

CENTRAL OTAGO BOWLS INC 2025-26 CONDITIONS OF PLAY

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GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PLAY:

Regulations and Code of Conduct: As a condition of entry all players must acknowledge and agree to be bound by the Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark 4th Edition dated 1 April 2023, BNZ Code of Conduct (Regulation 10) and Central Otago Code of Conduct as set down in the document dated 2 October 2022. **Affiliation & Eligibility:** All players in Centre Events must be full financial members of a club affiliated to Central Otago Bowls Inc.

Absentee players: (Law 39) If any player/s are absent in a team or side, the game may continue, and Law 39 will apply.

Catering: Morning and afternoon tea will be provided by the host club. Players will make their own arrangements for lunch unless otherwise stated.

Cell phones: Use is not permitted by players on or alongside the greens during play. Preferably, cell phones should be switched off or turned to silent.

Centre Titles: Players must be full financial members of the same Club except where otherwise stated. The following events qualify for a Centre Title:

- Centre Open Tournaments Singles, Pairs, Triples, and Fours
- Interclub Sevens Teams accepted from 2 clubs who have less than 20 members of same gender.
- Mixed Pairs Composite teams accepted but will not be eligible to compete in the national playoff.
- Champion of Champions Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours
- Gold Star: Winners of Five Centre Titles, and multiples of, qualify for a Gold Star.
- 1-5 & 1-10 year: These events do not qualify for a Centre Title.

Clothing: Players in a team or side must wear their club uniform.

Code of Conduct: As a condition of entry all players must acknowledge and agree to be bound by

the Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark 4th Edition dated 1 April 2023, BNZ Code of Conduct as set in Regulation 10 and Central Otago Code of Conduct as set down in the document dated 2 October 2022.

Controlling Body: The Controlling Body for these events is the Central Otago Bowls Match Committee. The Controlling Body will have the right to alter, add to or delete any conditions of play due to unfavourable weather and/or special conditions to enable the completion of the tournament. Each event will be under the control of a Tournament Manager appointed by Central Otago Bowls Inc.

Delivery of the Jack: (Law 10) If the Jack is incorrectly delivered it will be returned to be replayed by the opposition.

Defaulters: No team entered in a team event or entrant in a singles event will withdraw from that event 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.

Disputes and Complaints: The Match Committee will act on complaints and playing disputes, provided they comply with Law 36 or 52.4. All Complaints and Disputes must be forwarded in writing, on the appropriate form, to: The Secretary, Central Otago Bowls Inc.

Draws: A list of Entrants will be published on Bowls Hub during the week prior to each event. An open, random draw will be conducted prior to the commencement of each open event on Bowls Hub. Post Section Draws will be advertised on Bowls Hub on the evening prior to the event. Random draws for Champion of Champion events will be made upon confirmation of entries from all clubs.

Where possible players/teams who have a bye in the first round will be advised prior to the event.

Dual Membership: If a player and/or player in a team WINS a club championship competition that qualifies them for a centre champion of champions event, they are ineligible to enter another club's competition in that discipline.

A player and/or player in a team can only win one club championship or centre Champion of Champions event per discipline in a single season. For clarity, if a player wins any club championship, in any discipline, then they may NOT enter that same discipline at any other club, in any centre, in the same season.

A player and/or player in a team, can only play in one active club championship discipline at any one time. For clarity, the player may enter another club's (if they are full playing member) championship in the same discipline ONLY after the first club's championship in the same discipline has concluded and/or they are

Entries: Entries close on Bowls Hub at 7.00 pm on the Sunday prior to each event, except where otherwise stated. Entries will not be accepted directly by Tournament Controllers. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Tournament Secretary. Central Otago Bowls reserves the right to obtain extra entries to avoid byes

Entry Fee: Entry fee must be paid to Central Otago Bowls Inc. BNZ Account 02 0916 0133831 00 by 5.00pm on the Monday before the event. Entries will not be included in the draw until payment has been confirmed.

Entry withdrawals: Any withdrawals must be notified to the appropriate Tournament Secretary 48 hours before the scheduled commencement of the event.

Laws and Regulations: All competitions must be played in accordance with the Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Crystal Mark Fourth Edition effective 1 April 2023

Leaving the Venue: No player shall leave a venue at any competition without reporting to the Umpire. **Practice Ends (Law 4.0):** If a team/singles player has a bye in the first round of the day, they will be entitled to practice, on another available rink, which they will not be playing on during the day as designated by the Controlling Body. They will also be entitled to trial ends, on their first rink of play, along with their opponents. If a team has a bye in a subsequent round, they will only be entitled to practice on another available rink as designated by the Controlling Body.

