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#### RNZRSA SPORTING TOURNAMENTS

#### 9.1 General Information

Approval to host a national sporting tournament is given to a Local Association - <u>not</u> to a particular sports section - and responsibility for the successful operation of the tournament rests with that Association.

For this reason, the RSA Executive must appoint at least one of its numbers to any committee formed to organise the tournament.

One copy of this Information Sheet is to be given to the Executive's representative on the organising committee and the other copy to the Chairman of that committee.

#### 9.2 Preparation

Tournament venues are decided three years in advance and representatives of the host Association should:

- attend the tournament held in the preceding year and obtain a copy of the report of that tournament.
- You should be made aware that all promotion material (advertising, distribution of registration) relating to the tournament is the responsibility of the Host Association. A copy of the promotional material should be forwarded to National Office for placing on the RSA Website. A list of addresses of all local Associations and Branches will be made available by RNZRSA National Headquarters on request to enable the Host Association to promote the Tournament to other local Associations, etc.

Advertising in the RSA "Review" is an economic and effective way of publicising the tournament.

Ensure that regular progress reports or minutes of the organising committee's meetings are sent to National Headquarters for reporting to the Presidents Forum and Review.

#### 9.3 Accommodation

Unexpected demands on accommodation facilities can eventuate and host Associations are expected to make every effort to obtain provisional block-bookings in suitable motels/hotels to cater for participants and companions.

An Accommodation Officer should be appointed to deal with enquiries.

#### 9.4 Permanent Trophies

It is important that these trophies do not disappear.

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Obtain a list of the names and addresses of all trophy winners from the previous year's host Association and ensure that your Association has these trophies on hand for the Tournament.

#### 9.5 Spare

#### 9.6 **Standing Policy**

Attached is a copy of RNZRSA's standing policy resolutions on sporting tournaments. These should be studied carefully, with particular attention to:

#### o 9.6.1 Eligibility

That all participants in National and Victory Club Open Darts Sporting Tournaments shall be restricted to financial Returned, Service and Associate members (men and women) of an affiliated RSA except for National darts, which remain restricted to Returned and Services members only.

Victory Club Open Darts Tournaments are open to all financial members of an affiliated RSA (Returned, Service, Associate and Club).

#### o 9.6.2 Presidents Forum Representatives

An invitation should be extended to the Chairman of the Sports Committee to attend to view the operation of the tournament and to be present at any follow-up meeting of participants or officials.

An invitation should be extended to the local District President.

The host Association may also wish to invite the National President, or his nominee, to officiate at the Opening and /or Prize giving ceremonies.

#### 9.7 **Disciplinary Sub-Committee**

It is strongly recommended by the Presidents Forum that each host Association/Club form a small disciplinary Sub-Committee which would derive its authority from the conditions of entry for the particular tournament. The disciplinary Sub-Committee would be tasked with considering the ruling on complaints received, or on matters which had come to the attention of a member or members of the Sub-Committee, with regard to the conduct of an individual or individuals taking part in or being present at that tournament.

#### 0 9.7.1 Discipline and Conduct

Such Committee when formed shall have the power to:

- Censure or Suspend a player who fails to attend a tournament without giving due notice or providing a good reason to the tournament Controller.
- Censure a player for unacceptable behaviour and/or a wilful breach of the tournament rules.

- Suspend a player from the balance of a particular game or match for unacceptable behaviour and/or a wilful breach of the tournament rules.
- Disqualify a player from further participation in the tournament for unacceptable behaviour and/or a wilful breach of the tournament rules.

In addition to the provisions above:

to disqualify a player from participation in

■ The next national tournament of the same sport

or

• A maximum of three (3) national tournaments in the same sport.

#### The circumstances must be reported to their Association in writing.

#### o 9.7.2 Recommended Procedure

The procedure adopted should be analogous to the procedures laid down in the Model Rules for the disciplining of members of Associations/Clubs.

The person(s) against whom a complaint has been made should be required to appear before the Sub-Committee at the earliest possible time, to be made aware of the complaint and also to have the opportunity to speak and give any explanation of the matters about which the complaint has been made.

Either party to the proceedings may call witnesses to assist the disciplinary Sub-Committee in reaching a decision on the matter under consideration.

