

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

All matches will be played in accordance with the Current Edition of the Laws of Bowls (January 2015) and any amendments thereto, Bowls Australia Domestic Regulations and the Carnival Conditions of Play herein.

1. **The Controlling Body** for each event shall be delegated Club Representatives of the Club. and is empowered to interpret and/or vary Conditions of Play to settle disputes and cope with any unforeseen circumstances that may arise. Its decision is final and not subject to appeal.
2. **Entries** should be forwarded to the postal or email address shown on the entry forms and will be acknowledged on the Pelican Waters Website (www.pelicanbowls.com/). The Match Committee reserves the right to fill last minute vacancies after the official closing date for entries for the the Carnival.

Refunds of entry fees will not be made after the official carnival closing date except in special circumstances approved by the Match Committee. Where an event is cancelled , refunds shall be claimed from Pelican Waters Bowls Club.

3. Timings

- ⤴ **Daily Commencement of Play and Number of Ends** shall be 8.45am. and will comprise 4 games of 12 ends or the bell - except for 2 bowl triples which will be 16 ends or the bell.
- ⤴ **Game Time** will be 1hr 40mins as follows:
8.45am – 10.25am, 10.45am -12.25pm, 1.10pm – 2.50pm and 3.10pm – 4.50pm.
- ⤴ **The Bell** will be used to signal the start and end of play.

4. **The Draw** for cards will be by Open Draw by the skips prior to commencement of play each day
5. **Method of scoring for all events** shall be on the basis of 5 points for a win, 2 points for a draw and 0 (zero) points for a loss. Should, due to unforeseen circumstances, a team receive a bye or forfeit in any round, the team will receive win points (5) plus the average win margin of teams in the event. If both teams agree not to start a game or discontinue after the game has commenced, each will receive 0 (zero) points.
6. **Winners will be determined**, apart from lucky team draw winners, on the basis of the most points as in (5) above. Should two or more teams finish with equal points, the winner will be the team with the highest aggregate shots margin. (Should a tie still exist, the tie will remain and prize-money will be shared equally). Run-down prizes, such as second, third, etc., shall be determined on the same basis as (5) above. Please refer to Condition 11 regarding lucky team draws.
7. **Total prize money** for each event shall be as advertised unless insufficient entries are received. A maximum of one prize per event will be awarded to each team.
8. **Presentations** will be held at the Club as soon as possible after the conclusion of each event.

9. Specific Conditions :

- ⤴ **Trial ends** are not permitted
- ⤴ **Practice** by a team in receipt of a bye or forfeit in the first round of any event may be authorised by the Controlling Body's representative (subject to rink availability).
- ⤴ **Dead ends** do not count and must be replayed. **At the finishing bell** an end where the jack has been rolled may be completed. If the end becomes dead after the finishing bell, the end is dead and shall not be replayed.
- ⤴ **Play should not start** prior to the starting bell
- ⤴ **Forfeits.** If a team fails to appear within 15 minutes of the appointed start time a forfeit may be claimed. A forfeit may also be claimed, if after the game has commenced, one team wishes to continue and the opposing team wishes to stop.

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- ⤴ **Forfeits continued** Where a team is awarded a forfeit it shall be credited with a win and the average win margin and average ends of other completed games in the round.
- ⤴ **If a game is being interrupted by weather** or other valid reason, it shall be deemed completed if at least one team has completed 8 ends except for 2 bowls triples it will be 11 ends. Where this requirement is not met, the Controlling Body shall rule if a change of schedule should be made to enable the game to be completed.
- ⤴ **Players' attire must consist of** appropriate footwear and clothing that is "whites" or coloured attire that is the approved clothing of a Club, District, State or National bowls authority.
- ⤴ **Bowls must conform** to the laws of bowls.
- ⤴ **Mobile telephones must be switched off** during play, both on the greens and the banks.
- ⤴ **Queensland smoking laws**, which permit smoking only in approved Designated Outdoor Smoking Areas, **must be observed at all times**. Pelican Waters Bowls Club has DOSA's for the convenience of smokers in which they may drink and smoke but cannot consume food. If you are in doubt about our smoking arrangements please ask one of our staff as **heavy spot fines apply**.

10. **Composition of teams** shall be:-

- ⤴ Mixed Pairs teams shall be comprised of one male and one female.
- ⤴ Mixed Fours teams shall be comprised of two males and two females.
- ⤴ Open Pairs teams may be comprised of one male and one female; two males; or two females.

11. **Where there are lucky team draw(s)** to be awarded for any event:-

- ⤴ The draw(s) will be conducted in conjunction with the event's presentations;
- ⤴ Winners of other prizes for the event are ineligible to win lucky teams draws.
- ⤴ All members of the team drawn must be present to be eligible to win the prize; and
- ⤴ The draw will continue until a team present meets the conditions above.

12 **Meals**

Under current Regulations, food cannot be brought into the Club. However, Lunches may be purchased from the Club Restaurant and should be order and paid for prior to the commencement of the first game.

13 **Safety of Patrons**

In the interest of the safety of bowlers and other club patrons we ask that you do not leave your bowls and equipment in the main clubhouse area or in any pathways in and around the building.

14 **Signing in - Visiting Bowlers Please note**

You are not required to sign the Visitors Register on any day you are playing bowls. However, you will have to sign in should you visit the club for social or other purposes.

15 **Pelican Waters Bowls Club Synthetic Greens Policy** is that:

- ⤴ Dropping, bouncing or delivery of bowls from above the knee ("dumping") is unacceptable;
- ⤴ Smoking outside the DOSA areas will not be tolerated; .
- ⤴ Food or Drink can not be taken onto the Green;
- ⤴ Bowls polish should be used in moderation and buffed off before placing on the Green