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Bowls England to introduce Tony Allcock Trophy as first unified seniors' competition

Bowls England has announced plans to introduce a new over 60 club mixed double rink competition in 2011, to be known as the Tony Allcock Trophy.

Seniors bowls events are growing in popularity in other parts of the UK and Bowls England, recognising the age demographic of its membership, expects the new competition to meet demand from the majority of its Members and also reflects the move towards a unified sport.

Each side will consist of two men and two women in each rink, with matches played over 18 ends rather than the traditional 21. It is planned that the National Championships at Worthing will be extended by one day to enable the final stages to be held at Beach House Park on the final weekend.

Tony Allcock MBE, Bowls England Chief Executive, said: "I am delighted to donate the Trophy for this new competition with its slightly shorter format. Many clubs now find their members, especially those in the upper age bracket, want to play more mixed events, so we have introduced this new competition to meet demand at club level. I am sure clubs across the country will be battling it out to become the first winners of the Tony Allcock Trophy."

All players shall be aged 60 years or over on April 1st in the year of the competition.

Entry forms will be available towards the end of the 2010 season together with all other Bowls England National Competitions. The entry fee will be £25 per side, with no limit on the number of entries per club.

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