

WICKERSLEY C. I. BOWLING CLUB CONSTITUTION AND RULES. (APPROVED 2024 AGM)

1 The objects of the club shall be to promote, encourage and organise bowling centred on Wickersley and district.

2 Officials of the club shall consist of: -

Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Club Captain, Social Secretary, Publicity Officer.

Auditor (non-committee position)

All positions to be voted in at the AGM.

3 The Executive Committee shall consist of all officials in Rule 2 plus a minimum of 2 male and 2 female members.

Any new nominations to join the committee to be made with the agreement of the nominee, being proposed and seconded, each by a member and submitted to the Secretary at least one month prior to the date of the next AGM.

In the event of a member leaving the committee a replacement may be seconded, at the discretion of the committee, to serve on committee until the next AGM.

4 The Annual General Meeting will be held in January/February. All members may attend this meeting and full members may vote.

5 The Executive committee shall normally meet on the third Week of each month.

6 The Chairman may call an extraordinary general meeting upon written application of 25% of the paid up membership.

7 The Chairman shall not vote at any meeting, but in the event of an even count, he shall have the casting vote.

8 There is to be no set limit on the number of members allowed to join the Club. The numbers will be reviewed annually by the Committee, based on the bowling green utilisation. Any proposed changes to be put to the next AGM for ratification.

9 Associate Non Playing Social membership will be allowed. Associate members will have no voting rights, cannot play on the green (except for medical assessment), or play in club competitions.

10 The Club playing year will run from the 1st April to the 31st March.

11 Subscriptions for the year will be decided at the AGM and must be paid by the 30th April. Members failing to comply must re apply for membership, (See Rule 8). Subscriptions must be paid prior to playing the first match.

Any person making a donation to the New Wickersley Christion Institute equal to the agreed annual membership of the Bowling Club will, with the approval of the bowling club committee, be admitted as a member of the WCI Bowling Club for the current year.

12. Any person wanting to join the club must complete an application form. The application will be considered by the committee and. if considered necessary, the applicant will be interviewed by at least two committee members.

Any member leaving the club will have to reapply for membership if they wish to rejoin.

13 All playing members must be registered with the BCGBA, via the SYCCGBA.

14 Any non-bowler taking part in the club coaching or social bowling sessions will be allowed to attend free of charge for a maximum of 2 months, after which, to continue playing must apply for membership and pay the appropriate membership fee.

15 Ungentlemanly, unladylike or unsporting conduct by a club member when playing on any green will not be tolerated. Any member who is deemed to be causing aggravation or embarrassment on the club premises will be asked to leave. The incident will then be referred to the executive committee and appropriate disciplinary action taken. Repeat offenders of illdisiplne will be expelled from the club and unregistered with the BCGBA.

Any future membership application will not be considered.

16 All items for the agenda of the AGM must be submitted in writing and with the Secretary at least 31 days before the AGM and taken through the Bowling Committee.

17 The Executive committee shall deal with all complaints and disputes. All complaints or disputes must be submitted in writing to the Secretary.

18 A Quorum consisting of a minimum of Six (6) Committee members will be required to be

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present to make new business valid.

19 Any changes in the Constitution or Rules shall only be made at the AGM.

CONSTITUTION AND RULES – LEAGUE & COMPETITION

20 Sheets shall be displayed in the pavilion indicating all the leagues entered by the club. Any member may put their names to any sheet, or request another person to do it for them. If more than one club team plays in a league the team members will be allocated by the Club Captain and team captains,
21 Any member who is picked to play & fails to attend will not be considered for the next two matches unless they have notified the captain of their unavailability.

22 Any member picked as reserve& fails to attend without reasonable explanation will be nominated reserve for the next match.

23 The captain of the team is responsible for the selection of the team, if the captain is unavailable, the vice Captain will assume responsibility. Captains to endeavour to put team sheets up 5 days prior to match date.

24 Any player dissatisfied with the running of a team will first register this with the captain, if no satisfaction is obtained, they can then forward the complaint in writing to the committee.

25 A player who obtains a lift to an away match should pay the driver a contribution towards the cost. The club will not be responsible for any such expenditure.

26 All internal competition dates to be set by the committee, the normal starting time being 10am.27 Any internal competitions that are cancelled or abandoned due to bad weather, the committee will set a new date for completion. In the event of an abandoned or cancelled match, the points scored by each player will count at the restart of the match.

28 All scorers to check score every 3 ends & acknowledge signals indicated by the players.29 For Club Competitions the minimum distance for a mark is 19 meters. In Vets, Seniors and Ladies competitions the maximum is 36 meters.

30 Home team players must vacate the green 20 minutes before the start of a match; visitors to have 15 minutes roll up.

31 Players must at all times wear flat soled shoes on the green. Anyone bowling in a match wearing shorts must wear tailored shorts. Gym type shorts and vests are not acceptable. Any player wearing these will be asked to leave the green.

32 Smoking and vaping is not allowed on the green, within any building, enclosure or as elsewhere specified.

33 The laws of the game as applied by the BCGBA will apply at all times

34 For the calculation of individual averages, a minimum of 10 games must have been played in the respective league, with a minimum of 5 of these away from home.

35 The Bowling Club will appoint a Safeguarding Officer who holds a current DBS certificate, issued by the BCGBA. The DBS certificate will be renewed every three years.

A policy is in operation for protecting Children and Vulnerable Adults, to safeguard their welfare when participating in Wickersley C.I. Bowling Club activities. This is as displayed in the W.C.I. Pavilion. All Members are expected to comply with this policy. A confidential 'Junior Player's Consent and Health Profile' will be completed before a child may take club membership and participate in club activities. This policy will comply with the requirements of the BCGBA

36 To participate in competitive Indoor Bowling as a Wickersley C.I. Team Member, it is necessary to have full Wickersley C.I. Bowling Club Membership or Social Membership.

37The officers of WCI & WCI BC hold personal data necessary for fulfil the aims of the club and to administer the games of crown green bowling.

This member information can consist of : Title (Mr, Mrs, etc), Full Name, Address, Postcode, Date of Birth, Telephone Number (including mobile number if available), Email address, BCGBA Registration Number. The Institute and Bowling Club only uses this only information for administration and to communicate with members.

In addition, name, address, gender, DOB and BCGBA number are shared with SYCGBA and BCGBA when players are registered and on annual renewal.

Members name, telephone number and SY number are made available to other club members for administrative and communication purposes. Members name and SY number are given to the league when a player is registered. In addition a team captain's address, telephone number, email address may be provided to the league.

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By joining the bowling club or renewing their membership a member agrees to the above data being held and used as described.

Any member may view and edit their data base entry at any time.

A member may opt out of receiving information from the club at any time.

The information is not passed on the any other third party for commercial purposes.

38 Where the Rules are Silent, the decision of the Committee shall stand.

39 Dissolution of the Club. In the event of the dissolution of the Club any assets remaining, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, shall not be paid to or distributed among the Members of the Club, but

shall be given or transferred to equally to the charitable bodies below:

Rotherham Hospice & Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice.