



THE IRISH BRIDGE UNION INTERNATIONAL OPEN TRIALS 2020 Final Weekend

- 1) Final Weekend 8th – 10th February 2020
Venue Templeogue Bridge Centre

- 2) The teams that will contest the Final are as follows :-

Team 1 :- Mark Moran, John Carroll,
 Tom Hanlon, Hugh McGann,
 Nick FitzGibbon, Adam Mesbur

Team 2 :- David Walsh, Ciaran Coyne
 Tom Hanlon, Hugh McCann
 Nick FitzGibbon, Adam Mesbur

- 3) The Final will be on a direct match basis with Imp scoring over 112 (7x16) boards in total on the above dates as per the schedule below

The schedule will be as follows :

Saturday 8th February	
Stanza 1	10.00-12.10
Stanza 2	12.30-14.40
Lunch	
Stanza 3	15.45-17.55
Stanza 4	18.15-20.25
Sunday 9th February	
Stanza 5	10.00-12.10
Stanza 6	12.30-14.40
Lunch	
Match 7	15.30-17.40

4. As winners of weekend 1, Team 1, are deemed to be the Home Team and will have seating rights in Stanza's 1,3,5,7.
Team 2, will be the away team and will have seating rights in Stanza's 2,4,6

For clarification and to avoid any confusion the Away Team will seat their team first in Stanza's 1,3,5,7 and the Home Team will seat their team first in Stanza's 2,4,6

5. Players cannot be changed during a stanza, unless there is some medical emergency, and only with the approval of the TD. As per the original schedule issued all players must play a minimum of 50% of the boards and therefore with seven (7) stanzas they must play four (4) full stanzas

6. **Substitutes** will only be allowed on teams of four (4) and as both teams are teams of six (6) no substitutions are allowed.
7. Each pair participating in the trials must have two copies of their system available to present to their opponents before a session of play begins. **The WBF Convention Card must be used.** The card can be downloaded from the Ecats website <http://www.ecatsbridge.com/documents/wbfinfo/systemsinfo/conventioncards.asp> and hard copies are available from the CBAI Office. Failure to fulfill this obligation or presentation of a card that in the opinion of the Tournament Director is insufficiently detailed will render pairs liable to an automatic penalty of **3 imps** per stanza..
8. Slow play / late arrival will be penalised in accordance with regulations to be posted in the playing rooms. Screens will be used and the EBL regulations regarding use will apply.
9. If an appeal arises, a committee will be formed to provide a decision. Appeal Fee €50 will be returned if the appeal has merit.
10. **Mobile phones** and other electronic devices capable of communication must be **SWITCHED OFF** in the playing area and be visible at the table at all times. Any player leaving the playing table prior to the completion of the stanza must leave their mobile phone and electronic devices at the table.

A **6 imp** penalty will be levied for a first offence and similarly for a second offence. Any further offence will be treated very severely by the TD. Should any player need to have their phone on for any emergency reason, please give it to the TD and explain the situation.
11. The International Committee is empowered to alter any of the arrangements or conditions including time, dates and venue, and to decide on all matters affecting these trials and each player who enters is undertaking to represent Ireland if nominated and to abide fully with all the conditions of these trials.

*John Murchan, Elva Gannon, Sam Hall, Michael McGloughlin, Diarmuid Reddan.
IBU International Committee*