

NORTH WALES VETERANS BOWLS ASSOCIATION INTER-LEAGUE CONSTITUTION AND PLAYING RULES.

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1. The trophy, donated by George Marshall and named “The British Aerospace Challenge Cup”, will be played for annually by the participating areas. The cup will be presented at a venue and on a date to be decided by the winning area.
2. Each Area will play each of the other Areas once.
3. Each round will consist of two team matches of 12 players played home and away on the same day.
4. The designated days for play shall be the first Monday in the months of June, July and August.
5. All players must be 60 years of age or over at the time of playing.
6. Two players (homesters) will be allowed to play in the home match on a green of a club for which they are members.
7. A “Homester” is defined as any player who plays for that team or club in any league.
8. Having played for one area, no player may then play for another area in the same season.
9. Matches will start at 1.30 p.m. with practice 12.45 – 1.00p.m. for the home players and 1.05 – 1.20 p.m. for the away players. No home or away player may practice on the home green on the day of the match other than during the designated times. No Practice will be allowed on the opponent’s green once the venue has been notified, but this excludes scheduled matches in that league’s fixtures.
10. Away players will have first use of the jack.
11. Dated jacks must be used.
12. Referees will be supplied by the Placement Secretary of the WCGBA Referee’s Association. The measurers will comprise one from each of the two competing leagues, or provided by the host club.
13. The use of Referees will be reviewed annually dependent on cost.
14. A green can only be used once per season.
15. A player must have played ONE GAME in their Veterans League to be eligible for selection.
16. For each individual winner, one (1) point will be awarded. For the overall aggregate score, a further two (2) points awarded (home-away matches combined aggregate score) making a possible total of twenty-six (26) points. In the event of a tie, the total number of games won will decide the winners. If the aggregate score is still equal, one (1) point will be awarded to each team.

17. Dates for matches will be agreed at a meeting held at the end of the season (usually November). Any changes to the rules may also be agreed at this meeting.
18. Details of venues and teams will be exchanged 15 days before the date of the match. Both will be sent by each area to the chosen Co-ordinator simultaneously. The Co-ordinator will publish the names/ venues on the website on receipt of all areas teams and venues. (Once this has been completed, the away team players cannot be changed.) This list may include names of reserves but not necessarily in order of choice.
19. Leagues will be allowed to use any green and its facilities provided it is placed within their own geographical area (but only once per season).
20. Only in extreme circumstances should matches be postponed: the two Captains will take the final decision. In case of no agreement the Referee and/or Greenkeeper will decide.
21. Results must be put onto the results sheet on the webpage by the HOME CAPTAIN as soon as possible after the completion of the match.
22. Hospitality will be the responsibility of the Home League. A minimum of a snack and a drink will be provided for visiting players, including up to two reserves and two Officials. An attempt should be made to offer refreshments for visiting supporters, for which a charge could be made.

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