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PARTS 2 & 3

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NEW FOREST BOWLING ASSOCIATION

LEAGUE & COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS (Re-Issued March 2024)

Incorporating all amendments agreed at AGMs and SGMs of the Association.
These Rules and Regulations take precedence over all previously published editions.

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PART TWO

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

C. 1 ELIGIBILITY

- (a) **All players** shall be bona-fide members belonging to the men’s section of a club affiliated to the Association. The only exceptions are for players entering the Pritchard Memorial Trophy and the Australian Pairs (Highcliffe Trophy) competitions. Mixed club entries are not permitted.
- (b) **Players who are members of more than one club** may enter competitions and may be nominated to play in league and Association matches. During any season they may only play for one (and the same) club.
- (c) **A player who has been eliminated from any round** in any competition shall take no further part in that competition for that year.
- (d) **Entry Fees** for all competitions shall be agreed at a previous General Meeting and shown on the Competition entry forms.
- (e) **Submission of Entry Forms.** Entry Forms with all players individually named thereon must be received by the Competition Secretary on or before the last day of February. All entry fees must accompany the Entry Forms.
- (f) Should none of an original entry be available to play then the entry is void.

C. 2 LAWS OF THE GAME

Competitions shall be played under the current Laws of the Sport of Bowls as approved and published By Bowls England, and these Regulations.

C. 3 COMPETITIONS – Competitions held by the Association are:

- (a) **League Championships** – The NFBA League consists of four Divisions (1 to 4) each with a maximum of eight teams, and each team comprising four rinks of triples; and Division 5 (and 6 if required) with a maximum of eight teams, each comprising two rinks of triples. For the purpose of considering applications from clubs to enter new teams in the League under Rule C.4 (d), Division 4 shall be considered the lowest Division.

At the completion of each season, the top team in each division shall be awarded the following Trophy, to be held for one year:

- i. Division 1 winners - Jack Rooke Cup
- ii. Division 2 winners - New Milton Cup
- iii. Division 3 winners - Bush Trophy
- iv. Division 4 winners - George Sumner Trophy
- v. Division 5 winners - Ron Wye Trophy
- vi. (Division 6 winners - George Bisson Cup - not currently used)

- (b) **League Knockout Competitions** (See Appendix 1)

- (c) **Knockout Competitions**, which are:

- i **Jack Rooke Trophy** - Singles (4 woods, 21 shots)
- ii **Edgar Moss Trophy** - Pairs (4 woods, 18 ends)
- iii **Ringwood BC Trophy** - Triples (3 woods, 18 ends)
- iv **Pritchard Memorial Trophy** - Fours (2 woods, 18 ends)
This competition is open to both male and female competitors, the maximum number of female competitors per team being two (2). Female competitors shall be members of a club, the men's section of which is affiliated to the New Forest Bowling Association. To be played as per the programme produced by the Competition Secretary.
- v **Roberts Adlard Trophy - Champion of Champions** - Singles (4 woods, 21 shots)
Competitors shall be the previous season's singles champion of each affiliated club. Substitutes are not permitted. All rounds shall be played on a mutually acceptable green.
- vi **Ralph Curtis Cup - Officers Singles Championship** - Singles (4 woods, 21 shots)
This competition is open to Officers of all affiliated clubs, with a maximum of four (4) entries per club, together with the Executive Officers of the Association.
- vii **George Sumner Cup - Over 65 Two Wood Pairs** - Pairs (2 woods, 21 ends)
This competition is open to competitors over 65 on 1st April in the year of entry.
- viii **Highcliffe Trophy** - Australian Pairs (4 woods, 18 ends)
This competition is open to both male and female competitors, the maximum number of female competitors per team being one (1). Female competitors shall be members of a club, the men's section of which is affiliated to the New Forest Bowling Association.
- ix **The Stephens Trophy** - Singles Plate (Beaten 1st Round singles players)
- x **Downton Trophy** - Pairs Plate (Beaten 1st Round pairs players)
- xi **Waterside Trophy** - Australian Pairs Plate (Beaten 1st Round players)

