

Teddington Bowling Club

Club Competition Rules

MAJOR COMPETITIONS

Entries; Championship singles, Handicap, Open Pairs, Knapman Cup, and Allen Cup, and Grove Dowsett Summer Friday evening league. Entries on forms provided, to be submitted together with fees due not later than date specified on form.

Draws: to be organized by the Competition Secretary. One other Full Playing Member to be present.

Handicaps: To be decided jointly by the Competition Secretary and Captain at their discretion before the Handicap Competition begins, except the following based on the previous year's winners of the major Singles Competitions.

Previous year's winners and new members = Minus 7

Previous year's losing finalists = Minus 6

New members who are "beginners" = Scratch

Only the handicap difference to be taken into account, with the higher handicapped player starting on a minus score.

Conditions: New members may not enter the Championship in their first season.

Open to all members available to play Monday to Fridays (weekend ties may be played if agreed by participating players, but no ties to be played on a Club roll-up afternoon).

Any members not having put their name up to play for the Club for a minimum of 6 matches during the previous season will not be automatically eligible (this does not apply to newly admitted members). However, the Committee may give permission for such a member to play.

The first named player(s) is/are the challenger, and must make all arrangements to ensure ties are played by the due date. If a tie is not played by the due date, the Competition Secretary, in consultation with the President, may arrange a date and time for the tie to be played. If it is not played then, a decision will be made on which player(s) will proceed to the next round. Players shall decide on choice of rink by agreement, or failing that by toss of a coin.

Markers must be experienced bowlers.

Singles championship

Knock out competition

4 woods – 21 shots

Singles handicap

Knock out competition

4 woods – 21 shots

(handicap rules, see above)

Open pairs

Knock out competition

Four-wood pairs

A player in each pair to be seeded and partnered by a player drawn at random

Three sets of 7 ends – if one pair wins first two sets, game ends

In the event of a drawn set and one set won by each pair, shots scored taken into account.

If shots also equal, sudden death one end played (toss for jack).

Knapman Cup

Singles knockout competition

4 woods each.

All rounds to the final 15 ends. Final 18 ends.

Allen Cup

Singles knockout competition

Open to members who have never won the Championship or Handicap

3 woods – 21 shots

CLUB ONE-DAY COMPETITIONS

The form of play, closing dates and times of entries for the one-day competitions will be decided by the Competition Secretary who will have discretion over all matters, except that he/she shall conduct draws in the presence of at least one other member.

Jack Gaydon Trophy

Pairs Competition, 4 woods each – Round Robin. One player in each pair to be seeded and partnered by a player drawn at random. Winners – highest differential plus score.

Songest Cup

Open pairs 3-woods competition. Round robin. One player in each pair to be seeded and partnered by a player drawn at random. Winners: highest differential plus score.

Jubilee Triples Cup

Round robin. One player in each Triple to be seeded and partnered by two players drawn at random. Winners: highest differential plus score.

Mike Whitby Triples Cup(s)

Rules identical to those of the Jubilee Triples Cup, but separate cups for the Lead, No.2 and Skip of the winning triple.

Eddie Baxter Cup

Mixed drive. Players will play a series of games with different partners and different opponents. Players will keep their individual scores according to the shots won and conceded by their teams. Winner is the player with the highest plus differential. In the event of a tie, number of winning ends taken into account.

GROVE DOWSETT SUMMER LEAGUE

Competition taking place on Friday evenings (start 6 o'clock prompt) between teams of club members. Four-wood pairs or three-wood triples dependent on number of entrants. Teams typically of 4-5 players. Team captains determine who plays on which week. All games 15 ends – no trial ends.

SCORING: A game consists of three sets of 5 ends each. A team winning a set gets 2 points, and there are two points for the higher overall score. Ties – 1 point each.

SPECIAL RULES: Jack out of play – 2 shots to opposing team. Incorrectly delivered jack to be placed by opposing skip.

If pairs competition, a missing player results in all eight points going to the opposing team,. If a triples, the normal rules in such circumstances apply, with the two remaining players of the offending team having four woods each, the non-offending team always having the final bowl and the offending team losing 25 percent of their shots in each set, and in the match as a whole. If a third player arrives late, normal triples resume from the first end after his/her arrival on the green.

Matches not started due to poor conditions to be postponed. Postponed matches to be re-arranged if possible on Fridays set aside after every 3-4 "active Fridays" for this purpose.

NOTE: The following competitions have been temporarily suspended:

Ladies' Championship, Handicap And Pairs (Currently combined with men's competitions)

Ladies two woods (21 shots)

Harper Cup (singles round robin)

Men's Telling Salver (singles not open to current holders of major competition trophies. Round Robin with play-off final between players with two highest aggregate scores)

Open Pairs Salver – Knockout competition played throughout the season. Scoring same as for the main Open Pairs competition but players to have only two woods each.