

Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association

Debtors Outstanding List as at 3/11/2014

Club	Due Under 30 Days	Due 30 to 90 Days	Over 90 Days	Total Amount
AYFP	10,400.00	2,130.00	26,670.00	39,200.00
CdeR	17,840.00	450.00	0.00	18,290.00
CELBC	5,360.00	450.00	0.00	5,810.00
CLP	5,360.00	450.00	350.00	6,160.00
CSD	4,720.00	450.00	10,000.00	15,170.00
FPLBA	2,680.00	0.00	0.00	2,680.00
GBLBC	480.00	1,920.00	3,740.00	6,140.00
HKCC	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
HKJC	2,200.00	0.00	0.00	2,200.00
HKPBC	13,200.00	10,000.00	26,000.00	49,200.00
HKSAP	2,200.00	450.00	80.00	2,730.00
IRC	12,280.00	0.00	600.00	12,880.00
ILBC	0.00	5,000.00	1,000.00	6,000.00
KCC	17,520.00	0.00	100.00	17,620.00
LBTC	2,680.00	450.00	0.00	3,130.00
PDLBC	5,680.00	2,280.00	5,120.00	13,080.00
STSA	2,240.00	8,690.00	0.00	10,930.00
TKOBC	14,480.00	0.00	0.00	14,480.00
TMSA	22,240.00	7,170.00	10,870.00	40,280.00
TPLBC	10,080.00	5,750.00	0.00	15,830.00
USRC	16,080.00	0.00	0.00	16,080.00
VSTAR	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
WISC	11,840.00	2,850.00	9,720.00	24,410.00
Total	179,560.00	48,490.00	108,250.00	336,300.00

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Proposed Panels Name Lists 2014/2015

(as at 27/10/2014)

National League Panel

	Name	Club	Remarks
1	Cyril Leung		Chairman, Officer
2	Heron Lau		Officer
3	Mike Worth		Officer
4	Walter Kwok		Officer
5	Derek Lee		Officer
6	Connie Wong	CLBC	Councilor
7	Y C Lam	ILBC	Councilor
8	Simon Yau	PDLBC	Councilor
9	K K Lam	CCC	Co-opt
10	Rita Au Yeung	FC	Co-opt
11	Cecilia Kwok	GLBC	Co-opt
12	Esmond Lee	HKFC	Co-opt
13	Rita Shek	HKFC	Co-opt
14	K C Ching	IRC	Co-opt
15	Christina Luke	KBGC	Co-opt
16	Tony Chiu	KBGC	Co-opt
17	Jerry Ng	KCC	Co-opt
18	David Leung	KCC	Co-opt
19	Victor Chow	SBSC	Co-opt
20	James Cheng	TKOBC	Co-opt
21	Annie Yeung	USRC	Co-opt
22	Jacob Lam	USRC	Co-opt

National Championships Panel

	Name	Club	Remarks
1	Walter Kwok		Chairman, Officer
2	Heron Lau		Officer
3	Mike Worth		Officer
4	Derek Lee		Officer
5	Y C Lam	ILBC	Councilor
6	Simon Yau	PDLBC	Councilor
7	Patrick Fong	KCC	Councilor
8	Paul Lee	CCC	Co-opt
9	Rita Au Yeung	FC	Co-opt
10	Cecilia Kwok	GLBC	Co-opt
11	Rita Shek	HKFC	Co-opt
12	C S Suen	HKFC	Co-opt
13	Thomas Kong	ILBC	Co-opt
14	K C Ching	IRC	Co-opt
15	Elisa Cheung	KBGC	Co-opt
16	Isaac Ng	KBGC	Co-opt
17	Jerry Ng	KCC	Co-opt
18	Sebastian Cheung	KCC	Co-opt
19	Victor Chow	SBSC	Co-opt
20	James Cheng	TKOBC	Co-opt
21	Annie Yeung	USRC	Co-opt
22	David Tse	USRC	Co-opt
23	Shirley Ip	VLBC	Co-opt

Umpire Panel

	Name	Club	Remarks
1	Claudius Lam		Chairman, Officer
2	Cyril Leung		Officer
3	Derek Lee		Officer
4	Y C Lam	ILBC	Councilor
5	Ronnie Yip	FC	Co-opt
6	Rita Shek	HKFC	Co-opt
7	K C Ching	IRC	Co-opt
8	BL Cheung	KBGC	Co-opt
9	David Leung	KCC	Co-opt
10	Victor Chow	SBSC	Co-opt
11	Shirley Ip	VLBC	Co-opt

