

Grange Bowling Club

Night Owls Rules & Etiquette 2025/26

- Teams will be comprised of four players, who deliver two bowls each. The players in a team can vary from game to game.
- If a team has only 3 players present, the lead and second bowlers will bowl 1 extra bowl each in the 3rd spot.
- Teams should not alter their line-up once a game commences.
- Teams who forfeit or have 2 players or fewer present 10 minutes after the scheduled start of play will lose 1 point per game.
- Current pennant players cannot play as Skip (last bowler).
- The first game commences at 7pm. There will be a short break between games.
- The second game each night should commence no later than 8.15pm and no new ends are to commence after 9.15pm.
- Each game will be comprised of 7 ends. 5 completed ends are required to constitute a game.
- There will be no dead ends. Jacks hit out of bounds are to be placed on the centre tee.
- Jack roll-ups will follow the rules of bowls. Jacks rolled in the ditch, out of bounds or too short will be re-rolled by the opposition.
- Flat shoes or thongs must be worn on the greens (no heels).
- All bowlers must refrain from loud noise and abusive/coarse language. If a player is reported for misconduct they will receive a warning. Repeat offenders will not be tolerated and will be removed from the competition. Please respect fellow bowlers and club neighbours.
- Licensing rules do not allow BYO alcohol.
- Drink glasses are not to be taken onto the greens.
- Smoking is only permitted in designated areas. If you must smoke, please take notice of wind direction and ensure that smoke does not enter the playing area or club surrounds.
- Upshots can be played but driving at high speed is not permitted as it can create a significant safety hazard in the Night Owls environment.
- Players should stay off the greens when not bowling (at both mat and jack ends) to minimise grass wear and soil compaction.
- Players can reserve Night Owls bowls for the season by attaching a red sticker (provided) to the appropriate container and registering the set against their team on the master list in the bowls room.
- Teams must advise non-attendance as early as possible by posting on the Grange Night Owls Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2165315820358587> or texting Richard Gibson on 0412974327
- Teams must clean up any litter from their greens and surrounding areas after playing and return loan bowls, mats and jacks to the appropriate storage area.
- Scores will be kept by the seconds of each team on provided scorecards. Completed and signed score cards from the game are to be handed in to the Registration Desk as soon as possible after games finish.