- (a) **Name** - A league known as the “**NEW FOREST LEAGUE**” shall be open to all clubs affiliated to the Association and they may enter more than one team.
- (b) **Composition** - The league shall comprise a number of Divisions each consisting of not more than eight (8) teams.
- (c) **Promotion and Relegation** - Promotion and relegation between Divisions 1 to 4 shall take place on the basis of the two (2) top teams in Divisions 2 to 4 being promoted into the next higher Division, and the two (2) bottom teams in Divisions 1 to 3 being relegated to the next lower Division. The club finishing top in Division One shall be the League Champions.
- (d) **Application by Clubs for new teams to enter the League** - Clubs wishing to enter new teams in the League must submit an application in writing to the League Secretary by 31st October for approval at the AGM. New teams accepted for admission to the League shall only be admitted to the lowest Division appropriate to the number of rinks applied for. Any club applying for re-election or to enter a new team in the League, may, if they so wish, make a presentation to members at the AGM.
- (e) **Filling vacancies in the League** - The two (2) teams to fill vacancies in the lowest Division shall be decided at the AGM, and selected in the following order from clubs which have applied for re-election or entry into the League under Rule C.4(c) and (d):-
- i By a team from a club which, by leaving the Division, would completely lose its representation in the League.
 - ii By other clubs which have applied for re-election or entry into the League, except that, if there are more teams than vacancies, then the team/s to enter the League shall be decided by a ballot.
- (f) **Filling vacancies if a team withdraws** -
- i If a team which has been included in the league withdraws **before the start of the season**, the Executive Committee may decide how the vacancy shall be filled.
 - ii If a team withdraws from the League during a season, all games played against that team shall be considered void. If the team is not in Division 4, then, at the end of the season, only the bottom team in that Division will be relegated to the next lower Division.

(a) General:

- i **Composition of teams** (Divisions 1 – 4) - Each team shall consist of four rinks of triples and shall play home and away with each other team in accordance with the Division programme, as drawn up by the League Secretary for presentation to the Council at its Spring meeting, subject to any necessary variation.
- ii **More than one team from one club in the same Division** - Should more than one team from any one club play in the same Division, then the fixtures shall be so arranged that these teams play each other as early in the season as possible in each half of the season.
- iii **Start of play** - Matches will commence not later than 6.15 pm. (1815 hrs), subject to the exception as defined in (b) below.
- iv Eighteen (18) ends shall be played by each rink, the rinks being allocated by draw.
- v Visitors will cast the first Jack.
- vi There will be two (2) trial ends.
- vii Rink score boards will be kept in place until the match is finished.
- viii All completed score cards, signed by the skips of each rink, shall be kept and produced at the request of the League Secretary.

(b) **Player Shortage:**

- i **One player short** - Should any rink be short of a player at the time of commencement of play – fifteen (15) minutes grace being allowed – play will continue in accordance with the following chart, the first column being when the Full Team has the Jack and the second column being when the short team has the Jack. If, at any time during the game, the missing player becomes available to play, he may join his rink and play will resume in the normal way. The joining player will not play trial ends. There will be no reduction of the score of the defaulting team.

	<u>Team A</u>		<u>Team B</u>
	Jack		Jack
Bowl 1	A Lead	Bowl 1	B Lead
Bowl 2	B Lead	Bowl 2	A Lead
Bowl 3	A Lead	Bowl 3	A Two
Bowl 4	A Two	Bowl 4	B Lead
Bowl 5	B Lead	Bowl 5	A Lead
Bowl 6	A Lead	Bowl 6	A Two
Bowl 7	A Two	Bowl 7	B Lead
Bowl 8	B Lead	Bowl 8	A Lead
Bowl 9	A Two	Bowl 9	A Two

Skips then play alternately in the usual way.

- ii **More than one player short** - Should a rink be short of more than one player at the due time for commencement of play – fifteen (15) grace being allowed - the point for this rink plus ten (10) shots, will be awarded to the complete team.