#### o 9.7.3 Right of Appeal

Any person who is subject to the imposition of a penalty by the Sub-Committee shall have the right of appeal to the RNZRSA Sports Committee of the Presidents Forum.

However pending the determination of such appeal the penalties imposed by the disciplinary Sub-Committee shall remain in force.

Notice of any such appeal must be in writing and must be lodged and in the hands of the appeal authority (RNZRSA Sports Committee) within a period of 14 days from the date of which the penalty was imposed.

#### 9.7.4 Appeal Authority

The RNZRSA Sports Committee of the Presidents Forum.

The Appeal Authority Shall have the power to dismiss or allow the appeal or vary the decision of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee.

The decision of the Appeal Authority shall be final.

#### 9.8 Entry/Registration Forms

Entry/Registration Forms for all sports must show quite clearly that the host Association reserves the right to refuse entry to any competitor.

Without this clause the disciplinary measures listed above cannot be enforced.

#### 9.9 Delegates Meeting:

Delegates Meeting to be arranged and chaired by the host committee. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss matters pertaining to the tournament and possible improvements.

No more than two delegates per Association.

In the case rule changes a two third majority is required to effect such change. The recommendation for such change is then sent to the Presidents Forum for approval.

#### o 9.9.1 After the Tournament

Send a full report and a copy of the financial statement and full details of prize-winners to the Chief Executive as soon as possible.

Send a copy of the above report to the next year's host Association.

Send an abridged report together with full details of prize-winners and photographs (black and white for preference) to the "RSA Review" Editor.

#### 9.10 Financial

The concern for a tournament to pay its own way is appreciated but host Associations should not budget for a large surplus at the expense of the participating members and their supporters.

Where a surplus is recorded, host Associations are urged to give favourable consideration to making an appropriate donation to RNZRSA's Youth Activities funds - see Resolution SP.2.

#### 9.11 Competitors Accommodation Guidelines

RNZRSA Sporting Tournaments Standing Policy Resolutions and their accompanying General Information sheet which are circulated to all hosting Local Associations state:-

#### o 9.11.1 Standing Policy Resolution

**SP.1 (j)** That no RSA be given the RNZRSA sporting tournament unless accommodation for all players can be within a radius of 20 miles (or 32 kilometres) of the venue and social function.

#### o 9.11.2 General Information Sheet 9.3

"Unexpected demands on accommodation facilities can eventuate and host Associations are expected to make every effort to obtain provisional block-bookings in suitable motels/hotels to cater for participants and companions.

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An Accommodation Officer should also be appointed to deal with enquiries".

#### 0 9.11.3

There is a belief among some Local Associations and their sports organising committees that they must be totally responsible for all accommodation bookings for all competitors and supporters. However it can be seen from para 1 that there is nothing in the Policy Resolution or the General Information sheet to preclude a host Association from handling accommodation requirements in other ways (and many do).

#### 9.11.4 Accommodation Officer

As recommended in the General Information Sheet a member of your organising committee should be appointed Accommodation Officer and that should be his sole job. People are human and there are always enquiries, last minute changes or cancellations at a time when the rest of your organising committee are flat out with tournament and function details.

#### o 9.11.5 Suggested Alternatives

Appoint a reputable local travel agent to handle all competitor accommodation requirements:

- Let that travel agent negotiate bulk rates and block bookings with all hotels and motels and report to you.
- Have the Travel Agent supply you with the competitors accommodation requirements form to go out with your entry form.
- When the forms come back hand them to your Travel Agent and let him/her deal with competitors direct from then on.
- Have your own Accommodation Officer be the liaison between your committee and your Travel Agent.

This method costs you nothing - your Travel Agent gets paid by commission on the hotel and motel bookings and travel agents are, after all, the professionals in this field.

Do it yourselves but ease the burden by laying some responsibility on the competitors themselves:

- The host RSA must make provisional block bookings at its local accommodation houses.
- In agreement with the accommodation houses a cut-off date is negotiated say two or three weeks prior to the tournament.

