

Midweek Championships Format

There are 4 separate Championships Tournaments:

- Womens Singles
- Mens Singles
- Mixed(Open) Doubles
- Drawn Pairs Doubles

In previous years the Midweek Championships tended to drag on for weeks because some players were not available to play at the allocated date and time or they were already involved in one of the other Championships tournaments. So to move things along the following will apply:

If a player cannot complete their scheduled match on the Wednesday they must arrange to play the game before the following Wednesday or else they may have to forfeit the game. (this gives us a bit of leeway in extenuating circumstances).

Note: Genuine reasons to not be able to play will be taken into account and be accommodated if at all possible.

Participation in the Midweek Championships

The Midweek Championships are intended to be played between the players who attend the Midweek morning sessions at a regular basis, the Midweek Captain keeps a record of who attended during the playing year, start date for the season is 1 August so there will have been approximately 6 months of play before the Championships will take off.

*Based on this it is recommended that a player should have attended at least **6** Midweek sessions to qualify for the Midweek Championships*

Note: Exceptions can be granted (say for a player joining halfway the season)

Mixed/Open Doubles rules

The preference is to form a Mixed Doubles combination, because of the Ladies Day history it is up to the women to snag a male partner. Anyone left without a partner will be matched up with somebody to form a doubles combination, this can result in a female/female combination but ALSO in a male/male combination. So Ladies you better make sure to snag all the guys or you could be facing a male/male opponent.

Drawn Pairs

There will be a combined effort to shape the Drawn Pairs tournament into a format where the top seeds are combined with players in the lower half of the rankings, so everybody will have a chance to progress to the final.

Bakers Delight Vouchers

Bakers Delight Birkenhead has provided us with 12 vouchers with a value of \$20 each, they can be spent in one go or spread out over several weeks. To have more players enjoy these vouchers it is proposed that any player can win the voucher only once in every 4 month period.

Casual Players

Casual players will not be able to take part in the championships, only BHTC members qualify.

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