

## NATIONAL CADET LEAGUE SEASON 2013-14

Welcome to the National Cadet League's twelfth season which I hope will interest your support whether you are a club, league or "group". Last season 236 teams played at 14 centers on 4 days. This league is designed for the younger player in her/his developing years, with many of the centres having two or more divisions, especially on days 3 and 4 for centres with 8 teams and more. Any player who either is registered or plays in the Junior British League in the current season or who is in the top 20 boys or the top 10 girls on the ETTA "Supplementary" Cadet Rating List applicable on 03-08-13 (No 219) will not be eligible to play in the 2013-14 NCL.

Any player entering "Cadet" events in 2013-14 must have been born in 1999 or later. Leagues and/or Clubs may apply to enter teams of three players (although it is advisable to register more) to play in venues closest to their location and the preferred option is graded divisions for boys and girls. Mixed teams are acceptable to all organizers but the players will miss out on ranking points when playing the opposite sex if either player has 600 or more ratings points. If both players have less than 600 points then matches between players of the opposite sex will be for rating points. The weighting for ranking is 1.0.



The schedule of play guarantees a full day's participation and was originally based on a six team division playing on one or two tables with each team playing every other on each of the four days. Each team match would then consist of six singles sets, each the best of five games, with both teams listed in strict ranking order and A v Y, B v X, C v Z, A v X, C v Y, B v Z being the sets played. This may be altered to nine singles and is now the preferred option when possible - dependent on the number of teams entered. Each day's play MUST provide a minimum of NINE individual matches per player in a three player team, unless the local organizer has the permission of the national organizer to offer less than nine on any one day. Any player who wins three matches in one day in this competition, even against unranked players, is guaranteed to appear in the next ETTA Ranking List after the results have been submitted.

Medals to a total of 4 per team will be available to local organizers to the equivalent of 2 sets per 6 teams entered. The dates scheduled for this season's competition are: Sundays 13 October, 1 December, 2 February & 23 March. With the permission of The Calendar Working Party, however, the following venues have variations from the scheduled dates:

- **BYNG HALL** - Saturdays: 16 November, 7 December, 25 January, 1 March (must be different players to NJL entrants at this venue)
- **BLITZ, GAINSBOROUGH** – day 1 will be on 3 November
- **BURTON** – day 1 will be 20 October
- **CIRENCESTER** – day 2 will be on 15 December
- **HALTON** – day 2 will be 8 December
- **HORSHAM** –days 3 & 4 will be 15 December & 2 February
- **PLYMOUTH** – day 1 will be 29 September
- **STOWMARKET** - days 3 & 4 will be 9th February & 30th March

Please also note ALL the various venues at which competition will take place and choose accordingly. It is advisable to nominate a second choice in case your first choice cannot function. We would welcome new venues if enough support is available. Each day at each venue will be managed by an organizer appointed by the NCL Committee, which is empowered to determine the conduct of the competition, resolve any disputes arising and implement any measures as it deems reasonable.

Should you be interested in entering a team(s) please complete the entry form and sent it together with the all inclusive fee of £70.65 per team to Mike Atkinson, 35 Poles Hill, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 2QR (phone 01494 785609) by 10 September 2013, even if you are not sure of the final composition of your team(s). As from the 11th September I have to rationalize which centres have enough definite (i.e. "paid-for") teams to operate and which centres are uneconomic and thus will not run. If a ranking list can also be completed by 10-09-13 please send this at the same time. If not, please complete and forward this to me by 20-09-13.

To play in the NCL in 2013-14, youngsters will just need to be Player Members (£3 or £4 per person per annum – amount will be decided at ETTA AGM on 13th July 2013) and membership can be obtained online at [tabletennis365.com/etta/membership](http://tabletennis365.com/etta/membership) or from the ETTA Head Office – Telephone: 0845 0500 388 or 01424 722525. Even though a player licence is no longer necessary to play in NCL if you are intending playing in more than two x 2 star (or higher) tournaments during the season then the best option is to is to upgrade to, or buy, a player licence.

Best wishes to you all – Thank you for your support.

