

WWBA Inter-Club Teams League (1st September 2026 – 4th July 2027)

1. There are six WBU-affiliated clubs in the Western Area taking part this year.
2. A ten match schedule is planned, so a first loser has the chance for redress later.
3. The home team is that on the left in the schedule, and will be swapped for the second match.
4. The first deadline will be 4th October and the succeeding ones are at 28 day intervals on a Sunday, except December which is 49 days. The final deadline will therefore be 4th July 2027.
5. Each club nominates a captain whose email address is given to the other captains.
6. We ask that you prefer Wednesday evenings for the matches, which we hope will make arrangements easier. However competing teams are free to make their own arrangements for dates and platform, which can be online (any platform) or face to face. It is anticipated that BBO will be the most popular, hence the references below.
7. 20 boards to be played in two sets of 10. One team to change polarity for the 2nd session.
8. Substitute players allowed for the second set up to a maximum of six in the team.
9. Instructions for using BBO are available on our website <https://www.bridgewebs.com/westwales/>
10. Setting up on BBO requires Premium membership so if required ask Steve Jarvis 07974764862, steve08@hotmail.co.uk, Julie Milewski 07786857223 jmmhbc@gmail.com, or Peter Milewski 07980927062 wwba.sec.pjm@gmail.com. Same process to set up the second set of 10 boards.
11. If any pair of teams would like to play on Realbridge, Peter or Steve can also set that up for you.
12. Friendliness and best behaviour at all times please, it is just as important online as face to face.
13. A two week grace period will be allowed after each deadline, but the last one will be mid-July 2027 so that we have a final result before the main holiday period.
14. Matches not played by the end of the grace period will be scored 0/0 if no or both teams at fault. In the former case, a late match may be played having notified the organiser Peter (contact details above). Else: 17-3 to the non-offending side ¹.
15. In the event of 2 or more teams having the same final scores, the result of 'head to head' matches will be used to decide winner and runner up positions.
16. You may not play for more than one club but substitutes can play on an occasional ad hoc basis.
17. When online, the 'Undo' facility should be left on. Barometer and kibitzers can be used by agreement between the captains, but if no agreement, the home captain decides.
18. Undo requests should be accepted for obvious bidding misclicks, but not in the play.
19. **Winning team captain emails IMP and/or VP score to the WWBA organiser.**
20. Requests for Rulings should be made within an hour after the match. A link to the hand and screenshots of 'chat' would be useful. Senior director advice will be sought if necessary.
21. See below for VP scale and this year's schedule.

¹ There are several ways to work this out, for example by using average previous scores etc. For simplicity, the 17-3 score has been copied from Liz Atkinson's instructions for the 24 board Geoff Evans League matches.

The EBU discrete VP scale for 20 boards:

IMPS	0-1	2-5	6-9	10-14	15-19	20-25	26-31	32-39	40-48	49-60	61+
VP's	10 /10	11/9	12/8	13/7	14/6	15/5	16/4	17/3	18/2	19/1	20/0

The following type of table will be used to enter the VP scores for each match that will be placed on the website as soon as possible after each result is received:

Club	#	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	Rank
Bridgend	1								
Swansea	2								
Llanelli	3								
Tenby	4								
Merlin	5								
Haverfordwest	6								

And the match schedule is as follows:

Result to WWBA organiser please, by:									
04-Oct	01-Nov	29-Nov	17-Jan	14-Feb	14-Mar	11-Apr	09-May	06-Jun	04-Jul
1 v 6	5 v 1	1 v 4	3 v 1	1 v 2	6 v 1	1 v 5	4 v 1	1 v 3	2 v 1
2 v 5	4 v 6	5 v 3	2 v 4	3 v 6	5 v 2	6 v 4	3 v 5	4 v 2	6 v 3
3 v 4	3 v 2	6 v 2	6 v 5	4 v 5	4 v 3	2 v 3	2 v 6	5 v 6	5 v 4