



2022 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – KEY INFORMATION & FAQs

Bowls Scotland want you to get the most from your visit to the 2022 National Championships. A few minutes' planning ahead can make all the difference. We encourage you to take public transport; not only is it good for the environment, it means that you can sit back and relax on your journey. If there is anything not covered in this section, please get in touch with us via info@bowlsscotland.com and we will come back to you.

TICKETING AND ENTRY

How much are tickets?

Day tickets: £6 per day, payable at the gate

Weekly tickets: £32

• Available to purchase Sunday 17th & Monday 18th
(valid Sunday 17th – Saturday 23rd July)

Multi-day tickets: £20 per ticket, payable at the gate:

• Available to purchase on Sunday 17th July only
(valid Sunday 17th – Wednesday 20th July)

Multi-day tickets: £15 per ticket, payable at the gate:

• Available to purchase on Thursday 21st July only
(valid Thursday 21st – Saturday 23rd July).

Please note that only children under the age of 16 accompanied by a responsible adult are entitled to enter the event free of charge.

Sunday 24th July – Youth National Championships

Free entry

Where can I buy tickets?

Tickets are only sold in person, on entry to the championships. Tickets are not available to purchase online through the Bowls Scotland website or over the phone.

How can I pay?

Payments for tickets are possible in cash or card.

There are no cashpoints on site, the nearest cash machine is located at Tesco Express, Prestwick Road, a 5 minute walk away.

Do I qualify for a concession ticket?

Only children under the age of 16 are entitled to entry free of charge. Tickets are priced at £6.00 per day, multi day tickets also available.

Is my ticket valid for any Day?

Single day tickets purchased at the event are only valid for 1 day.

What is on each Day?

The playing schedule is on Bowls Scotland's website so you will be able to track players and results. Results will be updated daily and displayed on-site and on our website.

Out-with the action on the greens, we have a retail marquee for you to shop till you drop, and of course a bar and restaurant to wind down with a drink and a bite to eat. For more information on the retail tent keep an eye on our social media channels to find out who will be trading each day.

Does a disabled person get in free?

No. But, if a carer is required, then the carer enters free of charge – entry fees apply to all other persons.

Disabled toilets are accessed within the main building and ramp access is available on all greens.

Catering and Retail areas are also wheelchair accessible.



What does my entry price cover?

Once inside the venue you can experience the Championships without spending another penny. All exhibitions are free for all to enjoy. You may need to buy something to eat or drink. However, we've tailored the menu so that there is something for everyone at an affordable price. It really is a great value day out, especially with children under 16 entering free.

What are the opening and closing times?

Entrance gates (on Hunters Avenue) – 8am to 6pm

Snack Bar – 8am to 4pm

Main Bar – 10am to end of play

Main Restaurant – 9am to 6pm

Retail marquee – 8am to 6pm

*times are subject to change according to the end of play on each day and at the discretion of The Championship Group.

Can I leave and re-enter the venue during the day?

Yes. Please keep a hold of your ticket as you must show this at the gate to re-enter.

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Is parking available?

There is no public parking available at The National Centre for Bowling or on the surrounding streets during the event, even for blue badge holders. We encourage spectators to use public transport or our dedicated Park and Ride service from Afton Avenue.

What about disabled parking?

The only disabled and blue badge parking is also at the park and ride on Afton Avenue. Stewards will be able to advise on where to park and accessible buses are available.

What is the best time to avoid the queues?

The National Championships attracts big crowds. This will inevitably result in some delays in entering the site at peak times.

Using public transport can actually enhance your journey. See Travel / Parking on the Bowls Scotland website. Our best advice is to arrive early – gates open at 8am.

Will there be queues to get into the park & ride car park?

We have listened to your feedback and continued to provide the event with an excellent park & ride service, located just a mile from the venue. Car parking stewards will guide you to a space. Shuttle buses run every 10 minutes at peak times.

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

Who runs the national championships?

The National Championships is organised by Bowls Scotland, the National Governing Body for lawn bowls in Scotland. Our aim is to widen awareness and increase participation in what is already one of the most popular and successful sports in Scotland.

Find out more about us: www.bowlsscotland.com.

How do I find out what's happening and where?

To make the most of your visit, the event programme will tell you what's on, where and when. It is available to purchase all week for just £2.

We will be sharing regular updated on social media throughout the event, follow @BowlsScotland on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



Where do I find out results?

The results will be displayed on the window of the main office and at player registration office. Alternatively, you can keep an eye on our Website, Facebook and Twitter pages throughout the event.

Can I bring a camera?

We would highly recommend you do, as there is so much to capture.

We will have professional photographers on site throughout the event who will be capturing images and videos of players and spectators for use in Bowls Scotland promotional material.

Can players buy professional photos?

Professional photos of players will be available to purchase. Derek McCabe of DMC Photographs will have a stall in the retail marquee with a preview monitor to view the shots taken each day. Images will also be available to view and order online (we will share the website details closer to the start of the event.) For more information on Derek's service [click here](#) or visit his stall in the retail marquee during the event.

Will any matches be streamed online?

As in previous years, a professional livestream will be provided on Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd July. This will be available from Bowls Scotland's YouTube and Facebook channels. More information regarding the livestreaming for the National Championships will be provided on our social media pages throughout the event.

Am I allowed to bring my own food and drink?

You are very welcome to bring your own food and snacks although we have plenty of places to buy food on site in our snack bar and restaurant serving everything from burgers, sandwiches and healthy salads at competitive prices! Spectators are prohibited from bringing alcohol into the venue and only alcohol purchased in the designated bar areas can be consumed. Security will be carrying out random bag checks on entry to the venue.

What if I feel unwell?

First aid is provided at the First Aid station, ask a steward or official for assistance.

Can I bring a dog to national centre?

The National Centre can be a busy place, so we encourage you to leave your dog at home. If you do bring your dog, it must be kept on a leash at all times and with the exception of assistance dogs will not be admitted to the main event office or catering establishments.

Lost Property:

Speak to any volunteer for assistance with lost property during the event.

Following the championships lost property will be held at The National Centre for Bowling and any enquiries should be made to info@bowlsscotland.com or on 01292 294 623

Covid-19

We are following Scottish Government advice and regulations regarding Covid-19, and any updated protocols and guidance will be published online.

Players or spectators who have Covid-19 symptoms should stay at home and follow NHS guidance. Anyone who is self-isolating should not attend the National Championships.