

TOORAK BURNSIDE BOWLING CLUB INC

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RULES OF CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Condition of Entry

To go into the draw for Club Championship events, you must pay your fee by the closing date for nominations, as specified on the entry sheet of each event.

1. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE

The Board will appoint a Club Championships Committee to administer the Club Championships.

2. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS DIRECTOR

The Committee will appoint a Director to run the Club Championships.

3. TIMETABLE

The Committee will prepare a timetable for every event containing the completion dates for each round.

3.1 Completion Dates

Matches must be completed on or before the completion date for that round.

3.2 Dates to be Advised

The Committee may leave some dates to be advised later.

3.3 Designated Days

The Committee *may* decide that all the matches of a round of an event will be played on a designated day. *Refer to the entry forms for details*.

Players may appeal to the Committee to play on an earlier day provided that they can show a reasonable cause.

3.4 Change of Schedule

The Committee may change the completion dates for each round, if necessary.

4. ALLOCATION OF RINKS

4.1 Designated Days

Rinks for play on designated days will be allocated by the Committee.

4.2 Other Matches

Players intending to play a match must put their names on the outside whiteboard at least three days prior to the intended date of play. To assist the Greenkeeper, no play to commence before 10:00am on any day or after 5:00pm on Sunday. Greens are closed on Monday.

Rinks for matches to be played on or before a given completion date will be allocated by the Greenkeeper.

5. INABILITY TO PLAY

5.1 By the Completion Date

A player who is unable to play by the completion date for the round will forfeit the match unless extenuating circumstances exist.

5.2 On a Designated Day

A player who is unable to play on the designated day will forfeit the match unless extenuating circumstances exist and that an alternative arrangement can be made to play the match prior to the designated day.

6. APPEALS AGAINST A FORFEIT

A player may appeal to the Committee against a forfeit on the grounds of extenuating circumstances.

The Committee may waive the forfeit provided that extenuating circumstances exist and that an alternative arrangement can be made to play the match.

The decision of the Committee on an appeal is final.

7. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

The Committee may consider circumstances which are unavoidable and beyond the control of the player to be extenuating.

8. MATCH ELIGIBILITY

8.1 Full Members

Full members are eligible to put their name down for all matches, if they choose to do so. You need to consider your capacity to play all of your matches by the completion dates as decided by the Committee.

8.2 Social Members and Night Owls Players

Night Owls players are eligible to put their name down for the following Club Championships: Open Singles (100 up), 2-Bowl Singles, Minor Singles and Handicap Singles.

8.3 Substitutes in Pairs Matches

A pair may play with one substitute player with the permission of the Committee.

A substitute cannot already be nominated in another pair.

9. COMPETITION FORMATS

9.1 Veterans' Singles

4 bowls

Eligibility: Must be 70 years of age or over at the closing date of nominations.

18 shots in Rounds and Semi Finals

21 in Finals

9.2 Handicap Singles

4 bowls

21 shots in Rounds and Semi Finals with at least one player starting on zero

25 in Finals

For example: If player A is on **-10** and player B is on **-7**, then player A commences on **-3** and player B commences on **0**

9.3 Open 2 Bowl Singles

2 howls

21 shots in Rounds and Semi Finals

25 in Finals

9.4 Minor Singles

4 bowls

Eligibility: Have not won a champion event previously.

Have not played 3 or more games in the top team, Wednesday or Saturday, in the

previous season.

21 shots in Rounds and Semi Finals

25 in Finals

9.5 Men's Singles and Women's Singles

4 bowls

21 shots in Rounds

25 in Semi Finals and Finals

9.6 Men's Pairs, Women's Pairs and Mixed Pairs

4 bowls

All pairs matches are to be played in a 2-2-2-2 format

12 ends in Rounds

15 ends Semi Finals and Finals

9.7 Open Singles (100 Up)

4 bowls

The first player to reach 100 points is the winner.

On each end 4 points are awarded to the closest bowl; 3 points for the next closest, then 2 points and 1 point for the next two bowls, respectively. If the scores are tied at 100 points, then extra ends are played to decide the winner.

Once the jack is rolled, it must be centralised and placed on a washer. If, during play, the jack is moved, it must be returned to its original position on the washer. If this is prevented by the presence of a bowl on the washer, the jack must be placed close to and directly in front of the said bowl but not touching it.

10. PRACTICE

No practice or other matches are allowed on the day of an event as this may provide an unfair advantage.

A two end roll up should take place directly before the commencement of a match.

11. CRITERIA FOR HANDICAPPING

- -12 Open Singles Champion
- -12 Men's and Women's Singles Champion
- -12 Last year's winner of Handicap Singles if in the first team
- -11 **Skipper** in the first team
- -10 **Third** in the first team
- -8 **Lead** and **Second** in the first team
- -8 **Skipper** in the second team
- -6 **Third** in the second team
- -6 Last year's winner of an event, if not in the first team
- -4 **Lead** and **Second** in the second team
- -4 **Skipper** in the third team
- -2 All other pennant players
- 0 New bowlers (first season)

12. DRESS

Club Uniform in Finals Casual clothing in Minor Rounds and Semi Finals

13. CANCELLATION OF MATCHES

Matches will be cancelled when the forecast temperature at 7:30am on the day of play is 38°C (men) or 36°C (women, pairs). Matches need to be rescheduled.

14. SEEDING – MEN'S SINGLES AND WOMEN'S SINGLES

Last year's winner on top Last year's runner up on bottom

15. MARKERS FOR SINGLES MATCHES

The person whose name appears on the top of the draw must arrange a marker.

Toorak Burnside Bowling Club Inc Rules of Club Championships updated 18 June 2024