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PREFACE

The Welsh Bridge Union (the "WBU") first issued Master Points at the Llandudno Congress in April 1957. These points were 'EBU' points, issued at WBU congresses and WBU national events only. Very soon however, individual clubs were allowed to join the scheme and to issue local points. By July 1958 six clubs were taking part. Wales's first Master Point secretary was Mrs H.Morrish, who relinquished the post in June 1959 to take on the role of WBU secretary.

Wales introduced their own Master Point scheme in 1961 with Mrs M.Kirk as the Master Point secretary. This, the fifth edition of the Handbook, is effective from 1st April 2003. However, any tournaments that were already under way at that time continue to attract awards as per the previous edition of the Handbook until they are completed.

Notice of any further amendments will be routinely distributed to Club and Area Secretaries.

This Handbook contains five chapters plus an Appendix. Chapters 1 and 2 are mostly for background information; whilst the instructions and directives contained therein are very important, it is probably sufficient to read these chapters once only and then refer to them again on the rare occasions when something out of the ordinary occurs.

Chapter 3 defines various organisations (Clubs, Areas etc) and the types of events that they may organise. Careful study should be made of this chapter, particularly with regard to those events that require a licence. In general terms, organisations may run events for the benefit of their members and bona fide guests only - if the event is 'opened' outside of these terms, a licence is required from the WBU.

Chapter 4 is the central feature of the Handbook, defining the number of points that may be awarded for the different types of event. This chapter increases in complexity as the various event formats so increase. Those organisations which run complex events will need to work their way through the whole content very carefully; for the average Club, running regular single-session duplicate events, it is sufficient to read no further than section one. Once the basic concepts have been grasped, it will only be necessary to refer to this chapter on special occasions; the actual scales of award are all contained in the Appendix at the end of the Handbook.

Chapter 5 relates solely to 'Green Point events' and is for use primarily by Area Associations.

Finally, the Appendix contains all the actual scales of awards. This is the section of the Handbook that will constantly be used. Once the basic concepts have been grasped, the calculation of awards is simply a matter of reading down a column of figures on the appropriate scale. Scale 'X', at the very back of the book, can be used by all organisations for all basic, single-session events.

Please note that all awards quoted in this Handbook are per player.

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1. THE MASTER POINTS SCHEME

1.1 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1.1 The day-to-day administration is under the control of the WBU Master Point Secretary, to whom all communications relating to the scheme should be addressed.
- 1.1.2 The Master Point Secretary acts under the direction of the Tournament and Master Point Committee, which exercises powers delegated to it by the Council of the WBU.
- 1.1.3 The Tournament and Master Point Committee's decisions are subject to ratification by the Council, which is composed of Delegates representing their Area Associations. Control of the scheme thus rests ultimately with the general body of members of the WBU.

1.2 AREA OF OPERATION

- 1.2.1 The scheme operates in Wales only. Similar schemes are operated by the Bridge Unions of Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, Scotland, England and by Bridge Great Britain; Master Points are normally directly transferable between these organisations. A member of such body may keep a Master Point record in only one of these Countries at any one time.
- 1.2.3 Master Points earned under any schemes other than the above are not recognised by the WBU.

1.3 NEWS OF THE SCHEME

- 1.3.1 Promotion lists are published regularly in the WBU newsletters and a full listing is given annually in the WBU Journal.

1.4 TYPES OF POINTS

- 1.4.1 Players obtain points by successful participation in events for which point awards are authorised. There are two types of Master Points:
 - (a) Green Points: these are won in events of national standing, and are necessary for the acquisition of certain senior ranks (see 1.6 below). Green Points are awarded in round numbers, or halves or quarters. The value of a Green Point is 1 Master Points.
 - (b) Local Points: these are won in any event where Green Points are not awarded, and are sometimes awarded in addition to Green Points. The value of 100 Local Points is equivalent to 1 Master Point.
- 1.4.2 Except in the chapter relating specifically to Green Point events, all awards quoted in this book are expressed in Local Points.

1.5 GOLD POINTS

- 1.5.1 Any performance in a single event which merits an award of 5 Green Points or more, automatically receives a Gold Point award in addition to the Green Point award. Five Green Points equal one Gold Point. Gold Points are expressed correct to 2 decimal places, and - uniquely - deteriorate at the rate of 20% of their original value per annum (so, after 5 years, any Gold Point award has deteriorated down to zero).
- 1.5.2 Gold Points are irrelevant for the purpose of determining a player's Master Point rank; they exist alongside the main Master Point Scheme as a means of calculating 'current form'.
- 1.5.3 Gold Points can also be awarded directly in the case of international events.
- 1.5.4 A leaflet setting out full details of the scheme is available on request.

1.6 THE MASTER POINT RANKS

- 1.6.1 A player's accumulated holding of Green and Local Points can be expressed together under the general term of Master Points.

If a player has $7\frac{1}{4}$ Green Points and 4,344 Local Points, his overall holding is 50.69 Master Points (i.e. $(725 + 4,344)/100$).
- 1.6.2 The ranks of Regional Master and above require a specified number of Green Points within an overall total. The ranks and requirements are listed below in increasing order of seniority. All requirements relate to the accumulated number of Master Points acquired by each player; thus, Club Master requires 2 Master Points whilst Local Master requires 10, this promotion therefore representing a requirement to obtain a further 8 Master Points or 800 Local Points.

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Rank	Master Points
Club Master	2
Local Master	10
County Master	25
Master	50
Advanced Master	75
* Master	100
** Master	150
*** Master	200
**** Master	250
***** Master	300
Tournament Master	400
Regional Master	100 including 25 Green Points
Premier Regional Master	200 including 50 Green Points
National Master	300 including 75 Green Points
Premier National Master	400 including 100 Green Points
Life Master	600 including 150 Green Points
Senior Life Master	900 including 300 Green Points
Grand Master	1200 including 600 Green Points

Note: Within the rank of Master, the subdivisions are expressed as 1 Star Master, 2 Star Master etc.

1.7 RECEIVING AND REGISTERING POINTS

1.7.1 Points are issued to a player in one of two ways:

- (a) Master Point certificates are issued and distributed to each eligible player by the Sponsoring Organisation.
- (b) Master Points are directly credited on to each eligible player's record by the WBU, based upon information received from the Sponsoring Organisation. The latter acts under the direction of the WBU Master Point Secretary in this respect, and is responsible for clearly notifying players of the effective method of issue.

1.7.2 The register of Master Points is maintained by computer at the offices of the WBU. Only members of the WBU may register points and have their records so maintained.

1.7.3 Members may register points, or request a copy of their record, at any time. Points are registered by submitting any Master Point certificates a player may have received. It is helpful to list separately any points, which should have been direct credited. Submissions should include full details of the member's name, address and unique WBU Membership/Master Point record number. Members are recommended to register points on an annual basis.

1.7.4 A member who loses a Master Point certificate may, in certain circumstances, be credited with the points which it represented. Claims may be submitted to the WBU Master Point Secretary with supporting evidence of the original issue.

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1.7.5 A member should make due note of any special conditions contained on a Master Point certificate, for example, date of expiry. Under no circumstances will a relaxation of such conditions be entertained.

1.7.6 A lapsed member who subsequently rejoins the WBU may have their Master Points reinstated under such terms as may be laid down from time to time by the WBU Council.

1.8 TYPES OF CERTIFICATE

1.8.1 Blank Master Point certificates and instructions for the use thereof are sold to Clubs and Areas in books of 100 at a price fixed from time to time by the WBU Council.

1.8.2 Congress certificates are normally used in a congress licensed by the WBU.

1.8.3 A Sponsoring Organisation, where authorised to do so by the WBU, may issue computerised Master Point certificates.

1.8.4 Other methods of issue may be authorised by the WBU Master Point Secretary.

1.8.5 Master Point certificates are completed and distributed by the appointed officer of the Sponsoring Organisation in accordance with the schedules laid down herein. A completed certificate must include the name of the player; the date of issue and the number of points awarded, and be duly signed by the issuing

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officer. A Sponsoring Organisation is responsible for ensuring that its competitors are fully aware of the type of certificate in use and the method of issue.

1.9 COMPETITORS ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE

1.9.1 The rules of the Scheme are so framed that, in a basic game, the proportion of competitors entitled to a certificate is approximately one-third.

1.9.2 All competitors entitled to a certificate must be issued with such. The fact that a player is not a member of the WBU, is not a member of the particular Sponsoring Organisation, or professes a lack of interest in the Scheme, does not release the organisers from their obligation to issue a certificate.

1.10 WHEN TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE

1.10.1 Certificates should be issued and distributed as soon as possible after the event/stage of event to which they relate.

1.10.2 Except as provided in 1.10.3, each certificate must relate to one event/stage of an event only. Thus, points cannot be aggregated from one game to another, or from a qualifying round of an event to the final of the same event.

1.10.3 A single certificate, aggregating all points due to a player in a particular event, may be issued only in the following cases:

- (a) at the conclusion of a congress licensed by the WBU, when using congress certificates.
- (b) at the conclusion of a bona fide league programme for teams. Such certificate will be the aggregate of the match winning awards and the ranking awards (if appropriate). For a league played on a double or greater round-robin basis (i.e. meeting each team more than once), a separate certificate must be issued in respect of each separate round-robin. Ranking awards should be included on the certificate relating to the final round-robin.
- (c) at the conclusion of a knock-out tournament. Such certificate will be the aggregate of points gained in matches won by the player concerned. In the case of a knock-out event which starts and finishes in the same competition year (i.e. an event which starts after 1st May one year and finishes before 30th April the next), certificates should be issued as soon as the player is eliminated from the event. In all other cases, certificates should be issued as soon as possible after 1st May and after the player concerned has been eliminated from the event in question.
- (d) at the conclusion of a Swiss event - or any event other than knock-out or league which attracts an award per match won - subject to the overall duration being no greater than 3 sessions (if of 4+ sessions, then at the conclusion of each third session).

1.11 ERRORS AND ALTERATIONS

1.11.1 If, at any time, an incorrect certificate has been issued as a result of an error in calculating the due award, the issuing officer is required to take all reasonable steps to correct the error by recovery and amendment of the certificate.

1.11.2 Under any circumstances, an amendment on a certificate must be duly signed by the issuing officer.

1.11.3 Any error which cannot be corrected must be reported to the WBU Master Points Secretary.

2. GENERAL PRINCIPLES RELATING TO AWARDS

2.1 MINIMUM NUMBER OF TABLES AND BOARDS

2.1.1 No event may be treated as a points event unless the original entry was at least:

- (a) 2 complete tables in a single-winner individual event
- (b) 3 complete tables in a single-winner pairs event (i.e. Howell type)
- (c) 3 complete teams in a team event
- (d) 5 complete tables in a two-winner pairs event (i.e. Mitchell type)
- (e) 5 complete tables in a four-winner individual event (i.e. a N, S, E & W winner).

2.1.2 No event may be treated as a points event unless all competitors play at least 12 boards.

2.1.3 No event may be treated as a multi-stage event unless all competitors play at least 12 boards at each stage.

2.2 STATUS OF THE ORGANISING BODY

2.2.1 The higher the status of the organising body, the higher the scale of awards becomes. It is a general principle throughout that awards are increased as the status increases, as per the following schedule:

Taking Club status as being the norm, then:

District = $1\frac{1}{2}$ x Club

Area = 2 x Club

Regional = 3 x Club

National = 4 x Club

2.2.2 Reference is sometimes made to the status of the organising body being increased by one level, for example in a Major Championship event. This means that Club becomes District, District becomes Area etc. Thus, a Major Club Championship operates at District scales. The corresponding status increase for a National organisation is to 6 x Club Scale. See Chapter 3 for a definition of these organisations.

2.3 PLAYER AWARDS

2.3.1 Except in the section relating to Green Point awards (Chapter 5), all awards quoted are Local Points per player.

2.3.2 It is a general principle that a player must play at least one-third of the boards involved in the stage of the event for which an award is being made, in order to receive the due award. For example, a teams contest may allow a team to contain 6 players, of whom any 4 play at any one time. In such a case, only players who competed in at least one-third of the boards involved in the particular stage for which an award is being made shall receive the due award. (See also 2.6 in the case of withdrawals/concessions).

2.3.3 The awards quoted in the case of a teams contest are based upon teams of 4 (this to include teams of more than 4, provided only 4 members actually compete at any one time). Where matches are arranged involving teams of more than 4 playing members, the awards quoted should be modified as follows:

Teams of 6 or 8 no change

Teams of 10 or 12 x $\frac{3}{4}$

Teams of 14 or more x $\frac{1}{2}$

For example, 3 teams of 16 use the normal 3-table scale (not the 12-table scale), and all awards quoted are halved.

2.4 FRACTIONAL AWARDS

2.4.1 The scales and formulae quoted herein may, on occasion, lead to a fraction arising in an award due to be made to a player. On any such occasion, the award should be rounded up to a whole number. Such rounding-up should only be performed at the end of a calculation; any fractions which may arise at intermediate stages of a calculation should be retained. Note that 'rounding up' involves resolving any fraction to the benefit of the player.

2.5 TIED POSITIONS

2.5.1 Ties are never broken for Master Point purposes. The competitors share equally the points applicable to the places which they would occupy were the tie to be broken. There is, however, a minimum award of 6 or 10 points at Club Scale, depending upon the type of movement used. (For events of a different status, this figure to be multiplied by the corresponding factor); this may be relevant if a tie occurs at the lowest place due to receive an award.

