## **2024 Monday Evening Mixed Ladder Conditions of Play**

First match: Monday, May 27, 2024

Last match: Monday, September 9, 2024

No matches: Mondays, July 1, August 5, and September 2, 2024

No entry fee, and no prizes.

Pre-registration by email to <a href="mailto:hayman.chrisj@gmail.com">hayman.chrisj@gmail.com</a> is appreciated but not required; just show up when you can.

## **Conditions of Play**

- 1. Open to all JdF Lawn Bowls Club members.
- 2. Please check in no later than 6:15 p.m.; latecomers might not be accepted.
- 3. Matches start at 6:30 p.m.
- 4. Teams and positions will be assigned by the league coordinator based on season to-date performance in the league.
- 5. Teams may be mixed, all women, or all men.
- 6. The match format is pairs unless:
  - a. there are an odd number of players; in that case there will be a 3-player singles match,
  - b. there are an extra 2 players; in that case there will be a triples match. It's possible that there will be a triples match and a 3-player singles match on the same day.
- 7. Pairs and triples matches are 14 ends. 3-player singles matches are 18 ends. Ties are permitted.
- 8. Burnt jacks will be replaced on the 2-meter mark.
- 9. One scorecard will be issued for each match to record points for and points against for each team. The scorecard must be returned to the league coordinator after the match.

## 10.Ladder Points:

a. For pairs and triples matches, each player earns:

Win	7 points
Tie	4 points
Loss	1 point

b. For 3-player singles matches, the players are ranked as 1'st, 2'nd, 3'rd based on their relative match scores, and each player earns:

1'st	7 points
2-way tie for 1'st	5 ½ points
2'nd	4 points
3-way tie	4 points
2-way tie for 2'nd	2 ½ points
3'rd	1 point

- 11. After each week, positions on the ladder are re-evaluated based on:
  - a. Ladder points for wins, ties, and losses, then by
  - b. Shot percentage ("Shots For" / ("Shots For" + "Shots Against")).
- 12.At the end of the season, the ladder is adjusted to exclude each player's worst 2 results during the season before determining the league winner.

## 13.Draws:

- a. When there are an odd number of players, the middle three available players on the ladder will play a 3-player singles match.
- b. When there are an extra 2 players, the next 6 available players from the middle of the ladder will play a triples match. Players ranked 1, 4 & 6 form a team to play against players ranked 2, 3 & 5.
- c. The top ranked, available player on the ladder is paired with the lowest ranked, available player to form a pairs team to play against the next highest ranked available player and the next lowest ranked available player. This pattern continues until all pairs matches are assigned.
- d. Exceptions:
  - The number of times each player is assigned to play a 3-player singles match will be equalized across all players over the season.
    The same applies for triples matches.
  - ii. Prior to the first draw, players will be randomly sorted within their JdF Lawn Bowls Club rating (skip, skip/vice, vice, lead, novice) and placed on the ladder with skips at the top and novices at the bottom.
  - iii. Novices and leads will be assigned to play lead for their first two draws.
- 14.In pairs matches, the higher placed players on the ladder must play skip and the lower placed players must play lead. No exceptions are permitted.

- 15.In triples matches, the highest placed players on the ladder must play skip, the middle-placed players must play vice, and the lowest placed players must play lead. No exceptions are permitted.
- 16. Details for 3-Player Singles Matches:
  - a. When there are an odd number of players, the middle 3 available players on the ladder will play a 3-player singles match.
  - b. The number of times a player is assigned to play a 3-player singles match will be equalized across all players over the season.
  - c. The 3 players (A, B, C) will take turns forming a pair to play as a team against the other player:
    - i. 1'st end: players A and B play as team against player C
    - ii. 2'nd end: players B and C play as team against player A
    - iii. 3'rd end: players C and A play as a team against player B
    - iv. This pattern repeats for a total of 18 ends.
  - d. The single player always rolls last and sets the jack.
  - e. Each player rolls 4 bowls per end.
  - f. For ends won by a pair, each of the pair scores the points earned by that pair.
  - g. Visitations to the head are not permitted except to mark touchers, or to reset a burnt jack.
  - h. When updating the ladder, "Shots Against" for each player will be recorded as half the sum of the "Shots For" earned by the other 2 players.