

## Barnet Triples League – Rules 2017/18

- I. Only clubs affiliated to the Hertfordshire County Short Mat Bowling Association (HCSMBA) are eligible to enter the League.
- II. All players must be registered to HCSMBA and the English Short Mat Bowling Association (ESMBA).
- III. All matches will be played at St Mary's Church Hall, The Walk, Potters Bar, Herts on Wednesday evenings. Play will start no later than 7:30pm. The hall will be available from 7:15pm. The HOME team will help put the mats out and the AWAY team will help put the mats away.
- IV. Teams will consist of no more than six (6) players. Once a player has been nominated to a team they cannot switch to another team in either division during the season.
- V. Each match will be played over 15 ends plus 2 trial ends.
- VI. Each player will play with 2 bowls.
- VII. Bowling/appropriate shoes must be worn by all players in the act of bowling.
- VIII. All matches will be played following the ESMBA rules except for the following;  
  
Each team will be allowed to knock the jack off the side of the mat once without penalty and the end replayed from the same direction. For each additional end the jack is knocked off the side of the mat a 3 shot penalty will be awarded to the opposition.
- IX. Should a team be short of a player the following will happen;  
  
There will be no penalty or extra bowls played by the team with the player missing. The game will be played with the missing player being considered the number 2 and a definite order of play will be maintained. It shall be **lead, lead, second, lead, lead, second**.
- X. Once the league has started should a team not be able to fulfil a fixture, the team must notify the League Secretary 7 days before the match is to be played. Failure to do so will mean the match is awarded to the opposition with a 15-0 win. Extra days will be available for bad weather.
- XI. Should a team not complete all their matches there will be no refund of monies paid.