

SUSSEX COUNTY BOWLS - MEN'S SECTION

MEN'S SECTION RULES

SECTION THREE - COUNTY BADGE AND FLASH AWARD PROCEDURE

a. County Badge Award Procedure

To be awarded a County Badge a player will be required to achieve one of the following:

- i) Be a member of the initial team selected to play, and then play in THREE Middleton Cup Matches; (Amended AGM 25)
- ii) Win the Unbadged Singles Competition; (Added AGM 21).
- iii) Achieve a total of nine 'credit points' earned as detailed in para c. below.
- iv) Be elected President of Sussex County Bowls - Men's Section..

NB Any other Officer who is not a County badged player, will automatically be entitled to wear the County Blazer Badge for the duration of his time in office, but will no longer be entitled to wear the County Blazer Badge when he leaves office – unless - during that time he has become a County badged player, is elected as an Hon. Member, or is authorised by the GPC to continue to wear the County Blazer Badge.

b. Award of County Colt Badge and Middleton Cup and Home Counties League Flashes

- i) On playing his first County Match a player shall be awarded his County Colt Badge.
- ii) On completion of three Middleton Cup matches a player shall be awarded a Middleton Cup Flash.
- iii) On completion of three Home Counties League matches a player shall be awarded a Home Counties League Flash.
- iv) On completion of three Balcomb Trophy matches a player will be awarded a Balcomb Trophy Flash. To be effective from 24 Jun 18. (Added SGM 19).

c. Credit Awards towards the County Blazer Badge

i) In the County Singles, 2 Wood Singles, Pairs, Triples, Fours or Senior Fours:

Any player who has played in - at least TWO rounds - prior to playing in any of the following rounds (one 'walk over' given will be considered as a round played) - will receive **A CREDIT OF ONE** (accumulative) **POINT** for each/any of the following rounds in which he plays: (Amended AGM 24).

- a) the last eight in their Area;
- b) the last four in their Area;
- c) the last two in their Area;
- c) the Semi-Final;
- d) the Final.

Any player who had played in - at least **THREE** rounds – prior to playing in the the last two in their Area; or Semi Final - will receive **A CREDIT OF ONE ADDITIONAL** (accumulative) **POINT** for each/any of these two rounds in which he plays;

Any player who had played in - at least **THREE** rounds – prior to playing in the Final - will receive **A CREDIT OF TWO ADDITIONAL** (accumulative) **POINTS** - and the award of a County Badge.

ii) In the Champion of Champions and Unbadged Singles:

Any player who has played in - at least **TWO** rounds - prior to playing in any of the following rounds (one 'walk over' given will be considered as a round played) - will receive **A CREDIT OF ONE** (accumulative) **POINT** for each/any of the following rounds in which he plays: (Amended AGM 24).

- a) The last four in their Area;
- b) The last two in their Area;
- c) the Semi-Final;
- d) the Final.

Any player who had played in - at least **THREE** rounds – prior to playing in the Semi Final - will receive **A CREDIT OF ONE ADDITIONAL** (accumulative) **POINT** for each/any of these two rounds in which he plays;

iii) In the Under 24 Singles and Pairs

- a) Is/Are the Winner(s) - a credit of - three points.
- b) Is/are the losing finalist – a credit of - two points.

iv) In the Mixed Pairs and Mixed Fours

Any player who has played in - at least **TWO** rounds - prior to playing in any of the following rounds (one 'walk over' given will be considered as a round played) - will receive **A CREDIT OF ONE** (accumulative) **POINT** for each/any of the following rounds in which he plays: ([Inserted AGM 24](#)).

- a) the last round in their Area;
- b) the Semi-Final;
- c) the Final.

NB [These points are accumulative, round by round.](#)

v) In County Matches

- a) As of the commencement of the 2024 season, an unbadged player may only gain a maximum total of six points through playing in County matches and a minimum of three badge credit points **MUST** be gained by achievement in County Competitions. ([Amended AGM 23](#)).
- b) An unbadged player who was a member - of the initial team selected - will be awarded – **ONE** credit point - for each County match that he plays in - up to a maximum of **TWO** points in any one season. ([Amended AGM 23](#)).

NB: [Any player who currently holds more than six points, earned through playing in County matches, will only be required to gain sufficient points in competitions to bring his total to nine.](#) ([Amend AGM 23](#)).

iv) In Home Counties League Matches

- a) A player will be awarded a credit of – 2 points - for each Home Counties League match that he plays in, provided he was a member of the initial team selected and notified.

d) Award of Under 24/5 Flashes

On completion of any combination of three Home Counties League or White Rose Trophy matches a player shall be awarded an Under 24/5 Flash.

e) Administration of the Award of County Badges

- i) On transfer from one system to the other any player who:
 - a) Has been awarded colts badge was given - a credit of - four points.
 - b) Is currently in possession of two credits under the current system was given - a credit of – six points.

f) Vice Patrons

Vice Patrons who have played in four VP games over a minimum period of three years will at the end of that time receive a Vice Patrons badge to be worn on their blazer.