

KCBA Club Teams of 8 League

The county club teams of 8 league currently comprises 4 divisions. Division 1 plays for the Corbett Cup, Division 2 for the Corbett Plate, Division 3 for the Mitchell Salver **and Division 4 for the Buck Cup**. The winners of Division 1 will be invited to represent the county in the Garden Cities Trophy.

The following regulations apply to eligibility to represent a KCBA affiliated club:

- 1) All players must be bona fide members of the club they represent, and must have been so for at least three months prior to the date on which they propose to represent the club.
- 2) All players must be members of the EBU, but they are not required to owe primary allegiance to Kent.
- 3) Players may represent only one Kent club although under EBU regulations may also represent a club or clubs from other counties.
- 4) It is left to individual clubs themselves to ensure that their members meet the criteria outlined above and are thus eligible to represent them. Clubs are also asked to ensure that their representatives match the ethos of the competition. If any complaints are received that a team does not meet these criteria, the club will be required to explain in what way they believe the players to be eligible.

Format

All matches are played over a weekend in January. Divisions 1 and 2 consist of 5 teams playing a full round robin (playing three boards against each pair in the other teams) on Sunday. **Division 3 also consists of a full round robin and together with Division 4 will be played on Saturday. If Division 4 is of 5-7 teams it will also be a round robin but will be a multiple teams if more than 8 or more teams compete. Entries in 2019 would suggest 21 teams competing so 6 teams in division 4.**

Teams are limited to eight playing members and pairs should remain unchanged throughout the event. Players who have played in the Mitchell Salver **or Buck Cup** are not eligible to play in the Cup or Plate.

Clubs may enter as many teams as they wish, the first team being designated 'A', the second 'B' and so on. Clubs entering more than 1 team must nominate 8 players for each team.

Scoring is by IMPs converted to VPs on the WBF discrete scale.

New teams will enter Division **4**.

Promotion and Relegation

One team from Divisions 2-4 will be promoted to their higher division. One team from division 1-3 will be relegated to their lower division.

The Competitions Secretary has complete discretion in exceptional circumstances to vary the regulations set out above.