THAMES VALLEY REGIONAL PETANQUE ASSOCIATION

OVER 50's PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Object

The object is to establish the Associations over 50's Pairs Champions:

2. Representation

2.1. The winners and runners-up of the over 50's Regional Pairs will represent the Association in the Champions of Champions competition as organized by the EPA.

3. Entries and Registration

- 3.1. Entries must be made on the prescribed form as issued by an authorized Regional Officer and be returned to the designated official by the date as shown thereon as decided by the RMC.
- 3.2. Registration for this Championship will open at 9.15 am and close at 9.45 am. Those Teams who have not registered by that time will be deemed to have scratched unless they provide a satisfactory explanation to the Competition Organizer.
- 3.3. All players must be listed as current members of the Region as recorded and shown on the schedule of members as presented to the Organizer by the Membership Secretary prior to registration. A member must produce their membership card when their name is not shown on the list provided to ensure entry into the competition.
- 3.4. As each Team registers it will draw a number which it will be its playing number for the day (unless pre drawn).
- 3.5. All teams must be in matching kit (tops) of the same design. Failure to observe this rule will result in disqualification from the competition.

4. Play

4.1 Play will commence at 10.00am.

The format of the competition will be decided by the Competition Secretary, he/she will use their judgement to decide the best format for the number of entries received. Formats permitted are:

- 1. Snake
- 2. Leagues and Knockouts

4.1.1 Snake

A five round snake competition with finals being played for positions 1 to 3 (subject to entries) as shown below.

Entries	Finals	Prizes
0 - 5 6	Event cancelled Top Team	Entry into Champions
7 +8	2 nd place Top2 Teams Play off	of Champions Entry into Champions of Champions
9+	Top 4 teams play off	Entry into Champions of Champions

After the five round snake the top two (for 7 or 8 entries) or top 4 for 9+ entries} teams will be calculated using the following criteria:

1. Number of games won

- 2. Total points difference
- 3. Points for
- 4. Should Teams still be equal a three end decider will be played

With an uneven entry the BYE team in each round will be given a win with points being awarded at the end of the fifth round.

The win points allocated will be 13 with an average of those points conceded in any victories in the four rounds played being the 'against' score (round down). If no victories recorded the score will be 13-12.

4.1.2 League and Knockouts

Leagues of 4 or 6 (and if necessary a league of 3)

The top two of each league, and if necessary the next best 'x' teams to make up a suitable number will progress to the knockout stage.

Any BYES in the league will not attract any points.

If the event number is sufficiently high then a plate will be played.

Trophies for the winners as defined for the Snake.

5. Substitutes

5.1. A Team may substitute a player from the original entry form up to the time that they register. After registration no substitutes will be allowed except in unforeseen circumstances and with the approval of the Competition Organizer

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