

RAT LEAGUE 2022 GUIDANCE NOTES

- This is a singles handicap competition, in which everyone in the league plays as many of the other people in the league as they can, just once. You arrange games yourself using the contact numbers and addresses on the players list. This list provides you with names, email addresses and phone numbers, plus the handicap of each person at the beginning of the competition.
- The player with the higher handicap will be able to use a number of extra turns based on the difference between the handicaps of the two players. However, you cannot use an extra turn to run a hoop, and you cannot use extra turns after time (see below)
- Games are to be played in accordance with the CA rules, and broadly in accordance with NW Federation rules for league matches, but with some significant differences. Thus, they are handicap singles games on full lawns over 45 minutes. The game finishes if one player gains 7 hoops within the time limit. The extra shots that each player is normally allowed after time (i.e the “extension time”) is not applied in this competition. Rather the player that has run the most hoops when time is up, wins the game. However, if at that stage both players have run the same number of hoops, the game continues until the next hoop is won. You cannot use your extra turns during this period. *Please note that this is not the same as the rules applied in external NW Fed league matches, which allow for a draw*. We do not have draws in this competition. If the hoop score is 6-6 at end of time, the next hoop played after hoop 12 is the “golden hoop”, which is hoop 3/10 run from the boundary side
- Your handicap is shown on your green handicap card. The results of your games should be recorded on your Green Card and your index points adjusted accordingly (i.e plus 10 if you win, minus 10 if you lose). If, during the competition you pass a trigger point on your card, your handicap should be adjusted. Please ensure that one of the handicap officers is shown your card when you trigger so that your new handicap can be confirmed. You should email your results to jaytay20ch@aol.com after the game, and record them in the “Results Diary” located on the shelf under the window at the front of the pavilion. Regular updates of the results will be circulated to participants so that you can see how the competition is going, but your green card will provide you with a record of your own results so you know who you have played and you can check if there are any mistakes in the results chart. (there may well be !).
- The winner of a game gains 3 points, whilst the loser gains 1 point. The winner of the league is the person who wins most points. However, if two or more people end the season with the same point score, then the total number of hoops run will be used to determine the winner.

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