

GRIMSBY
CLEETHORPES & DISTRICT
TRIPLES LEAGUE
CONSTITUTION & RULES

CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be known as "The Grimsby Cleethorpes & District Triples League".
2. The Management Committee shall consist of a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and one representative from each team affiliated to the league.
3. The management Sub-Committee shall consist of the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary.
4. The election of officers should be held every three years; except in an emergency.
5. All league matches shall be played under the late E.B.A. rules.
6. All clubs or teams wishing to be members of the Triples League shall pay an annual affiliation fee, to be agreed at the A.G.M.
7. Clubs shall register the names of all players in each team, with the result Secretary, before the commencement of the outdoor season. This shall not preclude the registration of additional players during the season.
8. All match result sheets shall be provided by the clubs. Only these completed match sheets shall be accepted by the Secretary as a true result.
9. Completed match sheets and Competition score cards, must be sent to the result Secretary, to reach him/her as soon as possible and no later than seven days after the game. The home team shall be responsible for submitting the completed match result sheet. A fine of E10.00 shall be imposed, for non-compliance.
10. The postponement of matches in all instances be advised to the Result Secretary within four days of the postponement; together with a re-arranged date. Agreed postponement of matches shall be at least 48 hours before the original fixture; date and time. Any disputes arising from this, shall be referred to the Management Sub-Committee for a decision. Who will fix a date, which must be adhered to.
11. The Management Sub-Committee shall have the power to impose a £5.00 fine. On any member club for the non-completion of League fixtures; by the closing date for fixtures. If a team fails to fulfil its fixtures and at the end of the season; it affects the championship. The Management Sub-Committee shall be empowered to cancel all the results of that team.
12. An A.G.M. shall be held in January each year. Each affiliated team shall be allowed one vote on matters arising at the A.G.M. The Chairperson shall have the right of a casting vote. All propositions for the A.G.M. shall be committed from club Secretaries, to arrive to the League SECRETARY BY THE 31st of OCTOBER.
13. An additional meeting shall be held in February each year. Each affiliated team shall be allowed one vote on matters arising at this meeting. The Chairperson shall hold the right to a casting vote. The Triples fixtures for the following season shall be held at this meeting.
14. The League shall promote a Triples League/s.
15. All trophies shall be awarded at the Presentation night.

16. All trophies to be returned to the Secretary by the 3rd Sunday in August.

17. The League shall run a late doubles competition known as the Thornton Brown Doubles, for which the Thornton Brown Cup shall be awarded to the winners. This competition is open to all registered players of the affiliated clubs.

18. All new applications for membership to the League from Clubs/Teams; shall be forwarded to the League Secretary by the 30th of September, for consideration at the January A.G.M. ***[It should be appreciated that no code of laws governing the game has achieved such perfection as to cope with every situation. These laws have been framed in the belief that true sportsmanship and common sense; will prevail to overcome any knotty problems.]***

RULES

1. A team shall consist of 4 rinks of three players, three bowls each.

2. A match shall consist of 18 ends.

3. Each rink shall score 2 points for a win, and 1 point for a draw. The team gaining the highest aggregate; shall receive 2 points.

4. Matches to commence no later than 6.30pm. Saturday matches 2.30pm. Sunday matches 10.30am. Waiting time of 15 minutes for late players. All matches to be played after the 14th of August shall commence no later than 6pm.

5. Home team to bowl the first jack.

6. Clubs shall register a minimum of 16 players.

7. A club with 2 teams may play a player from the team in the lower league for a maximum of 3 games. A club with two or more teams in the same league may play two players at a time, but not in the same rink or skip.

8. If a team turns up with less than 10 players; the match cannot be played, and the offending team lose 5 points. The match must be re-arranged. [Note Constitution Rule 11 applies] At the discretion of the Management Sub-Committee.

8a. Any shorthanded rink shall play 6 bowls against 9: with no reduction of shots.

8b. The order of play being Lead- Lead- Second with the jack and the first bowl being cast by the winning side of the previous end. Skips play as normal.

8c. In adverse weather if Captains agree; [prior to the start of a match] 12 ends shall constitute a match

9. **NO** trial ends shall be played.

10. Matches against teams from the same club in any division, shall be played within 6 games from the start of the season.

11. Dress for all League and Competitions shall be Grey and White, with correct bowls footwear.

12. In a League match; the draw for the rinks to be played on shall be made by the away Captain or their representative.

13. No player in a competition or match shall play on the same rink on the day of such competition or match, before play commences. Under penalty of disqualification.

14. In the event of a tie at the end of the season. Shot difference shall be taken into account. Should a tie still stand, a play-off shall take place on a neutral green.