

# **THE MELTON OPEN TRIPLES BOWLS LEAGUE**

## **COMPETITION RULES**

- 1.** The League will consist of teams accepted by the Annual General Meeting.
- 2.** Players must be full members of the Club they represent and shall play for one Club only in any one Season. The league to be of an open format, ladies and gents any combination.
- 3.** The method of play will be by three rinks of triples played on an home and away basis. i.e. play clubs twice per season.
- 4.** Scoring will be two points for each winning rink, with one point each for a drawn rink. 4pts for overall score win or 2pts each for an overall draw. Maximum of 10pts per game. Should a rink be a player short, that rink will forfeit the two points.
- 5.** The Home Club will prepare three rinks for the match, opposing skips to toss for choice of the three rinks. Should the game be abandoned, by mutual consent, because of weather or Green conditions, etc the game shall be replayed at the earliest possible date, using the same players wherever possible, ( 12 ends constitutes a game, score to count)
- 6.** Score cards will be submitted to the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible, and in any event to be posted not later than the morning following the game. Each Club will submit the three cards used by their players, duly signed by the opposing skips. Or notify league secretary via E mail.
- 7.** Players in the League are requested to wear white above the waist or Club Shirts Providing all the team wear the same this will denote to other players that a match is in progress.
- 8.** Fixture Secretaries will be sent fixture dates at least 9 months ahead. The League's games will commence late June and terminate the third week in August
- 9.** Where disputes cannot be amicably settled by the two teams or players involved, the Complaint should be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary by the Club or players Concerned. The Secretary will then convene an Extraordinary Meeting comprising The Chairman, or his deputy, the Hon. Secretary. And the delegates from those Clubs not involved, and any complainant or witness who wishes to be heard. If all delegates cannot attend, a quorum consisting of the Chairman (or his deputy), the Secretary and two other delegates may make any decision on behalf of the governing body.
- 10.** The eligibility of Bowls, with regard to date stamping, is entirely the responsibility of the Opponents. Any complaint must be made prior to the commencement of the match, i.e. before the first scoring end.
- 11.** Any Club failing to complete its fixture list without good reason acceptable to the Governing body, may be fined or dismissed from the League at the following A.G.M.

- 12.** The League winner will be decided on the total points gained. In the event of a tie, Shots for & against will determine the winning club.

**Supper to be provided as per agreement at each A.G.M.**

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