

FARNHAM & DISTRICT BOWLING ASSOCIATION

(FOUNDED 1981)

COMPETITION RULES (amended Feb.2015/2018/2024)

ELIGIBILITY

1. Any member of an affiliated Bowling Club whose green is within a radius of seven miles of Farnham Bowling Club.

COMPETITIONS

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| 2a. Men's Singles | Mardon Cup |
| 2b. Ladies' Singles | Aldridge Cup |
| 2c. Men's Pairs | F.U.D.C.Cup |
| 2d. Ladies' Pairs | Radford Cup |
| 2e. Mixed Pairs | Mrs.Mardon Cup |
| 2f. Inter Club Two Mixed Rink | The Frank Goolding Trophy |
| 2g. Inter Club Two Mixed Triples | Farnham Mixed Triples |
| 2h. Inter Club Two Mixed Triples | The Britton Cup |
| 2i. Inter Club Mixed Format | The Boyd Shield |

ENTRANCE FEES

3. To be decided at the AGM, NO GREEN FEES TO BE CHARGED

RULES

4. All games will be played under Bowls England rules and World Bowls rules except as amended by the following rules:-
Competitions 2a-2e.
 - 4.1 The Challenger(the first named player/s) on receipt of the Notice of the Draw, or 3 weeks before the end of the first round whichever is later, shall within 48 hours of such receipt contact his/her opponent offering at least THREE dates (one of which shall be a weekend, and wont include a Wednesday) on which he/she is prepared to play.If the opponent receives no communication within this time he/she will become the Challenger and should offer THREE dates to the now Opponent Failure to carry out this procedure may result in both the players being scratched from the competition. Matches may only be played on a Wednesday by mutual agreement
 - 4.2 The opponent shall within 48 hours accept a date.
 - 4.3 Matches must start not later than 6.30 pm and no game need start prior to 6.30 pm except by mutual consent.
 - 4.4 The Challenger shall nominate the Green on which the match is to be played up to the semi finals.
 - 4.5 Results of all matches and players names shall be notified within 24 hours of the match being played to the Competition Secretary, cards to be retained in case of query.
 - 4.6 In all Pairs matches the names of both players must be stated on the entry form. Any entries bearing the name of only one player will not be accepted.
 - 4.7 The two players named on the entry for the competition shall constitute the pair and shall normally play together throughout the competition. One additional player and the same player may, however, be used as a substitute of the same sex as the person not available on the day at any time during the competition, provided that they have not and will not play in the competition with any other person. Should this occur in the Final, it must be understood that only the names of those persons playing in the Final shall have their names inscribed upon the Trophy and receive any recognition for that competition.
 - 4.8 The Semi Finals of competitions 2a-2e will be played on a green within the tournament area, the Competition Secretary/Committee whose decision is final shall decide the venue that will be NEUTRAL.

ADDENDUM- All players in competitions 2a-2e, should, if known, in advance, withdraw from the competition if they are unable to play in the Final, before the quarter final stage of that competition.

NB.All pairs matches will now be played to a maximum of 18 ends except where notified otherwise.

Competitions 2f-2i.

- 4.9 Competition 2f (The Frank Goolding Cup) shall be a Two Mixed Rink inter Club Knockout competition. Any bona fide Club member who has played at least **TWO** league games may be included in the team. Each Club may enter one mixed team, both rinks must be mixed, one rink will be played at home and one away, excluding the final. The team drawn first (the Home team) will play an extra end, to be used only when the aggregate scores are equal, if either rink finishes tied it stays tied, the extra end only determines the winner from the aggregate score. Extra end to be tossed for prior to playing in the Final only. Games will be played on the 3rd Friday of each month, including the semi final, but by mutual agreement can be played before the 3rd Friday, but no later. The no.3 is allowed to remain at the head during rink play
Both rinks will now be played to a maximum of 18 ends
- 4.10 Competition 2g (Farnham Mixed Triples) shall be a Two Mixed Triple inter Club Knockout competition. Any bona fide Club member who has played at least **TWO** league games may be included in the team. Each club may enter one mixed team, both triples must be mixed, one triple will be played at home and one away excluding the final. The team drawn first (the Home team) will play an extra end, to be used only when the aggregate scores are equal. If either rink finishes tied it stays tied, the extra end only determines the winner from the aggregate score. Extra end to be tossed for prior to play in the final only. Games will be played on the 2nd Monday of each month, including the semi final, but can by mutual agreement be played before the 2nd Monday, but no later.
- 4.11 Competition 2h (The Britton Cup) shall be a Two Mixed Triple inter Club knockout competition. Any bona fide club member who has played at least **FOUR** league games may be included in the team. Each club may enter one mixed team, both triples must be mixed and will be played home or away as drawn.
Games will be played on consecutive Wednesday's in August, once the league season has finished. Extra end to be tossed for prior to the start of ALL games.
- 4.12 Competition 2i (The Boyd Shield) shall be a multi format Inter Club Knockout competition, comprising of one single, one pair, one triple and one rink. With the exception of the single ALL rinks must be mixed. The complete rules are contained in a separate folder elsewhere on this site.
- 4.13 The results and player names of all cup competitions played, should be emailed to the LEAGUE SECRETARY within 24 hours of the game being played and the cards retained pending any queries.
- 4.14 Any team playing an ineligible player (**NOT HAVING PLAYED THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF LEAGUE GAMES**) will be scratched from that competition.
- 4.15 If because of illness or injury a substitute may be allowed as long as the following criteria is met, the player must be eligible to play in the particular competition. I.E. played the minimum required games, the one lady one gent rule must still be in place, and finally he or she cannot play skip, if these rules cannot be met then the game and other tie will be conceded.
- 4.16 A team can play with a player short, however they will lose 25% of their score on that rink, both players will bowl with four woods and will always bowl second to maintain alternate bowling, if they win the end, then they deliver the jack but still bowl second, in a rink 1 & 2 will bowl with three woods each and skip with two, 25% of the score will be deducted.
- 5.0 The Association Finals to be played on the green nominated by the President.
- 6.0 Any queries relating to the Association competitions will be dealt with by the Competition Committee (i.e. Competition Secretary and appointed assistants). In the event of an outstanding difficulty the Competition Secretary shall consult the President, whose decision is final.
- 7.0 **DRESS**
All rounds club colours. **Finals Day**, Club shirts and white below the waist, or club colours. (All team to wear the same)
- 8.0 **UMPIRE**
The Umpire will be nominated for Finals Day, The nominated Umpire's decision on any matter of dispute will be final.

