



Andy Meekison Gents
Under 25 Pairs

10th May 2025

Information Booklet

WELCOME

We are delighted to introduce the first Andy Meekison Under 25 Gents Pairs competition for season 2025. It is fantastic to be able to welcome you all to National Centre for Bowling and we look forward to some brilliant matches. The winners of this competition will go on to represent Scotland at the British Isles Championships to be held at Llandrindod Wells, Wales from 23rd to 25th June.

CONTROLLING BODY: Bowls Scotland

Controlling Body:

- Event Manager / Tournament Director – Dan McManus
- Technical Official – tbc

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

Format of Play:

- PAIRS: Four bowls per player, 7 ends or a time limit of 1 hour per match

Restricted movement in play:

After delivering their first bowl, players will only be allowed to walk up to the head under the following circumstances.

- The lead after delivery of their fourth bowl
- The skip after delivery of their third and fourth bowl

Trial Ends:

- One trial end will be allowed in accordance with Law 5.1 (first game only)
- In trial end players can use any combination of bowls taken from different sets so long as all bowls are stamped as per below

SCHEDULE

- Round robin format in sectional play
- One from each section will qualify to knockout stages
- Knockout stages will determine a winner

SCORING

Scores will be awarded as follows:

- 3 points for a win
- 1 point for a draw
- 0 points for a loss

At the end of sectional play if the games won are equal then the shot difference will determine the winner of that section. If the shot difference is the same, then shots “for” will be used. If both shot

difference and shots for are the same then we will decide a winner on the number of ends won across all games.

ALTERATIONS TO THE FORMAT & LENGTH OF GAMES

- The Controlling Body reserves the right to alter the format, times of play and greens to suit local unforeseen circumstances, giving as much notice as practical.
- Where a program is interrupted or cannot be completed due to inclement weather or local conditions, the controlling body may amend the format and length of games to achieve a result or postpone the event where an outcome cannot be achieved.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING TIME LIMITS

- Start of Play – Play will commence with the appointed official signalling the start time by a bell, horn, etc.
- End of Play – At the completion of the allocated time, the appointed official will signal the end time of play by a bell, horn, etc. At this time players will complete the current end they are playing. (The start of an end is determined by the delivery of the jack by the first player in that end).

RE-SPOTTING THE JACK

- If a jack in motion passes completely outside the boundaries of the rink of play, comes to rest in any hollow in the face of the bank, or rebounds to a distance of less than 20 metres from the mat line, the end should not be declared dead. Instead, the jack should be placed with the nearest point of the jack to the mat line at the central 2 metre spot.
- If the spot is partly or completely covered by a bowl, the jack should be placed as close as possible to the covered spot, in line with that spot and the corresponding spot at the opposite end of the rink, without touching a bowl. Law 56.5.4.

STAMP ON BOWLS

Bowls will only require to be re-tested and re-stamped if the date stamp or the serial number is not clearly legible on all bowls (IBB, WBB and WB stamps only). Bowls with **ONLY the BIBC Stamp are ineligible**

For British Isles Championships in Wales - Bowls must be stamped accordingly with the by-laws of our sport, the serial number and the date stamp must be legible on all bowls (IBB, WBB and WB stamp only).

All bowls must bear a current year stamp 2025 or beyond.

MARKING TOUCHERS

“Spray chalk” will be used to mark touchers for all singles matches and is the preferred method to be used in all team matches.

OTHER LAWS, REGULATIONS & POLICIES

All other Laws, Regulations & Policies other than stated above shall conform to the Laws of the Sport of Bowls Crystal Mark Fourth Edition as approved by World Bowls in August 2022.