

LSBA ANNUAL Championships – Under 12, Under 14, Under 16, Under 18.

Guide lines for players, managers, organisers and parents 2nd Issue 20-09-17

General

- These guide lines have been produced to ensure a consistent and clear approach to our annual championships.
- Having a regular annual tournament, as well as hopefully being an enjoyable local event, it is also a valuable way to Benchmark player development and progress.
- The championships will be held in the LBA Hall at Babington Academy, Strasbourg Drive, Beaumont Leys.
- The committee reserve the right to restrict entries and to reduce the duration of the matches if necessary in order to complete the event.
- Where possible partners will be found for single entrants wanting to enter the doubles & mixed events.
- Every effort will be made to play a plate event.
- All age Group Squad players are expected to enter their respective Championship.
- All players below the relevant age group will be encouraged and welcome to enter Championships above their current age group.
- Players not in the LSBA/PC set up i.e. Leicestershire School children are welcome to enter.

Entry

- Entry forms will be available in good time at the beginning of each season.
- Please note the closing date and enter in good time along with entry fee.

Tournament format

- Each Championship will be run with the following events: - Girls Singles, Boys Singles, Girls Doubles, Boys Doubles and mixed.
- To enable players to maximise the number of games played and if numbers allow each event will be run in a 'Round Robin format'. Players will be placed into groups – each player playing each other.
- If there is a low entry then it would be possible to run a straight knock out event with a plate event for the 1st round losers.
- With younger age groups to ensure plenty of play (and depending on a good entry) it would be preferable to run a plate event comprising of a separate 2nd rearranged group comprising of the 1st group losers.
- Depending on time each group game to be played 1 game to 21.
- A standard group boxes are provided with the order of play and results can be added.
- Depending on numbers of players and groups both winners and runners up can go forward to a knock out stage.
- It would be expected to 'seed' the top 2 player/pairs in the group to meet in the final game.
- Depending on the number of groups the winners and runners up from each group will go onto a 'Knock out 'stage. See draw sheet for details.
- It will be necessary to 'seed' winners/runners up going into the knock out stage. See enclosed format sheet (BE format).
- Each 'Knock out' game to be played 1 game to 21.
- Depending on time the semi-final and Finals should be played best of 3 with setting.
- It has been traditional for the Age group Manger(s) to run their own tournament. However if this is not possible other members of the association can assist
- **NB Managers/ tournament organisers** – To ensure a well run tournament it essential that you keep all players and parents informed and updated regularly. General tournament information notices will be provided for display on the day.