Exceptions: 4.5.8 and 4.5.9 make provision for ties to be broken in knock-out events and, under certain circumstances, in league events, etc.

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Example (a): there is a tie for 4th place in a 15 table two-winner movement. 4th and 5th place would normally receive 20 points and 10 points respectively (at Club status) - the actual award is 15 points each.

Example (b): there is a tie for 4th place in a 12 table two-winner movement. 4th and 5th places would normally receive 10 points and 0 points respectively (at Club status) - the actual award is 10 points each (rather than 5 points each).

Example (c): there is a three-way tie for 5th place in a 9 table one-winner movement. 5th and 6th places would normally receive 12 points and 6 points respectively, with no points for 7th place - the actual award is 6 points to each of the three tied pairs.

2.6 WITHDRAWALS AND CONCESSIONS IN HEAD-ON MATCHES

2.6.1 No award may be given for a match not played. An award shall only be made to the winners if the opponents have withdrawn or conceded at a time when in arrears.

2.6.2 Any 'adjusted score' awarded by the organisers shall, however, be taken into full account for the purposes of 'ranking awards' (if any) as opposed to awards based on matches played and won.

2.6.3 For the purpose of establishing whether or not a player has played sufficient boards to merit an award (as described in 2.3.2), such player may be deemed to have played all the boards, which have not been played as the result of a concession. This clause is subject to the player being present at the venue, and provided that the particular conditions of contest would have allowed that player to compete in the boards so cancelled.

2.7 DEFINITION OF EVENTS

2.7.1 All-play-through events

The same competitors play throughout in all sessions (or in the only session). Swiss events and leagues are particular forms of all-play-through events: so too is a regular (basic) club session or game.

2.7.2 Quali-final events

The same competitors play throughout the first qualifying stage. The leading competitors then qualify for a final (or subsequent qualifying stage). A knock-out event is a particular form of quali-final event.

2.7.3 Ladder events

Different competitors play in each session. Some form of special scoring system then operates which uses the results from these separate sessions to produce a further ranking list based on the average (or best) performance over the series as a whole.

Note that an event of this nature may not be a major championship. Master Points for each individual session must be awarded on the normal basis. Organisations are authorised to award additional Master Points based on the final ranking list, but are limited (for Master Point purposes) to two such events per annum. Note also that at least six separate results must be taken into account in order to qualify for additional Master Points: 4.11 refers.

2.7.4 Other types of event

Invitation events, restricted events and inter-organisation events are outlined in 3.3 and 4.10. Other than these, no special provision is made for events not meeting the criteria laid down above.

In particular, no special provision is made for what might be described as a ladder event of less than six sessions, e.g. three separate sessions, with different competitors playing in each session, the overall (or best) result of which is used to determine qualification into a final.

If such a final does take place, Master Points must be awarded as though it is a regular (basic) game only, i.e. they must be based solely on the actual size of the final. No attempt may be made to count the number of different competitors who attempted to qualify, and no attempt may be made to use the special quali-final scales contained herein.

Likewise, even if there are at least six separate sessions involved, the quali-final scales do not apply: special provision for this sort of final is contained in 4.11.9.

2.8 EVENTS PLAYED IN TWO OR MORE SECTIONS

2.8.1 An event played in two or more sections can be treated as constituting a single field provided:

- (a) the same boards are played in each section, and
- (b) the competition is scored overall by match points (i.e. the normal pairs/individual scoring method).

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- 2.8.2 For the purpose of Master Point awards, there is no such thing as a teams event - or any non-match-pointed event - played in more than one section and scored overall. Master Points must be awarded within each separate section.

2.9 HANDICAP EVENTS

- 2.9.1 No awards may be made in a handicap tournament. However, the tournament may be re-scored without application of the handicap and points awarded on that basis. (Such a re-scoring process will never be feasible if players have qualified for a later stage of an event by virtue of a handicap).

2.10 CARRY-FORWARD SCORES

- 2.10.1 Quali-final events may allow that a certain fraction of the previous stage score be carried forward into the next stage; awards are still made for each separate stage of the event, including the stage(s) in which a carry-forward score is included in the final result.

2.11 SPECIAL SCALES OF AWARDS

- 2.11.1 If a proposed event is of a type for which no scale is provided, application for an appropriate scale should be made to the WBU.

3. ORGANISATIONS AND EVENTS

3.1 DEFINITION OF ORGANISATIONS AND THEIR MEMBERS

3.1.1 There are four types of organisation as defined below. An organisation may run events for the benefit of its members and bona fide guests of a member without special licence.

3.1.2 Clubs

These are clubs affiliated to an Area Association. A club need not have fixed premises to be recognised, but must confine its organisation of bridge events to the same approximate locality. A member of a Club need not be a WBU member unless the Club or Area chooses to make such a requirement.

3.1.3 Area Associations

These are constituent members of the WBU.

An individual member may be a member of more than one Area Association, in which case the Area of primary allegiance is taken to be one through which the WBU subscription was paid. Where a member pays two or more WBU subscriptions in the same year through two or more Area Associations, he must nominate in writing which Area is his Area of primary allegiance, failing which he is deemed to have nominated the Area from which payment has first been received by the WBU.

3.1.4 Regional Scales

Reference is sometimes made to the term 'Regional Scales' in this Handbook. Whilst Regional organisations do not exist as such, certain events organised by other organisations may attract awards of 'Regional status'. The term 'Regional' is used as a convenient reference point for an event that is between Area and National in status.

3.1.5 National Body

This is the Welsh Bridge Union itself, individual membership of which is obtained via the local Area Association, or directly. A directly affiliated member does not, however, receive the services of any particular Area Association and may not represent an Area Association in a competition. Master Point awards for WBU events are specially devised by the Tournament and Master Point Committee. However, certain other events may be awarded the status of a 'National event', in which case the National scales quoted herein should be used. Under normal circumstances, only WBU members may compete in WBU events or in other events of National status. The Council of the Union may, however, designate a limited number of WBU events as being open to non-members.

3.1.6 Congress Organisations

Any organisation not covered within 3.1.2 to 3.1.5 above or any organisation that wishes to run an event open to non-members (other than bona fide guests of members) is referred to as a congress organisation for the purpose of that particular event. A congress organisation requires a licence from either the WBU or the Area Association as described under 3.4 to 3.6. Such a licence may only be given for events falling under the area of operation of the licensing body (see also 1.2).

3.2 ENTITLEMENT TO AWARD MASTER POINTS

3.2.1 Organisations may award Master Points in accordance with the conditions laid down in this Handbook for the following types of event played under the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge and regulations of the WBU and the conditions of this scheme.

3.2.2 Regular games

These are basic duplicate sessions of 12-35 boards overall duration, including a 'championship' event of only 12-35 boards.

(a) Clubs... unlimited number

(b) Areas... one game per week, or the equivalent thereof, held at one single venue (not necessarily the same venue each week), e.g. a monthly event held at four different venues is the equivalent of one game per week.

3.2.3 Ladders

These are a series of regular games (see 3.2.2 above), with a bonus award attached to the series based on some measure of average performance (see also 2.7 and 4.1 1).

All organisations... two 'ladders' per annum (see also 4.11.9. note (c) for regular games divided into two or more sections of differing status).

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3.2.4 Minor Championships

These are all events of 36+ boards overall duration (excluding a 'ladder') other than the annual major pairs and major teams championships described in 3.2.6 below.

- (a) Clubs... unlimited number
- (b) Areas ... 10 per annum, plus one additional event per annum for each District to which that Area is entitled, e.g. an Area with an entitlement to 3 Districts may run 3 additional events per annum, even if the option to form 3 Districts has not been exercised. An Area 'additional event' may be either a championship event (i.e. a 36+ board event) or a basic Area game (i.e. a 12-35 board event held at a single venue) at the discretion of the Area Association.

3.2.5 The entitlement to award Master Points for minor championships as described in 3.2.4 above is subject to the following:

- (a) only two teams league/round-robin events are allowed per annum (a double or greater round-robin counts as a single event).
- (b) events such as 'Men's Pairs' and 'Ladies Pairs', or 'Star Masters and above' and 'Masters or below' count as a single event. Similarly, an event with a 'consolation' or 'open' contest attached to a 'premier contest' counts as a single event for this purpose.
- (c) the format of each contest must be substantially different, with respect either to the nature of the entry (e.g. Mixed Teams, Open Pairs, Ladies Individual etc) or the type of event (e.g. league, knock-out, Swiss, all-play-through, quali-final etc) or both.

3.2.6 Major Championships

An organisation may nominate one pairs event and one teams event per annum as being a 'major championship' (this in addition to the minor championships listed above). Such events must be of at least 36-boards overall duration, and must be unrestricted (other than to full/primary members only); the format may be the same as that of an already existing minor championship

The status of such an event is increased by one level, i.e. Club becomes District, District becomes Area, Area becomes Regional (see also Chapter 5, for Area 'Green Point' events).

The nature of an 'unrestricted' event must be such that all members have an opportunity to win the event. Thus, it may not be a Mixed Pairs event (for example), and it may not be a multi-division league (as those members not in Division 1 could not win the event).

3.2.7 Area Associations only

Area Associations have blanket approval to organise the following types of open event without the need to make a formal licence application:

- (a) Some special events per year for both existing members and potential new members of the Association, over and above those referred to below. *Status:* District
- (b) An unlimited number of 'no fear' style events, open to both existing members and potential new members (e.g. Level 1 systems only). *Status:* District
- (c) An unlimited number of junior or schools events open to non-Area members falling within the area controlled by the Area. *Status:* District
- (d) One simultaneous pairs event per year. *Status:* District
- (e) One event for the benefit of invited/selected/qualified members of other Areas/Counties as well as the Area itself. *Status:* if less than one-third of the entry is from outside the Association, the event must come from the Area's authorised quota of basic/championship events and the status will be Area. If, however, the entry is limited to one team, 2 pairs or 4 individuals (as the case may be) from each and every Area invited/selected qualifier, then the status is National. Otherwise, the status is Regional. In all cases, the entry is based upon the actual entry on the day, ignoring any qualifying stages.
- (f) At the discretion of the Association, non-members may be allowed to take part in the bottom division only of a multi-division teams league. Also, discretion may be allowed, upon application to the Union, for a limited number of non-members to act as reserve players in a league of teams of eight (or more) competition.
- (g) Associations are encouraged to organise local heats of any national or international competition which is open to non-members, such as the WBU, BGB, EBL and WBF Simultaneous Pairs.
- (h) A group of Areas may combine to form an Inter-Area League programme for the benefit of selected players (minimum entry 3 Areas). The status level is:
 - 1 team per Area = National
 - 2 teams per Area = National for 'A' team, Regional for 'B' team
 - 3 teams per Area = Area for 'C' team, and so on

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- 3.2.8 Area Associations may apply for licences for events in excess of their quotas or may apply for a relaxation of the conditions outlined in 3.2.7 above.

3.3 INTER-ORGANISATION EVENTS

- 3.3.1 An inter-organisation event is one for which players qualify, or are selected, from within one organisation in order to compete in an event/final organised by another body.
Example: An Area organisation invites the Club/District champions from within that Area to compete in a 'grand final' of some description.
- 3.3.2 Master Points are based solely upon the actual entry participating in the event itself; no account may be taken of any earlier stages organised by the outside bodies.
- 3.3.3 Such events may require a licence, unless all participants are already members of the organising body. (Area organisations only - see exceptions under 3.2.7). The awards outlined in 3.6 apply in such a case.
- 3.3.4 Area Associations may run 'inter-club' events for the benefit of their members. The entitlement to hold such events must come out of that organisation's quota of regular games/minor championships, as the case may be.
If entry is restricted to one team, 2 pairs or 4 individuals (as appropriate) from each lower-rated body, then the status is at one level higher than that of the organising body itself. If the above does not apply, then the status is the basic status applicable to the organising body.

3.4 EVENTS REQUIRING A LICENCE

It was agreed at the Executive Council meeting of the WBU on 14th March 1993 that:-

A club must apply and obtain a licence from the WBU to run an event, which is open to players from outside their area, the award scale to be determined by the WBU.

A club must apply in writing to its Area Association for permission to run an event which is open to members of that area alone. Club scale Master points will apply.

The appropriate authority shall be entitled at its discretion to grant or refuse a licence and to charge or not to charge a fee for any licence it may grant

Licences issued by the Union shall be in writing and it shall be a duty of the Tournament Manager or other person or persons having control of any event requiring a licence to exhibit such licence in a prominent place on the premises where the event is being held and to certify on the entry form, if any, and on other literature relating to the event that a licence has been obtained.

Any member in control of any event for which a licence is required and has not been obtained and any individual member of the Union who has taken part in any such unlicensed event shall be liable to such penalty as the Council acting by its Laws and Ethics Committee thinks fit.