Prizes: The awarding of prize money will be determined by Central Otago Bowls Inc.

knocked out of that club's event.

Score cards: Skips must keep the official score card and cannot delegate this responsibility. The official scorecard must be completed clearly and in full for every game. The names of all players and the time the game finished must be recorded. The card must be signed by the skips as a true record of the game.

Smoking/Vaping: Teams/Players visiting other Clubs must abide by the rules of the host Club. There is to Be NO SMOKING OR VAPING in clubrooms, on the greens, or surrounds at Centre Events. Smoking or Vaping to be in the Club's designated areas only or outside the Club boundaries.

Submissions for consideration for next season: Should you have any concerns or grievances that need to be bought to the attention of Central Otago Bowls Inc. please submit these in writing where they will be dealt with appropriately.

Clubs to submit discussion points on changes to competitions by 31 January 2026. These will be discussed at a General Meeting in February and formed into remits. Remits to be voted on at an April General Meeting.

Substitutes: (Domestic Regulation 2): Any change in playing personnel shall be subject to the prior approval of the Controlling Body and shall be limited to one Substitute in Pairs and Triples and two Substitutes in the Fours. No substitutes will be approved for Open Singles. The runner-up may Substitute for 1-5 competitions. Under no circumstances may a Substitute play in the position of Skip and teams must alter playing positions accordingly. All applications should be submitted to the appropriate Tournament Secretary as soon as possible. Application forms are available from the Central Otago Bowls website (www.bowlscentralotago.com), Tournament Secretary or Club Secretaries.

Trial Ends: (Law 5.1): Before the scheduled start of play each day, changing greens during a day or before continuing an unfinished game on another day, one trial end may be played in each direction.

Use of Electronic Devices: Pursuant to Law 41.7, players with a hearing disability can use electronic devices to communicate with each other while on the rink of play,, or with a marker in a singles game. Electronic devices should not interrupt or interfere with any other player or disrupt the flow of the game. The electronic device must non-intrusive to other players or officials that are present on the green at any time during a game. As a guide, the use of the device should be no more intrusive (in terms of volume) than any other conversation between players in any game.

INTERCLUB AND PENNANTS:

SATURDAY PENNANTS: PREMIER, DIVISIONS 1 & 2 CONDITIONS OF PLAY:

Teams: May consist of men or mixed teams.

Players: May move between divisions although this is not encouraged.

Start Time: 1:30pm unless otherwise advised

Match Format: Game 1 – 1 ½ hours - Fours Game 2 – All 1 ½ hours - 3 Bowl Pairs for Premier and Div 1,

2x4x2 for Div 2

Team Format: Pairs combinations and opponents should be decided before commencement of fours and toss done to see which pair plays which.

Scoring:

Fours: 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw Pairs: 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw

1 aggregate point to the team with the most points across both games. If the points are tied $\frac{1}{2}$ point is awarded to both teams.

Killed End: A killed end is replayed unless it is after the bell when it is replaced on the 2 metre mark **Incorrectly Delivered Jack:** Placed by the opposing skip

Catering: Afternoon tea provided by the host club.

Games interrupted or called off: If a game is interrupted and subsequently no further play is possible due to inclement weather or any other valid reason, the following rules will apply:

- If play is called off before the fours game is complete, then there is no result
- If the fours are completed those points are awarded
- If the pairs have completed 6 ends the points will be awarded otherwise the points are shared
- If games cannot be played on the day they must be played before the next round OR the teams can share the points OR one club will need to default.

Defaults: If a club is unable to field all its teams on a Saturday it MUST default its lowest ranking team or teams. All defaults to be approved by the controlling body.

Duties of Host Club:

- Appoint a controller for the afternoon
- Allocate rinks for all games before play commences and displayed for all players to see
- Create scorecards which must include the discipline e.g. Premier, Pairs 1, Club vs Club and Rink No.
- Ensure the toss is done to determine which pairs play each other
- Start the event and be responsible for the bell/horn and time clock

All results to be entered into Bowls Hub by the Host Club directly from cards.

Final Results Premier, Division 1 and Division 2:

- Each team accumulates points, in their own right, during the round robin
- At the completion of the round robin in Premier and Division 1, the top four teams will progress to the semi-finals. 1st vs 4th and 2nd vs 3rd will apply. The winner of each game plays off in the final. The losers will play off to determine 3rd and 4th.
- At the completion of the round robin in Division 2 the top two teams in their respective sections will progress to the semi-finals. 1st v 2nd from each section will apply.
 - ➤ 1st section 1 vs 2nd section 2
 - ➤ 2nd section 1 vs 1st section 2
 - The winner of each game plays off in the final. Losers will play off to determine 3rd and 4th.
- Only players who have played a minimum of five pennants games can play for their team on finals day.
- The Clyde Trophy will be awarded to the winners of the Premier Division.