- A list of participating hotels/motels and their room rates is drawn up and circulated to all competitors on acceptance of their entries with the instructions to make their own bookings by the agreed date. If deposits are required competitors must be advised to lodge these themselves with the hotel/motel of their choice.
- Competitors must be clearly advised that accommodation bookings are their own responsibility and that NO provisional block bookings will be held after the agreed date.
- The host RSA must appoint an accommodation officer whose sole responsibility is to deal with all enquiries before and during the tournament.
- This is effectively the system administered by RNZRSA in organising National Council meetings. It works well although there are always late registrations requiring a little advice and help from National HQ (or someone has lost the circular listing Wellington hotels and rates etc!).

#### 9.11.6 Transport Coordinator

That the host Association included in the Entry Form a Transport Coordinator for players requiring transport from Arrival points to accommodation and to venues.

# 9.12 RNZRSA National Golf Tournament

#### **9.12.1** General

Tournaments shall take place as follows:

- RNZRSA National October/November (excluding Labour weekend).
- The tournaments shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Policies of RNZRSA and in accordance with the Rules of the New Zealand Golf Association (Inc).
- Entrants must be members of a Golf Club affiliated to the New Zealand Golf Association (Inc) and have a certified handicap.
- Play to be under the Rules of Golf in conjunction with local Rules.

#### 9.12.2 Eligibility

Entrants to the RNZRSA National Championship shall be financial members of any affiliated Returned Services Association or Club admitted under the First, Second and Third Schedules of RNZRSA Rules and will include women members.

#### **9.12.3** Entries

The local Association shall verify that players are financial members of a recognised Golf club and eligible for the appropriate tournament prior to play commencing on the opening day. Players should be in possession of proof of handicap by their local golf club and RSA Membership Card and produce these on registration. Proof of membership and handicap can be established on the NZ Golf Web-site (www.golf.co.nz)

#### 9.12.4 Format

Handicap Divisions will be decided and promulgated by the local host Association prior to commencement of play on the first day, and be dictated by the entries received.

#### 9.12.5 RNZRSA National Tournament

RNZRSA National Tournaments are generally to be spread over three days, played as follows:

1st Day	Foursomes (3 Divisions) and Mixed Foursomes Mens Stableford (3 Divisions)
2nd Day	First Round RNZRSA Championship (18 Hole Medal Play) Net, gross and Stableford competition
3rd Day	Second Round RNZRSA Championship (18 Holes Medal Play) Net, gross and Stableford competition

## 9.13 RNZRSA National Open Outdoor Bowls Triples Tournaments.

#### 9.13.1 RNZRSA National Outdoor Bowls (3 Days)

- (a) Every Association may enter six teams.
- (b) All players must be Returned, Service, or Associate financial members of an RSA. "Note" Members do not have to be a member of a Bowling Club affiliated to Bowls New Zealand.
- (c) The host Association may, if it has the facilities or there is lack of entries, allow more than six teams per association. These teams must be selected by ballot if extra entries exceed host association requirements
- (d) Composite teams may only be made up with supplements from the host Associate members.
- (d) Players must wear regulation bowling attire.
- (e) Associations may run their own elimination tournaments
- (f) Where less than four teams are entered for an elimination tournament no badge will be awarded.
- (g) Where **ten** or more teams are entered for an elimination tournament, winners and runners up will receive a badge. See 9.13.4

#### 9.13.2 Entry Fees

Every team competing shall pay full entry fee.

#### Closing dates for Entries

It is a condition of entry for RNZRSA Bowling Tournaments that the names of the Associations team/s be forwarded to the host Association by the closing date for entries.

#### 9.13.6 General rules and Conditions

The tournaments will be played in accordance with Bowls NZ Laws of the game. Games to be played as set down in these rules.

#### 9.13.7 Referee

Tournament Committees should arrange to obtain the services of an official referee from your local Bowling Association Centre.

**9.13.8 Section play** (Time limits may be varied due to the playing conditions of the greens).

Day One am/pm

• 3 games 12 ends or 1Hr 45 mins

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Day Two am/pm

- 3 games 12 ends or 1hr 45 mins
- 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw

At the conclusion of play on Day Two

All teams will be graded in accordance with their placing in section play.

The top 16 teams will be seeded as they qualified for championship, numbered 1 to 16 and posted to **Championship Section**.

