

## West Lothian Bowling Association



To: The Secretaries of West Lothian Bowling Association Clubs

### **Fees for 2024 season:**

1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

Dear Secretary,

Please find appended your invitation to participate in the 2024 WLBA competitions and notification from WLBA of your potential composite entry fees and competition charges for all Men's, Ladies, Young and Seniors bowlers in 2024.

### **Fees:**

The WLBA finances are stable, however as our operating balance continues to be eroded, by increasing costs and reduced Sponsorship, the Management Committee have approved the small increases in competition fees within the return sheet. We have significant additional work to undertake this year to maintain a single county diary for the Ladies, Gents, Juniors and Seniors bowling activities, hence **I request both a timely, and single, response** from our clubs. To prevent ongoing losses the WLBA Committee will be proposing a small increase in the fixed fees for the 2025 season for approval at the next AGM.

### **Membership numbers:**

I appreciate that your membership numbers may not yet be finalised for the forthcoming season, if so, please use your known membership numbers from each section in CY2023, for the per-capita fee return for 2024.

### **Competition draws:**

The draws for all competitions will be advised once the WLBA Diary stabilises and the entry numbers are known, in due course.

### **Kelso and DMW Cups:**

The Kelso and DMW cups are not WLBA competitions. The entrants and fees for these competitions are collected by WLBA as a favour as we are collecting fees from our clubs anyway and to minimise the workload for our clubs.

All fees are passed to Broxburn B.C / the DMW owners who manage the Competition, obtain sponsorship, and issue the prizes.

### **Payment:**

Payments should be made as soon as possible after the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.

Bank transfer details: Sort Code 83-19-04, Account Number 00182067, referencing your club and contact name.

I hope the amalgamation of these different activities, onto a single return, will not only minimise workload for all parties but also simplify communication between the clubs and WLBA and I only intend to issue electronic receipts again this year.

If you would like bowling information sent to more than one source, please complete these details on page 2 of the form.

Can you please provide updated contact details for all your club officers, as we frequently have difficulty in contacting clubs.

Please note some competitions, or entry fees, have been changed in line with our new integrated association rules.

Please complete the attached form and return it to:

Kenneth Lawrie, WLBA Treasurer, 22 Caroline Gardens, Midcalder, Livingston, West Lothian  
EH53 0SX, or the email address below.

**All entries to be received by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 and the intention is that draws will be made shortly thereafter.**

Thank you, stay safe, enjoy your bowling and if you have any questions, please contact me.

Yours in sport,

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