- (c) **Substitution of Players during the course of a game** - If during the course of a game a player has to leave the green owing to illness or other reasonable cause, his place may be taken by a substitute who shall be a member of the same club eligible to play in that Division. The substitute must play in the same position as the player he has replaced. Play shall resume where it was left off when the stoppage occurred, except that, if the stoppage occurred before an end was completed and the score determined, that end will be declared dead and will be replayed.

If no substitution is made and play on that rink continues.

If no substitution is made and both captains have not agreed that play on that rink should be abandoned, no more than ten (10) minutes having elapsed, play should continue, the remaining ends being played in accordance with Rule C.5 (b). The aggregate scores before and after the stoppage occurred shall be taken as the final score for that rink.

If no substitution is made and both captains agree that play on the rink is abandoned, then either:

- (a) If less than twelve (12) ends have been completed the point for the rink shall be awarded to the complete team, plus ten (10) shots or the shots difference at the last completed end, whichever is the greater, or
- (b) If twelve (12) ends or more have been completed, then the score at the end of the last completed end shall be taken as the final score for that rink.

If a game is abandoned because of illness or other reasonable cause, then Rule C.5 (d) iv (a), and (b) shall apply.

Agreed Substitution of Players during the course of a game – Prior to the commencement of a League match in Divisions 3, 4, 5 and 6, either Captain can inform his opposing Captain of his intention to substitute any named player(s) on his team at the conclusion of the 9th (ninth) end with another named eligible player, who must play in the same position as the substituted player. Once the opposing Captain has been so informed, that substitution must take place.

- (d) i **Teams to be ready to play** - It is expected that visiting teams will turn up prepared to play unless warned by an official of the home club that weather or ground conditions preclude play.
- ii **Change of Programme** - If a change in programme is required, other than for weather or ground conditions, and after agreement with the other club concerned, the club requiring the change shall give at least seven (7) days notice to the League Secretary, giving reasons for the request. Providing the League Secretary considers the request valid a new date shall be arranged. If the request is considered invalid or not agreed to by the other club concerned, should the club making the request fail to play in accordance with the programme or fulfil the rearranged fixture, that club shall score nothing and eight (8) points shall be credited together with twenty (20) shots to the opponents.
- iii No club will be allowed to postpone a match programmed to be played during Open Tournament weeks excepting only for ground or weather conditions.
- iv **Not being able to start or finish a match.** - All re-arranged or delayed matches must be completed before the penultimate scheduled match of the season. If a date cannot be mutually agreed between both teams, the home team must offer the away team not less than three dates, which must be before the penultimate scheduled match of the season, on which to play the re-arranged or delayed match. In the event that the opposing team cannot accept any of the dates offered, the match shall be awarded to the home team which shall receive eight (8) points and twenty (20) shots. In the event that weather or ground conditions prevent the penultimate or final match of the season being played before the date of the final scheduled match, each team shall be awarded four (4) points (no shots shall be awarded). If the penultimate or final match of the season cannot be played, for any reason other than weather or ground conditions, the matter

must be reported immediately to the League Secretary, who shall, after hearing evidence from both teams, decide on the award, or not, of points to each team. The decision of the League Secretary in such matters will be final.

(a) Weather Conditions

When, in the opinion of the greenkeeper or his nominee, or the home team Captain, it is impracticable or unsafe to either start or finish a match on account of weather/green conditions the match shall be played/resumed within fourteen (14) days on the same green on a date agreed by the two Captains. The result of the agreement shall be notified to the League Secretary within 24 hours by the home club.

(b) Special Circumstances

If there are special circumstances preventing a match being played within 21 days, the League Secretary may agree a reasonable extension of time within the League programme. For failure to reach an agreement to start or resume a match, a liability may be imposed of eight (8) points and twenty (20) shots credited to their opponents.

For a game which has started and then stopped, the following shall apply - Wherever possible the composition of the Rinks must be the same as in the delayed match.

