

# SUSSEX PAST PRESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

## REVISED CONSTITUTION

*All games will be played under Bowls England Rules*

### ***The Association shall consist of two kinds of Members;***

- 1. Full County Past President** (Male) Outdoor or Indoor who has paid an annual subscription of £5.00\* (reviewed Annually at the AGM) is entitled to play in all matches unless there are more than twenty-four in membership.

**Associate players** (male) are those who have been invited to play for the SPPA and after 3 games/matches pay an annual subscription of £5.00\* The Management Committee to approve all nominations and they will be awarded a SPPA metal badge. All players can attend the AGM, **BUT ONLY** members who have paid their subscription can vote at the **AGM**.

To incorporate this group of Associate members our general name should be changed to **Sussex Past Presidents & Associates**, but for administration we are an Association

- 2. The Association** is controlled by Officers elected annually at an **AGM**, held in March. Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and Fixture Secretary. **Election of Officers:** The election of the Officers shall take place at the **AGM** each year before the end of March. All officers to serve for one year for which they were elected, but may be nominated for re-election without any restrictions. No person may hold more than two offices at the same time. Nominations for officers must be received in writing by the Hon. Secretary at least twenty-eight days before the date of the **AGM** and must be endorsed and confirmed by the nominee. The Chairman should always be a Past President and at least one other committee member.

- 3. Financial Year**

1<sup>st</sup> March – to last day of February

Subscriptions become due from the AGM held in each March where they are approved by the Treasurer annually. Accounts must be audited. 2 signatures required on cheques. 3 people to be registered. Any expenses must be accompanied with receipts

- 4. Rink Fees**

Match Fees are set to match the host club rink fees. Outdoor matches. Clubs normally make no charge, but previously the SPPA have donated towards their funds.

- 5. Dress Code**

Inter County Travel. Greys, County Blazer (\*optional) White shirt with SPPA tie. Play In Full Whites (trousers or shorts) with appropriate tie [optional]

- 6. Discipline** See Bowls England Regulation 9A on their website

- 7. Alteration of Rules:** Alteration of, or additions to, all or any of the foregoing Rules shall be made only at the AGM or at a Special General Meeting. Written notice of the terms of the proposed alterations must be received by the Hon. Secretary not later than twenty-eight days before the date of the AGM or Special General Meeting and notice of such proposals shall be sent to each Member with the notice convening the AGM or Special General Meeting. Two-thirds of those attending the meeting and entitled to vote must vote in favour of a resolution for it to be accepted. In the event of a tie the Chairman shall have a second and casting vote.

8. **Dissolution:** If at any General Meeting of the Association a resolution be passed, calling for the dissolution of the Association, the Hon. Secretary shall immediately convene a Special General Meeting of the Association to be held not less than twenty-eight day's thereafter, to discuss and vote on the resolution. If at that Special General Meeting the resolution is carried according to the voting rules, the Officers shall thereupon, or at such date as shall have been specified in the resolution, proceed to realise the assets of the Association, and discharge all debts and liabilities of the Association. After discharging all debts and liabilities of the Association the remaining funds shall be distributed between both Indoor and Outdoor Benevolent Funds pro rata. To the Membership at the time the original resolution was passed. Each qualifying Member shall be entitled to one share for each year he has been a member of the Association up to a maximum of five years.

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