3.5 LICENCE APPLICATIONS

- 3.5.1 Where an organisation wishes to acquire a licence for an 'open' event in Wales, (i.e. an event other than for its members and bona fide guests), written application should be made to the appropriate body; this is the Area Association, where entry is restricted to members of that Area, or - in any other case - the WBU.
- 3.5.2 An application to the WBU should include the following details:
- (a) Full details of event (date, time, venue etc)
 - (b) Anticipated size of entry, including anticipated size of 'outside entry' and the geographical area from which that entry will be attracted.
 - (c) Status of licence being sought (see 3.6).
 - (d) Name of Tournament Director in charge.
 - (e) Number of Congress Master Point certificates required.
 - (f) Evidence that the Area Association does not object (except in the case of an already established event being held on its already established date).
 - (g) Any special conditions or variation of standard conditions which the applicant requires.
 - (h) The details of any sponsorship of the event and a copy of any sponsorship contract.
 - (i) The details of any peripheral activities (e.g. raffles or advertising activities which may be associated with the event.
 - (j) Copies of all promotional material.
 - (k) Additional information will be required in the case of an event run in aid of a charity, or an event organised by a package tour operator. Further details are available on request.

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- 3.5.3 Congress Master Point certificates are normally used in events licensed by the WBU; normal certificates are used in an Area licensed event (see 1.8).
- 3.5.4 The WBU licence fee is based upon sessions played (a session is 18-35 boards) and the number of tables in play - full details are available on request.

3.6 STATUS LEVELS OF LICENSED EVENTS

- 3.6.1 The status of a licensed event varies accordingly to the nature of the entry, and will be quoted when the licence is issued.
- (a) if the event is not likely to attract a significant entry from outside of the District (or the equivalent thereof) in which it takes place, then, if non-WBU members are entitled to take part, Club status applies; if restricted to WBU members, District status applies.
 - (b) if the event is likely to attract a significant entry from outside of the District (or the equivalent thereof) in which it takes place, then, if non-WBU members are entitled to take part, District status applies; if restricted to WBU members, Area status applies.
 - (c) the status of a 'major congress' may be granted by Council after consideration of an application. The minimum requirements are that:
 - i) the congress is of at least four sessions,
 - ii) the congress averaged at least 50 tables over its four best sessions in the previous year and
 - iii) entry is restricted to WBU members, and
 - iv) the congress attracts a significant entry from outside the area in which it takes place.
- Once a congress has been granted 'major' status, it retains it as long as it meets the minimum standards. If it fails to meet the standards in one year, application may be made to the Council to have the status extended to one further year on a provisional basis. Master Points are awarded at Regional status.
- 3.6.2 Some licensed events include competitions for the benefit of players who have not qualified for a championship/consolation final, or for the benefit of players who do not wish to enter such a championship event. The organisers often refer to such events as 'open pairs/teams' in their programme. The awards for such an event are reduced by one level (subject to a minimum level of Club status) unless the event can properly be described as a 'consolation event' (see 4.3).
- 3.6.3 A congress organisation (i.e. an organisation requiring a licence) does not hold major or minor championships. All events are at the status level quoted above.
- 3.6.4 Under special circumstances, an application may be made to the WBU for a status level different to the above.
- 3.6.5 An Area organisation is authorised to award status levels of Club, District or Area based upon the above principles, but subject to the following restrictions: In any one year, no more than 6 events at Area status and 6 events at District status (unlimited number at Club status). Special application may be made to the WBU to extend this quota. (Note: an Area Association is the appropriate licensing authority only with regard to events restricted to members of that Area.)

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4.1 USE OF THE BASIC SCALES - For basic events and 'all-play-through' events of 36+ boards

- 4.1.1 Use Scale A for Club events, Scale B for District events, Scale C for Area events, Scale D for Regional events, Scale E for National events or Scale F for Individual events.
- 4.1.2 Identify what fraction of the field is due to receive an award. For a basic event, where all competitors play 18-35 boards, this will always be the top one-third; for short events of 12-17 boards only, this will always be the top one-quarter; for 'all-play-through' events, where all competitors play 36+ boards, this will always be the top half.
- 4.1.3 Identify the number of full tables in the competition, and look this figure up in the appropriate column (i.e. in the top third, top quarter or top half column as appropriate). For example, for 9 ½ tables, read the awards appropriate to 9 tables.
- 4.1.4 Identify the movement type. For a pairs event, this may be a 'single-winner' movement (i.e. a Howell or a Scrambled Mitchell) or a 'two-winner' movement (i.e. a Mitchell-type movement, with a NS and EW winner). The scale for a teams event is the same as for a two-winner pairs event. A special scale ('F') is given for a single-winner individual event. The teams scale applies, however, in the case of a four-winner individual (i.e. a N, S, E & W winner, where all players have played in a constant compass direction throughout).
- 4.1.5 Identify the winning award in the appropriate column and row. This figure is obtained by reading across from the number of tables column into the appropriate award column (single-winner pairs or two-winner pairs). If, on reading across, you fall on a blank space, then take the next highest figure. Awards for lower places are obtained by reading down from this winning award. When using the two-winner pairs scale, the awards quoted are those applicable to each of the two directions.
- 4.1.6 Example: taking a Club pairs game of 16 tables, the awards are:
- (a) For 12 - 17 boards,
Mitchell type: 40, 30, 20, 10 in each direction (4 awards)
Howell type: 48, 42, 36, 30 etc to 12, 6 overall (8 awards)
 - (b) For 18 - 35 boards,
Mitchell type: 60, 50, 40 etc to 10 in each direction (6 awards)
Howell type: 66, 60, 54, 48 etc to 12, 6 overall (11 awards)
 - (c) For 36+ boards,
Mitchell type: 80, 70, 60 etc to 10 in each direction (8 awards)
Howell type: 96, 90, 84, 78 etc to 12, 6 overall (16 awards).
- Scale A refers.
- 4.1.7 For events of 72+ boards duration, the status is increased by one level. Thus, for example, a District organisation would adopt the Area scales.
- 4.1.8 Special sets of scales exist for finals and for events which attract an award per winning match.
- 4.1.9 See 4.4 in the case of a large event reaching the theoretical maximum points limit.

4.2 USE OF THE SPECIAL QUALI-FINAL SCALES - For standard types of quali-final events

- 4.2.1 Awards for the first qualifying stage are as per a basic event, using the basic scales outlined in 4. 1. If the event is a major championship, the status level is increased by one. The theoretical maximum award for a qualifying round of 36+ boards duration is, however, 180 points at Club status - not 300 as stated on the scales.
- 4.2.2 For the final (or subsequent qualifying stage) use:
- Scale QA for Club quali-final events
 - Scale QB for District quali-final events
 - Scale QC for Area quali-final events
 - Scale QD for Regional quali-final events
 - Scale QE for National quali-final events
- If the event is a major championship, the status level is increased by one, i.e. the same status as the first qualifying stage. The theoretical maximum award for a second (or subsequent) qualifying stage of any sort is, however, 180 points at Club status - not 300 as stated on the scales.

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- 4.2.3 The point of reference on the quali-final scales is the size of the original entry, i.e. the number of full tables which played in the first qualifying stage.
- The scales provide for awards to be given to the top $\frac{1}{4}$ of the original entry; for example, if 16 tables entered the event originally, awards will be given to the top 4 tables in the final (or subsequent stage). Thus, the actual size of the final is not relevant in this respect.
- 4.2.4 If less than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the original field has qualified for the final (or subsequent stage), then the top award is as stated in the quali-final scales, and all competitors in the final receive an award. Awards for intermediate places are calculated in accordance with the principle of constant reductions (see 4.4.3 and 4.4.4).
- 4.2.5 If the final (or subsequent stage) is of 36+ boards duration, then the status of the final itself (or subsequent stage) is increased by one level over that of the first stage.
- 4.2.6 If the final has been preceded by two or more separate qualifying stages, then the status of the final itself is increased by one level provided that no more than one-half of the original field have qualified for such a final. However, 4.2.5 and this section may not be used in conjunction to increase the status by 2 levels, i.e. if either 4.2.5 or 4.2.6 apply, or if both apply, the status is increased by one level.
- 4.2.7 If the final (or subsequent stage) is of 12-17 boards duration only, then the status of the final (or subsequent stage) is decreased by one level over that of the first stage (one lower than Club status is $\frac{1}{2}$ of District status in this particular instance). 4.2.6 may also apply, in which case these two factors would cancel each other out, and the status would be the same as the qualifying round.
- 4.2.8 If the final (or subsequent stage) is of such a nature as to attract an award per winning match, then awards are as listed in the relevant parts of 4.5 to 4.7. Any increased status outlined in 4.2.5 or 4.2.6 above does not apply in this case. (For a 'subsequent qualifying stage', note the theoretical maximum points limit of 180 for overall ranking at Club status.)
- 4.2.9 Note: it is recommended that no more than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the field qualify for a final of 18-35 boards and no more than $\frac{1}{2}$ for a final of 36+ boards. The effect of ignoring this recommendation is that a lower than usual proportion of competitors will receive an award in the final, i.e. less than one-third or half of the field, respectively (similar considerations are not relevant for a 12-17 board final).
- 4.2.10 Example: a Club teams event of 16 teams plays a single-session qualifier followed by a final of 6 teams. In the qualifier, there are 6 awards of 60, 50 ... 10 (basic scales). In the final, there are 4 awards of 72, 54, 36 and 18. Scale QA refers.
- 4.2.11 If a subsequent qualifying stage is played in two or more sections and not 'scored across the field', then the original entry should be calculated pro rata across the sections. For example, 60 tables qualify into two sections of 15 tables: take the original entry of each section as being 30 tables.

4.3 CONSOLATION EVENTS

- 4.3.1 These are secondary rated events for the benefit of certain competitors who have failed to reach the premier final.
- 4.3.2 Consolation events of such a nature as to attract an award per winning match are covered separately within 4.6 and 4.7.
- 4.3.3 Basic consolation events must meet the following requirements:
- Taking P to be the number of full tables in the premier final,
C the number in the consolation,
N the number not in either:
- Then C must be greater than or equal to P,
And N must be greater than or equal to C, for a 12-35 boards consolation final
Or N must be at least three times as great as C for a 36+ boards final.
- If either (or both) of these requirements are not met, then the event shall be deemed to be a basic event only based upon the actual entry in it. Furthermore, the status level of the event shall be one level lower than the status of the main event, subject to a minimum level of Club status.
- 4.3.4 Subject to the above, the quali-final scales outlined in section 4.2 shall apply, save that the original number of full tables shall be:
- $$C + \frac{N}{3}$$
- where C = number of full tables in the consolation event itself and N = number of full tables which have not qualified for either the premier or consolation final.

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Example: 60 tables qualify into a 9-table premier and 12-table consolation final. Awards for the premier final are based upon an original entry of 60 tables. Awards for the consolation are based upon an original entry of 25 tables, this being:

$$12 + \frac{39}{3} = 12 + 13 = 25 \quad (\text{there being 39 tables which have not qualified})$$

Any fractions obtained in this calculation must be disregarded, i.e. only full tables obtained via the calculation are counted.

4.3.5 Having modified the original number of full tables as described above, awards are calculated exactly as though the consolation event were the premier final itself. Thus:

- (a) any increased status afforded to the premier event applies equally to the consolation
- (b) the status of a consolation final of 36+ boards duration is increased by one level
- (c) if application of the above results in there being more awards available than actual contestants in the consolation event, the principles outlined in 4.1 apply, i.e. the top award is as stated, and all contestants in the consolation event receive an award based on constant reductions from this top award.

4.3.6 The theoretical maximum award limit is $\frac{3}{5}$ of that for the premier event, i.e. 180 points at Club status.

4.3.7 Similar principles apply, for example, for a 'third-rated final' out of four sections. In this case the expression 'N' relates to the number of full tables in none of the top three events.

Example: 60 tables qualify into one of three finals, each of 12 tables. The remaining 24 tables play 'open pairs'. The corresponding calculation is:

Premier Final original entry of 60 tables

Consolation Final original entry of $12 + \frac{36}{3} = 24$ tables

Third Final original entry of $12 + \frac{24}{3} = 20$ tables

Open Pairs a 24-table event (status is one level lower than the above).

The theoretical maximum points limit of a third-rated final is $\frac{3}{5}$ that of a secondary-rated final. i.e. 108 points at Club status.

4.4 LARGE EVENTS WHICH REACH THE THEORETICAL MAXIMUM AWARD LIMIT

4.4.1 There is a theoretical maximum award which may be given for each type of event. This limit is only reached in the case of a large tournament.

4.4.2 For a basic event of 18-35 boards, the theoretical maximum limit is: 100 at Club status, 150 at District status, 200 at Area status etc. For a basic event of 12-17 boards, the theoretical maximum limit is 75 at Club status, 113 at District status and 150 at Area status etc. This limit is reached by having 30 tables of teams/two-winner pairs, or 25 tables of individual/single-winner pairs.

4.4.3 Once this limit is exceeded, the standard scales cannot be used. Instead, the awards need to be calculated in accordance with the principle of constant reductions.

The top award and number of awards (the top one-third in a basic game) are as stated. Awards for intermediate places are calculated from these figures.

Example: if attempting to give 50 awards with a maximum of 150, then by constant reductions of 3 points per place from 150 for 1st place.

Note: see 4.4.5 for minimum awards.

4.4.4 Any fractions obtained in the above calculations must be retained until the end of the series of calculations. They are then rounded up, in favour of the competitor, to the next higher whole number.

4.4.5 There is a minimum award of 6 points at Club Scale, 9 points at District etc. Any award which would ordinarily be less than this minimum having applied the above principles should be increased to equal this limit.

