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**BOWLS SA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS – 2026**

This serves to confirm that entry forms for the Bowls SA Open Championships can be downloaded from the Bowls SA website through the “**National Events**” button on the home page.

<https://www.bowlssa.co.za/2026-bsa-open-women/>

<https://www.bowlssa.co.za/2026-bsa-open-men/>

**Ladies:** 2 May 2026 – 10 May 2026

**Men:** 16 May 2026 - 24 May 2026

Kindly note that the **Pairs** sections and first round play-off will be played on the first Saturday and Sunday, followed by **Singles** Sectional play on Monday, followed by **Fours** Section and first round play-offs on Tuesday and Wednesday.

**The closing date for entries is 23 February 2026 (Ladies), 2 March 2026 (Men)**

**Please Note:**

- The Women’s Open will be played in **Port Natal (PNB)** (HQ: Parkhill BC, Sub HQ: Northlands BC)
- The Men’s Open will be played in **Bowls Gauteng North (BGN)**. (HQ: PHSOB, Sub HQ: CBCOB)
- **Each entry form submitted must be accompanied by proof of payment**
- The Open Championships will be played in the following formats.

**Pairs & Fours.**

- The Pairs Championships (3 rounds per day) is to be played with three bowls on a league system in sections of six teams, over 18 ends. The play-off of section winners shall be on a knockout basis.
- The Fours Championships (3 rounds per day) is to be played with two bowls on a league system in sections of six teams, over 15 ends. The play-offs of section winners shall be on a knockout basis.



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- All games & ends of sectional play in the pairs and fours are to be completed, as net shots could decide section winners.
- The Pairs will be played over 18 ends with three bowls over the entire event including the semi-finals and finals. In the event of a peel, an extra end or ends will be played until a result is achieved.
- The semi - finals and finals in respect of the fours will be played over 21 ends. In the event of a peel, an extra end or ends will be played until a result is achieved.

### Singles.

- The event is played in sections of three and the winners of the section will proceed further on a knockout basis.
- The odd person in each section is required to mark in the game between the other two.
- Players may only enter either the open or senior event as indicated on the entry form.
- Should any withdrawals occur within the week prior to the start of the tournament or during the pair's discipline, they will be replaced from a draw from a list that will be available at all the pair's venues. Players who have entered in the pairs and fours disciplines will be given preference as replacements.

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