

Ladder Rules

Aims

This pairs competition is designed to allow players to have an opportunity to play in a field that is more balanced towards their ability. There will be two trophies one for the ladder winners and one for the pair that has performed the best relative to their NGS.

Format

There will be two divisions. The 1st division will have 10 pairs, and all subsequent pairs are in 2nd division. The top 2 pairs from division 2 will be promoted and bottom 2 pairs in the 1st division will be relegated each month.

There are 10 rounds from October to July. Your top 8 scores are taken, but please see substitute rules below.

Points will be awarded for both position and additionally for scores over 60%.

Substitutes

Substitutes are allowed.

There is no penalty for a substitute, but only 2 substitute results will count within the final 8 scores. Therefore, the first 6 scores must come from the partnership, the other two scores are the best from the remaining 4.

Points

1st Division – 20 for 1st then down by 2 points per position, to 2 for last.

2nd Division – 18 for 1st then down by 2 points per position. The points may be spread further if fewer than 5 tables. If more than 10 pairs then 11th downwards will receive no points.

Additional points will be awarded as follows:

60%- 64.99% - 1 point

65% - 69.99% - 2 points

70% - 74.99% - 3 points

75% - 79.99% - 4 points

80% + - 5 points

Only the top 8 scores count. So, if a pair play 10 rounds their lowest 2 scores are taken off.

NGS – The top 10 NGS scoring pairs from on the ladder night will receive points. 10 points for 1st down by 1 per place with 10th getting 1 point. Only the best 8 scores count.

