

#### **Club Rules & Etiquette**

### **Snooker Room**

- 1. Each light token is for 30 minutes of play and can be purchased from Bar.
- 2. The period that a table may be occupied by any number of players is:
  - a) The amount of time provided by one light token, or
  - b) The amount of time provided by one light token, plus any additional time remaining from the previous players, or
  - c) Until all the balls have been potted within the time allowed in (a) or (b) above.
- 3. The only exception to (1) above shall apply when a table is vacant at the end of a period and no bookings have been made, in which case play may continue for a further period.
- 4. After this period, players shall set the table ready for the next game and vacate the table and if wishing to continue playing they shall enter their names on the booking board in the Bar.
- 5. Pre-booking before the end of a period by any individual currently playing is not allowed.
- 6. No play is allowed on a table unless the table lights are switched on. This is to prevent risk of damage to baize.
- 7. Play must cease promptly at 11:00pm. No tokens should be inserted in the light meters after 10:30pm unless you are prepared to leave before your game has finished.

- 8. Never put more than one token in the meter at a time.
- When moving around the table do not disturb a player taking a shot on an adjoining table; wait until the shot has been played.
- 10. When passing the end of tables do not disturb another player's line of vision; wait until the shot has been played.
- 11. Do not make unnecessary noise or create disturbances.
- 12. No use of mobile phones is allowed in the snooker room; please switch them to silent.
- 13. Do not abuse Club equipment: balls, cues, rests, etc.
- 14. Keep drinks well away from the tables.
- 15. No food is allowed in the snooker room. If you have eaten snacks, please ensure your hands are clean before playing.
- 16. Do not toss coins on the tables, they will damage the baize.
- 17. When re-spotting balls, do not bang them on spots. This causes indentations and the balls will be deflected.
- 18. Only the white ball may be struck with the cue.
- 19. After 9:00 pm, Ordinary, Family and Senior members' table bookings take priority over Junior bookings, except if a Junior is playing an Ordinary, Family or Senior member.
- 20. If at the end of your allocated period the table is not required then please cover the table.

# **The Club**

- 21. Using the Club out of opening hours:
  - A key is available from the Library <u>during their</u> opening hours only. A valid membership card must be

produced in order to be issued with a key and the key returned to the Library before they close.

- Only Ordinary and Senior members may use the tables when the bar is closed. Up to three guests may accompany a member, provided that they sign in and pay the current guest fee which should be placed in the honesty box located in the hall.
- Junior members must not play on the tables if an adult member is not present in the Club. The keys at the Library are not available to junior members.
- Under no circumstances must the tables be used without a token for the lights. Tokens must be obtained from the bar staff during opening hours.
- 21. Alcohol will not be sold to or consumed by anyone under the age of eighteen. Any member may be asked to show proof of age by the bar staff.
- 22. The person in charge of the bar has full authority to ensure compliance with the above rules and members found to be in breach of the Club rules will be reported to the Committee and may be asked to resign.

# **Competitions**

Occasionally members would have pre-planned to play competition matches which are reserved using the booking board. Matches are played over 2 or 3 games and they are allowed to stay on the table until a result has been reached. No more than two competition matches can be booked on the same evening.

### **Conduct**

Excessive drunkenness, foul or abusive language, aggressive behaviour towards other members, or any other inappropriate conduct, will not be tolerated. Violent conduct or wilful damage to club property will result in immediate expulsion from the club as will any attempt to supply alcohol to anyone

under the age of eighteen. The committee reserves the right to refuse entry and any decision made by the person responsible will be final.

### **Disciplinary Process**

Step 1: Verbal Warning

Step 2: Formal conversation with chair/vice chair

Step 3: Ban from premises

I have read and understood the rules of the club and agree to adhere to the expectations defined above.

By applying for membership, or renewing membership, the member is deemed to be accepting the above rules.