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HASTINGS ROSEMOUNT BOWLS CLUB **COMPETITION RULES and REGULATIONS**

1. The Club Competition Secretary and Assistant Competition Secretary shall control all Club Competitions and their decisions shall be final.
 - (a) Competitions will be posted on the Club Notice Board at the start of the Outdoor Season. All matches will be played by arrangement up to but not including the Clubs Finals Day. (A list of members contact details can be obtained from the Club Secretary).
 - (b) Members are to pay all Green Fees for all Rounds except Finals Day as was decided upon and agreed at the 2010 Annual General Meeting.
 - (c) Members that are unable to make the Club Finals Day are requested to either :- **1)**. Retire from any Competition entered by giving their Opponent the Match before reaching the final stages of the relevant Competition, or **2)**. Refrain from entering any Club Competitions for the Season
2. So far as their directions can be applied to Club events, the Rules of Bowls England and the Sussex County Bowling Association shall control all Club Competitions subject to anything contained in these rules.
3. **Elegibility**
 - (a) The Competitions shall be confined to bonafide members of Hastings Rosemount Bowling Club, on the Proviso that all Club Subscriptions have been paid.
 - (b) Every competitor shall not allow their name to be submitted in the competitions of any other Affiliated Bowling Club
 - (c) **Championship Singles (21 up)** Male Members Only.
 - (d) **Championship Pairs (21 ends)** Male Members Only.
 - (e) **Ladies Singles (21 up)** Female Members Only. (Currently not played).
 - (f) **Drawn Pairs (21 ends)** All Club Members.
 - (g) **Two Wood Pairs (21 ends)** All Club Members.

4. The Draw

The Competition Secretary shall be responsible for making the Draw's using a computerized **Draw Generator**.

5. Preliminary and Round Stages.

- (a) The first named drawn shall be termed the **Challenger/Challengers** and the second the **Opponent/Opponents**.
- (b) The Challenger must contact his opponent to offer **FIVE** clear days notice of a choice of **THREE** dates, the closing date of the Round may be counted as one of these dates, if the Opponent fails to accept one of these dates or agree to another suitable date then the Competition Secretary may issue both competitors with a playing date. Failure **by ONE or BOTH** competitors to comply with this ruling will result in **DISQUALIFICATION** from that Competition.
- (c) If a player or team is not ready or present to play within 15 minutes after the time fixed for that round, the other party may claim a walk-over.
- (d) A claim by any Competitor to be awarded the game under Rule 5 (c) must be made by the **CLAIMANT** on the day of the Competition or in writing to reach the Competition Secretary within **5 DAY'S** of the date of the game that was to have been played.
- (e) The choice of rink will be the Challengers privilege. Rinks will be allocated on **Finals Day**.
- (f) Matches must be played on **Green 1, Rinks 1 – 6 or Green 2 Rinks 7 – 12** depending on availability.

6. Markers and Score Cards

- (a) Markers must be used in **ALL** Singles Matches. The Challenger to be responsible for appointing Markers in the Preliminary/Round Stages of the Competition. In the Finals the Competition Secretary shall appoint the Markers.
- (b) Score cards will be provided. On completion of matches the score cards duly checked and signed by both Players or Skips in the case of Team Competitions to be returned to the designated place in the Clubhouse or given/sent to the Competition Secretary within 48 hours.
- (c) The Winners of any Competition are responsible for returning the score cards.

7. Conditions

- (a) Two Trial Ends will be allowed in all Competitions.
- (b) On the day of a Competition **NO PLAYER** shall play on the Rink before the start of the Competition except in the Trial Ends.
- (c) Any Disputes or Complaints over any Match/Game shall be put to the Competition Secretary within 48 hours for consideration / ruling. The Competition Secretary's decision shall be **FINAL**.

8. Dress

For all rounds up to the Finals the Dress for Competitors and Markers shall be 'Greys' with White / Club Shirts above the waist.
For all Finals the Dress for Competitors and Markers shall be 'Whites'.