

INVITATION KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION

(Last Amended 9th November 2023)

RULES

1. Entry is restricted to those Clubs already participating in the league (Kent North West Division).
 2. Clubs to play each other on a knock-out basis.
 3. Each participating Club to nominate ten players for each match. It is not necessary to play the same ten players in each round.
 4. Competition comprises a Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours to be played at the same time on the same green under EBA rules.
 5. Singles - 21 shots (max 21 shots can be declared in final score); Pairs - 21 ends; Triples - 18 ends; Fours - 21 ends.
 6. The shots scored by each team in the four events are combined and the winning team is the one scoring the highest number of shots overall.
 7. If the two teams are level after completion of the four events, the fours will play an extra end.
 8. Matches to be played on weekday evenings or weekends by mutual agreement. **“Any evening play on weekdays and weekends after 31st July will commence at no later than 5.15 pm”**
 9. In the event of bad weather rendering a green unfit for play, the match shall be rearranged for a later date.
 10. In the event of extreme/unsafe weather conditions curtailing a match, the score at that time of curtailment will determine the result provided that:-
 - a) The Singles game has been completed.
 - b) A minimum of 11 ends has been completed by each of the Pairs, Triples and Fours.
- If the Singles has not been completed, or if the required number of ends have not been completed by the Pairs, Triples or Fours, then the whole score shall be disregarded, the match rearranged for a later date and replayed in its entirety.
11. Where a cancelled match is rearranged, the Club is not required to nominate the original ten players.
 12. Draw will take place immediately all entries are confirmed. The club drawn at home is the challenger and must offer three dates, only one of which can be at a weekend.

13. The final will be played on the green of the previous year's winner with the time and date being mutually agreed between the two finalists. The first named club on the draw sheet shall, in the first instance, be responsible for suggesting two dates, subject to the availability of the green. In the event of the two clubs failing to agree a date then Rule 14 will apply i.e. the President and two other members from uninvolved clubs shall arbitrate.

14. Any other matters or disagreements not covered by these rules, shall be dealt with by a sub-committee comprising the President and two other members from uninvolved clubs. Their decision will be final.

15. Every year a new set of rules, dated for the current season for both the League and Presidents Cup, to be issued by e mail by the League Secretary to all delegates, even if there have been no changes, so there can be no confusion which are the current rules. The Delegates of each club to then ensure their organiser(s) of the weekly games are fully conversant with the rules of the competition.

Dated 9th November 2023