

THE ST THOMAS BOWLING CLUB 'CENTURY' OPEN PAIRS COMPETITION MAY - SEPTEMBER 2021

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1.1 The 'Century' is a 3-wood open pairs competition played as part of the celebrations marking the centenary of the Club's formation in 1921.

1.1.2 Given the unique nature of the Competition and the possibility of some Covid-19 restrictions being in force at the time of play, the Century Rules have been designed to be as inclusive and flexible as possible.

1.1.3 The Club's Competition Rules (Amended August 2014) will take precedence if and when required.

2 FORMAT

2.1.1 The Competition is open to all Club Members. Pairs can be Ladies, Men or Mixed. Where possible, Members should only play in one Pair.

2.1.2 Pairs will each play 5 matches of 20 ends so each Pair will play a total of 100 ends.

2.1.3 The Pair with the most shots at the completion of the Competition will be declared the winners.

3 RULES

3.1.1 Competition entry will be via a form attached to the Club's Noticeboard.

3.1.2 It is the responsibility of all Members to form their own Pairs who are then responsible for arranging or re-arranging their matches.

3.1.3 Matches must be completed in line with the end date of the season's play.

3.1.4 Prior to the start of the Competition, all of the matches will be organised by way of a random draw so as to give all Pairs as much time as possible to organise their matches. The draws will be posted on the Club's Notice Board.

3.1.5 Wherever possible, the draw will be made in such a way to ensure matches are between Pairs who have not played against each other. However, if this is not possible - eg an odd number of Pairs - the random draw process will continue but some Pairs therefore may play more than once. In this instance, only those Pairs' first five match scores will count towards their Competition total scores.

3.1.6 Rink numbers should be decided by random draw prior to each match.

3.1.7 If both Pairs agree, a reasonable number of trial ends may be played before a match.

3.1.8 If a player has to withdraw from the Competition - and is unlikely to rejoin it - the remaining player may invite another Club Member to make up a Pair and complete the requisite number of matches. Where possible, this should not be a Member who is already playing in the Competition. The scores of any previous matches will remain unchanged.