

SELECTION PLANS 2019/20 for Information Day July 21st 2019

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Aim: To promote compatibility within each rink, and to provide players with the opportunity to provide feedback **anonymously** of dissatisfaction to selectors. So that players can enjoy the game while being competitive, giving themselves and the club the chance of **PROMOTION** at all levels.

1. Selectors will be elected later today (July 28th) to work in a panel situation, viz. **ALL** teams will be picked by the Panel, (there will be no **individual team** selectors):
 - a. Wednesday Selection Panel to consist of 2 selectors plus the Director (total 3).
 - b. Saturday Selection Panel to consist of 3 selectors plus the Director (total 4)
 - c. Thursday Selectors have been elected by the ladies.
 - d. In case of absence of any panel member the remainder of the Panel will select all teams.
2. Reinstatement of the individual **assessment sheets**, which shall include an assessment of rink compatibility (This is to provide players the opportunity to give feedback on the team they have played with, and its compatibility.) The last season player survey said players wanted to be able to provide feedback to Selectors – **HERE'S HOW!**
 - a. Each player will be given a sheet to complete after each game.
 - b. Each player will be expected to assess **ALL** players in that rink **including Him/Herself**.
 - c. Anonymity of each report will be preserved except that the rink will be determined by the skipper's name only.
 - d. The reports will be preserved for two weeks only, **and NOT AVERAGED. After two weeks they will be destroyed.**
 - e. There should be **NO CROSS CONSULTATION** in the reports from the players in each rink. This would only suggest rink compatibility, but not reflect individual performance.
3. **Being Skipper of a rink** carries responsibilities not just while playing. Therefore Skippers will take responsibility for:
 - a. Advising their team of their selected position and whether they are playing at home or away. This is to ensure that players who do not rely on the internet for information know what is expected of them.
 - b. Ensuring that their players have transport to away matches, and know the location of the club in case of away matches.
 - c. Advising their team in the case of an early start due to heat.
 - d. Advising the Team Manager and/or the Director of Selectors of any likely absentee member of their team so that a substitute can be arranged in a timely fashion.
4. The Director of Selectors will be responsible for arranging substitutes and changes in case of any player becoming unavailable on the morning of the day of play, and will advise the Team Manager of any changes before the game.
5. Players are expected to use the appropriate UNAVAILABILITY Lists **PRIOR TO SELECTION DAY**, to advise of absence, and please also use the GOING DIRECT board so we know where to find you.
6. **HOT WEATHER! If forecasts on selection day suggest there may be heat problems**, players who register **NOT** to play when temperatures are above their comfort zone, regardless of early starts etc., should expect not to be selected, even in lower teams. **I refer you to the Registration Sheet on the Notice Board.**
7. **Players who absent themselves other than through sickness, (eg. Holidays during the Pennant season), may have to prove themselves in lower divisions on their return.**

8. Temporary Substitutions "T":

Any player who is picked to substitute for a player at a higher level will have a "T" placed alongside his/her name. This means that he/she **may** be dropped back to the previous level if the player he/she is substituting for is selected for the next game. This is an opportunity for the substituting player to demonstrate their ability, and provides a chance for them to retain a slot at that higher level. **Please appreciate that this is recognition of performance at the current level, and is encouraging the possibility of a permanent promotion in future.**

TRIAL GAMES. (Both Wednesdays and Saturdays)

Players will be expected to attend these trials!!!!!! If they do not come to Trial games, they cannot expect to be highly selected in the first pennant games of the season, and will have to prove themselves at lower levels.

Matches at other clubs with grass greens will **not** be sought, since grass at that time rarely reflects the playing surface when the season gets under way.

1. 1st Trials: (Saturday 14th September and Wednesday 18th September)

Rinks will be selected as thought to be best, through to least likely. Each rink will play amongst themselves in SCROUNGERS format (3-2-1). The intention being to form some good compatibility within that rink. (Scorecards will be used to see how each player performed in that rink, and how compatible that rink was). This is intended both as a trial, and while still being competitive, a **fun** start to the season preparation

2. 2nd and 3rd Trials: (Saturdays 21st September and 5th October, and Wednesdays 25th September and 2nd October)

Rinks will be selected as thought to be best, through to least likely. Initially, the 1st selected rink will play against the 2nd rink, 3rd vs 4th etc, down the line. There may be some variation on this for the 3rd Trials (Scorecards will be used, and Assessment sheets provided to each player so as to give a final guide to the Selection Panel for the first Pennant game of the season.

SELECTION PANEL MEETINGS:

1. Saturday Team Selections:

Suggested that these take place on Mondays or Tuesdays from 3.00pm. (To be determined)

2. Wednesday Team Selections:

These will take place on Fridays from 3.00pm.

It should be noted that the Selectors panel members may need to make phone calls to skippers for the next day's matches regarding any changes or early starts.

If you have any queries regarding these plans, please contact me direct,

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