

Happy Valley Bowling Club

Club Championship Rules & Conditions 2022 – 2023

A: Conditions of play for all events.

- 1: All players must be registered as full members of Happy Valley Bowling Club to compete in the Club Championships.
- 2: There is no entry fee to enter any event.
- 3: **Pennant Uniform must be worn for all Semi-finals and Grand Final matches. These will be played on A green. For singles games, the Marker must also be in uniform.**
- 4: **Club Uniform is not required for minor rounds and these can be played on either green by mutual consent.**
- 5: Players/Teams must submit their entry on the entry forms at the club before the closing date.
- 6: Before entering any event, players must have read and understood the rules and conditions set out here.
- 7: The weather policy of Bowls SA applies to all events.
- 8: **As a trial for this year, practice WILL be allowed on the greens on the day of a scheduled club championship game.**
- 9: Please advise your event manager of details of when you have scheduled your games. The names and phone numbers of the managers will be on the draw sheet. Check the greens availability list on the notice board.

B: Rules of Play.

- 1: All games are to be played in accordance with the laws of the sport of bowls.
- 2: The draw for each event will be displayed prior to the event. It is the responsibility of each player/team to be aware of applicable dates and times.
- 3: All games are to be played by the date specified on the draw or at a time mutually agreed upon with the Event Manager. If a player/team cannot find a suitable date prior to the schedule date, then the team unable to make the date must forfeit.
- 4: In singles matches, players will provide their own marker. In the absence of an umpire, the marker's ruling will be final.
- 5: Any player/team arriving more than 15 minutes late for a scheduled match will forfeit, unless there are extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the players. The Event Manager will have the final say in the matter.

- 6: In all events dead ends do not count and must be replayed.
- 7: **Please inform the Event Manager of the time and place of any matches and at the completion of that game the final score cards are to be placed in the box provided near the mats and jack box. Results will be written on the draw sheet by the Event Manager, NOT the players involved.**

C: Event Manager

- 1: An Event Manager has been appointed for every club championship. He/she will adjudicate on all disputes. An appeal may be made to the Tournament Committee.
- 2: The Event Manager will ensure that score cards are available and that all players know how to access the greens and club rooms as required.

D: Rules and conditions for each event

1: General

A: Rules pertaining to substitutes and replacements are as per the Laws of Bowls Domestic Regulations for Australia. Any substitute cannot play skip.

B: In all events the substitute or replacement must be of a similar or lesser standard than the absent player. This must be approved by the Event Manager.

C: Finalists and semi-finalists of all events in one year are to be seeded in the draw for the following year's club championships.

2: Singles

Men's open – Open to all male members. **First to 21 shots**

Men's B Grade – Open to all male members who have not played in the top 2 sides on Saturday or the top side on Wednesday. **First to 21 shots**

Ladies Open - Open to all female members **First to 21 shots**

Ladies Plate - Open to all first round losers of the Ladies Open. Played as a Round Robin series. **First to 21 shots**

Novice Singles – open to all male and female players who are in their first or second year of playing Pennants **First to 21 shots**

Veterans Singles – open to all male and female players over 70 yrs of age as at 1st April 2022 **First to 21 shots**

Dot Finn – open to all female members **First to 100 up**

Ray Steer – open to all male members **First to 100 up**

Abandoned Play for Singles – As decided by the Event Manager.

1. The match will be deemed complete if one of the players has scored at least two thirds of the score to win in minor rounds. In semi-finals and Grand Final the match will be rescheduled for a later date and will continue from previous score.
2. If neither player has scored the necessary shots in a minor round the game will be rescheduled for a later date and continue from previous score.

3: Pairs

Men's, Ladies, Mixed

1. Men's and Ladies 4 bowl pairs 15 ends all rounds. Highest score wins.
Mixed Pairs 3 Bowls each 15 ends all rounds Highest score ends.
2. If there is a draw there will be a one end play off.

4: Open Triples – 2 bowls each

1. All rounds 18 ends. Highest score wins
2. If there is a draw there will be a one end play off.

5: Open Fours - 2 bowls each

1. All rounds 15 ends. Highest score wins.
2. If there is a draw there will be a one end play off.

Abandoned play for Pairs, Triplets and Fours – as decided by the Event Manager.

In all disciplines two thirds of required ends must be played in minor rounds.

Semi- Finals and Grand Finals to be continued at a later date.

1. If less than 2/3s of ends have been completed, the game will be rescheduled and continued from previous score.
2. If at least 2/3s of ends have been played, the team leading will be the winner.
3. If scores are drawn and at least 2/3s of ends have been played, there will be a one end play off.

Any circumstances not covered by the above rules shall be referred to a quorum of not less than 3 of the Tournament Committee and the Club President.

