

National Middleton Cup 2024 competition / Admin order 1 / 2024.

Balcomb Trophy & The Middleton Cup games are as follows:

- 1. Balcomb Trophy 2 Rinks is a BH Home fixture against Somerset on a neutral Green (to meet the BE travel criteria) and will be played at Portishead BC, Lake Ground, Rodmoor Rd, Bristol BS20 7HZ on Saturday 18th May starting at 2pm. The players that have been selected and informed are requested to leave from Ross Bowls Club between 11.15 - 11.30 am or arrive at Portishead BC by 1.15 pm. Note: Food is £3.50p per baguette / crisps & side salad included orders on arrival. We have provisionally booked two (2) per person. Car parking at the Club no charge.**

- 2. Herefordshire v Wiltshire Saturday 1st June Away game 2pm start @ Royal Wootton Bassett Bowling Club, Tanners Close, Station Hill, Swindon, SN4 8AA, club tel 07532 218105. Players selected are requested to be at the venue by the latest 1.15pm. Note: Car parking is very restricted. The venue for this game is on the Wiltshire website fixtures, but BH fixtures Secretary has not as yet received any confirmation of this arrangement, but we will take this as being at this venue.**

- 3. Herefordshire Home v Devon on Saturday the 8th June 2024. BH County Fixtures Secretary, has agreement from Portishead BC, Lake Ground, Rodmoor Rd, Portishead, Bristol BS20 7HZ (neutral green) to be played there on 8th June starting at 2pm. Players selected are requested to be at the venue by the latest 1.15pm. Note: Food is £3.50p per baguette / crisps & side salad included orders on arrival, we have provisionally booked two (2) per person. Car parking at the Club no charge.**

- 4. Herefordshire has a Bye on Saturday the 15th June.**

- 5. Home match on Saturday the 22nd June 2024 @ Ross-on-Wye Bowling Club, Crossfields, HR9 5AR against Gloucestershire starting at 2pm. Players selected are requested to be at the venue by the latest 1.15pm, there is limited car parking as RBC has an away fixture. Rolls will be available after the game but ordered before hand. The bar will be open.**

- 6. Herefordshire v Dorset Sat 6th July Away on a (neutral green) 2pm start; Green Dorset has chosen is Westlecott BC Swindon SN1 4EU, is on the Dorset website fixtures, but BH fixtures secretary has not as yet received any confirmation of this arrangement, but we will taken as being at this venue unless informed otherwise. Car parking cafe at Club food available and card only bar.**

- 7. Ross Bowls Club has agreed for the BH County to hold Middleton Cup squad day on Saturday the 11th May 2024 starting at 10am sharp and finishing by 1 p.m. Players that have to play at their own clubs in the afternoon or representing the BH President's game against Berkshire are released from the squad day but will still be considered for the Middleton Cup team. However, players that have participated for the last two years in these competitions will have priority in selection.**

- 8. Note: a. The six (6) Skips and selection team will make the final selections for players.
b. Players are requested to arrange their own Transport to all Middleton Cup Games.
Please arrive by the times stated for each game.**

- 9. BH County Men's committee are requested again to finance the Team Green fees and Umpires charges for these National County Competitions for 2024.**

Copies: President John Bates 2024 / Vice President Alex Lowe 2024 / Dave Hall BH Treasurer / BH Hon Sec Clive Handscombe / Hon Fixtures Sec John Woakes. All BH Club Secretaries for distribution to their members. Updated information on 2 MAY 2024

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