

## NATIONAL CADET LEAGUE SEASON 2009-10

Welcome to the National Cadet League's tenth season which I hope will interest your support whether you are a club, league or "group". Last season 222 teams played in 16 centres 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 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 17-08-09 (No 175) will not be eligible to play in the 2009-10 NCL.

Any player entering NCL events in 2009-10 must have been born in 1995 or later. Leagues and/or Clubs may apply to enter teams of 3 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 organisers but the players would miss out on ranking points when playing the opposite sex if either player has 600 or more rankings points. If both players have less than 600 points then matches between players of the opposite sex will be for ranking points. The weighting for NCL 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 dependent on the number of teams entered and is now the preferred option when possible. Each day's play **MUST** provide a minimum of **NINE** individual matches per player in a three player team, unless the local organiser has the permission of the national organiser 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 providing they do not have an existing ranking.

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: Sunday 18th October 2009, Sunday 22nd November 2009, Sunday 31st January 2010, Sunday 28th March 2010.** With the permission of The Calendar Working Party, however, the following venues have variations from the scheduled dates:

- **CHESHAM HIGH SCHOOL** – will operate on 18th October, 15th November & 28th March, with day 3 not yet fixed ( 17th or 31st January or 7th February may be possible)
- **CIRENCESTER** – Day 3 will be 17th January 2010
- **BOURNEMOUTH** – Saturdays 10 October, 5 December, 6 February & Day 4 not yet known
- **FELLOWS CRANLEIGH** – Saturdays 21 November, 5 December, 9 January or 6 February, with Day 4 not yet known
- **MARKET RASEN** – will operate on 20 September, 22 November, 17 January & 28 March
- **BURTON** – day 3 will be 7 February

Please 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 organiser 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 send it together with **a cheque for £69.70**, inclusive of all players used, to Mike Atkinson, 35 Poles Hill, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 2QR (phone 01494 785609) **by 13 September 2009**, even if you are not sure of the final composition of your team(s). As from the 14th 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 13-09-09 please send this at the same time. If not, please complete and forward this to me by 20-09-09.

To play in the NCL in 2009-10, players will need a current Players Licence (£10.50 for a cadet) available from Jennifer Sherwin, Administrative Officer, at the ETTA in Hastings (Tel: 01424 722525 or by post to the address above), or will need to complete a NCL Single Tournament Licence and pay the local organiser the fee of £3.00 each day before being allowed to play.

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

**Mike Atkinson**  
NCL Organiser



## LAWS, REGULATIONS, PLAYING CONDITIONS AND DRESS

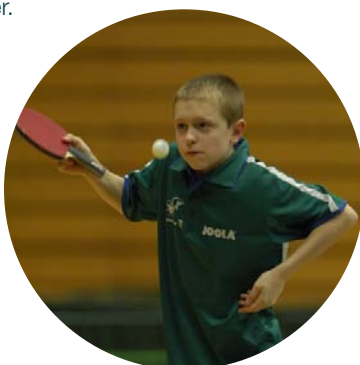
- The Laws of Table Tennis as approved by the ETTA will apply.
- The playing area and lighting shall not be less than required for a 2\* open tournament.
- Team clothing shall be of a recognisable table tennis type and of a colour other than white. Playing footwear shall be of a type that will not mark or damage the floor. ITTF clothing regulation 3.2.2.9 (clothing) will not apply.
- Notwithstanding the above the Organiser 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.
- 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.
- 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 2009-10 ENTRY FORM**



Team Entry Fee £69.70

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	North West		Ilfracombe	South West	
Cirencester	Glos.		Market Rasen	Lincs	
Southall Centre	West London		Byng Hall, Tunbridge Wells	Kent	
Ellenborough	London		Stowmarket	Suffolk	
Fellows Cranleigh	London		Westfield, Wellingborough	E Midlands	
Kemnal T T C	London		Bournemouth	Dorset	
Northfield, Billingham	North East		Burton on Trent	W Midlands	
Halton, Widnes	Cheshire		Bradford Girls Grammar School	Yorkshire	
Chesham High School	Bucks.				

We welcome the use of other venues – 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 – 13th September 2009

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

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**NATIONAL CADET LEAGUE  
TEAM RANKING LIST & REGISTRATION FORM 2009-10**

Name of Team:.....

Regional Organisers MUST confirm that they have seen each Player's current Licence card

Licence Number	Regional Organiser's Initial, when current licence is seen	Team Ranking	Name of Player & Date of Birth	Day Licences			
				1	2	3	4
		1					
		2					
		3					
		4					
		5					
		6					
		7					
		8					
		9					
		10					
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Team Secretary:.....Date:.....

Please return to:

**Mike Atkinson**  
35 Poles Hill, Chesham, HP5 2QR  
by 13th or 20th September 2009