4.4.6 For events of 36+ boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is 300 points at Club Scale; 450 points at District Scale; 600 points at Area Scale etc. This limit is reached by having 60 tables of teams/two-winner pairs, or 50 tables of individual/single-winner pairs. Awards are to the top half of the field. If the stage of the event involved is merely a qualifying stage, the theoretical maximum points limit is $\frac{3}{5}$ of the above, i.e. 180 points at Club status (which is reached by having 36 tables or 30 tables, respectively).

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4.4.7 For finals, or events with an award per match won, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 65 original tables of teams/two-winner pairs or 55 original tables of individual/single-winner pairs. Awards are to the top quarter of the original entry.

4.4.8 Similar principles apply in specialised events, such as knock-out, as described in 4.7.

4.4.9 For large events, which easily reach the theoretical maximum, this maximum should be increased in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Actual maximum award} = \text{theoretical maximum award} \times \sqrt{\frac{a}{t}}$$

where a is the actual number of tables, and t is the number of tables at which the theoretical maximum is reached (note: the calculation involves taking the square root of 'a divided by t').

Example: Club status simultaneous pairs - single winner: theoretical maximum award is 100 points, which is reached by having 25 tables.

Actual number of tables	Actual maximum award	Actual number of tables	Actual maximum award
30	110	110	210
40	127	120	220
50	142	130	229
60	155	140	237
70	168	150	245
80	179	160	253
90	190	170	261
100	200	180	269

4.5 EVENTS ATTRACTING AN AWARD PER MATCH WON - GENERAL PRINCIPLES

4.5.1 The most common events of this type are teams events (multiple teams, Swiss teams, round-robins and knock-out) and Swiss pairs events. However, the general principle is that all stages of events of 36+ boards duration, where competitors meet for a minimum of 6 consecutive boards, shall attract an award per winning match. Additionally, any teams event of at least 36 boards duration shall attract an award per match won even if matches (rounds) are of fewer than 6 boards each.

4.5.2 In knock-out events, the award per winning match increases as the competition progresses. In other types of contest (Swiss, leagues etc) the award per winning match is constant, but there is an additional 'bonus award' given to the leading competitors based upon the final ranking list. The event (or stage of event) must be of at least 36 boards total duration, and matches must be of at least 6 boards each in a pairs or individual event (otherwise, it is a basic event only, as described in 4.1). By contrast, there is no lower limit in a teams event, provided that the event itself is of at least 36 boards duration.

4.5.3 Awards for overall ranking (not applicable for knock-out) are as per the quali-final scales outlined in 4.2. These provide for an award to be given to the top quarter of the field. These ranking awards are increased by 50% in size if the overall duration of the event is of 72+ boards (most league events will meet this requirement). Note that only a player who has competed in at least one-third of the total number of boards available for play shall receive such a ranking award.

4.5.4 Awards for matches won are as outlined in 4.6 and 4.7, and are proportional to the number of boards played in the match, subject to a maximum award equivalent to an 18-board match. If matches are of 36+ boards duration, the match winning award is 50% greater than the corresponding award for a match of 18-35 boards.

Note: both the match winning awards and the ranking awards may be increased by 50% for a tournament of 72+ boards involving 36+ board matches.

4.5.5 A league played on a double round-robin basis (e.g. 'home' and 'away') shall treat each match separately. Thus, there is one award for winning the 'home' match and a second award for winning the 'away' match. Ranking awards are based solely upon the final ranking list at the conclusion of the double round-robin. Similarly, for a triple or larger round-robin. Note, however, that a separate certificate must be issued in respect of each round-robin (see 1.10); ranking awards should be included on the certificate relating to the final round-robin.

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- 4.5.6 The procedure to follow where competitors have qualified to reach an event of this nature is detailed in 4.6 and 4.7. A 2- or 3-team final (or subsequent stage) is treated as being a knock-out final (or stage) as per 4.5.7.
- 4.5.7 On occasions, it may be expedient to play one or more triangular matches, i.e. a match between 3 teams or pairs (for example, in a Swiss teams event with an odd number of teams). Such matches are treated as being 2 separate 'mini-matches', with awards in each being one-half of the award for a corresponding full match. Thus, by winning both matches, a player acquires the same number of points as for winning a full match.
- 4.5.8 A match drawn in terms of the final method of scoring counts as a half-win. In a knock-out contest, a draw will obviously be resolved; in this case only, the eventual winners receive the full award for having won the match had the tie-break not been required (the eventual losers do not receive any award), provided that the tie is broken by playing additional boards.
- 4.5.9 On occasions, it may be expedient for there to be a 'play-off' in the event of a tie on the overall ranking list. No Master Points may be given for such a play-off, but overall ranking points shall be at stake if the tie involves the leading teams.
- 4.5.10 On occasions, in a league event, it may be expedient to award an adjusted score in respect of a match not played. No award may be given for the actual match itself, but the result so arbitrated shall count with regard to the bonus awards for overall ranking.

4.6 EVENTS ATTRACTING AN AWARD PER MATCH WON (OTHER THAN KNOCK-OUT)

- 4.6.1 See also 4.5. Note that a 2- or 3-team final is treated as a knock-out final (subject to an original entry of at least 5 full tables).
- 4.6.2 The types of event covered here are principally Swiss pairs and any form of teams event.
- 4.6.3 For matches of 1-17 boards duration, the match-winning awards are a direct multiple of the number of boards played in the match. Thereafter, there is one award for a match of 18-35 boards and another award for a match of 36+ boards.

Number of boards per match	CLUB SCALE (Boards x 1 ½)	DISTRICT SCALE (Boards x 2 ½)	AREA SCALE (Boards x 3)	REGIONAL SCALE (Boards x 4 ½)	NATIONAL SCALE (Boards x 6)
1	2	3	3	5	6
2	3	5	6	9	12
3	5	7	9	14	18
4	6	9	12	18	24
5	8	12	15	23	30
6	9	14	18	27	36
7	11	16	21	32	42
8	12	18	24	36	48
9	14	21	27	41	54
10	15	23	30	45	60
11	17	25	33	50	66
12	18	27	36	54	72
13	20	30	39	59	78
14	21	32	42	63	84
15	23	34	45	68	90
16	24	36	48	72	96
17	26	39	51	77	102
18 - 35	27	41	54	81	108
36 or more	41	62	81	122	162

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Any certificate which might otherwise be issued for less than 10 points (2-winner pairs) or 6 points (1-winner pairs), at Club status, should be increased to be exactly 10 points or exactly 6 points as applicable. (apply the normal multiplication factors for higher rated events).

4.6.4 Awards for overall ranking are as per the quali-final scales outlined in 4.2. These provide for a 'bonus award' to be given to the top quarter of the field. If the event as a whole is of 72+ boards duration, the ranking awards (not necessarily the match-winning awards) are increased by 50%.

4.6.5 Examples:

- (a) A Club Swiss teams event of 20 teams, playing 6 x 6-board matches.
Awards per match won = 9 points
Awards for overall ranking (scale QA) = 90, 72, 54, 36 and 18 (5 places).
- (b) A Club multiple teams event of 15 teams, playing 14 x 3-board matches.
Awards per match won = 5 points
Awards for overall ranking (scale QA) = 72, 54, 36 and 18 (4 places).
- (c) A District league event (one division) of 10 teams, playing 9 x 24-board matches.
Awards per match won = 41 points
Awards for overall ranking are as per scale QB + 50% as the event is of 72+ boards - this generates 3 awards of 122, 81 and 41 points.
Note the correlation between the match-winning award and the lowest ranking award (41 points in both cases).

4.6.6 If players have qualified to reach an event of this nature, the match-winning awards and overall ranking awards described above are modified as follows:

- (a) The match-winning awards are increased by a factor dependent upon the proportion of the original field which has qualified.

PROPORTION OF ORIGINAL FIELD WHICH HAS QUALIFIED	INCREASE IN MATCH-WINNING AWARDS
More than $\frac{1}{2}$	No change
More than $\frac{1}{4}$ and less than or equal to $\frac{1}{2}$	x $1\frac{1}{2}$
More than $\frac{1}{8}$ and less than or equal to $\frac{1}{4}$	x 2
More than $\frac{1}{16}$ and less than or equal to $\frac{1}{8}$	x 3
$\frac{1}{16}$ or less	x 4

- (b) The awards for overall ranking are as per the special quali-final scale QF (see Appendix) This provides for an award to be given to one-eighth of the original entry. Where less than one-eighth have qualified, all competitors in the final receive a ranking award; the top award is as stated, and awards for lower places are calculated in accordance with the principle of constant reductions.

Note: it is recommended that not more than half of the original entry qualify for a final of this nature. The effect of ignoring this recommendation is that a lower than usual proportion of the field will receive a ranking award (i.e. less than one-quarter).

4.6.7 For a consolation final of this nature, two requirements must be met:

- (a) the number of full tables in the consolation final must be greater than or equal to the number of full tables in the main final.
- (b) the number of full tables excluded from both the main and consolation finals must be at least 3 times as great as the number playing in the consolation final itself. See 4.3.3 for events which fail to meet these requirements.

Subject to the above, the match-winning awards as outlined in 4.6.1 to 4.6.5 above shall be modified by a factor dependent upon the proportion of the original field participating in the consolation final.

PROPORTION OF ORIGINAL FIELD WHICH PLAYS IN THE CONSOLATION FINAL	INCREASE IN MATCH-WINNING AWARDS
More than $\frac{1}{10}$	No change
More than $\frac{1}{20}$ and less or equal to $\frac{1}{10}$	x $1\frac{1}{2}$
$\frac{1}{20}$ or less	x 2

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Moreover, the awards for overall ranking are obtained by reference to the special quali-final scale QF (see Appendix), save that the original number of full tables shall be deemed to be $C + N/3$ where C = number of full tables in the consolation event itself and N = number of full tables which have not qualified for either the premier or consolation final. (See 4.3.4 for an example). The theoretical maximum points award is $3/5$ of that for the premier event, i.e. 180 points at Club status.

4.7 KNOCK-OUT EVENTS

4.7.1 See also 4.5 for general principles; for example, the original entry must be at least 5 full tables.

4.7.2 Three types of knock-out are catered for:

- (a) Single elimination teams (the normal form of contest).
- (b) Double elimination teams (no team is eliminated until twice defeated).
- (c) Single elimination pairs (an unusual form of contest, in which a pair's match-point score on each board is obtained by comparison with scores from a separate pairs contest playing the same boards: a single elimination event scored on this basis).

4.7.3 The awards quoted below assume matches of 18-35 boards duration; if matches are of 36+ boards duration, the status is increased by one level in respect of those matches. If matches are of fewer than 18 boards, then the awards are reduced pro rata; for example, 9-board matches would be one-half of that quoted below.

4.7.4 The maximum number of rounds is as below (6-8, dependent upon exact type); if additional rounds are required, the awards for such rounds shall be as per a preliminary round only.

4.7.5 A round involving one or more byes or triangular matches is a preliminary round. Usually, such a round occurs at the very beginning; however, if such a round is played at a later stage, the award is the average of the previous and next full rounds.

4.7.6 The awards below are at Club status. For events of a higher status, they should be multiplied by the usual factors: viz. District $\times 1\frac{1}{2}$, Area $\times 2$, Regional $\times 3$, National $\times 4$.

4.7.7 The awards increase as the event progresses as follows:

	Prelim	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7	Round 8
Teams - Single elimination	27	27	38	54	76	108	152	-	-
Teams - Double elimination	27	27	27	27	38	54	76	108	152
Pairs - Single elimination	27	27	27	38	54	76	108	152	-

4.7.8 A double elimination contest may provide for a previously undefeated team to receive a bye at a late stage of the event by virtue of their superior performance. In such a case, they shall receive two-thirds of the award designated for winning a match in that round. Provided no further byes or triangular encounters exist in that round, the round itself shall be treated as being a full round.

4.7.9 If players have qualified to reach an event of this nature, (including a 2- or 3-tearn final) then the round number is deemed to be the number it would have been had all the original competitors played knock-out throughout.

Example: from an entry of 32 teams, 8 qualify to play a knock-out final stage. Had the 32 teams played knock-out throughout, the stage at which only 8 teams remain would be Round 3. Thus, the first stage of actual knock-out is deemed to be Round 3.

4.7.10 Awards for a consolation knock-out are one-half of the awards for a main knock-out event. If players qualify to reach a consolation knock-out, the awards are one-half of those described in 4.7.9, with the original entry deemed to exclude those in the main final.

Example (a): 32 teams set off on a straight knock-out (5 matches), with those eliminated in Round 1 entering a consolation knock-out (i.e. 16 teams). Thus, whilst Round 2 of the main event takes place, the consolation is playing Round 1. The awards in the consolation are one-half of the Round 1 awards above.

Example (b): 32 teams qualify (by a means other than by knock-out) into an 8-team main knock-out final stage and an 8-team consolation knock-out final stage. The original entry in the consolation is deemed to be 24 teams (i.e. excluding the teams playing in the main final). Had 24 teams played knock-out throughout, they would have played a preliminary round followed by one full round in order to reduce to 8 teams. Hence, the awards for the first stage of consolation knock-out are one-half of the Round 2 awards above.

Note: consolation knock-out events are treated differently from other consolation events, in that there is no restriction upon the proportion of the field which may participate. Further, it is permitted that competitors may enter a consolation knock-out at various stages, as they become eliminated from a main knock-

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out. The number of rounds required to complete the event should, however, be calculated in advance in order to ensure that the maximum number of rounds is not exceeded (if it is, additional rounds are treated as preliminary rounds).

