



## WINTER 2015/16 NEW SEASON NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2015

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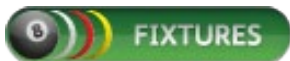
The Registrations are in and the free entry Summer season taster of Blackball rules has proven to be a huge success with almost 80% of teams choosing the more progressive rules over the original SRPL 'pub' rules; and as promised, both rules are catered for this season.



Both leagues will include a Team Knockout Cup and the main Blackball league will have the extra Shield competition too.

The Old Rules League Cup will be played across 2 legs in each round until the final.

All fixtures are now live on the website and please remember that this is the ONLY place for the latest results and fixtures.



### REARRANGEMENTS

Teams are limited to 2 rearrangements per season, one per half-season. First half rearranged matches must be completed before start of play on week 14. Second half rearranged matches must be completed before start of play on the night of the last league match of the season. Team Cup & Shield Knockout matches CAN be rearranged but must be played BEFORE the original scheduled date. If you have the minimum of 4 players you should make a concerted effort to play the fixture.

**GOOD LUCK & ENJOY!**

- the SRPL Committee

### BLACKBALL LEAGUE FORMAT

Teams are placed into divisions of 10.

Each team plays the others in their division twice; once at home, once away.

All teams in the league are entered into the Team Knockout Cup.

Teams that don't progress to the last 16 of the Cup are entered into the Shield competition.

The top two teams will be promoted for the next Winter season.

The bottom two teams will be demoted for the next Winter season.

### BLACKBALL MATCH FORMAT

Matches are the best of 9 frames.

Each match is split into 3 sections:

- Section 1: 4x Singles frames
- Section 2: 1x Scotch Doubles
- Section 3: 4x Singles frames

Each team player can only play once per section - therefore the minimum players required is 4 and the maximum 10.

### BLACKBALL SCOTCH DOUBLES

The Blackball doubles will be played as Scotch Doubles. This is when each team pair alternate turns for every shot, regardless of if they pot of not. Talking between shots is not allowed but players can briefly discuss their strategy for a maximum of 1 minute (at the referees discretion) before each visit.

### OLD RULES LEAGUE FORMAT

Teams are placed into divisions of 10.

Each team plays the others in their division twice; once at home, once away.

All teams in the league are entered into the Team Knockout Cup.

All early stages of the Team Knockout Cup are played across 2 legs. If the score is level at the end of the 2nd leg one deciding singles frame is played. Any registered player may play, regardless of if they have played a singles frame already.

### OLD RULES MATCH FORMAT

(Same as previous seasons)

Matches are the best of 7 frames.

Each match composes of 3x singles, 2x doubles, 2x singles.

Each team player can only play one singles and one doubles per match - therefore the minimum players required is 4 and the maximum 9.

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