

RULES

1. (a) The Club shall be called "THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE PREVENTIVE SERVICE SPORTS CLUB".

(b) The Club Colours shall be Navy Blue, Gold and White.

2. Objects

(a) The objects of the Club shall be the encouragement of all sports, games and social events within the Preventive Service, and the organisation and arrangement of interport and national competitions.

(b) The Club shall receive affiliations from branch clubs of the Customs and Excise Preventive Service.

3. Membership

Associate membership may ONLY be obtained by Officers of the Preventive and Launch Services, Women Search Officers, and retired members of those services in Ports where no affiliated Preventive Service Sports Club exists.

4. President

The President shall be the Inspector General of Waterguard

5. Management

The Management of the club shall be vested in a managing Committee, consisting of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, and three members, to be elected annually from all affiliated clubs, and that as far as possible all grades should be represented. The selection of the Managing Committee shall be ascertained by a vote of all affiliated clubs. Sufficient meetings shall be held at the discretion of the managing Committee to conduct the Club business, and such meetings to be not less frequent than once in a 6 months period, and conducted under the general rules of debate.

A report and statement of accounts is to be presented to all affiliated clubs at the end of December in each year.

6. Trophies

Any trophy won shall be returned to the managing committee in sufficient time for it to be presented to the winners of the next competition; or at the end of one year. The Egan Chess Cup being held for two years. Holders of the trophies shall insure same against loss or damage.

7. Procedure to be followed when proposing new Inter-Port trophies:-

The new form of sport shall be proposed and seconded by the Committee of two Affiliated Clubs, and the proposal submitted to the Managing Committee, who will be wholly responsible for deciding whether the finances of the club are strong enough to meet the cost of the Trophy.

Should the Managing Committee agree that the cost can be met, the proposal will then be submitted to all Affiliated Clubs for their decision, which should be notified to the Managing Committee.

Where necessary, the Managing Committee shall have a casting vote.

8. New Inter-Port Competitions

Rules for new Trophies shall be drawn up by the Managing Committee and circulated to all affiliated clubs for agreement and/or amendment.

9. Amendment of rules

Amendment of all rules shall be circulated to clubs for a membership vote, and the result shall be notified to the General Secretary, P.S.S.C. During the course of a competition, any amendments to its rules shall not take effect till the following season.

10. Affiliated Fees

The affiliation fee shall be on the per capita basis, and the term "Affiliated Club" embraces the whole membership of that club. The General Secretary, P.S.S.C. should be notified of the total membership of each club, the statement to be signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the club.

The per capita rate to be 1/- per annum, and one affiliation fee to embrace all forms of competition.

Affiliated fees are payable before June each year.

11. Associate membership

Associate membership, may ONLY be obtained by officers stationed in a Port or district where there is not an affiliated club. The Subscription will be 2s. 0d per annum. This subscription will entitle associate members to be Honorary members of all affiliated clubs, and to such other benefits of the P.S.S.C. as the insurance of cyclists, club badge and tie, and any other reduced fees obtainable through this organisation.

12. Management of Trophies be vested in the Managing Committee of the P.S.S.C. under the rules of the individual competitions.

RULES FOR INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS

Cricket Rules

- (a) The trophy to be known as "The Customs Fund Inter-Port Cricket Trophy"
- (b) The trophy to be competed for, by teams comprised only of Officers in the Preventive or Launch Services, who are members of the Competing Clubs or who are Associate members of the P.S.S.C.
- (c) Teams to be confined to Officers drawn from one port or Officers drawn from a district under one Waterguard Superintendent, and who are members of the P.S.S.C.
- (d) The contest to be open to affiliated clubs only.
- (e) The contest to be on the "Knock out" principle, and all distant teams to be matched as far as possible in the first rounds with the team geographically nearest, or by reason of travelling facilities more easily accessible, or other method to ensure fairness of competition.

Weather permitting, play to commence not later than 2.30 p.m. and limited to one day's play and to one innings.

- (f) The final venue to be arranged so that as near as possible an equal expense will be borne by the finalists.
- (g) Each team to supply an Umpire and a Scorer.
- (h) Entries to be forwarded to the General Secretary, P.S.S.C. not later than 28th February in each year.

- (i) The first round draw to be notified to all club secretaries by the General Secretary, P.S.S.C., before 20th March, and the first round played off before the end of May in cases where there are more than four entrants, and the semi-final round before 31st July.
- (k) The result of all matches to be sent to the General Secretary P.S.S.C. together with the names of the players, immediately after the match.
- (l) Whenever possible the whole draw for the season is to be given, and in any case where this would prove unfair or involve considerable expense, the semi-final, or next round after the first to be arranged as per rule (e). This rule is in order to meet unforeseen circumstances and to speed up arrangements.
- (m) The arrangements of play to be left to the Team Captains and, in cases where there is a possibility of a definite result, extra time should be allowed if conditions are favourable, but should a result not be reached, the game to be regarded as a draw and replayed. The away team having choice of ground for the reply.
- (n) The draw (if any necessary) to be made in the I.G.W.'s Office.
- (o) Any points of difference arising between opposing teams, either before or after a match, on which agreement cannot be reached, such differences shall be referred to the managing committee for decision.