4.8 TEAMS LEAGUES

4.8.1 The awards below follow the principles outlined in 4.6 and 4.9 for leagues of only one division and for any event divided into 2 or more divisions/sections of differing status. Teams leagues are listed separately because they are the most popular form of competition of this nature. See also 4.5 for general notes.

4.8.2 The match-winning awards shown below are based on matches of 18-35 boards duration. If matches are of fewer than 18 boards, they should be reduced pro rata; if of 36+ boards, they should be increased by 50%.

4.8.3 Ranking awards are to the top one-quarter of the division, and are unaffected even if matches are of fewer than 18 boards. It has been assumed that each division plays at least 72 boards in total (this increases the ranking awards by 50%) - hence, no adjustment should be made to these figures providing the event is of 72+ boards total duration. Indeed, if only 36-71 boards are involved, the ranking awards should be decreased by one-third.

4.8.4 Subject to matches of 18-35 boards and an overall duration of 72+ boards, there exists a certain correlation between the 'award per match won' and the 'ranking awards'.

For example, if the 'award per match won' is 27 points (see 4.6 - Club Scale) with ranking awards due to go to the top one-quarter, the lowest place due to receive an award will receive 27 points for overall ranking (see Scale QA plus 50%). So, with 10 teams in the league, 3 teams will receive a ranking award ($\frac{10}{4}$, rounded up). These awards will be 27, 54 and 81 for 3rd to 1st, respectively.

Thus, it is only necessary to calculate the 'award per match won' in these circumstances. The ranking awards follow automatically from this figure.

If matches are not of 18-35 boards, then 4.8.2 applies to the match-winning award; if the overall duration is of 36-71 boards only, then 4.8.3 applies to the ranking awards. Otherwise, the award per match won is identical to the award made to the lowest placed team due to receive an award - awards for higher places are by constant increments of this figure. The chart below indicates this key figure for the various organisations and divisions.

4.8.5 For a Club organisation

No. of divisions	Div.1		Div.2		Div.3		Div.4		Div.5	
1	27		21		21		21		21	
2	27		21		21		21		21	
3	41		31		28		21		21	
4	41		35		28		21		21	
5	41		36		31		26		21	

For 6+ divisions: Division 1, 41 points.

Lowest Division, 21 points.

Intermediate awards between these limits.

All awards assume 18-35 board matches - total overall programme of 72+ boards.

4.8.6 For an Area organisation

No. of divisions	Div.1		Div.2		Div.3		Div.4		Div.5		Div.6		Div.7		Div.8		Div.9	
1	54		54		54		54		54		54		54		54		54	
2	68		54		54		54		54		54		54		54		54	
3	81		68		54		54		54		54		54		54		54	
4	95		81		68		54		54		54		54		54		54	
5	108		91		81		68		54		54		54		54		54	
6	108		98		87		76		65		54		54		54		54	
7	108		99		90		81		72		63		54		54		54	
8	108		101		93		85		78		70		62		54		54	
9	108		102		95		88		81		75		68		61		54	

For 10+ divisions: Division 1, 108 points.

Lowest Division, 54 points.

Intermediate awards between these limits.

All awards assume 18-35 board matches - total overall programme of 72 + boards.

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4.8.7 Important Note: each division, except for Division 1, must be of at least 5 teams (see section 4.9.2).

4.8.8 One or more divisions may be sub-divided into two or more sections; for example, 3 divisions could be Division 1 and Divisions 2A and 2B ('A' and 'B' on a geographical basis). This would count as a league of 2 divisions, with awards in 2A and 2B being identical.

There may be a play-off between the Division 2A and 2B winners at the end of the season. 4.7.9 (knock-out events) would apply in such a case, i.e. all the teams in Divisions 2A and 2B together would be treated as though they had attempted to qualify for a knock-out final. The status level would be the same as the Division 2 level.

Note that special awards for annual play-offs are authorised in this case only. For example, a play-off between Division 1 and Division 2 winners does not attract a special award. Similarly, a multiple teams event between all (or some) division winners does not attract a special award. Awards are based solely upon the actual entry in the event at the basic level appropriate to the organising body. Hence, there must be a minimum entry of 3 teams to attract a points award of any description (see also 4.10).

4.9 OTHER EVENTS DIVIDED INTO TWO OR MORE SECTIONS OF DIFFERING STATUS

4.9.1 Any event may be divided into two or more sections of differing status. Eligibility to compete in an appropriate section can be based on factors such as selection, previous performance or Master Point rank (see also 4.10).

4.9.2 All sections except for the top section must be of at least 5 full tables. Any section which is too small is discounted for the purpose of establishing the number of sections in the event as a whole. Awards for a section so discounted are as per the next higher proper section.

4.9.3 Each section must compete purely amongst itself for this purpose. The various sections need not meet at the same time/venue, provided that it is impossible for any one player to compete in more than one section. (However, see 3.2 for certain limitations relating to Area and District Associations, viz. a regular game held at 'x' different centres or times counts as 'x' separate regular games with regard to that Association's due quota).

4.9.4 The status of each section is dependent upon the number of sections in the event as a whole and upon the status of the organising body itself.

4.9.5 For a Club organisation

No. of sections	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3
1	Club awards		
2	Club awards	½ of District awards	
3	District awards	Club awards plus 1/8	½ of District awards

4.9.6 For an Area organisation

No. of sections	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Section 4	Section 5
1	Area				
2	2 ½ x Club	Area			
3	Regional	2 ½ x Club	Area		
4	3 ½ x Club	Regional	2 ½ x Club	Area	
5	National	3 ½ x Club	Regional	2 ½ x Club	Area

4.9.7 If there are more sections than the above, awards for the top and bottom sections are as stated. Special intermediate scales need to be calculated for intermediate sections, using the principle of constant reductions between these two limits.

4.9.8 For divisions sub-divided on a geographical basis, see 4.8.8.

4.10 RESTRICTED/INVITATION EVENTS

4.10.1 Events divided into two or more sections/divisions of differing status are covered in 4.8 and 4.9.

4.10.2 No special provisions are normally made for events played in a single section, where entry is restricted to either the 'top' or 'bottom' players; for example, based upon selection, Master Point ranking or any

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qualifying method not specifically catered for in the Handbook. An event such as this is treated as a basic event/minor championship event of the organising body in question.

- 4.10.3 Similarly, no special provisions normally apply for events where the champions of various organisations are invited to 'play off' in an event organised by a higher-rated organisation (see 3.3). Such an event is also treated as a basic event/minor championship event of the organising body in question. Awards are based solely upon the entry participating in the event - no account may be taken of any earlier qualifying stages held by some other organisation.

Note: events of this type may require a licence (see Chapter 3), in which case the normal licensed event scales shall apply

4.11 LADDER EVENTS

- 4.11.1 These are a series of regular games, attracting an award of Master Points at the end of each game. An additional award may be made to the leading overall places at the end of a series. Organisers may run two ladder events per annum.
- 4.11.2 Places on the 'ladder' may be determined by average percentage over the series, total Master Points earned or some form of 'points for position' system in each game. Provision may be made for certain scores not to count in the final ranking.
- 4.11.3 A series of regular pairs games may be used to determine either a winning individual or pair; a series of regular teams games may be used to determine a winning individual, pair or team; a series of regular individual games may be used to determine an overall winning individual.
- 4.11.4 There must be at least 6 results taken into account in determining the overall ranking list.
- 4.11.5 The awards themselves vary with the status of the organising body, the number of games available for play in the series and the approximate average number of full tables playing each such game.
- 4.11.6 The awards at Club status are as follows:

Average number of tables	TEAMS	PAIRS	INDIVIDUAL
Up to 8 full tables	1 award at 27	2 awards at 16	4 awards at 8
9 - 17 full tables	2 awards at 27	4 awards at 16	8 awards at 8
18 + full tables	3 awards at 27	6 awards at 16	12 awards at 8

Example: 4 awards at 16 means 1st 64, 2nd 48, 3rd 32, 4th 16.

- 4.11.7 The above awards should be multiplied by the usual factor in the case of organisations of a higher than Club status, viz. District x 1½, Area x 2, Regional x 3, National x 4.
- 4.11.8 If at least 18 games are available for play in the series, the status of the event is increased by one level.
- 4.11.9 The result of the ladder may be used to determine qualification into a final. In such a case, the above awards are withheld, pending the result of the final. Furthermore, the status is increased by one level

Example: a pairs game of fewer than 18 sessions averages 10 tables. The basic Club awards are 64, 48, 32 and 16 for 1st to 4th places. Alternatively, if there is a final, the 4 awards become 96, 72, 48 and 24, irrespective of the size of the final.

Note (a): both 4.11.8 and 4.11.9 might apply to add on 2 status levels.

Note (b): The entitlement to hold such a final does not come out of the organisation's entitlement to hold regular games/minor championships, as the case may be. The final is treated as being part of the ladder competition.

Note (c): If an event is divided into two or more sections of different status as described in 4.9, a separate ladder may operate for each such section. The combined ladders count as a single ladder for the quota purposes described in 3.2.

Note (d): A ladder event may not be a major championship. A separate Master Point certificate must be issued at the end of each regular game and at the end of the series of games to the leading places.

5.1 WBU NATIONAL PAIRS & TEAMS - CLUB HEATS**5.1.1 Open Pairs, Mixed Pairs.**

Master points are awarded to the top half of the field using the basic scale times three, unless 72+ boards are played in the qualifier, then basic scale times four is used. Scale H.

Webber Cup

If you run a league to determine qualifiers, please consult the WBU Journal to determine the award.

If you run heats then the Master Point awards are made to the top half of the field. The top award is based on 25 local points multiplied by the number of Tables of Entry. Awards reduce in equal stages

Example: 10 teams play in the heat, 5 are entitled to Master Points.

The top award is $25 \times 10 = 250$. The lower awards are in stages of $250 / 5 = 50$.

The awards are: 1st 250, 2nd 200, 3rd 150, 4th 100, 5th 50.

5.1.2 Please Note:

If non-qualifying pairs play in the same movement as qualifying pairs, the competitors must be separated into 2 groups and Master points issued at club scale to the non-qualifiers, and enhanced awards to the qualifiers only.

Qualifying rounds may be played over more than one week in which case clubs may decide not to issue Master points on the basis of qualifier ranking, but on the overall ranking in the normal club competition, i.e. at club scale only.

5.2 GENERAL PRINCIPLES RELATING TO AREA GREEN POINT EVENTS

5.2.1 An Area may nominate one teams and one pairs event per annum as being its major championship for Master Point purposes.

5.2.2 The format of such a major championship must meet the requirements herein and the general requirements of any major championship.

5.2.3 Club qualifying rounds for Area Major Championships

Each Area has one Pairs event and one teams event annually designated as being a Major championship, the final of which attracts Green points.

Master points are awarded to the top half of the field using the basic scale times two (unless 72+ boards are played in the qualifier, then basic scale times three is used). Scale H, but see note at 5.1.2.

However, once the Green Point stage of the event has been reached, the awards quoted herein are in place of Local Points - not additional to.

5.2.4 Club qualifying rounds for Other Area Championships

If an area has club qualifying rounds for other championships, then Master points are awarded to the top half of the field using the basic scale times $1\frac{1}{2}$ (unless 72+ boards are played in the qualifier, then use basic scale times two). Scale H, but see note at 5.1.2.

5.2.5 The awards, both Green and Local, should be issued on white congress cards, obtainable from the Master Points Secretary. A list of the awards made, plus a payment of X pence per player receiving an award, (where X pence is the current cost of a MP certificate) must be sent to the MP Sec immediately after the event.

5.2.6 Green point awards for Area Green point events may only be awarded to a player if he/she has not competed in the Final of a comparative event in a different Area in the same season, comparative teams events are those listed at 5.2.7. (A player who is a member of a team that plays in an Area Final is considered to have played in that Final.)

The Area MP Secretary has the responsibility of checking whether a competitor has already played in the Final of a similar event for that season. (Provided the results for Area events are sent promptly, the Area MP Secretary can always check with the MP Secretary.) If the competitor has already played in the Final of a comparative event, then the award should be the local point award on the usual scale, not converted to Green points.

5.2.7. Teams events qualifying for these awards will be: - East: the Louis Lermon Cup; Mid: the McKinley Cup; North: the Harold Griffiths Cup and West: the Laidlaw Murray Cup.

Pairs events qualifying for these awards will be: - East: the Stan Berger Trophy; Mid: the Evans-Jones Salver North, the Laszlo Cup and West, the Vince Bevan Trophy.

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5.3 ANNUAL MAJOR AREA TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

- 5.3.1 This must be an event for teams of four (this to include teams of up to 6 players of whom only 4 play at any one time).
- 5.3.2 (1) If the Total Original Entry is less than 17 Teams, the Final must be held over 2 Sessions on a single day, without a Qualifying Round. Master Point awards Scale D: Basic Regional Scale.
- (2) If the Total Original Entry is 17 Teams or more, the number must be reduced by a Qualifying Round to a Final, the number of teams in the final is that which will comply with the following criteria:
- 2 Sessions must be played on a single day.
 - There must be an "all-play-all" movement.
 - The Final of the Teams Championship must comprise a minimum of 42 Boards.
 - Master Point awards Scale QD: Regional Quali-Final Scale.

