

SHEPWAY & DISTRICT BOWLS ASSOCIATION

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Hudson Cup Double Fours K.O.Competition Rules

- 1 The competition shall be known as the Hudson Cup.
Each entry shall be two Club Teams of four, playing at the same venue.
and each player will have two woods, and played over 21 ends.
There will be No Trail Ends.
- 2 The combined score of the two teams will decide the winner.
In the event of the combined scores being level, one extra end will be played.
The Home Club shall nominate the rink to play the extra end,
before commencement of the match.
- 3 The competition is open to all bona fide (male) members of clubs affiliated to
the Shepway & District Bowls Association, and all players must be full
playing members of the same Club.
- 4 The dress code of Kent County Bowls Association applies to this competition.
- 5 All games must be played under the laws of Bowls England.
and bowls must bear the official stamp of the W.B.B. or B.I.B.C.
- 6 Where no umpire is present, the onus on checking the date stamp rests with
the marker before play commences.
- 7 Green fees are to be paid by the opponents.
- 8 The Hudson Cup knock-out competition, is operated on a 'Fixed Date' principle.
When agreed, games may be played before the published dates.
- 9 The Club drawn to play at 'Home' must make the arrangements for the game
to be played. They shall reserve two rinks (no choice of rinks need be given),
and undertake the provision of an umpire to be present.

- 10 If no communication is received, to re-arrange the Date of Play, all players should attend the 'Home' Club's green on the 'Fixed Date'.
- 11 It must be generally understood that all dates offered imply evening play, commencing at 18.00 hours, and not later than 18.30 hours, or as previously agreed by mutual consent. See Rule 17 for the Final.
- 12 Immediately after the game, the winning Club must text or telephone the Honorary Competition Secretary, to inform him of the result.
The scorecard duly signed by the loser must be forwarded to the Honorary Competition Secretary within 24hrs after the completion of the game, either by post or email.
Failure to comply with this rule could mean elimination from the competition, with the decision being made by the Executive Committee.
- 13 After each round, all Shepway League Representatives and players who have supplied an email address, will be emailed an up to date Hudson Cup Competition K.O.Chart, showing details of their next opponent.
Others will be notified by post or telephone.
- 14 The Final will be played on the Shepway & District B.A. Finals Day.
This will take place on the Saturday shown on the Fixture List and the individual Team Sheets.
The Venue for the Finals Day, is arranged by the Executive Committee, irrespective of such green being the home green of any of the players.
The commencement time will be as shown on the Finals Day Timetable.
Press coverage will be arranged by the Association.
- 15 In the event of any dispute arising in the interpretation of these rules, the decision made by the Executive Committee of the Association must be accepted as final.
- 16 The winners and runner-up trophies will be presented on Finals Day.
They shall retain possession for the ensuing year and be held responsible for the safe return, when and where the Executive Committee decide.
- 17 The supply of an approved Marker and Umpire for the final will be the responsibility of the Executive Committee.