- (a) For a game which has to stop before five (5) ends** have been completed on all rinks, then it shall be abandoned and started again from scratch.
- (b) For a game which has to stop after five (5) ends** have been completed, but before twelve (12) ends have been completed on all rinks, then the game shall be resumed at the start of the end being played when it was stopped; trial ends shall be played.
- (c) If all rinks have completed twelve (12) or more ends** then the game shall be considered complete and the score taken as the final score.

- (e)
 - i **Points score for League games** - In each match four (4) points will be awarded to the club with the higher aggregate score for the four rinks. In the event of a tie, two (2) points will be awarded to each club. In addition, one (1) point will be awarded for each winning rink and half a point to each drawn rink.
 - ii **Award of Trophies** - The winners and runners-up in each Division shall hold the appropriate trophy for one (1) year, the Trophy to remain the property of the Association. In the event of a tie in the number of points held by two (2) or more clubs, the shots difference shall be taken into consideration and the winner shall be the club with the greatest difference. In addition, the winning club in each Division shall be entitled to receive and retain a "Division Winners" Heraldic Shield.
 - iii **Return of Trophies** - It is the responsibility of the previous year's winners/runners-up to return Trophies to the League Secretary by no later than 1st September each year.
 - iv **Notification of results to League Secretary** - The result of each League match shall be detailed on a result card, a blank copy of which may be downloaded from the Association's web site and on which the names of all the players participating shall be entered.
The completed card shall be signed by both Captains, and the home Captain shall arrange to send a scanned copy to the League Secretary by email, to reach him as soon as possible after the match, but in any event by no later than 4 pm on the Friday of the week in which the match was played.

Failure to report the match result to the League Secretary by the time stated shall result in one (1) point being deducted from the home team.
 - v **Notification of results to Press Officer** – At the same time, scanned copies of the match result cards should be sent to the Press Officer (if appointed) and the Webmaster.
- (f) **Restrictions on playing for different teams in any week.**

- i A member who has played in a League match in any week may not play in a different team In the same week. (Monday to Sunday).
- ii Any team violating this rule shall lose the points and shots for the rink in which that member played in his second game.
- iii This rule shall not apply to a member who started a game which is stopped because of adverse weather, and where the game is resumed in a different week.

(g) Restrictions on playing for different teams during the last three matches.

In the last three (3) matches of the season any player who has played in a higher Division or team in all of the three matches prior to the match being played may not play in a lower Division or team. Any team violating this rule shall forfeit one (1) point and ten (10) shots being awarded to the opponents. Any team violating this rule with more than one (1) player in the same match, shall forfeit the match with eight (8) points and twenty (20) shots being awarded to the opponents.

(h) Protection of the green

- i **Use of protective mats** - At the sole discretion of the home club at which the match is being played, protective mats may be used on as many rinks as may be necessary for a part or the whole of the game in order to protect the surface of the green.
- ii **Damage caused by the delivery of woods or by any other action** - If a player from either team is seen to be causing damage to the green the Captain of the home team shall be advised. If the damage is being caused by a player from the opposing team, the home Captain must advise the Captain of the opposing team.
- iii **Action to be taken** -
 - (a) A first warning shall be given to the player concerned by his team Captain.
 - (b) If the player continues to cause damage to the green, a second and final warning will be given.
 - (c) If the player does not take notice of this second warning, and depending on which team the player is on, the home Captain has permission to require the opposing Captain to withdraw that player from the match, or to require his player to withdraw from the match.

C.5A LEAGUE DIVISION 5 and 6

- (a) **Composition** - Division 5 and 6 will each be made up of not more than eight teams comprising 2 rinks of triples and will play home and away games with each other team in accordance with the Division programme.
- (b) **Promotion and Relegation** - Teams will not automatically be promoted from Division 5. The bottom two teams in Division 5 will be relegated to Division 6 and will be replaced by the top two teams in Division 6.
- (c) **Application from clubs for new teams to enter the League** - If there is a vacancy in Division 5 or 6 then clubs have until 1st March to enter a team to fill the vacancy. Clubs entering teams in this Division will not have to seek approval at an AGM and the final make-up of the Division and arrangements for play will be decided by the League Secretary and Executive Committee if required.
- (d) **Points score for League games** - In each match two (2) points will be awarded to the club for the aggregate score for the two rinks. In the event of a tie, one (1) point will be awarded to each club. In addition, one (1) point will be awarded to each winning rink and half a point to each drawn rink.

