

Clacton On Sea Bowling Club Limited



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CHANGES TO NATIONAL COMPETITIONS 2025

Plans for the 2025 competitive season have been confirmed following the Bowls England AGM in February regarding National competitions. A summary of those proposals passed are on the following page while more information on these proposals are up on the Information board in the Clubhouse for your perusal.

Open Days

**Open to the Public -
Introduction to Bowls**

Sat 27th April 10.00am to 4.00 pm

Sun 28th April 10.00 am to 4.00 pm

Please encourage your friends and family to come along and have a go at our wonderful sport of bowls.

National Competition Draw

The draw for these competitions are due to be made the week commencing 1st April. Keep a look out on the Bowls England portal !!

Bowls Equipment for Sale

Mark Royal will be attending our club to sell all manner of bowls equipment including clothing, bowls and accessories.

**WEDNESDAY 24th APRIL
12pm to 6pm**

Upcoming Social Events

Friday 19th April
Fish and Chips plus games night
6.30pm for 7pm
£10 members (£12 non members)

Please contact Lila or Patricia if you have any questions or for further information.

Ladies THL Meeting

Barbara White and I are holding a meeting at the club on Wednesday 3rd April at 11am to discuss the forthcoming THL season. Ladies who have already expressed an interest in playing in this league should already be aware of the meeting, but if any other Ladies want to be considered for one of the teams or are just interested in learning more about THL please come along. You would be most welcome to join us.

Sue Marlow
Ladies' Captain

LEAGUE INFORMATION AND LISTS

There are three lists in the clubhouse concerning the THL leagues. One in the Ladies changing room for the Ladies league which is played on a Thursday afternoon, another in the men's changing room for the men's Premier and Stanford leagues which are played on a Saturday afternoon and Wednesday evening and lastly a list on the main notice board for the Windsor league. This year all four Windsor teams are mixed, based on ability and are played on a Tuesday afternoon.

If you would like to be considered for any of these teams please put your names down on the sheets as soon as possible.

If you would like any further information please speak to Sue Marlow the Ladies Captain or Tom Garton the Men's Captain.

Many thanks
John

Bowls England Propositions Summary For the 2025 Season

A total of 19 propositions had been put forward as a result of the Competitions Review. Following significant consultation across the country and a vote at the AGM, the following was agreed:

Passed

- To elevate Blue Riband and Performance events at the Aviva National Finals
- To elevate top-level county competition consistent with international level
- To amend playing numbers and formats in White Rose Trophy & Amy Rose Bowl
- To standardise the age in all junior events to under 24 on 1 April annually for both genders
- To introduce under 17 singles events for both genders
- To create multi-county regional events
- To retain Middleton Cup and Johns Trophy in agreed format – Delegates voted in favour of this event being Round Robin
- To introduce a Mixed Over 60 Inter-County event
- To amend the Club Two Fours to an open event
- To restrict entry in the Champion of Champions to 'Club Champions ONLY'
- To retain the Senior Fours age limit in line with British Isles qualification requirements
- To set the age limit for all senior events (excluding Senior Fours) to players aged over 60 on 1 April annually and permit daytime play in those events
- To introduce 'Novice Pairs' for new and less experienced players
- To change eligibility to the Family Pairs to anyone who has not played international or county level (Balcomb and Walker) representative bowls in the last 5 years
- To further investigate how to consolidate the administration for the benefit of players and administrators as part of implementation plan, taking into account the array of systems already in place at county level
- County Associations to continue to manage Championship events
- To introduce set dates in the later rounds of the Top Club as a trial for 2025 as part of national calendar

Failed

- To revamp the Top Club event to attract more clubs
- To remove the Two-Bowl Singles Championship from the Aviva National Finals programme

Two further propositions had been put forward by County Associations, both of which were passed.

- That counties with TWO entrants (A & B) shall be shown in the championship draw to be in separate halves (therefore, removing the "OPEN" draw that is now in place)
- That the area final stage of the Tony Allcock Trophy, Men's and Ladies Top Club and the Men's Club Two Fours to be played on a neutral green
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