Coaching Panel

	Name	Club	Remarks
1	Claudius Lam		Chairman, Officer
2	Derek Lee		Officer
3	Lena Yeung	AYFP	Councilor
4	Mendel Ng	CCC	Co-opt
5	Alice Ho	FC	Co-opt
6	Chan Siu Kwan	GLBC	Co-opt
7	Sze Ming Hui	HKFC	Co-opt
8	Andy Chan	HKPBC	Co-opt
9	K C Ching	IRC	Co-opt
10	BL Cheung	KBGC	Co-opt
11	David Leung	KCC	Co-opt
12	Kung Chiu Man	TMSA	Co-opt

Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association
Council Meeting on 3 November 2014 at CCC
Notes from VP National League

Premier League 2014

League Panel made following rulings:

- Deduct 2 points from CSD-B for a registered player played down in CSD-B in M2383.
- Deduct 2 points from HKYDT-B due to reschedule request of M2682 less than 5 days.
- Deduct 2 points from GBLBC-B due to reschedule request of M2742 less than 5 days.

Premier League 2014 completed on schedule. Congratulations to the winners:

	Men	Women
Division 1	KBGC-A	HKFC-A
Division 2	FC-A	IRC-A
Division 3	HKCC-A	HKFC-C
Division 4	CCC-C	FC-B
Division 5	TMSA-B	
Division 6	IRC-C	
Division 7	HKPBC-D	
Division 8	CdeR-C	

Triples League 2014

Most re-arranged games were fixed.

League Panel made following rulings:

- Deduct 1 point from HKYDT-A for not making offers timely in M4331
- Deduct 1 point from HKYDT-B for not responding timely in M4483
- Deduct 1 point from IRC-B for not responding timely in W4354
- Deduct 1 point from IRC-A for not making offers timely in W4425

Entry fees of 2015 league games

VP League will put up two proposals for CoM considerations.

The two proposals are a) increase entry fee, and b) increase LBA income percentage.

National Championships Panel Report on 3rd November 2014

Bowls Calendar

The annual events schedule is being finalized, subject to final consultation with the new panel to be sanctioned today. For advance notice to all bowlers, the National Fours Championship 2015 and Mixed Pairs Competition 2015 are scheduled to commence in the first week of January 2015.

Separately, the Champion of Champions will be on Saturdays from 28 February 2015. Entries deadline will be 25th January 2015.

Finals Day Venue

Two offers to host the finals day were received from CCC and KBGC in response to our invitation. It has been decided to hold the finals day at KBGC. Many thanks to both clubs for their kind offer and to CCC for its understanding of the decision.

Mixed Fours Competition

Filipino Club has decided to cease the sponsorship of the annual Mixed Fours Competition effective from 2015. HKLBA would like to take this opportunity to thank the generous support of FC over the years.

Indoor Pairs Competition

Indoor Pairs semis and finals will be held at CdeR on Saturday 22nd November. Thanks again to CdeR for the venue.

HKLBA would also like to thank Mr Patrick Fong for the sponsorship of the men's trophy which is now named after the late Mr Joseph Lee, a well-respected bowler of KCC.

National Championships and Competitions Results

IRC Invitation Triples 2014 was successfully held on 1st October. Thanks to IRC. Congratulations to the champions William Lee, A.S. Khara & J.S. Dhillon of the host club

Men's & Women's National Triples 2014 Semis completed on 12th October. Thanks to IRC and USRC for use of their green.

Upcoming Events

Men's Knock-out Singles 2014 entries form issued on 3rd November. Thanks again to all clubs which have acceded to our request to use their green. However, a number of matches will be held at public green. If necessary, a qualifying round will be held to control the number of players to enter into the main draw.

New Event Proposed

The Bowls Grand Prix is proposed to be held in Easter 2015. Separate concept paper issued.

Walter Kwok
VP National Championships



The Bowls Grand Prix 2015 Easter

**All-new Spectacle of the Sport of Bowls in Hong Kong
The Pinnacle of Competitive Club-based Bowling
Where the Top League Clubs Converge
Showcasing Some of the Best Bowlers in Hong Kong
At Different Venues Every Day
With a Grand Final
By Invitation Only**

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Teams and Players Qualification:

1. Six sides will be invited to participate in each of the men's and women's section. Each side is required to register a team name, like Brisbane "Gold" of the Australian Premier League (Bowls), San Antonio "Spurs" of the NBA (Basketball) in the USA.
2. The men's section will comprise the top 4 ranked sides in the 2014 Premier League, the HK China Squad and the HK China U25 Squad.
3. The women's section will be made up of the top 5 ranked 2014 Premier League sides and the HK China and U25 Squads combined as one side.
4. Other club, sponsor or international sides may be invited to join the tournament at the discretion of the tournament director.
5. All players of a club side must be a "tied player" of the 2014 Premier League side invited, except for players approved by the tournament director.
6. Transfer of players from a club side to a squad side or vice versa after each match is allowed with the approval of the tournament director.