All remaining teams will be posted in accordance with their grading to **Consolation Flight Section** A,B,C,D, etc

#### 9.13.9 Post Section

Championship, Consolation Shield, and Consolation Flight.

Day Three am/pm

#### **Championship Section**

To play Knockout, 10 ends or 1hr 30 mins.

**FINAL** 10 ends, no time limit.

#### **Consolation Shield**

First round losers from "Championship Section" to play Knockout, 10 ends or 1hr 30mins.

#### **Consolation Flight**

Sections A, B, C, D, etc 3 games of 10 ends or 1 Hr 30 mins

All section winners, runners-up and all other placings will be decided by number of points won (ie 2pts for a win 1pt for a draw), if ties, by the number of ends won, if still tied by the total number of shots scored.

**Score cards** must be kept showing names of all team members, all ends won, points scored, cards shall be signed by the opposing Skip and at the conclusion of the game the completed card shall be handed to the game Controller.

Any dispute may be referred to the games controller for consideration by a disputes tribunal appointed by the tournament committee.

Decisions by any such tribunal shall be final and binding.

#### 9.13.10 Recommended Prize Schedule

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: RNZRSA Championship Shield, Gold badges & Cash.

• 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Kippenberger Shield & Cash

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Equal: Cash
- Consolation Shield
- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Whitestone shield & Cash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Cash
- Consolation Flight Sections A, B, C, D, etc
   1st Prize: "A" Section Maori Carving & Cash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Cash
- 1st Prize: "B" Section Maori Carving & Cash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Cash
- 1st Prize: "C" Section Victory Club Silver Salver & Cash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Cash
- 1st Prize: "D" Section, Cash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Cash

**"NOTE"** 3<sup>rd</sup> Equal prizes for the Consolation Shield and Flight Sections is the decision of the Host Association.

## Hannan Trophy (North / South)

Teams to be drawn equally by Host Association.

## 9.14 RNZRSA National Open Indoor Bowls Tournaments

#### 9.14.1 Tournament

- The tournament shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and policies of RNZRSA and in accordance with the rules of NZ Indoor Bowls Federation.
- The playing format shall be fours competition.

#### 9.14.2 Eligibility

- Subject to the availability of bowling mats, there should be no restriction as to the number of teams an RSA can enter.
- In the event of entries exceeding the venue capacity, the host Association may apportion entries, giving preference to teams from visiting Associations.
- Composite teams may only be made up with supplements from the host Associate members

#### **9.14.3 Entries**

The Local Association shall verify that players are financial in accordance with SP.1 (d)
 Team skips will be responsible for forwarding entries accompanied by the appropriate entry fee.

#### 9.14.4 Format

Saturday

Six games of 9 ends or 50 minutes time limit. Two points for a win, 1 point for a draw. Eight points to qualify.

Sunday - Championship

All qualifiers play 4 games of 9 ends or 50 minutes time limit with 6 points to qualify.

The qualifiers will then play a sudden death competition to find a winner. Same number of ends and time limit except for final where there will be no time limit.

Sunday - Consolation

Non-qualifiers from Saturday.

Four games of 7 ends or 40 minutes with a requirement of 6 points to qualify. Qualifiers will then play a sudden death competition to find a winner with same number of ends and time limit, except for final where there will be no time limit.

## 9.15 RNZRSA National Open Snooker Tournaments

#### 9.15.1 Tournaments are to be held on the following dates:

#### RNZRSA National

- Singles Labour Weekend (2 days)
  - Returned, Service, and Members
- Pairs Queens Birthday Weekend (2 days)
  - Two Returned Members
  - Returned and Service Member
  - o Two Service Members
  - Two Members
  - o Returned and Member
  - Service and Member

#### Trophies

All Players/teams will compete for the RNZRSA National Open Singles/Pairs Trophies.