Green Points will be awarded in the Final of the Area Team Championships, on the scales given below, to each member of the team who plays at least half the boards.

Total original

entry (teams)	1. A 2 Session Final without a Qualifying Round.						
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
6 - 8	1.5	1	0.5				
9 -12	2.5	2	1.5	1	0.5		
13 -16	2.75	2	1.5	1	0.5	0.25	
17 -20	4.5	3	2	1.5	1	0.75	0.25

Total original

entry (teams)	2. A Qualifying Round followed by a 2 Session Final.						
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
17 -20	4.5	3	2	1.5	1	0.75	0.25
21 -24	5	3	2.5	1.75	1.25	1	0.5
25 -28	5.5	3.5	3	2	1.5	1	0.5
29 -32	6	4	3	2.25	1.75	1.25	0.75
33 -48	6.5	4	3.5	2.5	2	1.5	1
48+	7	5	4	3	2.5	2	1.5

Local points are awarded at Regional Status as described on page 13 in the MP Handbook. However, each Green Point will be taken in lieu of Local Points, as above, and the Local Point award is made up to produce the overall required total as necessary.

e.g. a certain position merits an award of 324 Local Points at Regional Status. It also attracts an award of 1 Green Point. The actual award is 1 Green Point and 224 Local Points.

Alternatively, if the Green Point award were 4 Greens, it would not be necessary to supplement any Local Points. (Local Points are never subtracted)

5.4 ANNUAL MAJOR AREA PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

- 5.4.1 The classical format is to have an all-play-all final (e.g. Howell) of at least 36 boards duration and of at least 2-board rounds, in which case awards in the qualifying rounds (if any) are in Local Points only (Regional status applies), and awards in the final are as follows:

- (a) the top award is $\frac{\text{TOE}}{40} + 3$, where TOE is the total original entry (in pairs)
- (any fractions which are not a multiple of $\frac{1}{4}$ to be rounded up in favour of the competitors)
- (b) 2nd place receives $\frac{1}{4}$ less than 1st place
 3rd place receives $\frac{3}{4}$ less than 2nd place
 4th place receives $\frac{1}{2}$ less than 3rd place
- (c) thereafter, by constant reductions of $\frac{1}{4}$ per place down to whichever position receives $\frac{1}{4}$.
- (d) the number of awards to be given is - $\frac{\text{TOE}}{10} + 5$
- (e) there is an absolute maximum equivalent to 280 pairs (top award = 10; number of awards = 33)
- (f) if the total original entry is fewer than 14 pairs (minimum of 6 pairs), awards go down to half-way (ignoring fractions), as illustrated in Scale G in the Appendix.
- (g) the effect of these calculations is illustrated in tabular form in Scale G.
- (h) if the number of pairs playing in the final is fewer than or equal to the number of awards which may be given, then all pairs involved in the final receive the award quoted

AREA GREEN POINT AWARDS & WBU NATIONAL EVENTS**5.5 AREA ASSOCIATION AGMEVENTS**

- 5.5.1 An area association may hold an extra green-pointed event once a year at its annual general meeting.
- 5.5.2 If the AGM event is a teams event then awards are set out in Scale I.
- 5.5.3 If the AGM event is a 2 Session pairs event then awards are as follows:

Scale C to the top half of the field except part of the award for those in the top $\frac{1}{4}$ of the field will be taken as green points.

1.5 green for the winners, 1.25 for second place and equal blocks of 1, .75, .5 and .25 green to the top $\frac{1}{4}$ of the field.

- 5.5.4 For example
In a field of 20 tables the winners' award would be 240 local points which would be converted to 90 locals and 1.5 green, the 10th placed pair's award would be 120 locals converted to 95 locals and .25 green and the pair in 20th position receives 12 locals.

5.6 WBU/AREA ASSOCIATION JOINT VENTURES**5.6.1 Swiss teams**

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point per match won or drawn (a win or draw in a 'short triangular match' requires a score of 10 VPs or more out of 20 VPs in the two mini-matches combined); matches of 7-8 boards each.
- (b) Bonus awards based on final ranking to the top $\frac{1}{8}$ th of the field. The top award is equal to

Tables

32

Any non $\frac{1}{4}$ fractions are rounded up to the next highest $\frac{1}{4}$.

- (c) 2nd place = $\frac{1}{2}$ of the top award
3rd place = ? of the top award
4th place = $\frac{1}{4}$ of the top award
and so on.

In these particular calculations only, any non- $\frac{1}{4}$ are rounded down to the next lowest $\frac{1}{4}$.

Example: 58 teams: top of 2 ($58 \div 32$ is greater than $1\frac{3}{4}$), 8 bonus awards in all.
 $2^{\text{nd}} = 1$; $3^{\text{rd}} - 4^{\text{th}} = \frac{1}{2}$; $5^{\text{th}} - 8^{\text{th}} = \frac{1}{4}$

- (d) No Local Points.

5.6.2 Swiss pairs

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point per match won or drawn (see 5.5.1a for short triangular matches); matches of 7-8 boards each.
- (b) Bonus awards based on final ranking to top $\frac{1}{8}$ th of the field. The top award is equal to

Tables + $\frac{3}{4}$
32

Any non $\frac{1}{4}$ fractions are rounded up to the next highest $\frac{1}{4}$.

Example: 64 tables = a top award of $2\frac{3}{4}$.

- (c) Constant reductions of $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point per place to the top $\frac{1}{16}$ th of the field (receives 1 Green Point). Then equal blocks of $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ to the next $\frac{1}{16}$ th of the field.
- (d) No Local Points.

5.6.3 Flighted Swiss events

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point per win/draw in either flight (see 5.5.1a for short triangular matches); matches of 7-8 boards each.
- (b) Ranking awards are, broadly speaking, as per normal Swiss events above, save that the total original entry should be modified as follows:
- (c) In the 'A' flight, Tables = number of tables in the 'A' flight plus one-half of the number of tables in the 'B'. Thus, something in excess of $\frac{1}{8}$ th of the actual field will receive bonus awards.
- (d) In the 'B' flight, Tables = the actual number of tables in the 'B' flight.
- (e) The top award in the 'A' flight shall never be less than the top award in the 'B' flight (only applicable if the 'B' flight is more than twice as big as the 'A'). If application of the above formula

should result in such a situation arising, then the 'A' flight awards shall be increased so as to equal the 'B' flight awards (size and quantity), save that no award may ever be given to a team or pair which does not finish in the top half of its particular competition.

5.6.4 Multiple Teams

Special schedules will be devised as/when required for a one-day Multiple Teams event. The precise schedule will vary dependent upon the size of the event and the format of the event (e.g. all-play-through or quali-final), but will always include provision for fractional Green Points to be awarded based on rounds won (i.e. rounds of 2-5 boards only).

Example: a schedule for 65-76 teams playing a quali-final round followed by a main final (one section), a consolation final (one section) and three sections of 'open teams'.

- (a) in the qualifying session
 - in a 2-board round session, $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point for each set of 3 rounds won (a draw is a half win, and any portion which is less than 3 is ignored). Thus, 0-2 $\frac{1}{2}$ rounds won (out of, presumably, 12 rounds played) is no Green Points; 3-5 $\frac{1}{2}$ rounds won is $\frac{1}{4}$; 6-8 $\frac{1}{2}$ rounds won is $\frac{1}{2}$; 9-11 $\frac{1}{2}$ is $\frac{3}{4}$; and all 12 rounds won is a full Green Point.
 - in a 3-board round session (e.g. with 9-12 tables in the section), $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point for each set of 2 rounds won - other principles exactly as above.
 - in a 4-5 board round session (e.g. with 6-8 tables in the section), $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point for each set of 2 rounds won - but, portions of 50% or more are rounded up in favour of the competition, e.g. 1-2 $\frac{1}{2}$ wins = $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point.
- (b) in the final session, ranking awards (in lieu of round-winning awards) for all players in either the 'A' or 'B' final; awards based on rounds won in the 'C' final ('open teams').
 - in the 'A' final, 1st 4, 2nd 3 $\frac{1}{2}$, 3rd 3, 4th 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, 5th-6th 2, 7th-9th 1 $\frac{1}{2}$, 10th-13th (10th-14th) 1.
 - in the 'B' final, one-half of the above.
 - in the 'C' final sections, fractional Green Points continue as in the qualifying round, plus a bonus for section winners of $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point and a further bonus of $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point for the overall winners of the 'C' final (thus making a total bonus for them of $\frac{1}{2}$ Green Point).

5.6.5 Multiple Pairs

Special schedules will be devised as/when required for a one-day Multiple Pairs event. Awards will be based on final ranking only, with Green Points being awarded to the top 50% of the field.

SCALE A

BASIC CLUB SCALE

For use in Basic single-session events and in “all play through” events of 36+ boards duration

Note: for events of 12-17 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 75 pts.
 for events of 18-35 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 100 pts.
 for events of 36+ boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 300 pts. (1 80 pts. if a qualifying stage).
 for events of 72+ boards duration, the status of the event is increased by 1 level, e.g. Club becomes District.

12-17 BOARDS Awards to top ¼ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	18-35 BOARDS Awards to top ? NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	36+ BOARDS Awards to top ½ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	Awards for Teams and 2-winner Pairs (Mitchell type)	Awards for 1-winner Pairs Howell/Scrambled Mitchell type
	29 - 30	20	100	120
	28	19		114
	26 - 27	18	90	108
	25	17		102
	23 - 24	16	80	96
	22	15		90
27 - 28	20 - 21	14	70	84
25 - 26	19	13		78
23 - 24	17 - 18	12	60	72
21 - 22	16	11		66
19 - 20	14 - 15	10	50	60
17 - 18	13	9		54
15 - 16	11 - 12	8	40	48
13 - 14	10	7		42
11 - 12	8 - 9	6	30	36
9 - 10	7	5		30
7 - 8	5 - 6	4	20	24
5 - 6	4	3		18
3 - 4	3	2	10	12
				6

Individual events: for a single-winner individual event, see Scale F
 for a four-winner individual event (i.e. N S E & W) use the teams scale above -
 equal awards in all directions involved.

SCALE A

BASIC CLUB SCALE

In an event of 12-35 boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 30 tables of teams or 2-winner pairs, or 25 tables of single winner pairs.

In an event of 36+ boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 60 tables of teams or 2-winner pairs (36 tables if only a qualifying stage) or 50 tables of single winner pairs (30 tables if only a qualifying stage).

36+ BOARDS 21 - 40 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs	36+ BOARDS 41 - 60 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs
40	200	240	60	300	
39		234	59		
38	190	228	58	290	
37		222	57		
36	180	216	56	280	
35		210	55		
34	170	204	54	270	
33		198	53		
32	160	192	52	260	
31		186	51		
30	150	180	50	250	300
29		174	49		294
28	140	168	48	240	288
27		162	47		282
26	130	156	46	230	276
25		150	45		270
24	120	144	44	220	264
23		138	43		258
22	110	132	42	210	252
21		126	41		246

Minimum number of tables = 3 for a single-winner pairs or team event; 5 for a two-winner pairs event or four-winner individual.

Minimum award = 6 pts.

SCALE B

BASIC DISTRICT SCALE

For use in Basic single-session events and in "all play through" events of 36+ boards duration

Note: for events of 12-17 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 113 pts.
 for events of 18-35 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 150 pts.
 for events of 36+ boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 450 pts. (270 pts. if a qualifying stage).
 for events of 72+ boards duration, the status of the event is increased by 1 level, e.g. District becomes Area.

12-17 BOARDS Awards to top ¼ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	18-35 BOARDS Awards to top ? NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	36+ BOARDS Awards to top ½ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	Awards for Teams and 2-winner Pairs (Mitchell type)	Awards for 1-winner Pairs Howell/Scrambled Mitchell type
	29 - 30	20	150	180
	28	19		171
	26 - 27	18	135	162
	25	17		153
	23 - 24	16	120	144
	22	15		135
27 - 28	20 - 21	14	105	126
25 - 26	19	13		117
23 - 24	17 - 18	12	90	108
21 - 22	16	11		99
19 - 20	14 - 15	10	75	90
17 - 18	13	9		81
15 - 16	11 - 12	8	60	72
13 - 14	10	7		63
11 - 12	8 - 9	6	45	54
9 - 10	7	5		45
7 - 8	5 - 6	4	30	36
5 - 6	4	3		27
3 - 4	3	2	15	18
				9

Individual events: for a single-winner individual event, see Scale F
 for a four-winner individual event (i.e. N S E & W) use the teams scale above -
 equal awards in all directions involved.

SCALE B

BASIC DISTRICT SCALE

In an event of 12-35 boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 30 tables of teams/2-winner pairs or 25 tables of single winner pairs.

In an event of 36+ boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 60 tables of teams/2-winner pairs (36 tables if only a qualifying stage) or 50 tables of single winner pairs 30 tables if only a qualifying stage).

36+ BOARDS 21 - 40 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs	36+ BOARDS 41 - 60 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs
40	300	360	60	450	
39		351	59		
38	285	342	58	435	
37		333	57		
36	270	324	56	420	
35		315	55		
34	255	306	54	405	
33		297	53		
32	240	288	52	390	
31		279	51		
30	225	270	50	375	450
29		261	49		441
28	210	252	48	360	432
27		243	47		423
26	195	234	46	345	414
25		225	45		405
24	180	216	44	330	396
23		207	43		387
22	165	198	42	315	378
21		189	41		369

Minimum number of tables = 3 for a single-winner pairs or team event; 5 for a two-winner pairs event or four-winner individual.

