BRITISH CROWN GREEN LADIES COMPETITION COMMITTEE

SENIOR MERIT RULES

- 1 Entries for the Senior Merit Competition heats must be made within the player's own County to which they are affiliated. Entry fee to BCGLCC is £5.00 per entrant to be paid at time of entry, no entry accepted without fee.
- 2 There must be a minimum of sixteen entries from a County Association in order to get a minimum of one qualifier.
- 3 The number of finalists from each County will be decided annually by the Secretary. The draw for this competition will be a 'scattered' draw. No substitute will be allowed once the draw has been publicised.
- **4** At no stage of the competition will any player be allowed to play on a green of which she is a playing member.
- Each County Association shall be given the opportunity to host the Senior Merit. The Ladies Presidential Rota will apply with the Senior Merit Final being held in the County of the President. Any County not willing to host the event can decline without question. In such cases the Management Committee will decide which County will stage the event.
- 6 The County hosting the final must not play its heat(s) on the green which is to be used for the Final.
- Any player failing to compete in the final of this competition shall automatically be suspended from entering all competitions run by the Association for a period of not less than 12 months, to take effect from the next AGM, except by valid reason, i.e. medical certificate. Subsequent offences to carry a penalty of three years suspension subject to Management decision.
- **8** Dress code as laid down in Bye-Law 19 of the Association.
- 9 All games to be played to the Laws of the Game of Crown Green Bowls as laid down in the

BCGBA Handbook.

- 10 The Management Committee will decide on the level of prize monies to be paid to all qualifiers.
- 11 There will be a start and scratch time, both of which will be the same. This will be strictly adhered to, apart from exceptional circumstances to be decided by the Management Committee.
- Any player receiving a bye in this competition shall be entitled to 10 minutes practice on the green on which they would have played their initial heat.