Western Province Bowls

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Information Sheet:
Personal Trust WP Bowls Men's and Ladies Triples Championships 2027

To: All club officials responsible for the Men's and Ladies Triples Championships, and all Skips

The start of the competition is Sunday, 29 November 2026.

Please take careful note of the following. There have been changes to the Conditions of Play for this season, and it is essential to be aware of these points. The updated General Conditions of Play and Competition Specific Conditions of Play are available on the WP Bowls website **here** and on the **PBA Bowls Master App**.

Sponsor

- Remember to mention PERSONAL TRUST during your welcome and during all announcements.

Player Movement

- Leads and Seconds may only approach the head after delivery of the Second's last bowl.
- Skips may approach the head after delivery of their first bowl.

Scorecards

- The PBA Bowls Master App will be used to manage the score and results of WP Competitions.
- For ease of use, all players should download the **PBA Bowls Master App**, however scores can still be entered without the App.
- The scoreboard will be the official score record of the game.
- There will be no official scorecards (players may use a personal scorecard for their own purposes).
- Skips must ensure that the club's name and the correct names of all the players are recorded on the scoreboard before play commences.
- Skips must ensure that the commencement and ending times of the game are written on the scoreboard in the top right-hand corner.
- After the conclusion of the game, the two skips must ensure that the scoreboard has been fully completed and is correct.
- Any one player from the game must capture the final scores on the PBA Bowls Master App, while the two Skips must check that the scores are entered correctly.
- The scoring tutorial showing step by step instructions on how to enter the score is **here.**
- Should the player not be able to enter the final scores on the PBA Bowls Master App, they can ask the CTO on duty to enter the scores. If the CTO cannot enter the score, they then take a photo of the scoreboard and WhatsApp it to **082 491 5049.**

Times

- The introductions must be done **15 minutes before the scheduled** starting time so games can start promptly. Trial ends can be started before the official starting time if both teams are ready to do so.

Western Province Bowls Association | NPO 080-192
President: A Harland | **Vice:** E Douglas | **Treasurer:** J Calvert | **Executive:** A Black, C Downing, J Cochrane, N Taljaard, S Africa
Administration & Finance: D Phillips | **Competitions**: P Dockendorff

Late Arrivals

- Any player or team who has not arrived by the starting time, forfeits their right to trial ends. Players who are present should continue without the missing player
- Any player or team who has not arrived within 15 minutes of the starting time is disqualified from the competition.

Round Robin

- Games are **18 ends**, and the time limit is **2½ hours** (2 hours and 30 minutes). Games still in progress within this time may only complete the end in progress.
- Round 1 must start by 09h00, with Round 2 starting within 20 minutes of Round 1 finishing. Round 3 must start within 30 minutes of Round 2 finishing. In all events, Round 2 must start no later than 12h00 and Round 3 no later than 15h00.

Playoffs to Final

- The number of ends to be played in the playoff rounds may be determined by the Executive.
- Playoffs and Quarter Finals are played **over 18 ends**. The time limit is **2½ hours** (2 hours and 30 minutes). Games still in progress within this time may only complete the end in progress.
- Semi Finals and Finals are **21 ends**, and the time limit for the Semi Finals is **3½ hours** (3 hours and 30 minutes). Games still in progress within this time may only complete the end in progress.
- In the event of a tie during the knock-out phase, an extra end or ends shall be played to determine the winner.
- **NOTE: There is no time limit for the Finals.**

Conditions of Play

- The format of play in each game will be **2-bowl Trips**.
- Trial ends are allowed before every game.
- All Skips and Duty Officials must make themselves fully conversant with the Conditions of Play governing Western Province Competitions and the Triples competition. This document is available from the wpbowls.co.za website, under Competitions > WP Bowls > Rules, Regulations and Forms.
- Members of a team are to be similarly dressed.

Burnt Ends

- For every match played and for every team, all burnt ends must be replayed and from the side of the rink that the end was originally played from, unless the Skips agree to play it from the other side.

Sections with only 3 Teams

- Where a section consists of only 3 teams, the **team losing its game in the first round** will play in the **second round** while the **first-round winner will have a bye in round two.**
- In the event the first-round game is tied, play will continue according to the draw chart.

Tea and Lunch

- The Green Fee is R40 per player per day.
- There is a tea break with light refreshments provided by the hosting club between games 1 and 2.
- During the Round Robin stage hosting clubs should plan to provide light lunches for players at a fee, between rounds 2 and 3.
- Please ensure that club catering and greens staff are notified of the schedule.

Greens

- Clubs should ensure the **best greens** are provided for play.

- Greens should preferably be mowed in the morning before play. If this is not possible, they should be mowed the previous afternoon, as late as possible.
- The direction of play may be changed after the completion of Round 2.

If you require any assistance, please contact the WP Office on 021 531 1541. On competition days you may contact the Competition Secretary, Paulina Dockendorff on 082 491 5049.

Yours sincerely,

Paulina Dockendorff
WP Bowls Competition Secretary