deadline stated in the competition fixture list.**
 - If the challenger and opponent cannot agree on a date, the challenger will notify the Competition Secretary, in writing.
 - The Competition Secretary may, if necessary, impose a date for the match to be played.
 - In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Competition Secretary and/or the Captain or Chairman shall be final.
 - If a match is not played by the deadline provided and the Competition Secretary has not been informed, both players risk being eliminated from the competition.
2. No extension will be permitted to the "play-by" date unless for exceptional extenuating circumstances (such as accident, illness or emergency). Such extension will be at the discretion of the Competition Secretary or (should the match involve the Competition Secretary) the Captain or Chairman.
 3. The Green is available seven days a week, on Mon-Fri from 1pm until dusk and on Saturday and Sunday from 11am until dusk. Check the rink booking system for availability
 4. All games will be played according to the latest edition of the World Bowls "Laws of the Sport of Bowls", unless modified for a specific competition.

5. A competitor may claim a "walk-over" if a game is "conceded" or the opponent(s) is/are not ready to play within 15 minutes of the agreed start time. To claim a walk-over a scorecard must be submitted showing the details of the game, the reason for the walk-over, and be signed and dated by the claimant. However, we are a friendly club and wherever possible players should endeavour to re-arrange fixtures.
6. The scorecard must be deposited at the end of the game. It must clearly record the competition, players, date, rink, scores and result, and must be signed by the losing player/skip (ideally both players/skips).
7. Winners may update the competition display in the clubhouse.
8. The losing player in a singles competition should mark for the next round *wherever* possible.
9. Players (or skips) shall toss a coin to determine who has choice of jack on the first end. One trial end of up to four bowls is permitted in each direction.
10. Specific rules apply to some competitions, refer to the following sheet:

COMPETITION RULES

Frank Richards Cup (Ladies Singles) & Roy Warburton Cup (Men's Singles)

These 4-bowl competitions are open to all members of the appropriate gender and are played from scratch. The winner will be the first player to reach 21 shots.

Nuway Cup (Open Singles)

This 4-bowl competition is open to all members and is played from scratch. The winner will be the first player to reach 21 shots.

Tarmac Cup (Open Handicapped Singles)

This 4-bowl competition is open to all members. The competitor with the higher handicap will have the difference between the two handicaps credited to their score before play commences. The winner will be the first player to reach 21 shots.

Cyril Davies Cup (Veteran Singles)

This 4-bowl competition is open to all members aged 70 and over on 1st May and is played from scratch. The winner will be the first player to reach 21 shots.

QRS Cup (Qualifying Singles)

This 4-bowl competition is open to all members who have not won a club, county or national outdoor singles competition at this or any other club in the previous FIVE seasons. The competition is played from scratch. The winner will be the first player to reach 21 shots.

Pairs Shield (Open Nominated Pairs)

This 4-bowl pairs competition is open to all members and is played from scratch. The winner will be the team with the highest score after 18 ends have been played (teams may concede before completion of 18 ends). In the event of a tie after 18 ends a deciding end will be played. Teams will toss for the choice of jack on the deciding end.

Mike Caird Cup (Open Singles, sets)

This 4-bowl competition is open to all members and is played in sets. Each game consists of two sets of 9 ends each, with the result of each set determining the winner.

(See Mike Caird Cup rules sheet for full details.)