- (e) **League winners retention shield** - The club with the highest number of points in each Division at the end of the season will be entitled to receive the League Winners retention shield.
- (f) **Other rules to apply** - In all other respects the League Rules governing play will apply, except that any penalties will be halved.

C.6 - C.7 COMPETITION RULES

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C.6 KNOCKOUT COMPETITIONS

- (i) The format of play for all Association knockout competitions shall be as set out in the current edition of the Laws of the Sport of Bowls (including domestic regulations for Bowls England), and these regulations.
- (ii) Start time shall normally be 6.15 pm unless mutually agreed otherwise between the competitors.
- (iii) Trial ends - Before the start of play in any game, or on the resumption of play in any unfinished game, one trial end in each direction shall be played by each player.
- (a) **Finals Day** - The Finals of the Association knockout competitions shall be held at the President's Club on dates to be arranged. Dress shall be as set out in Section D.1 - Dress Code. Bowls stickers for finalists will be provided by the Association.
- (b) **Trophies are to remain the property of the Association** - All challenge trophies presented to the winners of the Association Competitions shall remain the property of the New Forest Bowling Association. It is the responsibility of the previous year's winners/losing finalists to return trophies to the Competition or League Secretary, as appropriate, before Finals Day. The Association shall be responsible for engraving the Trophies.
- (c) **Disputes** that arise out of a competition shall be reported to the Competition Secretary within 24 hours of the game.

C.7 CHALLENGES AND SUBSTITUTES

- (a) The first named in the draw shall be the Challenger who shall have choice of greens and be responsible for booking the rink and, in a singles competition, arranging for a marker.
 - i **The Challenger** shall, not later than the 'Challenge By' date, offer three (3) dates to his opponent, none of which shall be the completion date. Nor shall they be within the same week or on New Forest League dates, unless all players agree.
 - ii **The Opponent** must, within four (4) days of receiving the challenge, either accept one of the dates or negotiate an alternative date with the Challenger.
 - iii **If a challenge has not been received by the 'challenge by' date**, the second named person/team shall become the Challenger, assuming all responsibilities and

privileges of the challenger. The new Challenger must act immediately to agree a date on which to play the tie.
Failure to agree a date shall result in the tie being awarded to the current Challenger.
If no challenge is made then both competitors/teams shall be eliminated.
If the Challenger is aware, for any reason, that the challenge cannot be made within the specified time, then the Competition Secretary must be advised Immediately.

- iv **Any difficulty in agreeing a date**, or claims for the game, must be reported to the Competition Secretary before the completion date of the round.
 - v **Failure to adhere to these procedures** will result in disqualification of either or both competitors/teams. Matches must be completed by the completion date of that round, unless agreed otherwise with the Competition Secretary prior to the completion date of the round.
 - vi **The semi-finals** of all competitions shall be played on a mutually acceptable green of an affiliated club.
- (b) **In the case of team competitions** the name and contact details of the person responsible for making arrangements for that team shall be given to the Competition Secretary. These particulars will be published on the draw sheets.
- (c) **If a team or player is not ready to play at the time agreed for the game to start**, and having allowed fifteen (15) minutes grace, the opponent may claim the match. The team or competitor claiming the match must notify the Competition Secretary within twenty-four (24) hours, or by the completion date of the round, whichever is the sooner.
- (d) i **The Team** - The players taking part in the first game shall constitute the team, and shall normally play together throughout the competition.
- ii **Use of Substitutes** - One additional, and the same player, who must be a member of the same club, may be used as a substitute at any time provided he has not already entered or played in that competition. They may play in any position in that team. The player who plays in the final shall be entitled to any award. No substitute is allowed in any singles competition.
- iii A player may not withdraw from an original competition entry to join another team after the draw has been made.
- (e) **All score cards** shall be signed by the loser and retained by the winner for inspection, if necessary, until the end of the competition.