#### **Current Trophies**

- Existing National Single Trophies will be played for by Returned and Service Members.
- Existing Victory Club Single Trophies will be played for by Members.
- Existing National Pairs Trophies will be played for by Returned and Service Members.
- Existing Victory Club Pairs Trophies will be played for by Members and Returned / Service Members partnering Members.
- **9.15.2** All games shall be played in RSA Clubs or at a venue acceptable to the Presidents Forum of RNZRSA.
- **9.15.3** The host Association will procure a copy of the most recent edition of The Snooker Handbook and apply the rules therein throughout the tournament.
- **9.15.4** A minimum of six (6) tables are recommended in the premises used by the host Association.
- 9.15.5 Selection of the entries for the Tournament will be at the discretion of the organising committee of the host Association. This committee will ensure that all Associations submitting entries will be represented. In the event of accepted entries later withdrawing, the organising committee shall reserve the right to replace from a waiting list.
- 9.15.6 It is recommended that there be a maximum of sixty-four (64) entries for tournament, thirty-two (32) to qualify for section play.

- 9.15.7 In accordance with RNZRSA Standing Policy Resolution SP.1 (e) members belonging to more than one RSA must nominate the Association they wish to represent.
- **9.15.8** Entries from local RSAs (and Branches) must be signed by the Secretary and accompanied by the entry fee. Entries will be limited to financial members of the RSA.
- 9.15.9 Any RSA with more entries than allotted by the host RSA must play an elimination tournament on a round robin basis. Competitors may play in one elimination tournament only.
- 9.15.10 On Saturday there shall be a minimum of five qualifying games played. There shall be no time limit on any game and there shall be only one shot on the black ball for each team except where scoring with the black ball by each team will effect a win or draw.
  - Qualifying order is to be determined:
  - First by number of wins,
  - Second by points differential and
  - Third by Respotted Black to decide order.
- **9.15.11** Post Section. The top 32 teams or players will qualify for the Championship. All games shall be the best of three frames.

At the discretion of the host Association the first round loser in the championship will proceed to a **Championship Plate** competition where all but the final shall be one frame no time limit.

At the discretion of the host Association non-qualifiers will enter **Consolation** tournament. All games but the final will be one frame with no time limit.

It is recommended that the Championship Final be the best of five frames and the final of all other competitions be the best of three frames, time permitting.

Again this format is to be applied at the discretion of the host Association.

- **9.15.12** The host Association shall appoint two persons as a Chief Referee and an assistant whose decision shall be final.
- **9.15.13** All games shall have a Referee and a Marker. All points of dispute shall be referred to the Chief Referee.
- 9.15.14 If a player fails to attend a tournament without giving due notice or providing a good reason to the tournament Controller, they may be excluded from RNZRSA tournaments for up to three years and the circumstances advised to their own Association.

- **9.15.15** After commencement of section play in Pairs Tournaments substitute players may be permitted under extreme circumstances only, at the discretion of the host Association.
- **9.15.16** All players must have checked into their section not later than 15 minutes before their first game. Any player not checked in on time may be replaced at the organising committee's discretion.
- 9.15.17 During qualifying games, if a player or team is late for start of play, the Chief Referee shall penalise the player four (4) points per minute to a maximum of 15 minutes when he will award the game to the opposing player or team.

The result will be shown as 60-0 to the attending player or team.

- 9.15.18 During post-section play if a player or team is late for start of play the Chief Referee shall penalise the player or team four (4) points per minute up to a maximum of 15 minutes when he will award the frame to the opponent or opposing team.
- **9.15.19** All matters not covered by the foregoing shall be decided by the organising committee, whose decision shall be final.
- 9.15.20 The host Association shall furnish the Presidents Forum of RNZRSA with a report of the tournament and a financial statement and included the trophy winners and Associations within two months of the date of the tournament.
- 9.15.21 The host Association shall convene a tournament meeting. The minutes of this meeting shall be distributed to, all Associations represented, to Associations known to be hosting future tournaments and to the Sports Committee of RNZRSA.
- **9.15.22** The host Association shall appoint an officer as part of the organising committee who shall liaise with the Sports Committee of RNZRSA concerning the organisation and running of the tournament.
- **9.15.23** The organising committee must ensure that all white balls used in a tournament are the correct weight and size.

#### 9.15.24 Dress Standards

Dress standards at all times shall be:

Basically one coloured long sleeved dress shirt fastened at the wrists, plain or patterned bow tie, dress trousers and dress shoes.