WEDNESDAY PENNANTS:

EAST ZONE:

- Start at 1.30 p.m.
- Matches: to consist of 3 sets of 7 ends, with the 3 sets being played out. A tie in a set is acceptable.
- **Scoring:** Teams will be scored on an individual basis. The winner being the team with the highest accumulated points. Win 2 points, Draw 1 point per set. Total available 6 points per round.
- Catering: Visiting team pays Host Club \$8 per team to defray the cost of afternoon tea.
- Killed End: The jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark.
- Results: To be entered into Bowls Hub at least 24 hours after completion of the game.
- Games interrupted or called off: In the event of interruption or abandonment for rain or any other
 reason points will be awarded for each completed set. Any round cancelled will not be re-played. If
 any set is not completed points are shared.

WEST ZONE: Pennant games and tournaments are held alternatively during the season.

Pennants:

- Play to commence at 1.30 pm.
- Each team to pay \$8.00 to Host Club.
- Play two games of 1 hour 20 minutes against different teams.
- **Results:** To be entered into Bowls Hub at least 24 hours after completion of the game.

Tournaments:

- Entries to HOST CLUB Secretary seven days before the event.
- Play to commence at 9.30 a.m.
- Five games of 8 ends; if an end is "killed" the jack is to be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark.
- Points system to apply 20 for win; 10 for draw; 1 for each end won.

Entry Fee: \$40 per team.

CENTRE WOMEN'S INTERCLUB

Points: Points will be awarded as win 2 points, draw 1 point.

Catering: Host Club to provide morning & afternoon tea @ \$2.00 per player. A raffle may be held to defray expenses. Players supply own lunch.

Cancellations: Any game cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances must be played or completed before the following interclub game as programmed.

Delivery of Jack: If jack is incorrectly delivered it will be returned and delivered by the opposing player. **Results:** Host Club to enter results into Bowls Hub within 24 hours after the match. Only 1 card per game. The score cards are to remain with host club.

Teams: If insufficient lady player's available, in the first instance a lady may be borrowed from another club. A male player may be included, playing lead or second only in the Margaret Robertson Shield Fours.

MORNING 2x4x2 PAIRS:

Start of Play: Games to commence at 10.30 am.

Playing Format: 4 players per team playing 2 games of 2x4x2 pairs.

Time: Matches to be played for 2 hours bell to bell. Complete the end in play when the bell is rung. All games to be completed irrespective of score within the designated time limit.

Burnt Ends: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2-metre mark to complete the end.

Points: 2 points for a win. 1 point for a draw. If both sets of pairs win 1 bonus point will be awarded. Where a Club has more than 1 team in the competition, all points awarded will be divided by the number of its teams to equalize its points with Clubs with only 1 team. After these calculations the Club scoring the highest points will be declared the winner. If points are tied Clubs will be declared joint winners. **Lunch:** At the end of play.

MARGARET ROBERTSON SHIELD:

Start of Play: Games to commence at 1.00 pm

Playing Format: Fours.

Time: Play for 2 hours bell to bell. Complete the end in play when the bell is rung. All games to be completed irrespective of score within the designated time limit.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2-metre mark to complete the end.

Points: 2 points for a win. 1 point for a draw. Where a Club has more than 1 team in the competition, all points awarded will be divided by the number of its teams to equalize its points with Clubs with only 1 team. After these calculations the Club scoring the highest points will be awarded the Robertson Shield. If points are tied Clubs will be declared joint winners.

Afternoon tea: At conclusion of play.

SUBCENTRE WOMEN'S INTERCLUB

JOPP SHIELD:

Start of Play: Games to commence at 1.30 pm unless otherwise advised.

Playing Format: Fours – 2 bowls, 16 ends or,

Triples – 3 bowls, 15 ends.

Time Limit: There is no time limit

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt the end shall be replayed.

Points: 2 points for a win. 1 point for a draw. Where a Club has more than 1 team in the competition, all points awarded will be divided by the number of its teams to equalize its points with Clubs with only 1

team. After these calculations the Club scoring the highest points will be awarded the Jopp Shield. If points are tied Clubs will be declared joint winners.

Catering: Teams to bring 1 plate to be shared for afternoon tea. The host club may hold raffle to defray expenses. Afternoon tea to be held halfway through the afternoon's play.

Cancellations: Any game cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances must be played or completed before the following interclub game as programmed.

Delivery of Jack: If jack is incorrectly delivered it will be returned and delivered by the opposing player.

Results: Only 1 card per game. The score cards are to be given to designated Bowls Hub administrator.