PART THREE**(a) General**

In all matches and competitions smooth-soled heel-less bowling shoes shall be worn.

(b) Association Friendly and Badge matches

Association shirt shall be worn with white trousers/shorts. Also, when worn, pullovers, jackets, caps or hats and waterproofs shall be white.

(c) League matches and cup competitions

In all League and Cup competition matches club approved shirts, trousers or shorts must be worn, provided that all players on the same side wear the same colours.

(d) Infringement of dress code – Competition and League Trophy Finals.

In the Competition Finals and in each of the League Trophy Finals; all players taking part must conform to the Dress Code set out in Rule D.1 (a) to (d). Should any player fail to wear the appropriate dress then the following penalties will apply:

Competition Finals. A deduction of 5 shots will be made to the score of the offending player in a singles game, or a deduction of 5 shots to the offending team in a Pairs, Triples or Fours game. The decision of the Competition Secretary shall be final.

League Trophy Finals. A deduction of 5 shots will be made to the score of each offending Rink. The decision of the League Secretary shall be final.

Appendix 1

Rules for League Trophy Matches revised 2024

All matches shall be played over 15 ends except the Finals which will be 18 ends.

1. Introduction

At the end of the season the Association runs two knock-out and two plate knock-out trophy competitions. These are arranged by the League Secretary.

2. Eligibility of Clubs and Club Members to play in this competition.

The President's Trophy

Teams playing in Divisions one (1) and two (2) are eligible to play in this competition. If any club has more than one team in these Divisions, they may enter more than one team. The maximum number of teams making up this competition is 16.

Clubs may use players from Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 if required.

The Ringwood Shield

Teams playing in Divisions three (3) and four (4) are eligible to play in this competition.

If any club has more than one team in these Divisions, they may enter more than one team. The maximum number of teams making up this competition is 16.

Clubs may use players from Divisions 3, 4, 5 and 6 if required. Bowlers who have played more than 3 times in the last six games of the League season in Division 1 or 2 will be ineligible to play in the Ringwood Shield- or the Ivor Fourmy Trophy.

The Totton & Eling Shield (2023)

This competition is open to the teams that have been knocked out in the first round of the President's Trophy. Players who play in the President's Trophy after the first round are ineligible to play in the Totton & Eling Shield in any of its subsequent rounds.

The Ivor Fourmy Trophy (2023)

This competition is open to the teams that have been knocked out in the first round of the Ringwood Shield. Players who play in the Ringwood Shield after the first round are ineligible to play in the Ivor Fourmy Trophy in any of its subsequent rounds.

PLEASE NOTE

Players eligible to play in the Totton & Eling Shield cannot play in any subsequent round of the President's Trophy and players eligible to play in the Ivor Fourmy Trophy cannot play in any subsequent round of the Ringwood Shield. Players in the Ringwood Shield and the Ivor Fourmy Trophy can play in the President's Trophy and the Totton & Eling Shield.

3. Competition Regulations

These competitions are run by the League Secretary and the draw for the first round of the President's Trophy and the Ringwood Shield will take place as soon as entries are confirmed.

4. Teams

In all four Trophy matches each team shall consist of 4 rinks of triples. In the knock-out stage two triples play away, and two triples play home on the same night. It is essential for the home and away rinks to have telephone contact.

5. Competitions to commence

The competitions shall commence in the week following the end of the League Programme or as decided by the League Secretary. Each round, except the final, shall be played in successive weeks.

6. Start times, evenings of play and period of grace

Except for the finals, each round of the President's Trophy and the Totton & Eling Shield shall be played on a Tuesday evening and each round of the Ringwood Shield and the Ivor Fourmy Trophy shall be played on a Thursday evening. Matches to start no later than 6 pm.

Period of grace

One player short - Should any rink be short of a player at the due time for commencement of play, fifteen (15) minutes grace being allowed, play will continue as per Rule C.5 (b) (i).

