

# **Guisborough Priory Bowls Club**

## **CLUB RULES**

The rules specified below address the operational running Guisborough Priory Bowls Club, hereafter referred to as *the Club*.

The processes and details for the wider management and governance of the club are documented in the club constitution.

1. Subscriptions for the following year shall be determined at the Annual General Meeting.
2. New members will receive a 50% discount on their first year's subscriptions. This discount is not available to lapsed members returning to the club.
3. New members elected after 30<sup>th</sup> June shall be required to pay a proportion of the annual subscription, the amount thereof to be agreed by the Treasurer and the Chairperson.
4. Subscriptions shall be due no later than 14 days after the Opening of the Green each year. Members whose subscriptions are not paid by 31<sup>st</sup> May, may be expelled from the Club by the Committee.
5. No rule herein shall be altered or repealed except at the Annual General Meeting or Extra Ordinary General Meeting.
6. Only those members who have been trained in the use of Green Maintenance Equipment may undertake maintenance works at any time and must follow the Lone Working Procedures and Safe Working Practices rules and Regulations.
7. Members are not allowed to perform maintenance work using the Green Maintenance Equipment unless there is another person present at the club.
8. The Club shall not be liable for any personal injuries incurred whilst using the Club grounds and facilities.
9. There shall be no smoking or vaping on the Green or in the Club buildings, at any time.
10. Members and Visitors must park within the designated 4 parking spaces at the entrance to the club or on the Club Car Park, adjacent to the Club premises.
11. Guests and temporary members. Members of visiting teams in leagues, competitions and friendly matches in which the Club participates, are guests at the Club.
12. Any member of the Club may invite visitors to the Club at a green fee to be fixed by the Committee.
13. The number of guests invited on each occasion shall not exceed 3 per member, and a guest may not visit the Club on more than 6 occasions per season.
14. Members who bring guests into the club must not leave before their guests.
15. The names of Visitors and of members introducing them shall be entered in a Visitor's book to be kept in the Clubhouse. All green fees shall be paid before commencing play.
16. Visitors to the Club may be excluded by any member of the committee or by any duly authorised committee representative without being obliged to give reasons.
17. Any persons taking part in competitions arranged by, or with consent of the Committee and persons accompanying them, shall be temporary members of the Club for the duration of the competition – this includes Friendlies.
18. Members of an organisation taking part in a bowls event on the green with the consent of the Committee shall be temporary members of the Club for the duration of the event. The Committee shall determine fees payable in respect of this rule.

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19. To protect members rights of privacy during updating of the Club Website, the following action shall be adopted in line with current GDPR legislation:
  - a. Any personal news topics shall be cleared with the member(s) concerned to ensure their consent prior to the topic being published. Some material appearing in the Club Website may include pictures and names, every effort shall be made to filter out details of any objectors.
20. Members selected to play in league games, friendlies and any other games arranged by the club shall play in the position determined by the team captain, deputy or nominated representative.
21. Members are expected to assist in the setting out the rinks for team matches and the return of the equipment to the storage shed(s), on completion of the match.
22. Members partaking in roll ups must return all equipment used back to the equipment shed(s).
23. All bowlers must wear appropriate footwear and when required appropriate attire.
24. The last person leaving the changing room and clubhouse are responsible for closing all blinds, shutters and securing the changing room, clubhouse, toilets, visitor's changing room, equipment shed(s) and locking the front gate.
25. The last person leaving must make sure that there is no one in the changing rooms, toilet or clubhouse before locking them up.
26. Members shall participate in the cleaning of the clubhouse, toilets and changing rooms on their designated cleaning week as specified in the cleaning schedule, posted in the clubhouse.

### Amendments

#### 15<sup>th</sup> January 2009

**Rule 9** now requires 4 members to requisition an extra ordinary general meeting, not 10 as previous. See AGM Minutes 2007 section 8

#### 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010

See minutes of AGM, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2010 for details of the following:

**Rule 1** amended to increase the committee to 11 members from 9.

**Rule 6** amended to link the club disciplinary rules with Bowls England Regulation No 9 – "Disciplinary Regulations".

**Rule 12** amended to align with rule 1

**Rule 14** amended allowing the club committee to elect future honorary life members.

**Rule 15** amended to change the wording *are deemed to be guests* to *are guests*.

**Rule 23** added as a measure of control when updating the club web site.

#### December 2016

**Rule 8** Amended for AGM in January, Accounts 31<sup>st</sup> December

#### November 2019

This is a major revision removing all references to the Club's management and governance processes. Such matters are addressed in the Club constitution.