



## THE HILLS DISTRICT WOMEN'S BOWLING CLUB

### Domestic Rules

#### 1. Meetings

- (a) Management Meetings are to be held on the 4th Tuesday of the month. However, January's meeting will be held on the second play day of the year. In the case of a special event, the President has the right to change the date of the meeting.
- (b) The Annual General Meeting will be held on the fourth Tuesday in July each year, before bowls.
- (c) In the case of inclement weather, the Management meetings will be held on the Tuesday morning.

#### 2. Membership

- (a) A **Social Bowling** membership is available to any member who wishes to play under the conditions of this membership. Once membership fees have been paid to Club Ltd, a \$5 green fee is payable to Club Ltd each time they play and receipt for payment needs to be given to Chair of Match/Selection. These members cannot enter Club, District or NSW Championships or events.
- (b) New members are to be introduced on their first day of bowls and a "Bowls Buddy" allocated to greet them each Tuesday for the first four (4) weeks of bowling. Their first game will be played in a team with the President (if available).

#### 3. Club Championships

- (a) Club Championship play day is **TUESDAY** - the play or forfeit rule applies. No dispensation is given for any reason other than if playing in a District, State or National controlled event. If necessary to card a Championship match on any other day than a Tuesday, the match will be carded for a **THURSDAY** in order to complete the championship in a timely manner.
- (b) If unable to play a Championship match on the carded date, the match may be played before the following carded date **WITH THE MUTUAL AGREEMENT** of both players/teams and the Selection/Match Committee. In this instance, it is not necessary for the Selection/Match Committee to provide a Controlling Body, Umpire or Marker with the exception of Major Singles or Club Pairs (which are State controlled events).
- (c) Championship trial ends to commence 15 minutes prior to the carded time.
- (d) Championship finals may be played on a weekend, if agreed to by the players.
- (e) Seven (7) days' notice will be given prior to the commencement of the **FIRST** round of each Championship.
- (f) The Selection/Match Committee has the authority to change the date of Club Championships, provided seven (7) days' notice is given.
- (g) Official Club Uniform is to be worn for all Club Championship matches.**
- (h) Major Singles Championship is open to all full bowling members.

- (i) Minor Singles Championship is open to all full bowling members who **HAVE NOT** won the Major or Minor Singles prior to the closing date of the entry for that event.
- (j) Novice Singles Championship is open to all full bowling members affiliated with World Bowls for **UNDER** four (4) years prior to the closing date of the entry for that event and who **HAVE NOT** won this event in prior years.
- (k) Players eligible to play in Consistency Singles must have nominated the HDWBC as their number one Club prior to the closing date of the event and must be a full bowling member.
- (l) Umpires will not be supplied for Consistency Singles and Major/Minor games.

#### 4. Social Bowls

- (a) If a member is on the permanent list for play on Tuesday, they **MUST** notify the Selectors if unavailable to play by phoning the Bowls Office **(9639 2499) BEFORE** 8.30 am on the day in order for the selectors to prepare the cards for play.
- (b) If a member is on the permanent list for play on Tuesday, they need to advise holiday dates to Selectors in advance, by putting a cross against their name for those dates.
- (c) If a member is a casual bowler (not on the permanent list), they need to phone the Bowls Office **(9639 2499) BEFORE** 8.30 am on Tuesday if they wish to play.
- (d) Due to security reasons Club entry times for bowlers is **9.00 am**. **Only members of the Management Committee, Match/Selection Committee and those Social Committee members rostered on will have access to the Club at 8.30am.**
- (e) Late arrival, without prior notification to a Selector, **MAY RESULT** in a player not being carded for a game.

#### 5. Smart Casual Dress Policy

For social bowls, smart casual dress is acceptable with the exception of:

- Low "v" tops
- Strapless tops
- Bare midriffs
- Offensive t-shirts
- Frayed, torn or untidy jeans or shorts
- Short shorts

#### 6. Weather Conditions

All bowls events will follow the recommendations made in the Bowls Australia Weather Policy (Revised 24 Jan 2020) regarding both temperature and air quality. The attached temperature/humidity index shows when play must be suspended or cancelled. Mitchell District have directed that the Bureau of Meteorology app or website be used to indicate temperature and relative humidity for each locality.

If players are advised to stop play by the Controlling Body, they **MUST** heed that advice.

At all times, individual players must take personal responsibility for their own health if feeling unwell.

## 7. Rink Winners

Money will be given as prizes each play day for bowlers playing on the winning/runner-up rinks. These lucky rink numbers will be drawn during lunch.

## 8. Raffles

A raffle will be held each Tuesday with various prizes.

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**BOWLS AUSTRALIA HEAT POLICY WHEN THE INDEX REACHES 36  
PLAY TO BE SUSPENDED FOR 5 MINS EVERY 20 MIN**

WHEN INDEX REACHES 40 PLAY SUSPENDED