Tournament Structure:

1. Each side will play one match with every other side in the section on a single round-robin basis, to be followed by the Grand Final of the top 2 ranked sides at the conclusion of the round-robin play.
2. Each match comprises 4 disciplines, namely Singles and Fours in one session and Pairs and Triples in another session. A player may play in one or two disciplines in each match. In other words, a minimum of 5 players is required in each match.
3. Format of each discipline is as follows:-
 - a. Singles – first to 21 shots
 - b. Pairs – 3 bowls per player over 18 ends
 - c. Triples – 2 bowls per player over 18 ends
 - d. Fours – 2 bowls per player over 14 ends

Each session will have a time limit of 2 hours 15 minutes.

4. Three sessions of matches will normally be scheduled at one venue each day provided by the participating sides as a condition of entry. The normal scheduled times are 10.00 a.m., 1.30 p.m. and 4.00 p.m. If a fourth session is scheduled, the likely scheduled time will be 7.30 p.m.
5. A total of 12 sessions of matches, including the Grand Final, will be scheduled over 4 consecutive days in the Easter holidays from Friday 3rd to Monday 6th April 2015. Tuesday 7th April will act as a contingency.

- Ten points will be contested in every match: 2 points to each winning discipline, 1 point for a tie; and 2 points for a higher aggregate difference between shots scored for and against or 1 point each for equal aggregates. If a discipline is forfeited, the non-offending team will be awarded 2 points, 6 shots and 6 ends.
- All sides in the section will be ranked at the conclusion of the round-robin play in the following order of sequence: (i) number of points won by each side, (ii) aggregate difference between shots scored for and against by each side, (iii) number of ends won by each side, (iv) the match results of the sides concerned and (v) toss of coin.
- The winner of the Grand Final match is the side with a higher number of points won and, if equal, a higher aggregate shots difference and, if still equal, a higher number of ends won.

Conditions of Entry:

- Entries fee per club side is \$1,250, after considering the entries fee level of the Triples League (\$2,200/side increasing to \$2,500/side) and the Champion of Champions Championship (\$200/player increasing to \$250/player).
- Cash and/or trophy awards will be presented to the winner and runner-up in each section.
- Each participating club side will be required to provide 6 rinks for one day of play normally from 10.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. as designated in the fixtures, or until 10.00 p.m. if 4 sessions of matches are scheduled. Any side which fails to oblige will be required to reimburse the HKLBA for any rinks fee incurred as a result. Allocation of fixtures to public greens can be kept to a minimum.
- Detailed conditions will be published in the entries form.

Likely Teams and Venues:

- Eligible men's sides: KBGC, KCC, HKFC, HKPBC, HK China Squad and U25 Squad
- Likely men's venues: KBGC, KCC, HKFC outdoor and POC
- Eligible women's sides: HKFC(A), STSA, USRC, KCC, HKFC(B) and HK China + U25 Squads
- Likely women's venues: HKFC outdoor, USRC, KCC, HKFC indoor and SLY

Sample Fixtures:

Date	Time	Disciplines	Venue	Men's Section			Venue	Women's Section		
Fri, 3rd Apr	10.00 am	Singles & Fours	A	M1-M6	M2-M5	M3-M4	D	W1-W6	W2-W5	W3-W4
Fri, 3rd Apr	1.30 pm	Pairs & Triples	A	M1-M6	M2-M5	M3-M4	D	W1-W6	W2-W5	W3-W4
Fri, 3rd Apr	4.00 pm	Singles & Fours	A	M1-M5	M2-M4	M3-M6	D	W1-W5	W2-W4	W3-W6
Sat, 4th Apr	10.00 am	Pairs & Triples	B	M1-M5	M2-M4	M3-M6	E	W1-W5	W2-W4	W3-W6
Sat, 4th Apr	1.30 pm	Singles & Fours	B	M1-M4	M2-M3	M5-M6	E	W1-W4	W2-W3	W5-W6
Sat, 4th Apr	4.00 pm	Pairs & Triples	B	M1-M4	M2-M3	M5-M6	E	W1-W4	W2-W3	W5-W6
Sun, 5th Apr	10.00 am	Singles & Fours	C	M1-M3	M2-M6	M4-M5	F	W1-W3	W2-W6	W4-W5
Sun, 5th Apr	1.30 pm	Pairs & Triples	C	M1-M3	M2-M6	M4-M5	F	W1-W3	W2-W6	W4-W5
Sun, 5th Apr	4.00 pm	Singles & Fours	C	M1-M2	M3-M5	M4-M6	F	W1-W2	W3-W5	W4-W6
Sun, 5th Apr	7.30 pm	Pairs & Triples	C	M1-M2	M3-M5	M4-M6	F	W1-W2	W3-W5	W4-W6
Mon, 6th Apr	1.30 pm	Singles & Fours	Z	Grand Final Session 1						
Mon, 6th Apr	4.00 pm	Pairs & Triples	Z	Grand Final Session 2						

