

The Premiership

1 This is a ladder using the results from certain county events as shown below. It is computed annually from 1 June to 31 May each year. Only members of the Association with primary allegiance to Oxfordshire are included.

2(a) The maximum points awarded for each event played are :

President's Cup (including any Plate event) 200

County Pairs 200

Harwell Cup 100

Swiss Pairs 100

Mixed Pairs 100

Handicap Pairs 100

*Ladies' Pairs 100

*Men's Pairs 100

Pairs Scoring Ladder 100 (split into 50 for each result when the ladder is calculated twice a year)

**Note that the Seniors is not included as it is not open to all members; and the Ladies' and Men's Pairs are included only if both events have been played during the course of the year.*

2(b) Other newly introduced events may be included at the discretion of the Competitions Committee, with points to be awarded up to a maximum of 100, following the general principles listed below.

3(a) For pairs events with a maximum award of 100 points, points are awarded down to 10th place, as follows: Winners 100, 2nd 70, 3rd 49, 4th 34, 5th 24, 6th 17, 7th 12, 8th 8, 9th 6, 10th 4; except that in any such event, pairs must score at least 50% to gain points; and if fewer than 8 pairs enter, the maximum award is reduced by 50% to 50 points, with other awards also reduced by 50%.

3(b) For the County Pairs, for each player double the award in 3(a).

3(c) For the Pairs Scoring Ladder, if calculated twice a year, each six-monthly result will qualify for points at half the award in 3 (a), with half points rounded up to the nearest whole number.

3(d) For the President's Cup, for each player who takes part in at least one winning match (see 3f and 3g), double the award in 3(a); except that if fewer than 8 teams enter, the maximum award is reduced by 50% to 100 points, with other awards also reduced by 50%.

3(d) For events where not all participants are members of the Association with primary allegiance to Oxfordshire, points will be awarded at the appropriate scale for the places in the overall ranking achieved by qualifying players (e.g. if the winners are non-qualifying, the runners-up still get 70 not 100).

3(e) Tied places for any event shall share appropriate points, rounded to the nearest whole number (halves rounded up). A tied first place which has been split using extra rules will also be shared. (Thus there is a unique prize winner for the event by the splitting technique, but the Premiership points are shared).

3(f) In teams events, a player must play at least one half of the boards to qualify for taking part in that match.

3(g) In the President's Cup, no points are awarded to any team that has not won at least one match in either the main event or the plate; or to any player who did not take part in a won match. Where a player does not play in all the matches played by his or her team, those taking part in 66% or more of the matches played, shall receive the full overall award, 33-65% of matches played shall receive 2/3 of the full overall award, 16-32% of matches played shall receive 1/3 of the full overall award.

3(h) In the Harwell Cup, and any other single-session teams event, no points are awarded to any team with a score less than 50% of the maximum possible VPs.

3(i) In any handicapped event, points will be awarded using places achieved after applying the relevant handicapping.

4 The player with the highest total points based on 12 months' events ending 31 May shall receive the Premiership Trophy for that year. If there is a tie for first place, the player achieving the most wins, then the most seconds etc. will win. If the tie cannot be split on this basis, the final result remains tied.

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