

# CONDITIONS OF PLAY

Prizes will be awarded as follows

**Winning Four:** \$500 per player and the Erceg Rose Bowl, together with Centre Certificates, and the Bowls Taranaki Badge & Ribbon.

**Second Four:** \$250 per player, and the Marnie Cochran Plate.

**Equal Third:** \$200 per player.

All games shall be played under and in strict conformity with the World Bowls Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Fourth Edition. Bowls New Zealand Domestic Regulations also apply. Bowls New Zealand's players Code of Conduct within the Domestic Regulations for sportsmanship and player obligations applies to all Bowls Taranaki Inc. events.

## 1. Clothing, Footwear & Smoking Policy:

Players may wear their Centre/Club colours, in proper bowling attire. Footwear must be flat (heel-less) shoes or sandals. Teams wishing to take up the option of wearing coloured clothing must abide by the Bowls New Zealand guidelines. All team members must wear garments of same colour/design.

Smoking: No smoking or vaping on greens or banks. Please use designated smoking areas only during Bowls Taranaki Centre events.

If after a warning, a player continues to breach this by-law, then the Controlling Body has the power to default the player, team or side, and/or deal with the matter in accordance with the Misconduct provisions in the Centre Constitution.

2. The Draw is a managed draw to ensure that visiting teams from the same Centre and local clubs where possible, do not play against each other in section play. Post Section play is an Open Draw.

3. All section games will be 25 ends, drawn ends to count. If a tie at that point, an extra end or ends shall be played to find the winner.

4. Post-Section. Teams to qualify for post-section play shall be:

- (a) Any Four which wins four or more games in its section.
- (b) Any Four which, though it wins less than four games, is the winner of its section.
- (c) Any Four which, though it wins less than four games, ties as one of the winners of its section.

Unless Clause (b) or (c) applies, any Four which has been more than twice defeated in section play, shall not qualify for the Post-Section.

5. In section play, play will commence at 9am in the morning and at no later

than 2pm in the afternoon. No time limit. In a morning game, except for the second to last round, the starting Jack for an End may not be delivered or re-delivered after 1.30pm. Any Ends that are then unplayed, shall be completed after the conclusion of the Afternoon game. All teams must play their Thursday morning game (Round 5) until at least the morning break. Round 5 games must be completed before round 6 starts. Any jack that is delivered incorrectly shall be redelivered.

6. Trial ends must be completed before the start time, which on the first day is 8.45am.

7. In post-section play 2 games of 25 ends will be played, commencing at 9am, second game commencing at 2pm. No time Limit. Practice ends may be permitted by the Controlling Body where a bye team is due to play next against a team who has already played on the green that day.

8. Post-section play shall be sudden death. In the event of a tie in any game, an extra end will need to be completed. If the score is equal at the conclusion of the final, one extra end shall be played to decide the winner.

9. All bowls must bear the 1982 or subsequent stamp.

10. (a) Composition of Teams: Open to members of any club affiliated to Bowls New Zealand or a country affiliated to World Bowls, who must be bona fide full active members of the club they represent.

**Teams from outside Taranaki, may consist of members of any club or clubs from the same Centre.**

**Taranaki teams shall consist of four active members of the one club.**

(b) When a player is a member of more than one club, that player will be deemed to be a member only of the club for which that player currently plays the majority of the centre events. If a player joins another club this season but continues to play for their existing club as well, the determination will be which club they have played the majority of Centre events for in the last 12 months.

**(c) The Tournament Committee has the right to permit variations to the composition of teams should it be of the opinion that circumstances warrant such variation.**

11. (a) Substitute Laws apply. In no case will a substitute be allowed to skip.

(b) If the player for whom the substitute was obtained later becomes available, he shall be permitted, with the consent of the Controlling Body, to rejoin the team at the completion of any end of the game in progress, in his original playing position, in which case the other members shall revert to their original

playing position in the team.

12. All disputes will be dealt with by the Tournament Committee. After considering all submissions and evidence, the Tournament Committee will, as a matter of urgency, bring down a final and conclusive determination on the matter before it.

13. The winning skip is required at the conclusion of each game to hand to the recorder or supervisor, the scorecard signed by both skips.

14. The Controlling Body shall have the power to alter or amend the Programme of this Tournament as it shall consider necessary or desirable in view of unfavourable weather or other adverse conditions, and may suspend play temporarily in any game, or abandon any game, and may also in its absolute discretion vary any of the Conditions of this Programme if it decides that such variation is essential to the successful carrying out or conclusion of the Tournament.

15. Late appearance: if any player shall fail to be present at the time set down for the commencement of his game, or within 30 minutes thereafter, the supervisor shall report the matter to the Controlling Body which may disqualify the offending player (and his team) and award the game to the opponent or opposing team. In a time limit game, the Controlling Body may grant such extension of time for the game as it deems fit (but not exceeding the time lost at the commencement). Such extension of time shall be granted only if cessation of play at the original time fixed would mean that the non-offending player or team would thereby be deprived of an opportunity of winning the game.

16. Winners of this Tournament gain a Point towards the Bowls Taranaki Gold Star award, except in the case of Composite Teams.

17. Semifinalists and finals players will be provided lunch on Finals Day at the expense of Bowls Taranaki.

18. It is a requirement that Leads and Twos are to stay off the green where possible, as with the weather, and having a minimum of greens available, the Tournament Committee wishes to ensure the greens are looked after for the week.

## **TEAM COMPOSITION**

Should your team composition change from the originally entered side, You **MUST** advise the Tournament Committee as soon as possible.

# **THE MARBLES BUFFET RESTAURANT**

## **WOMEN'S PAIRS**

FRIDAY 30th January 2026  
Commencing at 8.45am

Entries for the Marbles Buffet Restaurant Women's Pairs close with the Supervisor in each section immediately after the completion of play in the afternoon game on Thursday. Only those pairs entered on the official card on each green will be accepted. Open to Composite entries from different clubs. Entry fee \$15 per person (\$30.00 per team). Should a ballot be necessary, visiting pairs will not be affected.

Trophies: Winning Pairs: \$200 each and the Margaret Cole Trophy.  
Runners-up: \$100 each. Equal third: \$50 each. (Certificate to winning pair only).

### **THREE BOWLS TO BE PLAYED**

SECTION GAMES will consist of 16 ends or ONE HOUR FORTY MINUTES which ever comes first. Three or more wins or section ties will qualify for post-section play to commence on Saturday morning. Draws will published on [www.taranakibowls.co.nz](http://www.taranakibowls.co.nz). In the case of a tie an extra end or ends must be played to find the winner. Incorrectly thrown jacks are to be placed. A killed end will be replayed, however a killed end after the bell will be placed on the 2m mark. Post-Section and finals will be played on sudden death principle.

Lunch Adjournment 12.30pm – 1.15pm. Morning Tea and Afternoon Tea will be provided. The cost covered by Bowls Taranaki. Lunches at players expense.

POST-SECTION GAMES will be of 21 ends (no time limit). In the case of a tie an extra end or ends must be played to find the winner. If the score is equal at the conclusion of the final game 1 extra end shall be completed to decide the winner.