Teams: If there are insufficient lady player's available, in the first instance a lady may be borrowed from another club. A male player may be included, playing lead or second only.

CENTRE OPEN TOURMAMENTS:

FLOORING XTRA/ROCKATIPU STONE MEN & S & R HURLEY WOMEN'S SINGLES:

Dates: MEN & WOMEN

Qualifying: Saturday 22 November 2025;Post Section: Sunday 23 November 2025

Venues:

• MEN: Bannockburn and Clyde Bowling Clubs

WOMEN: Alexandra Bowling Club

Entries close: MEN & WOMEN: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 16 November 2025

Entry fee: \$30.00 per player.

PAYMENT TERMS: Payment of \$30.00 to be made to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 17 November 2025. If full payment has not been confirmed by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am each day.

Time Limit: 2 hour time limit up to Semi-Final and Final. The commencement of play and expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by some means clearly audible to the players concerned.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the players in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Qualifying Play Format: 4 x round robin games. 21 shots 4 bowls. Winners of 3 or 4 Games qualify for Post Section play.

Post Section Play Format: Sudden death, 21 shots 4 bowls. No time limit for Semi Finals and Finals only. **Defaults:** If a player defaults their score will be recorded as a loss and the non-offending player will be awarded a win.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted. Players will be allowed to walk up to the head only after delivery of their third and fourth bowls. In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask the marker if they can walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the end in play when the time limit bell sounds is completed and the scores are equal then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Players will toss a coin to establish who will play first. There will be no kills on the extra end and the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark. If a bowl is already on the 2 metre mark the jack will be placed on the mat side of the bowl sitting on the 2 metre mark without touching the bowl.

DUNEDIN CITY MOTORS ALEXANDRA PAIRS:

Dates:

- MEN: Qualifying Saturday 31 January 2026. Post Section: Sunday 1 February 2026
- WOMEN: Qualifying Saturday 6 December 2025. Post Section: Sunday 7 December 2025

Venues:

MEN: Alexandra Bowling ClubWOMEN: Clyde Bowling Club

Entries close:

MEN: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 25 January 2026

WOMEN: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 30 November 2026

Entry fee: \$25.00 per player or \$50.00/team

PAYMENT TERMS:

- MEN: Team to Pay \$50.00 to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 26 November 2026. If full payment has not been confirmed by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.
- WOMEN: Team to pay \$50.00 into Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 1 December 2025. If full payment has not been made by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am each day.

Time Limit: 2 hour time limit up to Semi-Final and Final. The commencement of play and expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by some means clearly audible to the players concerned.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the teams in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Qualifying Play Format: 4 x round robin games. 18 ends, 3 bowls. Winners of 3 or 4 Games qualify for Post Section play.

Post Section Play Format: Sudden death, 18 ends 3 bowls. No time limit for Semi Finals and Finals only. **Defaults:** If a team defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending team will be awarded a win.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted.

Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead after delivery of their 3rd bowl
- Skips after delivery of their 2nd & 3rd bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the scores are equal at the end of the completed number of ends or at the end in play when the time limit bell sounds then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first. There will be no kills on the extra end and the jack will be re-spotted on the 2-metre mark. If a bowl is already on the 2 metre mark the jack will be placed on the mat side of the bowl sitting on the 2-metre mark without touching the bowl.

RAINE AND HORNE REAL ESTATE TRIPLES:

Dates: MEN & WOMEN

Qualifying - Saturday 7 March 2026Post Section: - Sunday 8 March 2026

Venues:

MEN: Clyde Bowling Club

• WOMEN: Bannockburn Bowling Club

Entries close: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 1 March 2026

Entry fee: \$25.00 per player or \$75.00/team

PAYMENT TERMS: Team to pay \$75.00 to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 2 March 2026. If full payment has not been made by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am each day.

Time Limit: 2 hour time limit up to Semi-Final and Final. The commencement of play and expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by some means clearly audible to the players concerned.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the teams in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Qualifying Play Format: 4 x round robin games. 18 ends, 2 bowls. Winners of 3 or 4 Games qualify for Post Section play.

Post Section Play Format: Sudden death, 18 ends 2 bowls. No time limit for Semi Finals and Finals only.

Defaults: If a team defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending team will be awarded a win.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted.

Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Seconds after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Skips after delivery of each of their bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the scores are equal at the end of the completed number of ends or at the end in play when the time limit bell sounds then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first. There will be no kills on the extra end and the jack will be re-spotted on the 2-metre mark. If a bowl is already on the 2 metre mark the jack will be placed on the mat side of the bowl sitting on the 2-metre mark without touching the bowl.