Group of 4

	1	2	3	4
1				
2				
3				
4				

Order of play

1 v 2

3 v 4

1 v 3

4 v 2

1 v 4

2 v 3

Group of 5

1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

1 v 2

3 v 4

1 v 5

2 v 4

3 v 5

1 v 4

2 v 5

1 v 3

4 v 5

2 v 3

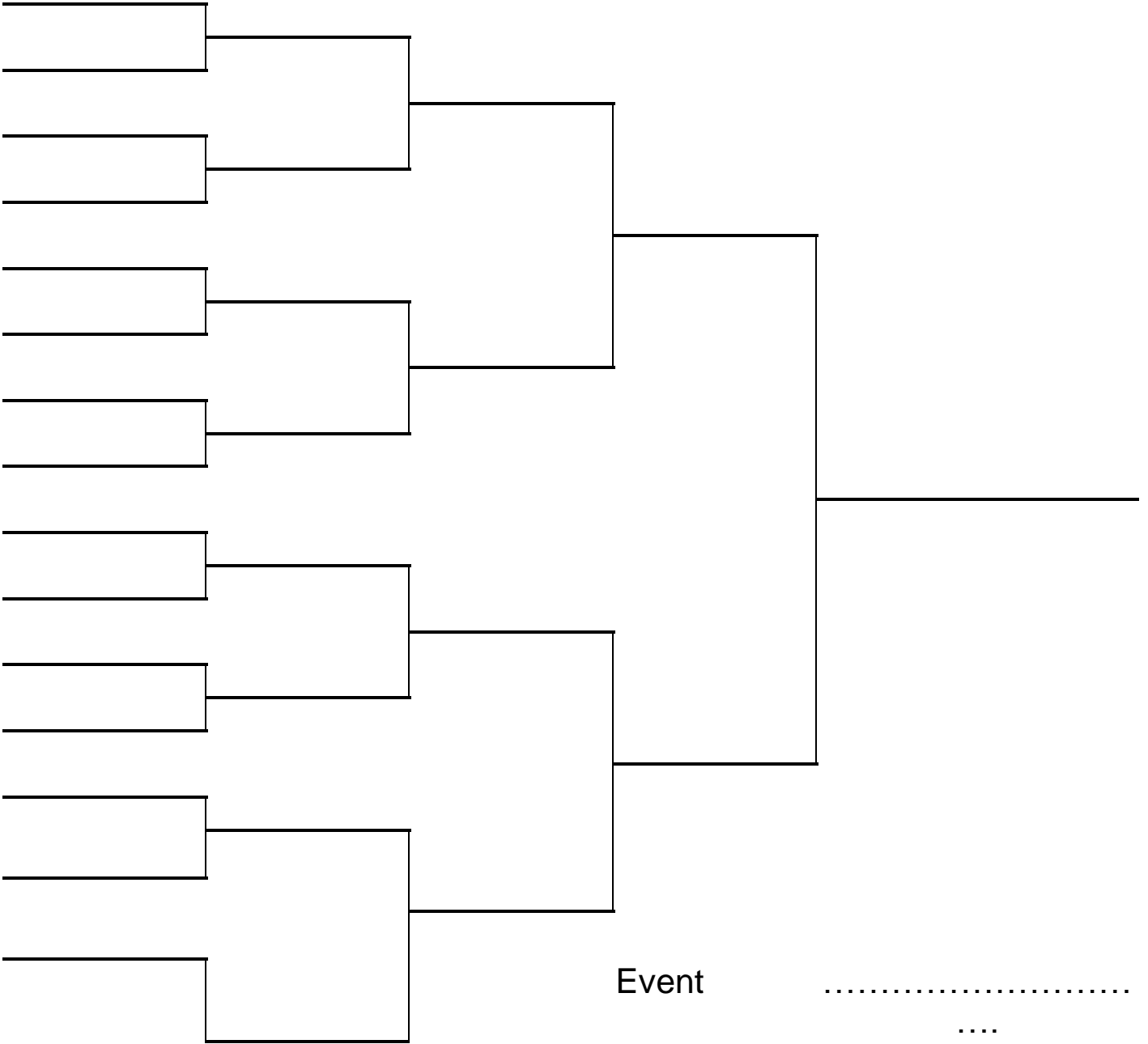


Quarter finals

Semi-finals

Final

Winner



Example of a Pool Draw

Group A					
1* Number 1 Seed	■				
2		■			
3			■		
4				■	
5					■

Group B					
1* Number 2 Seed	■				
2		■			
3			■		
4				■	
5					■

Group C					
1* Number 3 or 4 seed	■				
2		■			
3			■		
4				■	

Group D					
1* Number 3 or 4 seed	■				
2		■			
3			■		
4				■	

Group E					
1	■				
2		■			
3			■		
4				■	

Group F					
22	■				
23		■			
24			■		
25				■	

Additional Hints

1 If using a spreadsheet set up your template before completing the draw.

2 Initially set up the column widths to be the same

3 Allocate 4 or 5 columns to the positions where the names of the players are to be inserted to obtain a fit.

4 The continuation (knock out stage) may be placed
a) to adjoin the pools b) below the pools or c) on a separate page.

5 Complete the draw on a separate sheet and then:
a) Copy b) Drop down paste menu c) select paste special and finally select **paste values**.

6 In singles please give the competitor's full name and county.

7 In doubles the competitor's forename may be replaced by their initial.

Knock Out Stages

