EAST LOTHIAN BOWLING ASSOCIATION

**J MCDONALD TROPHY - SENIORS**

COMPETITION RULES – over the age of 55 years on 1st April.

a. Each member club will be entitled to enter one or more teams, consisting of TWO rinks of gentlemen bowlers. The cup shall be drawn up ANNUALLY and shall commence at 2pm with the first drawn club as hosts.

b. Skips will draw the rinks to play on before each game. These games will consist of 15 ends with one trial end. Highest total shots up will decide the winners. If a draw, then an extra end by ALL players will be played until a winner is achieved.

c. All results MUST be sent to the ELBA match secretary by text or email or phoned in before 10am on the Friday morning by the HOME team. Failure to do so will result in a fine being levied at £10.

d. INTERRUPTED GAMES - Any match postponed or interrupted by weather MUST be reported as indicated above to the ELBA match secretary. If the match is postponed, then it MUST be played before next game at the same venue. If a match is interrupted by weather or other reason and all rinks having played at least 9 ends, the result will stand **(at last completed end as long as above 9)** and be reported as above. If the match is interrupted before 9 ends and cannot be finished that evening, the two teams MUST play the remainder of the match at the same venue, on the same rinks, starting at the score and end when the match was interrupted. Teams are allowed one substitute on each rink. Teams cannot move original players between rinks.

e. If there are two teams from the same club, they must only play in one team. Players cannot play in both teams during a season.

f. The trophy will be suitably inscribed by the winning club at their own expense and retained until 1st day of August annually and returned to the ELBA secretary.

g. Any club who does not play a scheduled game – who cannot field a team – shall be dealt with by the ELBA management committee and will be fined £10 or other punitive sanctions administered.

h. All players must adhere to code of conduct in the constitution.