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## Foreword

This policy describes the goals of Klocus, an association that aims to bring organisation and recognition to the sport klonkieball, as no such organisation exists yet. As briefly described below, playing a game of klonkieball involves being physically active, it is competitive and comes with a certain set of rules. Klocus believes that this is what makes klonkieball qualify as an actual sport and will refer to it as such.

Currently the game is often played by students and there is some general consensus on the rules of this game (although some rules are extremely different among students) but there is no organisation to actually facilitate the organised enjoyment of this sport. This sport is also perfectly suitable for integrating with new people, and currently there is no platform that unites students to play it with strangers. Klocus aims to change this and bring structure and recognition to the sport that already enjoys high popularity among the student population. Of course while having a lot of fun and playing klonkieball.

### De Klocus board is represented by

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## The policy of Klocus

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## Klonkieball

Klonkieball, a game more commonly known as flunkyball, is a game in which two teams of players try to finish their drink before the other team does. A team is only allowed to drink their drink when they have toppled a bottle placed in the middle of a playing field, the two teams take alternating turns in throwing an object in an attempt to topple the bottle. When the bottle is toppled the opposing team has to put it straight up again as fast as possible and run back to their team. The team that threw the object has to stop drinking now. The two teams are positioned on opposite sides of the playing field at equal distance from the bottle. The game ends when one teams has completely finished their drinks.

There are of course more things that come with playing a game of klonkieball and small variations exist but these are the basics of the game.

## Our vision

The association of Klocus is founded for two purposes; unite University of Twente students from all over the university and play the sport that is known as klonkieball. Since this sport is well known among students this can be combined perfectly because students will be able play klonkieball with students they would normally never meet. The association will bring structure to this game in order to make it more approachable for everyone.

## Target audience

The students that are interested in joining Klocus can be divided into two groups: people that join with their friends and people that join as an individual.

People that join as a group might want to form a team together which causes the need to meet and interact with other Klocus members to be less present. This group needs to have the opportunity to stay together as a team. However the goal of Klocus is to connect with other students, so during certain activities they should be stimulated to integrate with other members.

People that join as an individual are more likely to connect with other members on their own initiative. Klocus will have to create this open-minded ambiance, where meeting new people and talking to strangers is completely normal.

In practice this means that people can join the competitions as a team. This team can be created by themselves, but Klocus will help individuals with the creation of a team. These teams are not used during training. This creates an environment that allows members to connect to each other easily.

## Management within the association

Twice a year there will be a General Assembly to which all members will be invited. In the GA members will discuss and decide on the policy and the future of the association. The GA is the highest authority of the association.

There will be multiple committees for different purposes to help run Klocus. The most important ones are the supervisory board and the auditing committee. These committees

serve as supervision of the board. Other examples of committees could be: tournament committee, training committee, promo committee, activity committee and IT committee. Since there will be few members in the first stages, these committees will be run by the board themselves. When enough people have joined the association the person responsible for their committee will make sure members will join and eventually run the committee on their own. The board will always play a supervisory role.

## Tournaments and matches

The Klocus will host two big club tournaments a year. One is meant for our members only, while the other will be open for everyone on the UT. Besides these tournaments there will be a monthly training for the members which will be discussed later in the policy (see section *The training*).

On top of these tournaments there will be an internal competition, to encourage interaction and connections between different teams. In the beginning of the year teams will be formed that can challenge each other to play a game of klonkieball. Points will be awarded which can help teams rise in the rankings of the internal competition. Only two teams have to be on location, which minimizes the amount of people present during a game. This competition is not obligatory so members are able to decide for themselves how active they want to be in the association.

## The training

Initially the association will start organizing one training every month for all its members. Members are always free to organize more training sessions if desired, which Klocus encourages. Training sessions of Klocus will include multiple segments such as: a warming up, throwing lessons, endurance training, interval training, muscle training, concentration training, hand-eye coordination etc. Furthermore practicing the game elements of klonkieball will be part of the training. These training sessions will help the members to improve their skills in the game of klonkieball and reduce possible extra body weight which is an inevitable part of most students' lives.

## Additional activities

Additional activities will be organised depending on the popularity of the training activities and Klocus in general. These activities are mainly there for entertainment, but will also improve the interaction between members. Activities as a yearly barbecue, a visit to the Grolsch brewery and themed training sessions are all on the wishlist.

Workshops for other associations, fraternities or other groups will be given as promotion activities. During such a workshop the rules of klonkieball are introduced to the group, after which a small training is given and of course a game of klonkieball will be played.

## Financing

*Please see our enclosed budget for more details.*

There will be a yearly membership fee to keep the association running. This contribution will be small in order to make it easily accessible for everyone. This membership fee will be used

to buy the necessary items to run the association, for example sport items. By paying this contribution, members get access to the training and competition.

Besides the contribution there will be an additional fee for the tournaments and possible other activities (i.e. sport-barbecue, excursion). Members are free to decide if they want to join these activities. This additional fee makes it possible to keep the contribution low. An additional advantage is that only the members that are participating in these activities are charged. This creates the opportunity for members to decide themselves how active they want to be.

There are no drink and food costs present in the enclosed budget. Mainly because these will be sold for the same price as they are bought. Thereby, it is very difficult to estimate the amount of snacks that are sold, since this hugely depends on the popularity of Klocus.

The promotion costs can also be scaled up or down, depending on the popularity.

## Alcohol policy

The goal of Klocus is to facilitate playing the sport klonkieball, not to encourage drinking alcohol. To this extent, and to stay in line with the alcohol policy of the University of Twente, the default option is to play the game with alcohol free drinks. However it should be kept in mind that klonkieball is a sport that most students play with beer. Because of this it will be impossible to have a functioning and active klonkieball association that does not at least offer the possibility to also play with beer. In an effort to keep up with student traditions while not stimulating the use of alcohol we will not offer beer to our members unless they specifically indicate that they want to play the game with beer. All players will play the game with alcohol free beer or another non-alcoholic alternative to beer unless they actively say that they prefer to play the game with beer. They will have to do this before every occasion where one or multiple games of klonkieball are played.

At all times Klocus is present to supervise and will be authorized to deny people alcohol if that seems necessary.

## Sustainability

The board of Klocus will change every academic year, the current board is charged with finding successors to ensure the continuation of the association. Running the association will be a part time function.

Organizing Klocus events will be somewhat more challenging if the amount of members increases. However the activities can adapt easily to the numbers of members since not a lot is necessary to play the sport of klonkieball. Also more people will be available to join committees and help the board with making sure Klocus becomes and stays an active association.

On the other hand, if for some reason the interest is very low, the association can still manage to host the training sessions and competitions for these members since there are few fixed expenses to start the association. Due to this flexibility we believe in the future of Klocus.