WYMESWOLD MIXED TRIPLES LEAGUE

RULES

1) The League

This is a mixed triples league, and is run by Wymeswold BC. It consists of two divisions of nine teams playing each other on a Home and Away basis. Games are played on a Wednesday evening and are under EBA rules.

2) Management

- a) The League shall be governed by Wymeswold BC Officers Committee, including the league Secretary.
- b) The League Secretary shall be responsible for the day to day running of the league, and shall be answerable to the Wymeswold BC Officers Committee for any decisions made.
- c) The Committee shall meet as often as occasion demands.

3) The Game

- a. Each game shall consist of 3 rinks of mixed triples, three bowls per player.
- b. Each mixed triple shall contain three players, either one lady and two men or two ladies and one man. No single gender triples will be allowed.
- c. No visiting of the head is allowed by any player during the game.

4) The Team

- a. Each constituent team shall be registered with the league, but players will not be registered individually.
- b. Each constituent team shall be made up of nine mixed male & female playing members from the same club.
- c. Clubs with more than one registered team may substitute players between each team, and may also use any playing member of the same club.
- d. Two points shall be forfeit for any triple not playing due to insufficient players being present at the appropriate green and time, and ten shots shall be added to the opposing team's aggregate score. The offending team shall also be deducted two points from their total

league table points for each rink that they have failed to play, unless this has been arranged and agreed with the opposing team's captain not less than FOUR HOURS prior to the commencement time of the match.

- e. No rink can play with less than three players.
- f. No player shall be eligible to play for more than one club during a season.

5) Playing Season, Conditions of Play, Start Times, Postponements

- a) The season shall commence in April and end in August.
- b) Matches to commence at 6:00 pm April Aug.
- c) The Committee shall have the power to extend the end of the season by one week.
- d) Each match shall take place on the green of the HOME team.
- e) No games shall be cancelled for any reason other than an unfit green or in exceptional circumstances, without the prior approval of the League Secretary. ALL GAMES MUST BE PLAYED.
- f) Postponed and abandoned matches shall be rearranged and played within 2 weeks of the original fixture date. Unless by prior agreement of the League Secretary.
- g) When a match has been abandoned, if ALL rinks have completed twelve or more ends the result shall be based on the scores at twelve ends.
- h) The rearrangement of a game shall be decided between the two team captains, with the team requesting the rearrangement being offered two alternative dates by the opposing team captain, on which to play the game.
- Rearranged games may be played on any day of the week available to the two teams, including weekends.
- j) Rearranged games not played within the allowed 2 week period shall result in the team originally requesting the rearrangement, conceding the game. This team shall score no points and the opposition shall be awarded the full eight points for the game, and thirty shots (see rule 5. f.).
- k) In the event of a green being declared unplayable, by the home team's green keeper, the game may be played on the away team's green, with the agreement of the away team captain, and the availability of their green.

It is the responsibility of the home team captain to inform the League Secretary of any postponements or cancellations, the reason given for the cancellation, and the date that the rearranged game will be played on. This information should be passed on prior to the deadline for reporting their results, as per Rule 6. e.

6. **Scoring**

- a) Each match shall carry eight points. Each rink shall carry two points for a win and one point for a draw. Overall aggregate score shall carry two points for a win and one point for a draw.
- b) The team in each division gaining the highest number of points shall be declared the winner of that division. Where two or more teams are level on points the team with the highest points difference shall be declared division winner.
- c) Reporting of all results shall be the responsibility of the HOME TEAM ONLY.
- d) The methods of reporting results, in order of preference, are: email Text Telephone.
- e) Results shall be reported to the league secretary no later than 10:00pm, two days following the completion of the game.
- f) Two consecutive instances of late reporting of results shall carry a 1 Point deduction penalty. All further instances shall carry the same 1 Point deduction penalty. This rule also applies to all abandoned matches.

7. Promotion & Relegation

The top two teams from Division 2 shall be promoted to Division 1, and the bottom two teams of the Division 1 shall be relegated to Division 2.

8. Trophies

- a) The League shall provide a suitable trophy for each division winner and runner up. All trophies shall remain the property of the League and cannot be won outright.
- b) Each trophy winning team shall undertake to keep the trophy in good & clean order throughout the period that it is in their possession, and to hand it back in same condition no later than one week prior to the date of the last fixture of the season.
- c) The League reserves the right to charge for repair and/or cleaning costs where the trophies are returned in poor or dirty condition.

Amendments