

Annual Bourne Club Squash and Racketball Championships 2021

RULES AND INFORMATION

In addition to playing in accordance with the tournament rules outlined below, players must also adhere to the England Squash code of conduct for players and the World Squash Federation rules of Squash.

General

1. The Tournament will run from Sept onward depend on the size of the draws
2. Competitors must be prepared to play on any of the Club courts.
3. All Bourne Club members are welcome to enter the tournament
4. With the exception of Finals Day, competitors must supply their own balls for matches.
 - a. Balls should be new or in good condition at the start of the match.
 - b. Balls must be approved by Squash England.
 - c. Balls that become dead or are lost during a match may be replaced with a ball of similar condition.
 - d. Balls may be changed during the Finals at the discretion of the Umpire or tournament organiser.

Entries

5. The Tournament is open to all members of The Bourne Club who pay a full adult, young adult or coach subscription. In addition, junior members born on or before 01/01/2007 are welcome to enter. Younger Juniors are only permitted to enter having been invited by the Tournament Organiser.
6. Off Peak members may enter but if matches are played during peak times a guest fee should be paid on each occasion
7. Entries are to be made using the Club's booking system called globus:
 - a. Squash Singles Open Championship (Schwabe)
<https://bourneclub.clubsolution.co.uk?hold=19228>
 - b. Squash Singles Open Handicap (Hounsham)
<https://bourneclub.clubsolution.co.uk/?hold=19229>
 - c. Squash Doubles Open Championship (name your partner in the comment box)
<https://bourneclub.clubsolution.co.uk?hold=19230>
 - d. Racketball Single Open Championship
<https://bourneclub.clubsolution.co.uk/?hold=19231>
8. Entries close on Sunday 5th Sept 2021
9. Cost of entry is £5.00 per person per event.
10. There will be no refunds for players that withdraw, retire or are disqualified.

Match Scheduling

11. All players are responsible for contacting their opponents and the match should be arranged by mutual consent. If you have difficulty arranging a match, please contact the Tournament Organiser.
12. The Tournament Organiser may also reserve some courts in advance for tournament matches. Competitors that want to use pre-booked tournament court time are to contact the Tournament Organiser. Any unused courts will be released 2 days in advance, except in the last 2 weeks when they may be released at short notice.
13. If there is a court cost, it is to be shared.
14. All Semi-Finals matches will be scheduled and played over the weekend of TBC by the Tournament Organiser.
15. All matches should be played by the published play-by dates. Please do not enter if you are away for any significant period of time during the tournament or if you are not reasonably available at a variety of times.
16. If players cannot play by the deadline the Tournament Organiser should be informed. The Tournament Organiser may grant an extension or disqualify the players.

Draws

17. Draw type:
 - a. Squash Singles Open Championship (Schwabe)
 - i. Knock out tournament with plate for 1st round losers
 - b. Squash Singles Open Handicap (Hounsham)
 - i. Players handicapped based on standard
 - ii. Knock out tournament with plate for 1st round losers
 - c. Squash Doubles Championship
 - i. Depending on interest, likely to be league based, with winners of each league proceeding to knock out
 - d. Racketball Single Open Championship
 - i. Knock out tournament with plate for 1st round losers Each event will have one knockout draw with a plate.
18. Once the draw has been published there will be no changing of partners permitted. Players may only withdraw or retire.
19. Seeding and Handicapping
 - a. The Tournament Organiser will form a seeding and Handicapping committee of 3 people. (Normally using the team captains)
 - b. The Seeding and Handicapping Committee will seed and handicap player and draws accordingly.

Match results

20. Immediately after the match has been completed the winning player or partnership should write their results on the Tournament draw in the Club house.

Court bookings

21. Competitors need to book their own courts for matches

22. You should book enough court time to complete a best of three game match which is one 45min court booking (see match format)

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Officiating

24. The Tournament Referee's decision is final.

25. The Tournament Organiser and the Tournament Referee reserve the right to disqualify competitors that do not adhere to the tournament rules.

Appointments

Tournament Director	Jon Menhinick	Squash Committee Chairperson
Tournament Organiser	Jon Menhinick	Squashchair@bounreclub.co.uk 07951 724287
Tournament Referee	Jon Menhinick	Squashchair@bounreclub.co.uk 07951 724287

Match format

26. Match formats per tournament

- **Squash Singles Open Championship (Schwabe)**
 - Standard squash rules and scoring.
 - All rounds up to and including the finals:
 - Best of 5 games, each game “English scoring” to 9 points.

- **Squash Singles Open Handicap (Hounsham)**
 - This is a handicap squash tournament open to all members and uses the American scoring system. The aim of the Handicap tournament is to encourage participation of players at all levels and enable competitive games between players who would not normally play each other.
 - Players will be given handicaps
 - Matches will be the best of 3 games, each game PAR (point-a-rally) i.e. “American scoring” to 15 points.
 - The final will be best of 5 games.

- **Squash Doubles Championship**
 - American scoring system.
 - Matches will be the best of 3 games, each game PAR (point-a-rally) i.e. “American scoring” to 15 points.
 - The final will be best of 5 games.

- **Racketball Single Open Championship**
 - All matches up to and including the finals:
 - American scoring system. Matches will be the best of 3 games, each game PAR (point-a-rally) i.e. “American scoring” to 15 points. The final will be best of 5 games.

27. The Tournament Referee reserves the right to change the format if the tournament is behind schedule.