

St Lucia Bowling Club

Competition Rules

(as approved by Council 22/1/03)

1. Rules.

Games shall be played under the Laws of the Game of Bowls in Australia. Only Members who are financial as at the closing date for entries are eligible to compete.

2. Notice Board Timetable

Dates for each event will be advised on the Club Notice Board by the Games Director when entries are called.

Games to be played will be listed on the Notice board at least one week before the scheduled date of play, and will be on the basis of "Play – Substitute – or Forfeit". Any substitution will require the approval of the appointed umpire before the scheduled starting time of the game, and any reconstitution the approval of the Games Director.

Games Programme (Approved by Council 27/10/10)

All games will be called according to a calendar of play for that competition. If one player in the team is unavailable on the call, there are two options-

- The team brings in a substitute, or reconstitutes
- By mutual agreement of all players, the game is called before the following round date. (eg if called for 20th, then it must be played by 27th.)

If a team has more than one player unavailable, then-

- The team forfeits or reconstitutes
- By mutual agreement of all players, the game is called before the following round date.

The **Grand Final** is the only match that can be postponed to a date suitable to both teams

3. Timetable Changes

Bad weather or circumstances beyond the Club's control may necessitate timetable changes. Games may be played before the scheduled times or dates, provided both sides agree and the Greens Director is able to make the arrangements necessary for play.

The onus is on the team seeking a change to get agreement from their opponents. In all instances it is the sole responsibility of skips to advise their team members of playing arrangements.

4. Substitutes – Eligibility

(a) To be eligible to play as a substitute in a team a player must have been a financial member of this Club at the date on which competition entries close [see Law 39A(i)]

(b) Where a player is entered in a Championship team of two separate Clubs and is called to play in both events at the same time, he must decide which event he is to contest. Should the player decide to play in the other Club's event then he may be disqualified from the St Lucia Bowling Club event and his position declared vacant. The Games Director may allow an eligible player to take his place in the vacated position as a constituted player of the team see Law 39B(iv)]

5. Trial Ends

Before the start of any match or on the resumption of play on another day, one trial end each way may be played. This must be completed prior to the stipulated commencing time of the match concerned.

6. Starting Times/Forfeits

When any team or player has failed to be in position to commence play 30 minutes after the scheduled starting time, the game shall be awarded to the opponent unless the Games Director specifies otherwise [see Law 61(v)]

7. Practice

Players may practice before matches on the same green and in the same direction as the game but not on the same rink as allocated for the game

8. Allocation of Rinks

The allocation of rinks for competition shall be the decision of the Games Director or, in his absence, a member of the Games Committee. Such decision will be final. This decision is to be made after consultation with the Greens Director as to the best rinks available.

9. Afternoon Tea.

In pairs, triples and fours matches, the Club's normal afternoon tea break will be taken unless both sides agree to play straight through, or the Games Director directs that play continue because of special circumstances (e.g. weather). In singles, there will be no afternoon tea break unless both players agree to take one.

10. Grading of Singles Players

Members are encouraged to enter all championship singles events. All members are eligible to enter the “A” singles competition. All members are eligible to enter the “B” singles competition except members who have previously won a “B” singles competition, or an “A” singles competition.

All members are eligible to enter the “C” singles competition except members who have previously won a “C” singles competition, or an “A” or “B” singles competition.

Members who have commenced bowls within the previous two years are eligible to enter the Novice singles competition unless they have won an A,B,C or Novice singles competition.

11. Markers

All entrants in Singles events shall make themselves available as Markers during Singles championships. It is the responsibility of the nominated Marker to arrange a substitute if he is unavailable at any time

Championship singles entrants may be called to mark “B”, “C”, or Novice games and vice versa.

12. Green Fees

Green fees are payable for all games at the rate applicable to the day and time of play.

13. Score Cards

Score cards, duly signed by both skips, and recording the time of completion of the competition (and also the Marker in Singles games) shall be handed to the Games Director immediately on the completion of play.

14. Exemptions – Saturday morning

Exemptions from morning play will only be granted to those normally employed on Saturday mornings, and those so affected should advise the Games Director at the time of submitting their entry.

15. Duration of Games

Singles 25 up Pairs 21 ends Triples 21 ends Fours 21 ends

Games will not be reduced in duration. If incomplete because of inclement weather or any other reason, they will be completed at a time set by the Games Director.

16. Games Director

The Games Director has been appointed by Council (the Controlling Body) to exercise its powers on its behalf in relation to play in all Club Competition games. A member may appeal against a decision of the Games Director and the appeal shall be heard by a Committee comprising the President or Vice President as Chairman, and any two Selectors

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Club Attire

The following general guidelines will assist members in determining what attire is suitable for Club play – i.e below Pennant standard

1. Shirts and trousers (including shorts) cream or white.
2. .Shorts to be worn with long cream or long white socks or the official BA short socks
3. Bowls attire bearing the official BA logo. This also includes coloured shirts and trousers worn in special past competitions and club's shirts acquired by members of a former club.
4. Whilst the Club strongly prefers whites or cream, coloured shirts and trousers can be worn. Multi-coloured garish attire is not acceptable.
5. Hats and shoes to be of the type acceptable to Bowls Queensland.
6. All attire to be neat and tidy. Players should reflect favourably on themselves and the Club. Shirts to be tucked in where practicable

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based on Pennant Selection Policy approved by Council 24th August 2002

Selections

1. Selectors, at all times and without exception, place the interests of the Club ahead of individual players.
2. Teamwork will be encouraged by the selecting, as far as possible of teams which have a **balance of ability, compatibility and experience**.
3. Promising players will be given the opportunity of advancement to higher playing levels based on performance, taking into account criteria as expressed in 2, and by trialling, either in structured training sessions, or in competitive games. If evidence of appropriate performance for a higher level is demonstrated, they will be considered for promotion accordingly.
4. If any player feels he has a **legitimate** grievance concerning the selection process, he may raise it by approaching the Selectors personally to present his case, which will be heard and considered. However, **second hand or frivolous, on the side, or “bar room” generated complaints** are not encouraged, and will not be seriously considered.
5. Players are requested to respect the difficult and onerous task placed upon selectors, to which they devote their best efforts. Regrettably, and almost invariably, some players experience disappointment at resulting outcomes.