AFFINITY FUNERALS FOURS:

Dates: MEN & WOMEN

Qualifying: Saturday 14 February 2026Post Section: Sunday 15 February 2026

Venues:

MEN: ADC Bowling Club

WOMEN: Omakau Bowling Club

Entries close: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 8 February 2026

Entry fee: \$25.00 per player or \$100.00/team

PAYMENT TERMS: Team to pay \$100.00 to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 9 February 2026. If full payment has not been made by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am each day.

Time Limit: 2-hour time limit up to Semi-Final and Final. The commencement of play and expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by some means clearly audible to the players concerned.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the teams in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Qualifying Play Format: 4 x round robin games. 15 ends, 2 bowls. Winners of 3 or 4 Games qualify for Post Section play.

Post Section Play Format: Sudden death, 15 ends 2 bowls. No time limit for Semi Finals and Finals only. **Defaults:** If a team defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending team will be supported a wife.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted.

Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead and Second after delivery of Seconds 2nd bowl
- Thirds after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Skips after delivery of each of their bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the scores are equal at the end of the completed number of ends or at the end in play when the time limit bell sounds then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first. There will be no kills on the extra end and the jack will be re-spotted on the 2-metre mark. If a bowl is already on the 2 metre mark the jack will be placed on the mat side of the bowl sitting on the 2-metre mark without touching the bowl.

ARVIDA COUNTRY CLUB 2x4x2 MIXED PAIRS:

Composite teams: Composite teams will be accepted but are not eligible to proceed to the National Final.

Dates: Qualifying: Saturday 8 November 2025 Post Section: Sunday 9 November 2025

Venue: Queenstown Bowling Club

Entries close: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 2 November 2025

Entry fee: \$25.00 per player or \$50/team

PAYMENT TERMS: Team to pay \$50.00 to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 3 November 2025. If full payment has not been made by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am each day.

Time Limit: 2 hour time limit up to Semi-Final and Final. The commencement of play and expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by some means clearly audible to the players concerned.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the teams in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Qualifying Play Format: 4 x round robin games. 14 ends, 4 bowls. Winners of 3 or 4 Games qualify for

Post Section play.

Post Section Play Format: Sudden death, 14 ends 4 bowls. No time limit for Semi Finals and Finals only. **Defaults:** If a team defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending team will be awarded a win.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted.

Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Seconds after delivery of their 4th bowl
- Skips after delivery of each of their bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the scores are equal at the end of the completed number of ends or at the end in play when the time limit bell sounds then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first. There will be no kills on the extra end and the jack will be re-spotted on the 2-metre mark. If a bowl is already on the 2 metre mark the jack will be placed on the mat side of the bowl sitting on the 2-metre mark without touching the bowl.

HAWKESWOOD MINING MEN & WAIPATA COUNTRY HOTEL WOMEN INTERCLUB SEVENS:

Affiliation: All sides must be affiliated to a Central Otago Bowls Inc. Club. A club is permitted to enter more than one side. Clubs with less than 20 members of the same gender will be allowed to enter a combined side with 1 other club of similar size.

Dates:

• MEN: 6th & 7th December 2025

• WOMEN: 31st January & 1st February 2026

Venues:

MEN: Alexandra and ADC Bowling Clubs

• WOMEN: Clyde Bowling Club

Entries close on Bowls Hub:

• MEN: Sunday 23 November 2025

• WOMEN: Sunday 11 January 2026

Entry fee: \$250.00incl. GST per side which includes catering fees of \$80/team incl. GST. Payable to Central Otago Bowls Inc. BNZ Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 prior to the event.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am each day

Time limit: All games to be completed, irrespective of score, within the designated time limit of not less than 2 hours. If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the teams in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Side Format: Each side will comprise 7 players – a Singles player, a Pairs and Fours team.

Competition Format: (Depending on entries)

- Hawkeswood Mining Men's Interclub 7s: Teams will be placed in two sections playing a round robin. The top two teams from each section will play off in a semi-final and final.
- Waipiata Country Hotel Women's Interclub 7s: Round robin. A Plate event may be held.

Bowls: Singles - 4 bowls, Pairs - 3 bowls, and Fours – 2 bowls

Tie in qualifying play: In the event of a Tie in qualifying play, no extra end(s) will be played.

Defaults: If a team defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending team will be awarded a win and the average net total of shots scored by the winning teams in the same round of the same section.

Points: 3 points each game won, 1 point for each game drawn. Where game points are equal the winner will be the side with the highest net total of shots. If the game points and the net total of shots on a plus and minus basis are equal the side with the lowest "total shots against" will be the winner.

Movement of Players between Teams: A player must not move to another team after commencement of play except when a Substitute is required.