- **9.15.25** The host Association should give consideration to arranging day time entertainment for the partners of players.
- **9.15.26** These guidelines shall supersede all previous guidelines.

# 9.15.27 How to make up the RNZRSA Snooker Qualifying Draw (Example: 32 Player Draw) Note: The *Bold Italicized* numbers are the Top 8 Seeded players.

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Approx 30mins per round, 6 Games using 6 tables.

Played in 2 Sessions MORNING SESSION 0830 -1230

Round1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7	Round 8
1-16	7-10	4-11	1-12	14-13	4-7	1-8	14-9
2-15	8-9	5-10	2-11	15-12	5-6	2-7	15-8
3-14	16-15	6-9	3-10	16-11	13-12	3-6	16-7
4-13	1-14	7-8	4-9	1-10	14-11	4-5	1-6
5-12	2-13	15-14	5-8	2-9	15-10	12-11	2-5
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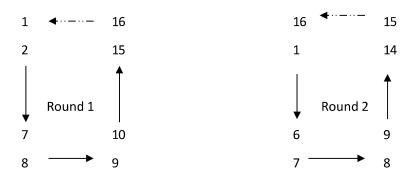
#### AFTERNOON SESSION 1230 - 1630

17-32	23-26	20-27	17-28	30-29	20-23	17-24	30-25
18-31	24-25	21-26	18-27	31-28	21-22	18-23	31-24
19-30	32-31	22-25	19-26	32-27	29-28	19-22	32-23
20-29	17-30	23-24	20-25	17-26	30-27	20-21	17-22
21-28	18-29	31-30	21-24	18-25	31-26	28-27	18-21
22-27	19-28	32-29	22-23	19-24	32-25	29-26	19-20

#### How to make the draw

**1.** Take the total number for each session and number down the page

E.g. from 1-16 to find the half way point (in this case 8). Then match the numbers 9-16 back up the page until all numbers are paired off. This gives you the first round of games. (Note all Even numbers are paired with Odd Numbers.)



2. To work out the next round start with the highest number of the first game of round 1 and move the other numbers down 1 place e.g. Start with 16 and count down. So your next number is 16 then 1, 2, 3 etc... until you have your 8 numbers. Then rotate the last 8 numbers

for that round from bottom to top e.g. 8 through to 15. This will give you your second round. Continue the process until you have the desired number of rounds to play. (In this case 6 games each)

3. To work out your timings you need to divide the total number of games by the total number of tables and allow 30 to 35 mins per round. E.g. we have 16 players each round playing 6 games each. This works out to 48 games on 6 Tables therefore:

48 divided by 6 = 8 rounds of 30 mins each = approx 4hrs playing time.

#### **Seeding Players**

4. To seed players you must first decide how many games each player is playing. (In this case 6) Then add 1 to this number and this will give you the numbers to seed e.g. 1, 7, for the morning and 17, 23 for the afternoon. Then also seed the opposition player for each of their first round games. E.g. 16, 10, 32, 26 (This will give you 8 Seeded players for the tournament).

Note: Use this same process if section play is one session e.g. 1, 7, 13, 20...

#### Allocation of Draw Numbers

- 5. It is important to note that several members may represent any one club in RNZRSA tournaments, and having members of the same club playing each other in round robin play is to be avoided. To do this, follow these simple guidelines:
  - a. Separate all remaining entries into their separate clubs. (Place all single entries together in one group).
  - b. Work out Seedings (if any) and place the previous years' winner (if entered) in the position. Draw remaining seeded players randomly into the number 1 seeded positions e.g. 1,7,10,16,17,23,26,32. Take care to ensure if two seeded players are from the same club you allocate them either Odd or Even numbers so they don't meet in Section play.
  - c. Look at the Seeded players and draw their same club members into random Odd or Even number positions so they don't meet in Section play. E.g. if the previous years' winner (Position 1) is from Rotorua, then all Rotorua players will be given Random Odd number positions, as drawn.
  - d. Draw players from clubs with only one entry last to fill in the gaps.

#### **Defaults**

- 6. If for any reason a player defaults or withdraws prior to the start the following may be used.
  - a. Where possible replace the defaulted player with a reserve player if available.
  - b. If no reserve players are available, take his/hers 6 opposition players and pair them off against each other.