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BYO Alcohol Policy endorsed by Council 25th June 2007

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that St Lucia Bowling Club complies with the obligations of its Liquor Licence and the Liquor Act as well as acting consistently in these matters with all Members.

BYO alcohol shall be permitted at SLBC for members who have booked the Club for a private social event and will be limited to special beverages which the Club does not generally provide, e.g. higher priced wines and champagnes.

Members holding social events at the Club will be expected to use the Club bar for regular drinks and pay normal bar prices.

Members using the bar for private social events are required to pay for the cost of bar staff.

All other BYO alcohol shall be prohibited in respect to both Members and Visitors.

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Tattersall's Bowls Club Charity Day- conditions as agreed 2/9/2011

Tattersall's will

- Donate a keg of beer
- Start selling raffle tickets on the Day at about 11am

St Lucia will

- Donate one-half of the green fees to Tattersalls
- Provide pre-game refreshments (tea, coffee and biscuits)
- Provide afternoon tea (sandwiches, cake, tea and coffee) from 2pm to 2.45pm
- Provide nibbles after the game which will finish about 4.15pm

Club Hire Policy

- approved by Council 14th December 2011

As a general rule the clubhouse is not hired to outside persons or organisations, however consideration can be given to hiring to Members, Sponsors, and organisations who support activities associated with lawn bowls.

Members and Sponsors

The Clubhouse may be used by Members, their families, and Sponsors of the Club upon payment of a nominal fee of \$50.

A Club Member must be in attendance at the event and take responsibility for the care of the property and ensure the Clubhouse is left in a clean state.

If the function requires bar facilities a duly accredited bar attendant approved by Council is required, payment for the employment of the bar attendant is to be met by the hirer. Licensing Laws require that all alcohol consumed on the premises is to be provided from the bar. Bar prices will be at Member rates.

Out of consideration for local residents a curfew of 10.00pm for all events will apply.

Licensing Laws require all non members to sign the Visitors Book located in the Bar

Not-for-Profit Community Organisations

Council may agree for some Not-for-Profit organizations to use the clubhouse for the purpose of regular monthly meetings. Such organizations are to comply with the policies and values of St Lucia Bowling Club.

A clubhouse hire fee of \$100 per month will apply. This hire will be for the use of the clubhouse only - neither use of Bar facility nor Club greens is permitted.

Other organizations:

The Clubhouse is normally available for hire by outside groups supporting activities associated with lawn bowls. The Club encourages outside organizations' participation in the sport of bowls and will assist in organizing and providing bowls facilities where numbers warrant.

Outside groups wishing to use the Club's bowls facilities will be charged \$10 per person with a minimum charge of \$200. The Club's gas BBQ facilities can be made available for an additional nominal charge of \$50.

Licensing Laws require all Non-members to sign the Visitors Book located in the Bar. All Outside Groups are required to provide a list of attendees at the commencement of their event.

Should the number of visitors exceed 100, a security firm is to be present with the cost borne by the hirer.

Licensing Laws require all alcohol consumed on the premises to be purchased from the Club's Bar. When Bar facilities are required, the Club Providedore, or a responsible person appointed by the Providedore, will ensure that this facility is made available.

For outside groups seeking to book the Club for bowls activities, initial enquiries are to be made by contacting the Club's Secretary. (see *website for details: www.stluciabowls.org.au*)

Extreme Weather Policy

approved by Council 14 December 2011

General

Players are to be encouraged to interrupt or suspend play when temperatures become excessive.

An individual member can decide to stop playing any time he feels uncomfortable due to heat or humidity.

Extreme Temperature

All competitors and spectator are encouraged to wear head protection

The controlling body has the discretion to suspend or discontinue play at any time.

When the temperature reaches 35°C in the shade, players must be notified of the reading and the club's recommendation to suspend play. The decision to do so, however, is up to individual players and skips. Should a member of a team wish to withdraw from the game, he shall be free to do so without penalty.

In competition, all play is to be suspended at this temperature.

Heat Stress/Heat Exhaustion

In the event of a player being overcome by heat stress or exhaustion, there should be no delay in seeking emergency assistance and dialling 000.

An oxygen bottle with face mask is available in the cupboard inside the double doors of the club house, together with a manual pump for CPR purposes.

A couch in the Ladies room is available should a player need to rest or it be necessary to treat a member for heat exhaustion, sudden illness, or injury.

Lightning 30/30 Rule

Play must cease immediately it is apparent that lightning is threatening and within approximately 8-10kms from the greens.

This will be when the time between the lightning flash and the hearing of the noise of thunder is **30 seconds or less**.

Subject to the Controlling Body's permission, play may resume when no thunder is heard for 30 minutes.