

NOTICE TO ALL PLAYING MEMBERS

Change to Bye Law 8 – Arranging Ties

The Committee are proposing to change the above Bye Law and as such are required to display this notice.

Any objections to the proposed change must be in writing and with the Committee during the period of 21 days that this notice is displayed.

Current Wording

The first named competitor in each Match or Tie shall be regarded as the challenger. He shall offer to his opponent two dates on which the match could be played. In the event of an opponent not accepting either of the two dates offered by the challenger, and not being able to suggest a mutually convenient date, the challenger shall go forward to the next round.

When a challenger fails to intimate two dates, within 4 days after the beginning of a round and the Match or Tie is not played within the time, the opponent's name shall go forward to the next round.

Any dispute arising from the fixing of a Match or Tie by the challenger or opponent should be raised immediately with the Match Secretary, who shall then consult with their subcommittee. The decision given by the sub-committee shall be binding on both parties.

Proposed New Wording

It is the responsibility of both named competitors in each Match or Tie to contact each other to arrange a mutually convenient date when the Match or Tie can be played. Contact must take place as soon as possible, but no later than 7 days prior to the 'played by' date.

If the Match Secretary has not been contacted and a Match or Tie has not been played by the designated date, <u>both</u> competitors will be eliminated from the competition.

Any dispute arising from the fixing of a Match or Tie by either competitor should be raised immediately with the Match Secretary. The Match Secretary's decision shall be binding on both parties.

John Richmond Match Secretary