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Competitions are at the heart of Spectre Stats. Every time you bowl in a league night, a tournament, or a practice session you want to keep on record, you log it as a competition. Over time, your competition history becomes a detailed picture of how your game is developing — across different venues, conditions, and formats.

☐☐ Leagues vs. Tournaments vs. Practice

Spectre Stats organizes your bowling into three main competition types. Choosing the right type when you log a session keeps your history clean and makes your stats easier to compare later.

Type	Best Used For	Examples
☐☐ League	Organized weekly or seasonal competition at a regular house	Thursday night league, sport shot league, mixed league
☐☐ Tournament	Single-event competitions, often at unfamiliar venues or on challenging patterns	Regional tournaments, scratch events, handicap tournaments
☐☐ Practice	Deliberate practice sessions you want to track separately from competition	Open bowling, spare practice, oil pattern work

△ **Verify:** Confirm the exact competition types available in the app and whether additional types exist (e.g. "Doubles", "Team", "Baker format").

☐ How Competitions Are Structured

Understanding how Spectre Stats organizes competition data makes logging faster and your history more useful.

- A **Competition** is the overall event — for example, your Thursday Night League for the 2024–25 season, or a specific regional tournament.
- A **Session** is a single night or round within that competition — for example, one Thursday night of league play, or one squad of a tournament.
- Each session contains your **game scores**, **ball selection**, and any **notes** you want to record about conditions or performance.

This structure means you can track a full league season as one competition, with each week logged as its own session — making it easy to review trends across the season rather than game by game.

△ **Verify:** Confirm the exact terminology used in the app for these concepts (e.g. "Competition" vs. "Event" vs. "Series", "Session" vs. "Round") and whether the hierarchy matches this description.

☐ Creating a New Competition

1. From the home screen, tap or click **Competitions** in the navigation.
2. Tap or click **New Competition** or the + button.
3. Enter the competition details:
 - **Name** — e.g. or
 - **Type** — League, Tournament, or Practice
 - **Bowling Center** — where the competition takes place
 - **Start Date** — the first session or event date
 - **Format** — e.g. handicap, scratch, match play
4. Tap or click **Save** to create the competition.

Once created, your competition appears in your Competitions list and is ready for you to log sessions against it.

△ **Verify:** Confirm the exact fields available when creating a competition, which are required vs. optional, and whether additional fields exist (e.g. number of games per session, team name, oil pattern).

📅 Logging a Session

A session is a single night or round of bowling within a competition. Here's how to log one:

1. Open the competition you want to log against from your **Competitions** list.
2. Tap or click **Add Session** or the + button.
3. Enter the session details:
 - **Date** — defaults to today
 - **Scores** — enter your game scores for the session
 - **Ball Used** — select from your arsenal
 - **Lane Pair** — the lanes you bowled on
 - **Oil Pattern** — if known
 - **Notes** — anything worth remembering about conditions, adjustments, or results
4. Tap or click **Save Session**.

⚠ **Verify:** Confirm the exact session entry fields, whether shot-by-shot or frame-by-frame entry is supported in addition to game score entry, and whether multiple balls can be logged within a single session.




📅 Tournament-Specific Tips

Tournaments often involve multiple squads, challenging oil patterns, and unfamiliar venues. A few things worth noting when logging tournament play:

- 📅 Create a new competition for each tournament event — this keeps tournament results separate from your league history
- 📅 Log each squad or block as its own session within the tournament competition
- 📅 Record the oil pattern if you know it — this is especially valuable for matching ball performance to pattern data over time
- 📅 Use the **Notes** field to capture anything unusual — carry-down, lane transition, equipment changes mid-block

📅 Viewing Your Competition History

All of your logged competitions are stored in your **Competitions** list, organized by type and date. Tapping into any competition shows you a session-by-session breakdown with scores, averages, and any notes you recorded.

-  Filter by competition type — League, Tournament, or Practice
-  See your average score per competition and across your full history
-  Review which balls you used and on which patterns across all sessions

⚠ **Verify:** Confirm the filtering, sorting, and summary options available in the Competitions list view, and whether Pro subscribers have access to additional history or export options.

Editing or Deleting a Session

1. Open the competition containing the session you want to change.
2. Tap or click the session to open it.
3. Tap or click **Edit** to update any details, or **Delete** to remove the session entirely.
4. Confirm your changes.

Note: Deleting a session permanently removes it from your competition history. This action cannot be undone.

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- [Shot & Performance Tracking](#)
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Tip: The more consistently you log sessions — including ball selection, lane pair, and a quick note about conditions — the more useful your competition history becomes. Even a single sentence in the Notes field can jog your memory months later when you return to the same venue.

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