## Mid Cornwall Team Handicap League 2017-18

In this competition each match will consist of 9 games of singles and 1 game of doubles with 3 players on each team.

Each match is the best of 3 games to 21 and the serve alternates every 5 points. The number of serves to start each game is calculated so that the change is made at a point divisible by 5.

To calculate the starting score for each game the following rules apply:

- When one player is negative and the other positive the scoring starts at their handicap scores.
  E.g. James Wakeham -7 and Barry Stevenson +4. The scoring starts at: James -7, Barry +4
  Initially the game will start with 3 serves.
- If both players are negative the scoring at the start is adjusted so that the player with the higher handicap starts at 0.
   E.g. Mike Fisher -9 and Allan Brooks -7. The scoring starts at: Mike -2, Allan -0
   Initially the game will start with 2 serves.
- If both players are positive the scoring at the start is adjusted so that the player with the lowest handicap starts at 0.
   E.g. Chris Dodwell +10 and Lewis Dix +8. The scoring starts at: Chris +2, Lewis 0
   Initially the game will start with 3 serves
- For doubles games add each player's handicap together, divide by 2 and round down if necessary to calculate the starting handicap for the pair.

E.g. Chris Dodwell +10 playing with George Wright +9 have a combined handicap of (10+9)/2 = 9.5 rounded down to 9.

Or Allan Brooks -7 playing with John Wood +2 have a combined handicap of (-7+2)/2 = -2.5 rounded down to -3

Or Richie Bartlett -9 playing with Ingus Abolnieks -6 have a combined handicap of (-9+(-6))/2 = -7.5 rounded down to -8

Use the method above for singles games to calculate the starting score.