



SELECTION POLICY

1. SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1.1 The Gawler Bowling Club shall select the strongest and most compatible pennant sides at all times.
- 1.2 For Open Pennants the best available players, men and women, shall be selected for each side.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSONS OF SELECTORS

- 2.1 The Chairperson of Selectors for Open Pennants (Saturday) shall be elected at the Club's Annual General Meeting (AGM).
- 2.2 The Chairman of Selectors for Men's Pennants (Wednesday) shall be elected at the Men's Annual Meeting.
- 2.3 The Chairwoman of Selectors for Ladies' Pennants (Thursday) shall be elected at the Ladies' Annual Meeting.
- 2.4 Nomination forms will be used. They must be signed by the proposer, the nominee and a seconder, and given to the Secretary at any time before the relevant meeting. If no Nominations have been received, they will be accepted from the floor immediately prior to voting. The vote will be by secret ballot.
- 2.5 Chairpersons can hold the position for a maximum of two (2) successive years, unless there are no other nominations.

3. ELECTION OF SELECTORS

- 3.1 Selectors for each side shall be elected within the last three (3) weeks before the first Pennant match.
Voting will be done at the Gawler Bowling Club and all members will be notified of the date and time of the elections.
- 3.2 Nomination forms will be used. They must be signed by the proposer, the nominee and a seconder and given to the relevant Chairperson at any time before the meeting. If two or more nominations have not already been received, they will be accepted from the floor immediately prior to voting, with a proposer and seconder. The vote will be by secret ballot. A proxy for each team shall be elected by show of hands.
- 3.3 Selectors can hold the position for a maximum of two (2) successive years, unless there are no other nominations.

4. NUMBER OF SELECTORS

- 4.1 There shall be two (2) selectors for each side.
- 4.2 A proxy shall be elected for each Pennant side.

5. ELIGIBILITY OF SELECTORS

- 5.1 To be nominated as a selector the nominee must have been a full member of the Club for at least two (2) years, be a current full and financial member, and in the previous year must have played majority of their games in the side for which he / she is being elected.
- 5.2 If a selector is out of their side, for any reason, for three (3) consecutive matches, or if they leave the Club, the proxy will automatically replace that selector. A new proxy shall then be elected by that side.
- 5.3 If a proxy selector is out of their side for three (3) consecutive matches, or if they leave the Club, a new Proxy selector shall then be elected by that side.

6. ELIGIBILITY OF ELECTORS

- 6.1 Only financial members shall be eligible to elect selectors, and the only side in which members can vote is the side in which they played the majority of their games in the previous season.

7. SELECTION FOR TRIAL MATCHES

- 7.1 If possible, at least two internal and two external trial matches shall be organised.
- 7.2 The Chairpersons of Selectors with the previous season's side Selectors, or, if already elected, the new Selectors, shall be responsible for the running of all trial matches.
- 7.3 For the benefit of selectors, at least one of the internal trial games could consist of "Side 1" vs. "Side 2" and "Side 3" vs. "Side 4".

8. SELECTION FOR FIRST PENNANT MATCHES

- 8.1 The relevant elected Chairperson of Selectors with newly elected side Selectors shall select all of the Pennant sides. Where election of selectors takes place less than five (5) days prior to the first Pennant match, the relevant Chairpersons and the previous season's Selectors shall select the teams.
- 8.2 Placement of players for the first Pennant matches will take into account their performance in trial games.

9. DEMOTION / PROMOTION

- 9.1 The movement of players for either promotion or demotion will normally be restricted to one level at a time.
- 9.2 Any player being demoted or promoted shall be notified by one of the side's selectors. This shall be done as soon as possible after selection, with the player being told the reason and where they have been selected in their new side. He/she will also be told whether a promotion is to fill a temporary vacancy or for a trial period with the possibility of staying in the higher team.
- 9.3 In order to do their job effectively Selectors need feedback from each rink.
- 9.4 Players' complaints or questions should first of all be directed to the Selectors, and then if need be to the relevant Chairperson, and as a last resort to the Board.

10. SELECTION ADVICE TO PLAYERS

- 10.1 The sides will be put up on the notice boards at the front of the Club.
- 10.2 For Player information, the Chairperson's and Selector's names, plus contact information, be placed on Selection Notice Board.

11. CHAIRPERSONS OF SELECTORS' ROLES

- 11.1 Receive nomination forms for Selectors, as per Part 3 above, and conduct the election of Selectors at the appropriate time.
- 11.2 Conduct elections of Team Managers and their Proxies at an appropriate time.
- 11.3 Arrange times for selection meetings, and oversee and coordinate the meetings.
- 11.4 Give a casting vote, as necessary, in the cases of deadlock during the selection process.

- 11.5 When a player withdraws after selection, make necessary changes to teams, consulting or informing at least one relevant selector for the division/s concerned, where possible. Advise the players concerned.
- 11.6 Keep records and results of all teams.
- 11.7 If on some days there are more players available than are needed, have a plan ready so that all players are treated fairly, e.g. an On / Off Alphabetical roster. Keep the necessary records.
- 11.8 When an excess of players creates an equitable rotation of selected players in the lowest division priority shall be given to those who only play once a week
- 11.9 Ensure that team lists are sent to Metro Bowls Association Portal.

12. CHANGES TO SELECTION POLICY

- 12.1 Changes to the policy can only be made at the Club's AGM or at a special meeting with a notice of motion forwarded to the Club Secretary at least three (3) weeks before the date of such a meeting.
- 12.2 Any issues which are relevant to a specific gender, which do not contravene the base policy, will be allowed to be discussed and decided on at that gender's Annual Meeting.

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