



South Lancashire Summer Snooker League

PROPOSAL

My name is Jeff Robinson, it is my intention to setup a Summer Snooker League this Summer.

Invitations to the League are going out initially to teams who currently play in the Earlestown, St Helens and Warrington Winter Snooker Leagues, though other teams will be able to apply. I would expect the League to start around Mid-April which is after the conclusion of League matches in those Leagues.

Here is the expected format, though a meeting will be held prior to the start of the League to agree formats:

- **Administration** – I'm looking to keep it very simple, generally I will do the admin. I will ask each team to nominate a delegate to form an arbitration committee to debate any issues. We would use video-conferencing for discussions. A web site will be created under the www.snookerhost.co.uk domain to record all details of the league (see www.warringtonsnookerleague.co.uk as an example). Home team captains will record the match result via the web site using a web form within 24 hours of the match (i.e. the end of the next day).
- **Playing Conditions** – Each team will be expected to ensure that tables are brushed and ironed prior to the match.
- **Match Night** – I propose that matches be played on a Wednesday night and this to be agreed by teams considering joining. Start times 7:30 for 2 tables, 7:00pm for one table.
- **League format** – Teams of 4 players, each playing 2 frames against the same opponent, one point for each frame win, no aggregate score. A minimum of 6 teams will be needed to run the league with a maximum of 10 teams in a division. i.e.: if 11 teams or more, then 2 divisions.
- **Fees** – Registration to be free with match subscriptions of 50p per player per frame, (so £4 per team per match) to be paid in 2 full amounts at start of season and then at halfway point of season. For a League of 10 teams this would amount to £720. There will be no admin fees and the entire fund will be paid out in prizes. Proposal is to split the fund between the top 4 teams.

- **Rules of Play** – The League will confirm to the rules of snooker as published by the World Professional Billiards & Snooker Association (WPBSA); this includes the miss rule.
- **Handicapping** – Only applies to current professionals who will give 21 start and any players who competed in the previous seasons WPBSA qualification ranking events (Q-School etc.) who will give 14. All other players are level (scratch).
- **Other Events** – I intend to also run an Individual KO event as well as league, each round would be run on the same night as the decided League night.
- **Sponsorship** – Of course, I would be keen to engage any sponsors of the League and Individual competition and with a wider catchment area this may be easier than for local leagues. Again, any such sponsorship money would go in total to the prize funds.

If you are interested in joining such a league, then please contact myself by e-mail at ir@snookerhost.co.uk or on 07711 994717. Last date for confirmation of interest is Friday 10th March 2023

After that I will arrange a forum of those interested to discuss in more detail. No doubt there will be many questions which I will happily either answer immediately or add into the forum agenda as appropriate.