

EAST LOTHIAN BOWLING ASSOCIATION

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COMPETITION RULES

- a. Each member club with more than one team playing in the ELBA Evening gents leagues divisions 1,2,3 and 4 will be entitled to enter one team, consisting of three rinks of gentlemen bowlers, for every additional team – if they have three teams, two **MUST** play in EL News. A full complement of players **MUST** start the game.
- b. The trophy shall be drawn up **ANNUALLY** and shall commence at 645pm
- c. Skips will draw the rinks to play on before each game. These games will consist of 15 ends with no trial ends and burnt ends will count except the last. The winners will be the **HIGHEST UP** in aggregate shots scored. If still equal, an extra end will be played by all players until a winner is determined. All results **MUST** be sent to the ELBA match secretary by text or email or phoned in before 10am on the next 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 the next round 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. Any team who started with 3 players **MUST** continue with 3 players but a substitute will be allowed. Any substitutes cannot play as skip. Teams cannot move original players between rinks.
- e. Once a player has played for a club, he cannot play in the **BROWN TROPHY** competition.
- f. Any anomalies will be decided by the ELBA secretary.
- g. 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.
- h. 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.
- i. All players must adhere to code of conduct in the constitution.