Substitutes (Domestic Regulation 2 2.4(g)): If the singles player is unable to continue a player will be taken from the side to play in the singles and an acquired team member/substitute team member will play in either of the team disciplines in accordance with the Laws of Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark 4 1st April 2023. **Restricting the movement of players during play:** In all games, the movement of players during play shall be restricted as specified in Appendix A, A.4 Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark 4 1 April 2023.

- SINGLES: After delivery of their third and fourth bowls.
- PAIRS: Leads after delivery of their third bowl. Skips after delivery of their second and third bowls.
- FOURS: Leads and Seconds after the second player in their team has delivered their 2nd bowl. Thirds after delivery of 2nd bowl. Skips after delivery of each of their bowls.

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask the marker in Singles and opponent in Pairs and Fours, if they can walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Code of Conduct: As a condition of entry into this tournament, all players must acknowledge and agree to be bound by and comply with the Laws of the Sport and the Code of Conduct as set out by Central Otago Bowls Inc. By completing and registering an entry form Players and Clubs agree to be bound by and to accept this regulation including these eligibility requirements.

ARVIDA QUEENSTOWN COUNTRY CLUB 1-5 & 1-10 TOURNAMENTS:

1-5 YEAR SINGLES:

Composite Teams: Composite teams will be accepted.

Date: Sunday 18 January 2026 **Venue:** Clyde Bowling Club

Entries close: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 11 January 2026

Entry fee: \$30.00 per player.

PAYMENT TERMS: Payment of \$30.00 to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 12 January 2026. If full payment has not been confirmed by this time entry will not be included in the draw.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am.

Time Limit: 1hr 10 minutes time limit up to Semi-Final and Final. The commencement of play and expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by some means clearly audible to the players concerned.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the players in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Qualifying Play Format: 4 x round robin games. 21 shots 4 bowls. Top 4 players qualify for Post Section play.

Post Section Play Format: 1st plays 4th, 2nd plays 3rd. 21 shots 4 bowls. No time limit.

Defaults: If a player defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending player will be awarded a win.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted. Players will be allowed to walk up to the head only after delivery of their third

and fourth bowls. In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask the marker if they can walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the end in play when the time limit bell sounds is completed and the scores are equal then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first. There will be no kills on the extra end and the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark. If a bowl is already on the 2 metre mark the jack will be placed on the mat side of the bowl sitting on the 2 metre mark without touching the bowl.

1-5 YEAR 2X4X2 PAIRS:

Composite Teams: Composite teams will be accepted.

Dates:

• MEN: Saturday 14 March 2026

WOMEN: Sunday 14 December 2025

Venues:

MEN: Alexandra Bowling ClubWOMEN: ADC Bowling Club

Entries close:

MEN: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 8 March 2026

WOMEN: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 7 December 2025

Entry fee: \$25.00 per player or \$50.00/team

PAYMENT TERMS:

- MEN: Team to pay \$50.00 to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 9 March 2026. If full payment has not been confirmed by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.
- WOMEN: Team to pay \$50.00 to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 9 December 2026. If full payment has not been confirmed by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am.

Time Limit: 1hr 10 minutes time limit up to Semi-Final and Final. The commencement of play and expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by some means clearly audible to the players concerned.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the teams in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Qualifying Play Format: 4 x round robin games of 8 completed ends, 4 bowls. Top 4 players qualify for post section.

Post Section Play Format: 1st plays 4th, 2nd plays 3rd. 8 completed ends, 4 bowls. No time limit.

Defaults: If a team defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending team will be awarded a win.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted.

Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Second after delivery of their 4th bowl
- Skips after delivery of each of their bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the scores are equal at the end of the completed number of ends or at the end in play when the time limit bell sounds then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first. There will be no kills on the extra end and the jack will be re-spotted on the 2-metre mark. If a bowl is already on the 2 metre mark the jack will be placed on the mat side of the bowl sitting on the 2-metre mark without touching the bowl.

1-10 YEAR 2X4X2 PAIRS:

Composite Teams: Composite teams will be accepted.

Dates: Sunday 16 November 2025 **Venue:** Roxburgh Bowling Club

Entries close: On Bowls Hub no later than 7.00pm Sunday 9 November 2025

Entry fee: \$25.00 per player or \$50/team

PAYMENT TERMS: Team to pay \$50.00 to Central Otago Bowls Inc. Account No: 02 0916 0133831 00 no later than 5.00pm on Monday 10 November 2025. If full payment has not been confirmed by this time the entry will not be included in the draw.

Start of Play: Play will commence by 8.30am.

