

The Competitions

Novices Competitions:

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A great place to start, but you are not restricted to only these

Derby Cup:

First player to 21 shots, four bowls each player

This competition is restricted to male members who have not won a singles competition in this or any other club

It was first played in 1923 and
the cup was presented by the Earl of Derby

Kruse Cup:

First players to 21 shots, four bowls each player

This competition is restricted to lady members who have not won a singles competition in this or any other club

It was first played in 1987 and
the competition is named after Mrs Anabel Adora Maria Kruse who decided to give the land to the Club permanently, in 1927, provided it was used as a bowling green

Ladies and Mens Singles Competitions:

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Championship:

First player to 21 shots, four bowls each player

The mens competition was first played in 1921

The ladies competition a little later in 1956

The current trophy was gifted to the club in 2002
in memory of Irene Galpine, by her family

Handicap:

First player to 21 shots, with handicap shots included, four bowls each player.

(Each handicap goes on the scorecard and scoreboard before the match starts)

The mens competition was first played in 1937

The trophy was gifted by Mrs William Mosenthal

The ladies competition a little later in 1967

The trophy was gifted by Mr George Cattley

Two Woods:

21 ends, two bowls each player

The mens competition was first played in 1965

The trophy was gifted by Mr Francis Brown

The ladies competition a little later in 1977

Open Singles Competitions:

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3-2-1: First player to 50 shots, four bowls each player
Scoring – 3 for nearest the jack, 2 for second bowl and 1 for third

Open Handicap: First player to 21 shots, with handicap shots included, four bowls each player.
(Each handicap goes on the scorecard and scoreboard before the match starts)

The Needle: First player to 21 shots, four bowls each player
Open competition for all club members
Introduced in 2005 to commemorate the unification of the Club's membership
The trophy was gifted by Di Colledge and Ron Allen

Supreme Champion: First player to 21 shots, four bowls each player
The ultimate trophy, The Supreme Championship, introduced in 2004. It pits the new Ladies Champion against the new Mens Champion. It has become the final game on the final day and has proved to be an excellent finale, competitive bowling played in great spirit with all the partisanship and merriment from members and visitors
The trophy was gifted by Joan Grimmett

Ladies and Mens Pairs Competitions:

The draw decides who plays in each pair

It is not a nominated competition where you would choose your partner

Mens Drawn Pairs: 18 ends, three bowls each player.

No substitutes are allowed in this competition

Draw will take place at the club on 25th April 2025

The first recorded winners are in 1988

The trophy was gifted by Mrs Fox

to commemorate the clubs diamond jubilee in 1973

and was originally for the Captain vs President game

Ladies Drawn Pairs: 11 ends, three bowls each player.

Qualifying rounds are played in one day, 19th July 2026

Draw will take place on the day

Actual format depends on the number of pairs entered

The two most successful pairs proceed to the final played on one of the club finals days, with the format 18 ends, three bowls each player

The first recorded winners are in 1991

Open Pairs Competitions:

Mixed Pairs: 18 ends, three bowls each player

Nominated pairs so you choose you own partner and enter as a team

Must be a mixed pair

The first recorded winners are in 1974

The trophy was gifted by Frances Brown

Ladies Secretary from 1956 to 1969

Jimmy Winch: 11 ends, two bowls each player

This is an open drawn pairs competition

Open draw so not necessarily a mixed pairs competition

Qualifying rounds are played in one day, 7th June 2026

Draw will take place on the day

Actual format depends on the number of pairs entered

The two most successful pairs proceed to the final played on one of the club finals days, with the format 21 ends, two bowls each player

The first recorded winners are in 1998

The competition was introduced by Jane Winch in memory of her husband, Jimmy

Open League Competitions:

Monday Triples: 18 ends, three bowls each player
Drawn teams, new draw each week on the day
Don't have to play every week, just when you can
League format, win- 3 points, draw - 2 points, lose -1 point
Points allotted to each individual for league scores
21 Mondays, April 28th – Sept 22nd

September Triples: 18 ends, three bowls each player
Nominated teams
League format, win- 3 points, draw - 2 points
(Could start in August, or other days might be required, depending on the number of teams entered)

Also being considered, so please let me know if this is of interest

Singles League: Open competition for all club members
Played as a league format
Using the handicap system to make it fair
Might trial on one day if fixtures allow