**Mike Atkinson**  
NCL Organiser



## LAWS, REGULATIONS, PLAYING CONDITIONS AND DRESS

- The Laws of Table Tennis as approved by the ETTA will apply.
- The playing area and lighting shall not be less than required for a 2\* open tournament.
- Team clothing shall be of a recognizable table tennis type and of a colour other than white. Playing footwear shall be of a type that will not mark or damage the floor. ITTF clothing regulation 3.2.2.9 (clothing) will not apply.
- Notwithstanding the above the Organizer on the day in conjunction with team captains has the authority to change and accept differing conditions and standards.
- Regulation R will be fully enforced at all times during the competition.
- Racket testing may be conducted.
- If a team has only 2 players present on any day, they must play in ranking order at nos. 1 & 2
- Time outs are not permitted in the NCL

## REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER

- A team may only be represented by players who are registered on the ranking list held by the local organizer (needs to be revised each time a new player is introduced).
- Players playing up to a higher team twice will become registered for that team in which they have played their second match as a norm. No player can play against the same opposition team twice on the same day.
- After the second scheduled day of matches, only players equal or less equal to those already registered will be admissible as new or replacement signings.

## LEAGUE POSITIONS

- A point will be awarded for each individual match won within the team match.
- Positions in the division will be determined by the number of points won.
- If two or more teams are equal on points, then their relative positions shall be determined only by the results of the matches between them, by considering successively -
  - 1 the number of points (individual matches) won
  - 2 the ratio of wins to losses in games
  - 3 the ratio of wins to losses in pointsas far as is necessary to resolve the order.



## NATIONAL CADET LEAGUE SEASON 2013-14 ENTRY FORM

Team Entry Fee (includes computer levy) £70.65

Team Name:	Sex (Boys/Girls):
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Team Secretary (for all correspondence)	Team Captain
Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
Postcode:	Postcode:
Tel (h):	Tel (h):
Tel (b):	Tel (b):
Tel (m):	Tel (m):
e-mail:	e-mail:

On behalf of the above Team, we undertake to comply with the Regulations covering the National Cadet League

Signature (Team Secretary):	Signature (Team Captain):
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PROBABLE VENUES ARE LISTED BELOW, PLEASE INDICATE YOUR PREFERRED CHOICE

Venue	Area	Choice	Venue	Area	Choice
Garstang	N.Lancs/Cumbria		Ilfracombe	Devon	
Cirencester*	Glos.		Stowmarket*	East	
Capital City Academy	West London		Byng Hall, Tunbridge Wells*	Kent	
Ellenborough	North London		Eggbuckland, Plymouth*	Devon	
Morpeth School (new organiser)	East London		Westfield, Wellingborough	Northants	
Horsham*	Sussex		Waterside, Southampton	Hampshire	
Northfield, Billingham	North East		Burton on Trent*	W Midlands	
Halton, Widnes*	Cheshire/S.Lancs		Rotherham/Halifax	Yorkshire	
Cippenham	Bucks/Berks		Blitz, Gainsborough*	Lincs	

We welcome the use of other venues for next season – contact Mike Atkinson (01494 785609)

**This form MUST be sent with the required fees (payable to ETTA) to the organiser (address below) by the closing date – 10th September 2013**

**Mike Atkinson, 35 Poles Hill, Chesham, Bucks HP5 2QR**

\*These venues also have agreed date variations – see entry letter

Different players to NJL teams also needed @ Byng Hall, Rotherham/Halifax & Morpeth



**NATIONAL CADET LEAGUE**  
**TEAM RANKING LIST & REGISTRATION FORM 2013-14**

Name of Team:.....

Regional Organizers MUST confirm that they have seen each Player's current Membership card

Membership Number	Regional Organiser's initial (when current membership card is seen or paid for)	Team Ranking	Name of Player & Date of Birth
		1	
		2	
		3	
		4	
		5	
		6	
		7	
		8	
		9	
		10	
		11	

Team Secretary: ..... Date: .....

Please return to:

**Mike Atkinson**  
 35 Poles Hill, Chesham, HP5 2QR  
 by 10th or 20th September 2013