Time Limit: 1hr 10 minutes time limit up to Semi-Final and Final. The commencement of play and expiry of time shall be signalled by the Umpire by some means clearly audible to the players concerned.

Where the time limit is not common to all games on any green, the agreed start time must be recorded on the scorecard and scoreboard. The Umpire shall notify the teams in individual games when the time limit has expired.

Qualifying Play Format: 4 x round robin games of 8 completed ends, 4 bowls. Top 4 players qualify for post section.

Post Section Play Format: 1st plays 4th, 2nd plays 3rd. 8 completed ends, 4 bowls. No time limit.

Defaults: If a team defaults their score will be recorded as a loss. The non-offending team will be awarded a win.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted. Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Second after delivery of their 4th bowl
- Skips after delivery of each of their bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Burnt End: If an end in play is burnt after the bell, the jack will be re-spotted on the 2 metre mark to complete the end.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the scores are equal at the end of the completed number of ends or at the end in play when the time limit bell sounds then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first. There will be no kills on the extra end and the jack will be re-spotted on the 2-metre mark. If a bowl is already on the 2 metre mark the jack will be placed on the mat side of the bowl sitting on the 2-metre mark without touching the bowl.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS:

Eligibility: The members of the team that wins their Club Championship are the players who shall be nominated by their Club for entry to the Champion of Champion events.

Substitutes: must be approved before play by completing the Substitute Application Form and returning to the Tournament Secretary or Centre Manager. Application forms are available on Bowls Central Otago website (www.bowlscentralotago.com), or Tournament Secretary and Club Secretaries.

CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES AND 1-5 YEAR CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES: Men & Women

Entries: Players who win their Club Championship Singles are eligible to represent their Club in this event.

Entry fee: \$30 per player which will invoiced to the relevant club before the event.

Dates: MEN & WOMEN: OPEN: Saturday 21 March 2026 1-5YR: Sunday 1 March 2026

Play will commence by: 8.30am.

Playing Format: All games played will be sudden death, 21 shots, 4 bowls, no time limit.

Substitutes: Domestic Regulations 2 Law 32.9) Will not be approved for Open Singles event. 1-5 Year Runner-up can play if the winner is not available.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted. Players will be allowed to walk up to the head only after delivery of their third fourth bowls. In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask the marker if they can walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Marking: All defeated players will be required to make themselves available to mark the next game.

1-5 Year: For players who have been full members of a club and are in their 5th year or less. Must be played as a competition event to obtain a winner, unless only 1 junior female/male in the club.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPION PAIRS: Men & Women

Entries: Players who win their Club Championship Pairs are eligible to represent their Club in this event.

Entry fee: \$25 per player or \$50/team which will invoiced to the relevant club before the event.

Date: Sunday 22 March 2026 **Play will commence by:** 8.30am.

Playing Format: All games played will be sudden death, 18 ends, 3 bowls, no time limit.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players shall be restricted as follows:

Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead after delivery of their 3rd bowl
- Skips after delivery of their 2nd & 3rd bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply. (Appendix A A.4)

Extra End: (Law 28) If the total number of ends is completed and the scores are equal then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPION TRIPLES: Men & Women

Entries: Players who win their Club Championship Triples are eligible to represent their Club in this event.

Entry fee: \$25 per player or \$75/team which will invoiced to the relevant club before the event.

Date: Saturday 28 March 2026 **Play will commence by:** 8.30am.

Playing Format: All games played will be sudden death, 18 ends, 2 bowls, no time limit.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted.

Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Seconds after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Skips after delivery of each of their bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than

described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the total number of ends is completed and the scores are equal then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPION FOURS:

Entries: Players who win their Club Championship Fours are eligible to represent their Club in this event.

Entry fee: \$25 per player or \$100/team which will invoiced to the relevant club before the event.

Date: Sunday 29 March 2026 **Play will commence by:** 8.30am.

Playing Format: All games played will be sudden death, 15 ends, 2 bowls, no time limit.

Restricting the movement of players during play: (Appendix A A.4) Movement of players, during all play, shall be restricted.

Players will be allowed to walk up to the head:

- Lead and Second after delivery of Second's 2nd bowl
- Third after delivery of their 2nd bowl
- Skips after delivery of each of their bowls

In exceptional and limited circumstances, a player can ask their partner to walk up to the head earlier than described in Appendix A4.1. If a player does not meet the terms of this law, Law 13 of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls shall apply.

Extra End: (Law 28) If the total number of ends is completed and the scores are equal then, an extra end or ends will be played to decide a winner. Skips will toss a coin to establish which team will play first.

MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS:

W S HICKEY & SON AND DAVE COLEMAN UMPIRES/COACHES TOURNAMENT:

Date: Wednesday 2 April 2025

Start Time: 12.30pm

Format: Mufti. Optional fours. 3 games of 8 ends or 1.15 hours

Jack: To be placed by opposition if improper delivery

Dead Ends: To be replayed before bell rings. To be respotted on 2 metre mark after the bell rings

Entries: To be entered on Bowls Hub by 7pm on Sunday 30 March 2025

WOMEN'S WILSON HULL TROPHY:

This is a Four's Challenge Trophy and any Club (including teams from the Winner's Club) may lodge a challenge in writing with the Centre Secretary. Challenges must include the Skip's name and contact telephone number.

The holders must accept a challenge and agree to play within 14 days of receiving the Challenge. Challenge games will consist of 21 ends. If tied after 21 ends the holders will retain the trophy. The Trophy and bars must be handed over at the conclusion of each Challenge and the result and team members names notified to the Centre Secretary.

Challenges will be played in order of receipt and can be lodged after the 13 October and before the 15 March, each season.

These rules are subject to amendment and revision by Central Otago Bowls Inc

Present Holders - Alexandra.

Challenges to be sent to the Centre Manager.

MEN'S CAPTAIN JOLLY MEMORIAL CUP:

This competition is for the Captain Jolly Memorial Cup, presented to the Centre by the Cromwell Club, in the memory of Captain William Jolly, killed in action in 1915.

Rules and Conditions:

- 1. It is a Single Four inter-club competition.
- 2. The season will commence on the last Saturday in October and conclude on the Saturday preceding Anzac Day, both days inclusive.
- 3. Challenges must be in writing from the Club Secretary to the Centre Secretary, who will forward the Challenge to the holders. Challenges will be played in the order in which they are received. At the beginning of the season, challenges may be sent seven (7) days prior to the last Saturday in October. If two or more challenges are lodged, there will be a ballot to determine the order in which games will be played.
- 4. All games will be of 21 ends, except in the case of a tie or drawn games, when play will continue until a decision is arrived at.
- 5. Play will commence not later than 6.00 pm unless otherwise mutually agreed upon.
- 6. The prior challenge shall be played within nine (9) days or before the end of the following week whichever is the sooner, the holders to give the challengers the choice of two (2) days.
- 7. Neither the holder nor the challengers can be compelled to play on the day of a centre shield or other fixture. Play during Christmas week, December 25 to January 2, shall be optional to both holders and challengers.
- 8. The defeated holders cannot issue a challenge within seven (7) days of defeat.
- 9. No Club may have more than one challenge listed at any one time.
- 10. Any club defaulting a match shall not be able to challenge again until four (4) weeks have elapsed.
- 11. All games will be played according to the Laws of the Game and no play will be allowed before a match.
- 12. If a member or members of the holder's four are not available to play in any challenge, substitutes may be played, and the position in the fours altered in any way to suit the holders.
- 13. If weather conditions prevent play on the day, the challengers shall have seven (7 days extra, all other challenges to be played in the same order as previously drawn. If the holder's green is unfit for play through any unforeseen reason, the match must be played on another green, the holders to have the choice of green.
- 14. All disputes shall be referred to the Centre Executive. Protests must be lodged in writing within seven (7) days.
- 15. Trophy and badges must be produced on the holder's green at every game. During the off-season the club holding the trophy and badges is responsible for their safe keeping.
- 16. In the event of damage to, or loss of, the trophy, other than by fire, the trophy is to be replaced, as the case may be, by the holders. In the event of damage to, or loss of, the gold badges, the badges are to be repaired or replaced by the holders.
- 17. The holders must have at least two (2) rinks prepared with not less than 4.2 metres of prepared green outside each other rink peg. The rinks must be not less than 4.2 metres in width.
- 18. The Competition is open to all clubs, affiliated to the Central Otago Bowls Centre, and financial on the Centre's books.
- 19. A team from the holder's club can challenge, providing that no challengers are in hand, but such challenge to be immediately superseded if a challenge from any outside club is received.

Present holders - Alexandra RSA.

Challenges to be sent to the Centre Manager.

DIGGERS CUP:

This cup is for Single Four inter-club competition, like the Jolly Cup Competition, except that the Four shall consist of not less than 2 returned servicemen or RSA members, wives, or widows of the same. The remainder of each team to be affiliated bowlers.

At the commencement of each season, a 1-day tournament will be held on the holder's green where tenue of the cup shall be relinquished. The team winning the tournament will be the new holder of the cup. A draw of participating teams will take place at the conclusion of the tournament to determine the first challenge.

All rules and conditions set down for the Captain Jolly Memorial Competition shall apply to this competition.

Challenges to be sent to the Centre Manager.