



2019-2020

Women's Premier Open Singles

Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th September 2019

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF PLAY:

1. **Play will commence by:** 8.30am on each tournament day.
2. **Qualifying:** Entries will be drawn into sections of four, a round robin of 3 games of 21 shots or 2 ¼ hour time limit.
3. **Bowls:** Each player will play 4 bowls in each end.
4. **Defaults:** If a player defaults all three games, it will be treated as a BYE – refer Clause 5. If a player defaults any of the three games, their score will be treated as a loss. The non-offending player will be awarded a win and the average net total of shots scored by the winning player in the same round of the same section.
5. **Byes in qualifying:** Should there not be an even number of players then a section(s) may contain a bye. As all players in the section will receive a bye, no points will be awarded for the bye. In Game 1 the first two players will play and the third player in each section will have a bye. For the second game the loser of the first game will play the player who has not yet played a game. In the final game the players in the section who have not yet played each other will play. This will ensure that all players play two games each.
6. **Time limit:** All games to be continued irrespective of score until the designated time limit is over or until the game is finished, whichever comes first. If the **jack has been delivered before the time signal** the end will continue and if it subsequently becomes dead it will be replayed.
7. **Determining section winners:** In all games three points will be awarded for each game won and one point for each game drawn. Where game points are equal the winner will be the player with the highest net total of shots. If the game points and the net total of shots are equal the player with the lowest “total shots against” will be the winner. If all of these are equal then the winner will be the winner of the game when the two players met.
8. **Post Section:** Winners from Sections 11-22 are required to play the first round of post-section on Saturday, immediately after section play. Post Section will be sudden death, 21 shots or 2 ¼ hr. Each player will play 4 bowls in each end. All remaining Post-Section games will be played on Sunday 29th September at New Lynn Bowling Club, starting at 8.30a.m. 4 rounds will be played.
9. **Post Section play: Losing players will be required to mark on Sunday 29th September. Upon completion of your game, report to the Umpire for allocation of marking. Players failing to adhere to this will be fined \$100.**
10. **Restricting the movement of players during play:** In all games, players will only be allowed to walk up to the head after delivery of their third and fourth bowls.

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a singles player can ask a marker for permission to walk up to the head earlier than described above. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 will apply.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PLAY:

1. **Laws and Regulations:** Played under the **Laws of the Sport of Bowls** and Bowls New Zealand Domestic Regulations as applicable.
2. **Controlling Body:** The Controlling Body for this event is the Auckland Bowls Operations Committee. The Controlling Body will have the right to alter, add to or delete any conditions of play and/or special conditions to enable the completion of the tournament.
3. **Entry Requirements:** In this event all players must be full playing female members of a club affiliated to World Bowls.
4. **Blind Draw:** All players/teams will go into a blind draw, to determine their sections. In the event of two players/teams from the same club being in the same section, the order within the section may have to change so that the players/teams from the same club play each other first.
5. **Code of Conduct:** All players will comply with and observe the requirements of the "Code of Conduct for Auckland Players at Events" as set down in the Auckland Bowls Centre Handbook.
6. **Postponements:** Any postponements owing to weather conditions will be on the Auckland Bowls Info Line (09) 623 3551.
7. **Clothing:** Players in a team will be in their club uniforms. This means matching coloured pants and club shirts. Logos that conflict with the event sponsor will not be permitted. Should a person or a team continue to 'infringe' then action will be taken which may include non - acceptance of future entries or a fine to the club. Players in Singles events will wear authorised club shirts and pants.
8. **Cell phone:** Use is not permitted by players on or alongside the greens during play. It is preferred that cell phones are switched off or turned to silent. **The use of a cell phone by players while their game is in progress may result in a \$50 fine.**
9. **No Smoking Policy:** Cigarettes, e-cigarettes and vaping are all banned **anywhere in the clubhouse and on the greens.** Clubs must have designated 'smoking area(s)' which must be used by players and officials. Any breach of the no smoking policy may result in a fine of \$50.
10. **Alcohol:** The drinking of alcohol is to be confined to the club house at each venue. Drinking outside of the clubhouse during competitions will not be permitted. Any breach of the alcohol policy on may result in a \$50 fine.
11. **Catering:** Payment of any catering supplied by clubs, including morning and afternoon teas, will be at the club's discretion.
12. **Trial Ends:** Before the scheduled start of the player's/team's first game, or before continuing an unfinished game on another day, one trial end may be played in each direction. Please refer to Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Law 5.1.
13. **Late Appearances:** When any player has failed to be in position to commence play 15mins after the scheduled starting time, the game will be awarded to the opponent.
14. **Score cards:** These must be completed **clearly and in full** for every game. The name of each players and the time the game finished must be entered, and the score card must be signed by both players.
15. **Ineligible Players:** Any Club playing ineligible team members will be penalised \$100 per ineligible team member and will be immediately withdrawn from the tournament.
16. **Entry Fees and Withdrawals:** Entry fees will be refunded to late entries and entries not accepted. No refunds will be made to teams or players who withdraw less than 48 hours prior to the scheduled commencement of the event. Any withdrawals must be notified to the Auckland Bowls office or the Convenor of the event by 12 noon on the day preceding the scheduled commencement of the event, otherwise players will be penalised \$50.00 per non-appearance and Clubs may be penalised \$100.00 for non-appearance.
17. **Defaulters:** No team entered in a team event will withdraw except in the case of illness of a player or other just cause. The Controlling Body may require evidence of the illness or other just cause to be submitted. Any offending teams or team members may be penalised up to \$100.00 per playing team member defaulting.
18. **Appeal against decisions of Umpires:** "The Umpire's decision is final in all circumstances except those relating to the meaning or interpretation of a law, in which case there will be a right of appeal to the Controlling Body" (Law 43.2.6). Any such appeal must be lodged with the Tournament Convenor within 10 minutes of the conclusion of the game.
19. **The Operations Committee will act on any complaints and all playing disputes, provided they are in writing, to the Auckland Bowls Events Manager.**

PRIZES

Winner: \$500, Runner Up: \$300, 3rd Equal: \$200