

**DUNTON BASSETT LADIES LEAGUE**  
**WINTER SEASON RULES 2023/2024**

1. Team of eight ladies to play seven legs. In the event of less than eight players you may redraw 2 players to play again, less than 5 players you may redraw 2 again and forfeit one, 4 players redraw 2 and forfeit 2 etc. drawn by the opposing captain before game and placed in an order of the teams' choice. See Rule 23 for cup and plate.
2. **3** points for a win; **1** point for a draw. Leg average to count where teams are level on points.
3. Minimum of 8 players to be registered. Entrance fee £12.50 per team (which includes £2.00 secretaries fee), and £2.50 per player registration fee. Extra players to be registered **24hours** before playing. Any number of players can be registered.
4. Any team playing unregistered players to lose points gained and 2 other points.
5. Games to be played on Mondays starting at **8.30pm** prompt. If a team fails to turn up by 8.45pm, the opposing team can claim the points, unless defaulting team has notified the other team of lateness. At least 24hours notice to be given for cancelled matches.
6. In case of cancelled matches in the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the season then a double header shall be played on the turn around. If cancelled in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half then a BYE week has been added to the fixtures and this week can be used to play the game before the end of the season. Should this game fail to be played then points and legs will be awarded by the committee based on the circumstances of the cancellation. Rearranged matches to be amicably decided between captains. League Secretary to be notified of all cancelled matches to avoid points being deducted and £1.00 fine imposed.
7. Home team to set in 1<sup>st</sup> leg.
8. **HOCKEY** to be a straight line with both sides the same width of the table. Thrower to have leading foot inside the line, and within the width of the table boundary
9. All pins and cheeses to be of Northampton type. If cheeses aren't of equal weight then the thrower may choose to play with 2 of the same weight.
10. Pins being knocked down by cheeses or pins from back of the table or net to count as down.
11. All pins to be down to count.
12. Captain's to appoint setters-up. Any disputes to be settled by captains.
13. No talking, messing around or using mobiles etc whilst in the wood yard as it can be off putting whilst people are playing.
14. Players may choose their own front pin if not satisfied with the one set up.
15. Match result cards to be signed by both captain's and be in secretaries hands by the Friday at the end of the week or points will be deducted and a fine of £2.00 imposed if no card is received.
16. Result of match, date, division and all team names to be inserted on card.

17. Transfer fee of £1.25 if wishing to transfer from teams.
18. No transfer of players after turn around. Teams may transfer venues after 31<sup>st</sup> December if landlord withdraws facilities.
19. League committee to settle all disputes.
20. Any teams resigning during playing season to have all results erased from league charts.
21. Any other rule covered by rules of the house.
22. All teams to appoint a Secretary/Vice captain. Name, address, phone numbers and email for both to be put onto team registration form.
23. Full team of 8 ladies to play in **Cup/Plate rounds**. **ALL CUP/PLATE FIXTURES ARE TO BE PLAYED ON THE DATES THAT ARE SPECIFIED ON THE FIXTURE SHEETS.**
24. First 5 legs in, dead legs do not count. Teams to toss to set in all knock out games. **Singles/Pairs**: 1 cheese throw off on dead legs, £2.50 entry.
25. Any player arriving after the 1<sup>st</sup> leg has been set will not be allowed to play.
26. One representative from each team **MUST** attend committee meetings called by the league. Any team not represented to be fined £5.00 each time.
27. Suppers are not compulsory, but those who indulge are obliged to partake in the raffle.
28. **Highest Score**: to be on Home or away table, being a total of all 7 throws by one individual. Cup/Plate rounds do not count.
29. Throwing distance to be a minimum of 8'6', maximum 9' from front pin to hockey. Individuals can therefore throw from anywhere behind the line.
30. **CHEESES** must be thrown underarm or skimmed across the body. Throwing above the shoulder or over arm is not permitted and is contrary to the rules. The cheese should remain below the shoulder height of the thrower.
31. Landladies to play for either 'A' or 'B' team, **not** both.
32. Home team to supply card, winning team to send in to league secretary by the Friday at the end of the week (see rule 15).
33. If home venue has another function planned that could interfere with the match then the visiting team must be notified and given the option to play or cancel; if prior knowledge of function unavailable, visiting team to still have the option on arrival.
34. **BEERLEG** – whoever plays pays, everyone pays 50p.
35. **Any team that do not attend the AGM, will forfeit their place and have to pay a fine of £10.00.**