

**Motion to Norfolk Bowls Association Men's Annual General Meeting on  
10<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Change Club Championship (Bales Cup) Regulation 3**

**Agenda item 8 (a)**

**Current Regulations**

1. *The competition is open to all clubs affiliated to the Norfolk Bowls Association.*
2. *Each club shall be represented by 12 male players (constituted by 3 fours) who must be bona fide playing members of the club. The game shall consist of 21 ends.  
Prior to the Game the challenger will declare the 3 rinks on which the match will be played, of which one rink shall be drawn to play the extra end. The cards will then be placed face down, where a visiting club person will attach a rink number. Total number of shots over all rinks will decide the result. In the event of a draw an extra end will be played by the nominated rink immediately after all fours have completed 21 ends, should this happen the result of the extra end will determine the result.*
3. *Each round must be played on the date stipulated, or in accordance with byelaw 7, 14 & 15. Quarter Finals, Semi-finals and the Final to be played on neutral greens selected by the Competition Secretary.*

**Proposed change to regulation 3**

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**Reason for the change**

*All rounds prior to the quarter finals are played on a home or away basis in a regional zone.*

*Quarter finals are currently played at a neutral venue selected by the Competition Secretary and the venues have to be selected & reserved prior to the quarter finalists being known. In view of this there are potential long travel distances for the competing teams. To reduce the potential of long travel distances , the proposal is that the quarter finals are played on a home or away basis within the zone (as in earlier rounds) and only the semi-finals & final played on a neutral green selected by the Competition Secretary.*