

## **Pairs format, general information**

In the winter season, rounds will be played each month from January through to March with the Finals Night consisting of the last 4 played to a winner. Similarly in the summer played once a month from July through to September with the Finals Night consisting of the last 4 played to a winner.

Matches will be based on home or away basis depending on the draw, best of 5 frames.

Lag for break. Break alternate frames.

Format is to be Scotch Pairs, (alternative shots) and the break should be alternated within the pair.

Discussion of tactics should only take place before the first shot of any visit and not during the visit. Definition of "shot" is once the cue strikes the cue ball.

If balls are legally pocketed from the break, then the pair in control of the table will be permitted to discuss tactics until the cue ball is struck again. No further discussion is then permitted for the remainder of the visit.

Each month for 3 consecutive months from the start date advertised, a round of the Pairs will take place.

The Finals Night (last 4 pairs, played to a conclusion) will take place at the advertised date and venue.

Table costs if any will be divided between the two competing players.

Pairs can must be made up of players as advertised on the website.

Players may not be substituted for alternative partners once the draw is made.

The number of entrants will be capped to 32 pairs on a first come first served.

A list of entrants will be updated on the website on a regular basis.

Entrants must supply mobile numbers of both players when registering. The Knock Out Secretary, Paul Gafa' will keep a register of all the details (this will not be published on the website). On request, individual player contact details will be supplied to opponents.

Registration is anytime to and from the advertised dates.

The prize money will be announced once the registration period closes.

The first 2 places will be awarded prize money subject to the number of entries.

Entry fee is £5 per player payable to any League Committee member, bank transfer, or via the usual means.

Contact the League for the League bank account details.

Matches start at the arranged time and all players should arrive no later than 30 mins after the designated start time. Where no start time is arranged then the start time will be 8pm.

Matches may be claimed if a complete pair fail to attend the venue 30 mins after the designated start time.

Winners of each tie should text the result immediately after the match to (KO Secretary) Paul Gafa' 07443 456662.

The draw will be published on this site on a monthly basis as early as possible.

Competitors will be expected to view this page to gain information of the draw, this will be the only source of information.

Failure to notify the KO Secretary of a result before the next round draw is published will mean both pairs removed from the competition.

Players would need to be available to play within the 3 months that the Pairs is spread over. The Finals Night will not be delayed. If you are not available to play over this timespan you should be cautious of entering the competition.

Matches should be arranged by the home pair contacting the away pair and arranging the match. The away pair can be proactive and contact the home pair to arrange should they so desire. The onus is for both pairs to ensure the match is

played within the timespan. If neither team make arrangements to play the tie then both pairs will be eliminated. The League will not enter into any discussion if any pair cannot play within a particular month, or fails to take note of the draw, or fails to submit a result.

Players will need to be actively playing regularly in league matches by the registration closing date. Some dispensation may be granted on a case by case basis.

Any paid entrant that hasn't played enough frames, retires or is banned or suspended from the SLKPA will not get a refund.

### **What you need to do**

Be available to play within the specified dates.

Contact your opponents as early as possible to arrange the match and get the match played.

Text match result to Paul Gafa' 07443 456662 immediately after the match.

Watch the website and take note of the draw for each round if you are still involved.

### **How to enter**

Entry fee payable to any League Committee member, in cash, cheque or bank transfer, as soon as the registration window opens.

Contact Steve Reed 07958 654023 for the League bank account details if you require them.