

Morpeth Bowls Finals 2023

Men's Championship – A singles match with 4 bowls each with first to 21 points winning.

Ladies' Championship – A singles match with 4 bowls each with first to 21 points winning.

4 Bowls Handicap – A singles match with first to 21 shots, plus or minus a player's handicap, winning. If handicaps are identical, both start from zero.

2 Bowls handicap – A singles match with first to 21 shots, plus or minus a player's handicap, winning. If handicaps are identical, both start from zero.

Novice Rose Bowl – A singles match each using 4 bowls with first to 21 points.

Men's Pairs – 2 players per team using 4 bowls each, over 18 ends. Highest score wins.

Men's Triples – 3 players per team using 3 bowls each, over 18 ends. Highest score wins.

Captain's Prize – A singles match each using 4 bowls. Best of 2 sets of 9 ends (One point per set, half a point for a shared set.)

If points are level after 2 sets, there is a tie-break set of 3 ends, with **one shot only** being awarded to the winner of each end.

Mixed Pairs - 2 players per team using 3 bowls each, over 18 ends. Highest score wins.

100 Points up – A handicapped singles match with first to 100 points winning.

Handicaps are subtracted from each other to give the lower handicapped player a start. If handicaps are identical then both start from zero.

Shot bowl scores 4 points, second nearest 3 points, third nearest 2 points, fourth nearest 1 point.

If tied for shot – end is dead. NO points awarded.

If tied for second bowl – shot bowl only scores – 4 points in total.

If tied for third bowl – first and second bowls score – 7 points in total

If tied for fourth bowl – first, second and third bowls score – 9 points in total

Coronation Rose Bowl – A singles match each using 2 bowls with first to 21 points.

Bainbridge Cup - A singles match with 4 bowls each with first to 21 points winning.

Wilson trophy - A singles match with 4 bowls each with first to 21 points winning.

Dora Hills - A singles match with 3 bowls each with first to 21 points winning.

Mary Wright novices - A singles match with 4 bowls each with first to 21 points winning.

Waterson rose bowl - A singles match with 2 bowls each with first to 21 points winning.

In any match with a tie-break end being drawn, then it is replayed.

Morpeth Men's Bowls Competitions (cont)

Entries should be added to the lists on the notice board in the locker rooms, or by clicking the link on the competitions page on the morpethbowlsclub.co.uk website, **before May 8th**.

Draws will be made known shortly after the entry closing date by posting on the notice board and on the website competitions page. Preliminary rounds (if required) should be played by **June 4th** otherwise there will be a risk of disqualification.

Finals week commences 28th August to September 2nd (with the Sundays before and after being used if the weather forecast is bad). If you know you will not be available for that week you should not enter. Substitutes for pairs and triples matches will be allowed up to and including semi-finals at which time a substitution should be made if one of the team knows he will not be available for the final. **A substitute cannot have already played for a different team in the same competition.** If a finalist team cannot field the players who have played for that team in previous rounds, they will forfeit the final.

The first named in the draw will be considered the challenger and will be required to offer the opponent(s) up to 3 alternative dates for the match to be played within the time allowed for each round. Disputes should be advised to Paul Charlton for adjudication and it may result in the match being awarded to the team that he considers has not entered into the spirit of the competition. The challenger also needs to arrange a competent marker to keep score, position the jack and measure when required to do so.

In order for people to contact you to arrange matches it would be helpful if you provided a telephone number alongside your name on the **separate sheet on the notice board**. Not everyone will know who everyone else in the club is, so some method of communication is needed to arrange matches and not everyone has an email address. If you do not provide a telephone number then please make every effort to get in touch with your opponent in person to arrange a match even if you are not deemed the challenger (first named is the challenger).

Paul Charlton – Men's competition secretary