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Title sponsors with naming right of the tournament and/or trophy sponsors are welcome.

Proposals to Change Entries Fee, Prize Money and Takeout Rates of National Championships and Competitions (10th October 2014)

1. Currently, a proportion of national championships and competitions entries fee collected less direct cost is distributed as prizes to the winner and second of standard events. The remainder is retained for international events fund and LBA income.
2. Entries fee has remained unchanged for over one decade while LBA staff cost and inflation have gone up by 92% and 28% respectively in the same period. LBA needs to improve on one of its main sources of income in entries fee rates in order to maintain its financial sustainability. It is proposed to revise the standard entries fee upward from \$80 per player to \$100.
3. With the number of participants in national championships and competitions growing at an average of about 9% each year, it is appropriate to incentivize two more participating teams in addition to the winning and second teams. It is proposed to award prizes to the joint third teams, i.e. the two losing semi-finalist teams, in standard events.
4. With the changes in entries fee and prize money distribution rates, it is the opportune time to adjust the rates of appropriation of the retained portion of the net entries fee to the international events fund and LBA income. It is proposed to change the international events fund rates from 25% to 20%, the LBA income rates from 30% to 40% and the prize money fund rates from 45% to 40%.
5. The proposed changes in entries fee and prize money and net entries fee distribution rates to come into effect in 2015, based on the Events Schedule to be published in due course, are summarized in the table below.

	Current rates	New rates (w.e.f. 2015)
Entries fee	\$80	\$100
Winner	30%	20%
Second	15%	10%
Joint thirds	-	5% each
Events fund	25%	20%
LBA income	30%	40%

6. The projected distributions of entries fee of three selected events are given below as an illustration.

Mixed Pairs 3-year Comparison

	Entries Fee per Team	No. of Entries	Net Entries Fee	Int'l Events Fund	LBA Income	Prize Money	Winner	Second	Joint Third	Joint Third
2013 Actual	160	157	24,880	6,220	7,464	11,196	7,464	3,732	-	-
2014 Forecast	160	167	26,680	6,670	8,004	12,006	8,004	4,002	-	-
2015 Projected	200	177	35,350	7,070	14,141	14,139	7,070	3,535	1,767	1,767

Men's National Fours 3-year Comparison

	Entries Fee per Team	No. of Entries	Net Entries Fee	Int'l Events Fund	LBA Income	Prize Money	Winner	Second	Joint Third	Joint Third
2013 Actual	320	81	23,900	5,975	7,170	10,755	7,037	3,518	-	-
2014 Forecast	320	92	27,840	6,960	8,352	12,528	8,352	4,176	-	-
2015 Projected	400	101	38,200	7,640	15,280	15,280	7,640	3,820	1,910	1,910

Women's National Fours 3-year Comparison

	Entries Fee per Team	No. of Entries	Net Entries Fee	Int'l Events Fund	LBA Income	Prize Money	Winner	Second	Joint Third	Joint Third
2013 Actual	320	52	15,140	3,785	4,542	6,813	4,409	2,204	-	-
2014 Forecast	320	62	18,880	4,720	5,664	8,496	5,664	2,832	-	-
2015 Projected	400	68	25,880	5,176	10,352	10,352	5,176	2,588	1,294	1,294

Footnotes: Net entries fee includes fee concessions for HKYDT members. 2014 cost has not been fully debited to Net Entries Fee.

7. It is further proposed that entries fees and rates of other events under the control of the National Championships Panel are to be adjusted in a similar scale.
8. It is recommended to the Council of Management to approve the proposed changes as summarized in paragraph 5.

Walter Kwok
Vice President National Championships