



INTER-COUNTY PERFORMANCE EVENT – REGIONAL FINAL BALCOMB TROPHY 2026

MIDLANDS		Saturday 30th May 2026								
		09:30 - 12:00			13:00 - 15:30			16:00 - 18:30		
Balcomb Trophy	1	Pairs	Leicestershire	Derbyshire	Triples	Derbyshire	Prelim Winner	Fours	Leicestershire	Prelim Winner
	2	Triples	Leicestershire	Derbyshire	Fours	Derbyshire	Prelim Winner	Pairs	Leicestershire	Prelim Winner
	3	Fours	Leicestershire	Derbyshire	Pairs	Derbyshire	Prelim Winner	Triples	Leicestershire	Prelim Winner
	4	Pairs	Nottinghamshire	Prelim Winner	Triples	Leicestershire	Nottinghamshire	Fours	Derbyshire	Nottinghamshire
	5	Triples	Nottinghamshire	Prelim Winner	Fours	Leicestershire	Nottinghamshire	Pairs	Derbyshire	Nottinghamshire
	6	Fours	Nottinghamshire	Prelim Winner	Pairs	Leicestershire	Nottinghamshire	Triples	Derbyshire	Nottinghamshire

*Preliminary Match by Sunday 17th May > Lincolnshire v Northamptonshire

Format of Play

Players will participate in the following disciplines:

- Pairs (three bowls per player, 18 ends)
- Triples (two bowls per player, 18 ends)
- Fours (two bowls per player, 15 ends)

The county side may be changed ahead of the start of each individual match/round.

Each match will be limited to a time limit of 2 hours 30 minutes (including trial ends). All ends must be played in all disciplines unless a discipline is 'timed out'.

In the event of a 'dead end' the jack will be re-spotted on the T (or as near as possible to the T in line with the current Laws of the Sport)

Scoring – Regional Finals

- Per discipline – 2 pts for a win; 1 pt for a draw
- Per match – 2 pts for a win; 1 pts for a draw

The county that tops the group at the conclusion of the group stages on will qualify for the National Bowls Finals.

This will be determined by (in order):

- Overall points
- Overall shots difference
- Overall shots scored

If there is a 'tie' between two counties once these factors are taken into account, the result (shots aggregate) in the match between the two counties concerned will determine the group winner. Should shots be level at conclusion of the match, the winning team will be determined by the winner of the Fours fixture between those two counties. Should this still not produce a winner, the Fours players will play a one-end tie-break to determine the winner.