Example: Player 5 Defaults. He is going to play (in order) players, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4 and 2. Therefore 12 plays 10, 8 plays 6, and 4 plays 2.

This means there is no need for Byes. (Note in this situation it may be unavoidable for members of the same club not to play each other)

#### **Odd Number of Entries**

7. In the event of an Odd number of entries being received. Make the draw as if there was one extra player in the field and use the method at 6b to work out your draw.

# 9.16 RNZRSA NATIONAL AND RNZRSA VICTORY CLUB OPEN DARTS TOURNAMENTS

#### 9.16.1 NATIONAL FORMAT & VICTORY CLUB FORMAT

#### **SECTION PLAY (5 GAMES)**

(Fours, Pairs, Singles) Best of 3, **501**, 3 or more wins to QUALIFY Less than 3 wins to CONSOLATION.

#### QUALIFIERS (KNOCKOUT)

(Fours, Pairs, Singles)

CHAMPIONSHIP. Best of 3, **501** 

CONSOLATION. Best of 3, **501 (Victory Club Final Consolation Best of 3)** 

#### **SEMI FINALS QUALIFIERS** (Fours, Pairs, Singles)

CHAMPIONSHIP Best of 5 **501** CONSOLATION Best of 3 **501** 

**FINALS** (Fours, Pairs, Singles)

CHAMPIONSHIP. Best of 7 **501** CONSOLATION. Best of 5 **501** 

#### 9.16.2 VICTORY CLUB FORMAT

- Two life knock out in fours, pairs, and singles,
- Best of three legs, fours 501- pairs 401-singles 301
- All Finals best of five legs
- Double to start and finish

"Note" 14.16.1 format as above may be played providing the Association applying has the facility and the room to accommodate the greater number of players and boards.

#### 9.16.3 RECOMMENDED PLAY FOR SATURDAY & SUNDAY

#### **SATURDAY**

0845 hrs OFFICIAL OPENING

0900 hrs Commence Play.

- (1) Fours Section play.
- (2) Pairs Section play.
- (3) Play out Fours to their conclusion.
- (4) Play out Pairs as far as possible. No Games to commence after 1830hrs.

#### **SUNDAY**

- (1) Singles Section Play
- (2) Play out remaining Pairs play to conclusion.
- (3) Play out Singles.

#### 9.16.4 Set up of boards to be to National and International requirements

Bull centre height 1.73 meters, length 2.37 metres to back of raised fixed oche.

#### 9.16.5 Order or Play

- Winner of the toss goes for a double first in the 1<sup>st</sup> leg.
- Loser of the toss for a double first in the 2<sup>nd</sup> leg,
- Toss again for the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> if required and the winner has the choice to throw for the Bull first or go second. Nearest the Bull goes for the double first.
- **9.16.6** Players standing on or over oche will be foot faulted. After one warning the offender will forfeit their score.
- **9.16.7** Incorrect score must be challenged and corrected before next player takes their shot. Thereafter the score will stand.
- **9.16.8** RNZRSA Rules of play to be printed in programme.

#### 9.16.9 Dress:

As per host Association rules.

#### 9.16.10 Disciplinary Sub- Committee:

Refer RNZRSA Sports Guide lines 9.7.

#### 9.16.11 180 Badges:

- 180 Badges will be supplied by RNZRSA.
- The RNZRSA Inter Dominion Darts Council will hold and update the 180 Badge register and present the Badges at the Tournament.
- Players will receive a badge for their first 180. Players with two or more may display numbered Rosette on the badge.

#### 9.16.12 Delegates Meeting:

- Delegates Meeting to be arranged and chaired by the host committee or the RNZRSA Inter Dominion Darts Council. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss matters pertaining to the National/Victory Club Tournaments and possible improvements.
- No more than two delegates per Association.
- In the case of rule changes a two third majority is required to effect such change.
- The recommendation for such change is then sent to the Presidents Forum for approval.
- Inter-Dominion Darts Council Meeting:
- Host committee is to arrange a venue for the Inter-Dominion Darts Council Annual meeting which is to be held on the Friday evening of the RNZRSA Darts Nationals at 1930hrs (7-30pm).