Minimum award = 9 pts.

For use in Basic single-session events and in "all play through" events of 36+ boards duration

Note: for events of 12-17 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 150 pts.

for events of 18-35 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 200 pts.

for events of 36+ boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 600 pts. (360 pts. if a qualifying stage).

for events of 72+ boards duration, the status of the event is increased by 1 level, e.g. Area becomes Regional.

12-17 BOARDS Awards to top ¼ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	18-35 BOARDS Awards to top ? NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	36+ BOARDS Awards to top ½ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	Awards for Teams and 2-winner Pairs (Mitchell type)	Awards for 1-winner Pairs Howell/Scrambled Mitchell type
	29 - 30	20	200	240
	28	19		228
	26 - 27	18	180	216
	25	17		204
	23 - 24	16	160	192
	22	15		180
27 - 28	20 - 21	14	140	168
25 - 26	19	13		156
23 - 24	17 - 18	12	120	144
21 - 22	16	11		132
19 - 20	14 - 15	10	100	120
17 - 18	13	9		108
15 - 16	11 - 12	8	80	96
13 - 14	10	7		84
11 - 12	8 - 9	6	60	72
9 - 10	7	5		60
7 - 8	5 - 6	4	40	48
5 - 6	4	3		36
3 - 4	3	2	20	24
				12

Individual events:

for a single-winner individual event, see Scale F

for a four-winner individual event (i.e. N S E & W) use the teams scale above - equal awards in all directions involved.

SCALE C

BASIC AREA SCALE

In an event of 12-35 boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 30 tables of teams/2-winner pairs or 25 tables of single winner pairs.

In an event of 36+ boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 60 tables of teams/2-winner pairs (36 tables if only a qualifying stage) or 50 tables of single winner pairs (30 tables if only a qualifying stage).

36+ BOARDS 21 - 40 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs	36+ BOARDS 41 - 60 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs
40	400	480	60	600	
39		468	59		
38	380	456	58	580	
37		444	57		
36	360	432	56	560	
35		420	55		
34	340	408	54	540	
33		396	53		
32	320	384	52	520	
31		372	51		
30	300	360	50	500	600
29		348	49		588
28	280	336	48	480	576
27		324	47		564
26	260	312	46	460	552
25		300	45		540
24	240	288	44	440	528
23		276	43		516
22	220	264	42	420	504
21		252	41		492

Minimum number of tables = 3 for a single-winner pairs or team event; 5 for a two-winner pairs event or four-winner individual.

Minimum award = 12 pts.

SCALE D

BASIC REGIONAL SCALE

For use in Basic single-session events and in "all play through" events of 36+ boards duration

Note: for events of 12-17 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 225 pts.
 for events of 18-35 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 300 pts.
 for events of 36+ boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 900 pts. (540 pts. if a qualifying stage).
 for events of 72+ boards duration, the status of the event is increased by 1 level, e.g. Regional becomes National.

12 - 17 BOARDS Awards to top ¼ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	18 - 35 BOARDS Awards to top ? NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	36+ BOARDS Awards to top ½ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	Awards for Teams and 2-winner Pairs (Mitchell type)	Awards for 1-winner Pairs Howell Scrambled Mitchell type
	29 - 30	20	300	360
	28	19		342
	26 - 27	18	270	324
	25	17		306
	23 - 24	16	240	288
	22	15		270
27 - 28	20 - 21	14	210	252
25 - 26	19	13		234
23 - 24	17 - 18	12	180	216
21 - 22	16	11		198
19 - 20	14 - 15	10	150	180
17 - 18	13	9		162
15 - 16	11 - 12	8	120	144
13 - 14	10	7		126
11 - 12	8 - 9	6	90	108
9 - 10	7	5		90
7 - 8	5 - 6	4	60	72
5 - 6	4	3		54
3 - 4	3	2	30	36
				18

Individual events:

for a single-winner individual event, see Scale F
 for a four-winner individual event (i.e. N S E & W) use the teams scale above -
 equal awards in all directions involved.

SCALE D

BASIC REGIONAL SCALE

In an event of 12-35 boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 30 tables of teams/2-winner pairs or 25 tables of single winner pairs.

In an event of 36+ boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 60 tables of teams/2-winner pairs (36 tables if only a qualifying stage) or 50 tables of single winner pairs (30 tables if only a qualifying stage).

36+ BOARDS 21 - 40 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs	36+ BOARDS 41 - 60 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs
40	600	720	60	900	
39		702	59		
38	570	684	58	870	
37		666	57		
36	540	648	56	840	
35		630	55		
34	510	612	54	810	
33		594	53		
32	480	576	52	780	
31		558	51		
30	450	540	50	750	900
29		522	49		882
28	420	504	48	720	864
27		486	47		846
26	390	468	46	690	828
25		450	45		810
24	360	432	44	660	792
23		414	43		774
22	330	396	42	630	756
21		378	41		738

Minimum number of tables = 3 for a single-winner pairs or team event; 5 for a two-winner pairs event or four-winner individual.

Minimum award = 18 pts.

SCALE E

BASIC NATIONAL SCALE

For use in Basic single-session events and in "all play through" events of 36+ boards duration

Note: for events of 12-17 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 300 pts.
 for events of 18-35 boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 400 pts.
 for events of 36+ boards duration, there is a theoretical maximum award of 1200 pts. (720 pts. if a qualifying stage).
 for events of 72+ boards duration, the status of the event is increased by 1 level, e.g. National becomes 2 x Regional.

12 - 17 BOARDS Awards to top ¼ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	18 - 35 BOARDS Awards to top ? NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	36+ BOARDS Awards to top ½ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	Awards for Teams and 2-winner Pairs (Mitchell type)	Awards for 1-winner Pairs Howell Scrambled Mitchell type
	29 - 30	20	400	480
	28	19		456
	26 - 27	18	360	432
	25	17		408
	23 - 24	16	320	384
	22	15		360
27 - 28	20 - 21	14	280	336
25 - 26	19	13		312
23 - 24	17 - 18	12	240	288
21 - 22	16	11		264
19 - 20	14 - 15	10	200	240
17 - 18	13	9		216
15 - 16	11 - 12	8	160	192
13 - 14	10	7		168
11 - 12	8 - 9	6	120	144
9 - 10	7	5		120
7 - 8	5 - 6	4	80	96
5 - 6	4	3		72
3 - 4	3	2	40	48
				24

Individual events: for a single-winner individual event, see Scale F
 for a four-winner individual event (i.e. N S E & W) use the teams scale above -
 equal awards in all directions involved.

SCALE E
BASIC NATIONAL SCALE

In an event of 12-35 boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 30 tables of teams/2-winner pairs or 25 tables of single winner pairs.

In an event of 36+ boards duration, the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 60 tables of Teams/2-winner pairs (36 tables if only a qualifying stage) or 50 tables of single winner pairs (30 tables if only a qualifying stage).

36+ BOARDS 21 - 40 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs	36+ BOARDS 41 - 60 full tables	Awards for Teams and 2- winner Pairs	Awards for 1-winner Pairs
40	800	960	60	1200	
39		936	59		
38	760	912	58	1160	
37		888	57		
36	720	864	56	1120	
35		840	55		
34	680	816	54	1080	
33		792	53		
32	640	768	52	1040	
31		744	51		
30	600	720	50	1000	1200
29		696	49		1176
28	560	672	48	960	1152
27		648	47		1128
26	520	624	46	920	1104
25		600	45		1080
24	480	576	44	880	1056
23		552	43		1032
22	440	528	42	840	1008
21		504	41		984

Minimum number of tables = 3 for a single-winner pairs or team event; 5 for a two-winner pairs event or four-winner individual.

Minimum award = 24 pts.

SCALE F

BASIC SINGLE WINNER INDIVIDUAL EVENT

For use in Basic single-session events and in "all play through" events of 36+ boards duration

- Notes:
- i) use the basic teams scale for 4-winner individual events (i.e. a N S E & W winner, where the competitors have occupied the same compass position throughout the event).
 - ii) the basic maximum and minimum awards apply. At Club status, the theoretical maximum award is 75 pts. (12-17 boards), 100 pts. (18-35 boards) or 300 pts. (36+ boards); the minimum award is 6 pts. These figures are multiplied by the usual factor for events of a higher status.
 - iii) the theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 25 tables (12-35 boards) or 50 tables (36+ boards).
 - iv) the scales below should be extended if required, subject to the above mentioned maximum limits.
 - v) for events of 72+ boards duration, the status of the event is increased by 1 level.

12 - 17 BOARDS Awards to top ¼ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	18 - 35 BOARDS Awards to top ¼ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	36 + BOARDS Awards to top ¼ NUMBER OF FULL TABLES	'A' CLUB	'B' DISTRICT	'C' AREA	'D' REGIONAL	'E' NATIONAL
	20		81	122	162	243	324
	19	13	78	117	156	234	312
25			75	113	150	225	300
24	18	12	72	108	144	216	288
23	17		69	104	138	207	276
22	16		66	99	132	198	264
21			63	95	126	189	252
20	15	10	60	90	120	180	240
19	14		57	86	114	171	228
18	13	9	54	81	108	162	216
17			51	77	102	153	204
16	12	8	48	72	96	144	192
15	11		45	68	90	135	180
14	10	7	42	63	84	126	168
13			39	59	78	117	156
12	9	6	36	54	72	108	144
11	8		33	50	66	99	132
10	7	5	30	45	60	90	120
9			27	41	54	81	108
8	6	4	24	36	48	72	96
7	5		21	32	42	63	84
6	4	3	18	27	36	54	72
5			15	23	30	45	60
4	3	2	12	18	24	36	48
3	2		9	14	18	27	36
2			6	9	12	18	24
			6 *	9 *	12 *	18 *	24 *

*minimum permissible award.

Minimum number of tables = 2

For use by Area Associations only in their major Championship Pairs final

Total original entry (Number of pairs)	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Subsequent places
6 - 7	2 ½	1 ¼	½	n/a	(3 awards only)
8 - 9	2 ¾	1 ½	¾	¼	(4 awards only)
10 - 11	3	1 ¾	1	½	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 5 th place
12 - 13	3 ¼	2	1 ¼	¾	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 6 th place
14 - 20	3 ½	2 ¼	1 ½	1	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 7 th place
21 - 30	3 ¾	2 ½	1 ¾	1 ¼	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 8 th place
31 - 40	4	2 ¾	2	1 ½	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 9 th place
41 - 50	4 ¼	3	2 ¼	1 ¾	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 10 th place
51 - 60	4 ½	3 ¼	2 ½	2	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 11 th place
61 - 70	4 ¾	3 ½	2 ¾	2 ¼	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 12 th place
71 - 80	5	3 ¾	3	2 ½	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 13 th place
81 - 90	5 ¼	4	3 ¼	2 ¾	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 14 th place
91 - 100	5 ½	4 ¼	3 ½	3	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 15 th place
101 - 110	5 ¾	4 ½	3 ¾	3 ¼	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 16 th place
111 - 120	6	4 ¾	4	3 ½	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 17 th place
121 - 130	6 ¼	5	4 ¼	3 ¾	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 18 th place
131 - 140	6 ½	5 ¼	4 ½	4	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 19 th place
141 - 150	6 ¾	5 ½	4 ¾	4 ¼	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 20 th place
151 - 160	7	5 ¾	5	4 ½	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 21 st place
161 - 170	7 ¼	6	5 ¼	4 ¾	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 22 nd place
171 - 180	7 ½	6 ¼	5 ½	5	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 23 rd place
181 - 190	7 ¾	6 ½	5 ¾	5 ¼	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 24 th place
191 - 200	8	6 ¾	6	5 ½	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 25 th place
201 - 210	8 ¼	7	6 ¼	5 ¾	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 26 th place
211 - 220	8 ½	7 ¼	6 ½	6	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 27 th place
221 - 230	8 ¾	7 ½	6 ¾	6 ¼	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 28 th place
231 - 240	9	7 ¾	7	6 ½	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 29 th place
241 - 250	9 ¼	8	7 ¼	6 ¾	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 30 th place
251 - 260	9 ½	8 ¼	7 ½	7	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 31 st place
261 - 270	9 ¾	8 ½	7 ¾	7 ¼	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 32 nd place
271 +	10	8 ¾	8	7 ½	Reducing by ¼ down to ¼ for 33 rd place

Awards for 1-winner pairs

Awards to top half of field

	NATIONAL		AREA MAJOR		OTHER AREA	
	NUMBER of BOARDS					
Number of	18-71	72 +	18-71	72 +	18-71	72 +
FULL Tables	X 3	X 4	X 2	X 3	X 1.5	X 2
20	360	480	240	360	180	240
19	342	456	228	342	171	228
18	324	432	216	324	162	216
17	306	408	204	306	153	204
16	288	384	192	288	144	192
15	270	360	180	270	135	180
14	252	336	168	252	126	168
13	234	312	156	234	117	156
12	216	288	144	216	108	144
11	198	264	132	198	99	132
10	180	240	120	180	90	120
9	162	216	108	162	81	108
8	144	192	96	144	72	96
7	126	168	84	126	63	84
6	108	144	72	108	54	72
5	90	120	60	90	45	60
4	72	96	48	72	36	48
3	54	72	36	54	27	36
2	36	48	24	36	18	24
	18	24	12	18	9	12