More than one player short - Rule C.5 (b) (ii) will apply.

7. Tied Games

In the event of a tied game an extra end will be played.

In the knockout stages the Captain of the first drawn team, in the presence of a member of the second drawn team, shall, prior to the draw to determine the composition of the rinks, carry out a draw, including all four rinks, to determine on which rink the extra end will be played, which could be on either green. Failure to comply with this Regulation will, in the event of a tied match, result in the match being awarded to the second drawn team.

In the final, the rink on which the extra end is played will be drawn by the League Secretary or his Representative.

8. Scoring and the number of ends to be played

The aggregate number of shots scored by each rink forming a team shall decide the winner to go through to the next round.

Trial ends shall be played in all games including the finals. All matches shall be over 15 ends, except the finals, which will be played over 18 ends.

9. Inclement weather

In the event that the green becomes unplayable, as determined by the greenkeeper or his representative, if ten (10) ends have been completed on each rink, the match will be deemed to be complete on that green. Play on the other green should continue as normal.

10. Green not fit for play

Only in the event of a green being declared unfit for play by the greenkeeper or his representative, or in circumstances when it would make it unsafe to play shall a game be postponed on that green. Play may continue on the other green.

Should a game be postponed

- (a) Before play commences on either green, then the whole game shall be postponed.
- (b) After play has commenced on both greens, then if play is postponed on one green, play may continue on the other green. Any postponed game must be played/completed before the following Tuesday/Thursday.

In the event that play is postponed on either green, it shall be resumed on the same green at the start of the end at which play was postponed.

11. Notification of result

The scores for each round are to be notified to the League Secretary by email, with a scanned/ photo of the score sheet on the same evening of the match.

12. Resolution of disputes

Any disputes between teams should be referred to the League Secretary for resolution. If necessary, he may consult with the Executive Committee. The League Secretary's decision shall be final.

13. Weather conditions at finals

If the finals are stopped due to the weather conditions, any resumption or re-commencement, location, date and time shall be determined by the League Secretary and the President/Club/ groundsman of the club where the final is being played.

If a rink has completed 5 ends or more, then the game will continue where it was finished. If less than 5 ends have been played, then the game will be restarted from scratch.

NFBA PRESIDENTS

1990	New Milton	BC	J. Harker
1991	Brockenhurst	BC	J. Place
1992	Lyndhurst	BC	F. Chiplin
1993	Lymington	BC	J. Forward
1994	Highcliffe	BC	W. Stephens
1995	Downton	BC	P. Hudson
1996	Iford Bridge	BC	R. Avery
1997	Christchurch	BC	M. Poore
1998	Fordingbridge	BC	Geoff. Phillips
1999	Braeside	BC	Ken Riley
2000	Esso	BC	Harry Garrett
2001	New Milton	BC	Chris Tabor
2002	Brockenhurst	BC	Peter McNeillie
2003	Lyndhurst	BC	George Bisson
2004	Ringwood	BC	John Crout
2005	Lymington	BC	Geoff. Pilling
2006	Highcliffe	BC	David Grindon
2007	Downton	BC	Geoff. Warr
2008	Iford Bridge	BC	Alan Doughty
2009	Christchurch	BC	Colin Clark
2010	Fordingbridge	BC	Bob Mellors
2011	Braeside	BC	Colin Seale
2012	Milford-on-Sea	BC	David Hall
2013	Totton & Eling	BC	Jim Freeman
2014	Waterside	BC	Brian Mainwaring
2015	Verwood	BC	Robert Wood
2016	West Moors	BC	John Price
2017	New Milton	BC	Mike Akerman
2018	Brockenhurst	BC	Derek Place
2019	Lyndhurst	BC	John Howell
2020	Ringwood	BC	Derick Faulkner
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2022	Lymington	BC	Bernie Tennant
2023	Highcliffe	BC	Paul Maltby
2024	Downton	BC	Steve Allen

AMENDMENTS AND NOTES