Lupton Cup Football Rules

- (c) The Trophy to be known as "The Preventive Staff (C & E) Inter-Port Football Challenge Cup" ("The Lupton Cup")
- (b) Rules (b), (c), (e), (f), (k), (l), (n) and (o) of the Cricket Trophy and Rule (j) of the Woodford Chess Trophy, shall also apply to the Football Trophy.
- (c) In order to cover any expenses, such as postage, engraving, etc. the cost shall be charged to the P.S.S.C.
- (d) Each club shall supply a linesman, and the home club a referee.
- (e) Entries to be forwarded to the General Secretary of the P.S.S.C. not later than 1st August of each year.
- (f) The first round draw to be notified to all club Secretaries by the General Secretary of the P.S.S.C. before 31st August, and the first round played off before 30th October in each year in cases where there are more than four entries, and the semi-final round before the end of February.

"Egan" Chess Cup (Individual Rules)

- (a) The Cup to be competed for by correspondence or over-the-board play, as suitable to contestants.
- (b) The Cup to be competed for by Associate members of the P.S.S.C. or of affiliated clubs.
- (c) Any member winning the Trophy on three consecutive occasions shall be given a replica of the Trophy, purchased from the P.S.S.C. funds.
- (d) The contest to be on the knock out principle.
- (e) Entries to be forwarded to the General Secretary of the P.S.S.C. by 1st August each year, where the year has an even number, and the draw notified to players in sufficient time for them to commence play on 1st September.
- (f) Rule (g) of the Woodford Trophy shall also apply.
- (g) Drawn games shall be replayed.
- (h) The result of all games, together with the score in correspondence games, shall be sent to the General Secretary of the P.S.S.C. immediately the result is known by both players.

- (i) The contest to be held bi-annually and all games to be played to a finish.
- (j) The Laws of the British Chess Federation for the over-the-board and correspondence shall apply to all games, i.e, 24 moves per hour for the over the board play, and a 48 hour limit to moves in correspondence play (See separate rules).
- (k) Any dispute shall be referred to the Managing Committee.
- (l) The engraving of the winners name shall be charged to the P.S.S.C.

Woodford Inter-Port Chess Trophy

- (a) The trophy shall be known as "The Woodford Inter-Port Chess Trophy"
- (b) The trophy to be competed for by teams of four players drawn up as per rules (b) and (c) of the Customs Fund Inter-Port Cricket Trophy. The team to be arranged in order of playing strength.
- (c) Entries to be forwarded to the General Secretary, P.S.S.C. not later than 20th December each year. The General Secretary will pair and notify players in time for them to commence play on January 1st.
- (d) Each team will elect a Captain through whom all disputes should be either settled or referred by him to the Managing Committee for a decision.
- (e) The British Chess Federation Laws shall apply to all games.
- (f) The result of games should be notified to the General Secretary P.S.S.C., together with the scores as soon as a result is reached i.e., each game.
- (g) Games unfinished by 1st August shall be forwarded to the General Secretary, P.S.S.C. for adjudication. If any dispute arises out of this adjudication the score shall be sent to the Civil Service Chess Association for a decision and the losing claimant shall pay any cost incurred. It is necessary for players to claim a result in cases where they cannot agree as to the ultimate result, but if agreed that one or the other should win the score will not be adjudicated, unless there is a possibility of a different result than that claimed.
- (h) Leave - Sealed Move:- Contestants proceeding on leave who desire to discontinue the game during the leave period, should notify his opponent, and the reply move to his opponent's last move received before going on leave, shall be sealed in a stamped addressed envelope and sent to the General Secretary, P.S.S.C., with a request that the sealed move be forwarded at a certain date. This date to be not more than 24 hours after the resumption of duty from leave.
- (i) No player may be substituted during the course of a contest, and any player defaulting or ceasing to play before a decision is reached, will be deemed to have forfeited and the game awarded to his opponent.
- (j) Should a player transfer to another port or district during the course of a contest, he shall continue to play for his old port until the contest terminates.
- (k) A win in a game shall count one point, and a draw a $\frac{1}{2}$ point. The team with the highest aggregate of points will be the winners and holders of the Trophy. In the event of equal scores by competing teams, the teams concerned shall play a deciding matter. It is necessary for players to comply strictly with these rules, because (1) nearly all the frequent unpleasant difficulties and references to the Managing Committee arise from laxity on the part of the players in not adhering to them, and (2) any deviation from rules passed over or condoned by a competitor from a motive, mistakenly considered chivalrous and sporting, acts unfairly on all other players.