Awards for Teams and 2-winner pairs

Awards to top half of field

	NATIONAL		AREA MAJOR		OTHER AREA	
	NUMBER of BOARDS					
Number of	18-71	72 +	18-71	72 +	18-71	72 +
FULL Tables	X 3	X 4	X 2	X 3	X 1.5	X 2
19 or 20	300	400	200	300	150	200
17 or 18	270	360	180	270	135	180
15 or 16	240	320	160	240	120	160
13 or 14	210	280	140	210	105	140
11 or 12	180	240	120	180	90	120
9 or 10	150	200	100	150	75	100
7 or 8	120	160	80	120	60	80
5 or 6	90	120	60	90	45	60
4	60	80	40	60	30	40
	30	40	20	30	15	20

SCALE I

AREA AGM GREEN POINTED TEAMS EVENTS

**For use in a 2 session event at an Area Association AGM –
provided that the event is not a major area championship**

Area Scale C for each match won or drawn, each 2 wins will convert to .25 green

Number of boards per match	AREA SCALE (Boards x 3)
5	15
6	18
7	21
8	24
9	27
10	30

Additional awards to the top ¼ of the field

Original Number of full tables	Teams Local	Scale Green
61- 64	401	1¾
57- 60	365	1¾
53-56	354	1½
49-52	318	1½
45-48	282	1½
41-44	271	1¼
37-40	235	1¼
33-36	199	1¼
29-32	188	1
25-28	152	1
21-24	116	1
17-20	105	¾
13-16	69	¾
9-12	58	½
5-8	47	¼
3-4	11	¼

SCALE QA

CLUB QUALI-FINAL SCALE

For use in a final or second/subsequent qualifying stage
and in an event attracting an award per match won

Awards to $\frac{1}{4}$ of original entry

Theoretical maximum award = 300
(180 if not the final)

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
32	144	176	176
31			171
30		165	165
29			160
28	126	154	154
27			149
26		143	143
25			138
24	108	132	132
23			127
22		121	121
21			116
20	90	110	110
19			105
18		99	99
17			94
16	72	88	88
15			83
14		77	77
13			72
12	54	66	66
11			61
10		55	55
9			50
8	36	44	44
7			39
6		33	33
5			28
4	18	22	22
3			17
		11	11
			6

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
64	288		
63			
62			
61			
60	270		
59			
58			
57			
56	252		
55			
54		297	297
53			292
52	234	286	286
51			281
50		275	275
49			270
48	216	264	264
47			259
46		253	253
45			248
44	198	242	242
43			237
42		231	231
41			226
40	180	220	220
39			215
38		209	209
37			204
36	162	198	198
35			193
34		187	187
33			182

Notes:

- (1) For a 2-winners pairs or 4-winner individual, use the teams scale (equal awards in all directions).
- (2) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 36+ boards, increase the status by 1 level.
- (3) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 12-17 boards, decrease the status by 1 level (one lower than Club status is 1/2 of District status).
- (4) For an event attracting an award per match won, add 50% if at least 72 boards are played.
- (5) The theoretical maximum award is reached by having 65 original tables of teams or 55 original tables of single winner pairs/individuals. If this is not the final, then by having 40 tables or 33 tables respectively.
- (6) Minimum award = 6 pts.

SCALE QB

DISTRICT QUALI-FINAL SCALE

For use in a final or second/subsequent qualifying stage
and in an event attracting an award per match won

Awards to $\frac{1}{4}$ of original entry

Theoretical maximum award = 450
(270 if not the final)

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
32	216	264	264
31			256
30		248	248
29			240
28	189	231	231
27			223
26		215	215
25			207
24	162	198	198
23			190
22		182	182
21			174
20	135	165	165
19			157
18		149	149
17			141
16	108	132	132
15			124
14		116	116
13			108
12	81	99	99
11			91
10		83	83
9			75
8	54	66	66
7			58
6		50	50
5			42
4	27	33	33
3			25
		17	17
			9 *

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
64	432		
63			
62			
61			
60	405		
59			
58			
57			
56	378		
55			
54		446	446
53			438
52	351	429	429
51			421
50		413	413
49			405
48	324	396	396
47			388
46		380	380
45			372
44	297	363	363
43			355
42		347	347
41			339
40	270	330	330
39			322
38		314	314
37			306
36	243	297	297
35			289
34		281	281
33			273

Notes:

- (1) For a 2-winners pairs or 4-winner individual, use the teams scale (equal awards in all directions).
- (2) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 36+ boards, increase the status by 1 level.
- (3) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 12-17 boards, decrease the status by 1 level.
- (4) For an event attracting an award per match won, add 50% if at least 72 boards are played.
- (5) The theoretical maximum award is reached by having 65 original tables of teams or 55 original tables of single winner pairs/individuals. If this is not the final, then by having 40 tables or 33 tables respectively.
- (6) * Minimum award = 9 pts.

SCALE QC

AREA QUALI-FINAL SCALE

For use in a final or second/subsequent qualifying stage
and in an event attracting an award per match won

Awards to $\frac{1}{4}$ of original entry

Theoretical maximum award = 600
(360 if not the final)

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
32	288	352	352
31			341
30		330	330
29			319
28	252	308	308
27			297
26		286	286
25			275
24	216	264	264
23			253
22		242	242
21			231
20	180	220	220
19			209
18		198	198
17			187
16	144	170	176
15			165
14		154	154
13			143
12	108	132	132
11			121
10		110	110
9			99
8	72	88	88
7			77
6		66	66
5			55
4	36	44	44
3			33
		22	22
			12 *

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
64	576		
63			
62			
61			
60	540		
59			
58			
57			
56	504		
55			
54		594	594
53			583
52	468	572	572
51			561
50		550	550
49			539
48	432	528	528
47			517
46		506	506
45			495
44	396	484	484
43			473
42		462	462
41			451
40	360	440	440
39			429
38		418	418
37			407
36	324	396	396
35			385
34		374	374
33			363

* minimum award

Notes:

- (1) For a 2-winners pairs or 4-winner individual, use the teams scale (equal awards in all directions).
- (2) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 36+ boards, increase the status by 1 level.
- (3) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 12-17 boards, decrease the status by 1 level.
- (4) For an event attracting an award per match won, add 50% if at least 72 boards are played.
- (5) The theoretical maximum award is reached by having 65 original tables of teams or 55 original tables of single winner pairs/individuals. If this is not the final, then by having 40 tables or 33 tables respectively.

SCALE QD

REGIONAL QUALI-FINAL SCALE

For use in a final or second/subsequent qualifying stage
and in an event attracting an award per match won

Awards to $\frac{1}{4}$ of original entry

Theoretical maximum award = 900
(540 if not the final)

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
32	432	528	528
31			512
30		495	495
29			479
28	378	462	462
27			446
26		429	429
25			414
24	324	396	396
23			380
22		363	363
21			347
20	270	330	330
19			314
18		297	297
17			281
16	216	264	264
15			248
14		231	231
13			215
12	162	198	198
11			183
10		165	165
9			149
8	108	132	132
7			116
6		99	99
5			83
4	54	66	66
3			50
		33	33
			18 *

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
64	864		
63			
62			
61			
60	810		
59			
58			
57			
56	756		
55			
54		891	891
53			875
52	702	858	858
51			842
50		825	825
49			809
48	648	792	792
47			446
46		759	759
45			743
44	594	726	726
43			710
42		693	693
41			677
40	540	677	660
39			644
38		627	627
37			611
36	486	594	594
35			578
34		561	561
33			545

* minimum award

Notes:

- (1) For a 2-winners pairs or 4-winner individual, use the teams scale (equal awards in all directions).
- (2) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 36+ boards, increase the status by 1 level.
- (3) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 12-17 boards, decrease the status by 1 level.
- (4) For an event attracting an award per match won, add 50% if at least 72 boards are played.
- (5) The theoretical maximum award is reached by having 65 original tables of teams or 55 original tables of single winner pairs/individuals. If this is not the final, then by having 40 tables or 33 tables respectively.

SCALE QE

NATIONAL QUALI-FINAL SCALE

For use in a final or second/subsequent qualifying stage
and in an event attracting an award per match won

Awards to $\frac{1}{4}$ of original entry

Theoretical maximum award = 1200
(720 if not the final)

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
32	576	704	704
31			682
30		660	660
29			638
28	504	616	616
27			594
26		572	572
25			550
24	432	528	528
23			506
22		484	484
21			462
20	360	440	440
19			418
18		396	396
17			374
16	288	352	352
15			330
14		308	308
13			286
12	216	264	264
11			242
10		220	220
9			196
8	144	176	176
7			154
6		132	132
5			110
4	72	88	88
3			66
		44	44
			24 *

Original Number of full tables	Teams Scale (1)	Pairs Scale single winner	Individual Scale single winner
64	1152		
63			
62			
61			
60	1080		
59			
58			
57			
56	1008		
55			
54		1188	1188
53			1166
52	936	1144	1144
51			1122
50		1100	1100
49			1078
48	864	1056	1056
47			1034
46		1012	1012
45			990
44	792	968	968
43			946
42		924	924
41			902
40	720	880	880
39			858
38		836	836
37			814
36	628	792	792
35			770
34		748	748
33			726

* minimum award

Notes:

- (1) For a 2-winners pairs or 4-winner individual, use the teams scale (equal awards in all directions).
- (2) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 36+ boards, increase the status by 1 level (National becomes 2 x Regional).
- (3) For a basic final (or subsequent stage) of 12-17 boards, decrease the status by 1 level.
- (4) For an event attracting an award per match won, add 50% if at least 72 boards are played.
- (5) The theoretical maximum award is reached by having 65 original tables of teams or 55 original tables of single winner pairs/individuals. If this is not the final, then by having 40 tables or 33 tables respectively.

For use in finals of events attracting an award per match won
Awards to ? of the original entry

CLUB SCALE (Theoretical maximum = 300)				DISTRICT SCALE (Theoretical maximum = 450)		
Original number of full tables	Teams and 2- winner Pairs	1-winner Pairs	1-winner Individual	Teams and 2- winner Pairs	1-winner Pairs	1-winner Individual
55-56	280			420		
53-54						
51-52						
49-50						
47-48	240	288	288	360	432	432
45-46			276			414
43-44		264	264		396	396
41-42			252			378
39-40	200	240	240	300	360	360
37-38			228			342
35-36		216	216		324	324
33-34			204			306
31-32	160	192	192	240	288	288
29-30			180			270
27-28		168	168		252	252
25-26			156			234
23-24	120	144	144	180	216	216
21-22			132			198
19-20		120	120		180	180
17-18			108			162
15-16	80	96	96	120	144	144
13-14			84			126
11-12		72	72		108	108
9-10			60			90
7-8	40	48	48	60	72	72
5-6			36			54
		24	24		36	36
			12			18

For Area Scale, use Club x 2 For a 4-winner Individual or a 2-winner Pairs,
For Regional Scale, use District x 2 use the Teams Scale - equal award in all
For National Scale, use Club x 4 directions.

Notes:

- (1) If the final is of 72+ boards total duration, add 50% to the above figures (including the theoretical maximum).
- (2) If this is merely a second qualifying stage (rather than the final proper), the theoretical maximum awards are $\frac{3}{5}$ of those stated above, viz. 180 at basic Club status - 270 at District status.
- (3) The theoretical maximum award is reached by having 60 tables of teams/2-winner pairs or 50 tables of single winner pairs/individuals. If this is not the final, then by having 36 tables or 30 tables respectively.

For use in regular games or initial qualifying stages (18-35 boards) only

TEAMS & 2-WINNER PAIRS SCALE

(Awards to top $\frac{1}{3}$)

FULL TABLES	CLUB A	DISTRICT B	AREA C	REGIONAL D	NATIONAL E
28-30	100	150	200	300	400
25-27	90	135	180	270	360
22-24	80	120	160	240	320
19-21	70	105	140	210	280
16-18	60	90	120	180	240
13-15	50	75	100	150	200
10-12	40	60	80	120	160
7-9	30	45	60	90	120
4-6	20	30	40	60	80
3	10	15	20	30	40

For 2-winner Pairs
equal awards in
both the NS & EW
directions

For a 2-winner
Pairs minimum
number of tables
= 5

1-WINNER PAIRS SCALE (Awards to top $\frac{1}{3}$)

FULL TABLES	CLUB A	DISTRICT B	AREA C	REGIONAL D	NATIONAL E
23-24	96	144	192	288	384
22	90	135	180	270	360
20-21	84	126	168	252	336
19	78	117	156	234	312
17-18	72	108	144	216	288
16	66	99	132	192	264
14-15	60	90	120	180	240
13	54	81	108	162	216
11-12	48	72	96	144	192
10	42	63	84	126	168
8-9	36	54	72	108	144
7	30	45	60	90	120
5-6	24	36	48	72	96
4	18	27	36	54	72
	12	18	27	36	48
	6	9	12	18	24

Example

11 -table Mitchell (Club status) attracts awards of 40, 30, 20 & 10 in both directions.

11 -table 'arrow-switched' Mitchell attracts awards of 48, 42, 36, 30, 24, 18, 12 & 6.

The theoretical maximum limit is reached by having 30 tables of teams/2-winner pairs, or 25 tables of single winner pairs.