

STORRINGTON BOWLING CLUB

MEN'S/MIXED SINGLES COMPETITIONS & RULES

4 Wood Competitions: **CHAMPIONSHIP**
 LINDSAY (Handicap)
 RAVENSCROFT (Handicap)

(Only open to those players who have not previously won this Competition)

MURPHY CUP

(Only open to players with a handicap of three or below)

MIXED VETERANS CUP

(Only open to players over 70 years of age)

2 Wood Competition: **COOPER (Handicap)**

Arrangement of Matches - In all Singles Competitions the FIRST named shall be the 'Challenger' and shall be responsible for arranging the match by contacting his/her Opponent at least **14** days before the closing date for the relevant round. Once a date has been agreed the information must be entered into the Club Diary showing details and times. The 'Challenger' is responsible for ensuring an appropriate marker is also arranged for the match.

If the 'Opponent' has not been contacted by the 'Challenger' at least 14 days before the closing date of the relevant round he/she then becomes responsible for arranging a date and must make every effort to ensure that the match is played on time. If the 'Challenger' is unable to contact the 'Opponent' or the 'Opponent' has not been contacted by the 'Challenger' prior to the last 14 days, The Competition Secretary MUST be advised that dates have not been offered prior to the last 14 days.

Non Completion of Matches and Extensions - The Competition Secretary shall have the right to DISQUALIFY offending Players if matches are not played by the due closing date. Any requests for extension of time are to be submitted to the Competition Secretary as soon as possible. Any extension will only be granted after discussion by the Competitions Secretary with the Captain and in exceptional circumstances only (normally illness or bereavement). Lack of time due to other bowling commitments will not be considered a reason for any extension to be given.

In the event of any match not being completed due to unforeseen circumstances the Competition Secretary will have sole discretion in determining the result of the match.

Substitutes – No substitutes are allowed in Singles matches. Substitutes will generally only be allowed in other disciplines in cases in of illness or bereavement (to a player or a close relative) and if permitted shall be of similar or lower handicap to the player they are replacing. Similarly a substitute may only play in the position that the player he/she is replacing played in during the previous round - or in a lower position.

Playing Conditions - All 4 BOWL matches will be 21 UP (but see below re additions to 21 for Handicap matches). The 2 BOWL match will be played over 21 ENDS and *only Bowls within 1 metre of the jack will count.* Two trial ends will be allowed. NO PLAYER must have played on the rink on the day of the match. Rink markers must under no circumstances be moved to facilitate playing on a particular setting.

Handicaps - In handicap matches the smaller figure is subtracted from the higher, that difference is then added to 21 - viz a 4 Handicap player against 7 handicap = 3 difference so that the 7 Handicap player would need to score 24 shots to win the game.

In the TWO WOOD Competition the handicap difference is halved. Any fractions are to be ignored. 21 Ends are played and the Handicap Difference should be entered on the card at the start of the game. If neither player is within one metre of the jack the end still counts. In the event of the scores being tied after 21 ENDS extra ends must be played until a result is achieved.

Number of Competitions - Only THREE Competitions are allowed on the Green in the morning and afternoon sessions. FOUR may be booked in the evenings. SPECIFIC RINKS may NOT be pre-booked except for external competitions (see notes in front of Booking Diary) and rinks usage shall be as determined on the green rink usage notice board..

One Day Competitions and Finals Day – All players are required to be on the designated rink and ready to commence play with the correct equipment, at the time as laid down in a program or on the Club Notice Board - or notified verbally by the Competition Secretary. The Competitions Secretary shall have the power to penalise the defaulting team, if a player (or member of a team) is not ready for play at the designated time unless a valid reason has been given prior to the occurrence.

IN THE EVENT OF ANY DISPUTE THE DECISION OF THE COMPETITION SECRETARY IS FINAL.