

Bristol & District Table Tennis Association

Morley C Mordecai Memorial Handicap Competition Rules

1 This competition is open to all teams (excepting those in the Premier Division), who play in the Bristol and District Table Tennis League. Clubs must give notice at the time registration if they **do not** wish any or all of their teams to compete.

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- a) Teams entered must be bona fide league teams i.e. registered as a team in their Division. Each team shall consist of 3 players, who shall play all 3 players of the opposing side, two games of 21 points each. The serve changes every 5 points. Before each tie the two Captains shall name their teams, allotting a letter (ABC or XYZ) to each of his players. The order of play shall then be as follows and may only be altered by mutual agreement of the Captains:- A v X; B v Y; C v Z; B v X; A v Z; C v Y; B v Z; C v X; A v Y.
- b) Reserves may be used from lower divisions within the same club provided the reserve belongs to a team already eliminated from the competition.
- c) Any reserves used in this competition will not count towards League Matches.
- All matches will be scheduled to take place during allocated cup weeks on the home team's nominated home night.
 - b) If the stated date cannot be fulfilled, you must notify your opponents within 4 days of notification of the draw, so that it can be re-arranged before the deadline for that round.
 - c) Home teams who postpone must offer **two** alternative dates, avoiding dates of relevant league matches, within 7 days of notification of the draw. The away team must then accept a date within 4 days of receiving the dates.
 - d) If the away team postpones the home team may offer **one** alternative date, avoiding relevant league matches, within 7 days of notification of the draw. The away team must then confirm the date within 4 days of receiving the date.
 - e) Any teams that fail to comply with 3c) or 3d) will forfeit the tie.
 - f) A fine of £10 will be incurred if a team fails to notify their opponents of their inability to play the tie without a minimum of 48 hours notice.
- 4 The **winning** team should send in the score-sheet to reach the Organiser within 7 days after completion of the match, or on or before the closing date of the round, whichever is the earlier. Failure to do so will result in a fine (see schedule).
- 5 Handicaps will be allocated to all competing teams at the discretion of the Tournament Committee prior to the commencement of the competition and notified accordingly. Points will be added up at the conclusion of the match to decide the winning team.
- 6 In the event of a tie on points, the lower division side goes forward to the next round. In the event of complete equality, both teams being in the same division, the away team shall be awarded the match.
- 7 The Morley C Mordecai Memorial Cup shall be held for one year by the winners. Three individual awards will be provided by the Association to both the winning team and the runners-up.
- 8 Any query or dispute should be referred to the Organiser and may be dealt with by the Executive Committee

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