

*Please READ and RETAIN for future reference*  
**BEMBRIDGE BOWLING CLUB COMPETITION RULES 2023**

*(Any contravention of these Rules could result in disqualification)*

Competition Committee: Colin Vines – Chairman, Tel.: 874163. Chris Emms. Margaret McKenna.

### **TROPHIES**

Club trophies will be awarded to the competition winners (one trophy for each competition) to hold from presentation for return in sound clean condition by the end of the Bembridge Tournament of the following season. Both individual winners and runners-up will receive a commemorative trophy inscribed with the competition and year, as a keepsake of the event.

### **APPLICATIONS**

Competition entries to be made on the forms provided and returned complete with fee/s.

### **DRESS (To be adhered to at all times)**

**Intermediate Rounds:** Club colours or White above the waist and Grey below. (Grey tailored Shorts may be worn)

**Finals: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September** – Club colours and Whites. (White tailored Shorts may be worn).

**Footwear:** Approved bowling shoes only throughout.

**Markers:** Same Dress Code as above. **If the Marker does not show up and a person is picked at random to mark, who is incorrectly dressed, please inform the Competition Chairman immediately after the game.**

### **COMPETITION GAMES - TIMES/DATES**

To be entered in the CLUB DIARY AVOIDING Green Maintenance periods and County Competitions. Members are reminded that games may be played on “SPARE” rinks during League matches, subject to a minimum of 15 minutes start to the League match prior to the commencement of their game.

### **SCORE CARDS**

Completed score cards stating competition title, date, rink number and contestants duly signed by both players/skips to be placed in the “Competitions Played” facility immediately following the game.

**The result to be entered on the competition chart by a member of the “Competition Committee” only.**

### **RESPONSIBILITY FOR ARRANGING GAMES**

**The Challengers (1<sup>st</sup> named) will make contact with their opponents immediately at the start of the round to arrange a convenient date as soon as possible within the time limit to allow for any holidays or unforeseen circumstances.**

### **SELECTION OF RINKS**

Rinks will be selected in the presence of both team leaders/players by drawing cards for available rinks AND will follow the rink movements as designated on the notice board in relation to rink colour and direction of play (unless on the specific instructions of the Green Keeper or Competition Committee).

**MARKER** (Singles Competition: **N.B. a Marker must be appointed**).

If no Marker is appointed, both players will be disqualified. The Challenger (first named on the competition chart) is responsible for providing the Marker (except for Finals when a Marker will be provided on the day).

**N.B. Rules/Duties for Markers from the “Laws of the Sport of Bowls” are printed on the reverse of this form.**

### **SUBSTITUTES**

No substitute will be permitted in a Singles competition. Only one substitute will be permitted in Pairs/Triples competitions, providing that he/she has not played in the competition already and is **selected** by the **Competition Committee**. If substituted after the first round he/she may not play skip and will become a substantive member of the team. Failure to contact the **Competition Chairman** prior to playing will result in disqualification.

**EXTENSIONS – are to be discouraged but if extenuating circumstances apply must be agreed by the Committee.**

### **FINALS**

Finalists in more than one Final must be prepared to play more than one game per day during Finals weekend.

### **BOWLS LAWS**

Shall be in accordance with “Laws of the Sport of Bowls” as published by Bowls England.

**QUERIES – In the event of queries the Competition Chairman’s decision is final.**