**Devon & Cornwall Whirlwind Mini Tour and Whirlwind Winter Series**

**Competition Rules From 01 September 2020**

**Whirlwind Mini Tour**

1. The Grade 6 Whirlwind Mini Tour will run from January to September. Individual Tour events will run through to the end of July.
2. All players competing in the Whirlwind Mini Tour Red (8U), Orange (9U) or Green (10U) will be awarded points towards an online ‘leaderboard’. The leaderboards will be published on [www.whirlwindminitour.net](http://www.whirlwindminitour.net) during the season.
3. All ‘Whirlwind Mini Tour’ titled events within each County in the competition schedule from January to July will count towards the leaderboard.
4. Players will get 10 points for every match they play and receive an additional 40 points for every match won.
5. Only a maximum of 5 matches in red and orange events and 4 matches in green events will count for leaderboard points in a competition and where extra matches above this number are played, it is only the first 5 or 4 that will count towards the leaderboard.
6. Results from the player’s top **six** competitions played will go towards their final total (not a cumulative total of all points received). At the end of the Whirlwind Mini Tour there will be a masters final for up to the top 8 players on Devon’s leaderboard and up to the top 8 on Cornwall’s leaderboard to find the overall champion. There will be prizes for the winners, runners up and leaderboard winners.
7. Players can enter as many Whirlwind Mini Tour leaderboard events across their County or neighbouring County as they wish. Players will only appear on their home County leaderboard but points earned can be from competitions in either County.
8. However, in order to qualify for the Masters Finals, players must have competed in a minimum of **4** events at **their chosen ball colour of which at least 2 must be events in their home County.**
9. The top 8 Players from each leaderboard will be invited to the Masters Finals. If the situation arises where we do not have 8 players who have played the minimum of 4 competitions, we will look at the player with the next highest number of points who has played a minimum of 3 events.
10. If the leaderboard is drawn in any position, selection will be made based on

 i. the players who have entered the most events

ii. the number of wins achieved.

If all players remain equal, player’s name will be drawn from a hat

**Whirlwind Winter Series**

1. This a new series of Grade 6 events which will run each year from September to December. They will be one off events.
2. Please note there will not be a leaderboard or Masters finals with the winter series. They are stand alone events.
3. The Green and Orange events will be run to a conclusion on the day with a winner. The format of each event will vary depending on the number of entries, venue, court time etc
4. The Red events will be Matchplay format and players should play a minimum of 5 matches. Organisers can group players in any way they choose to achieve a fun, level standard for players.
5. The recommended scoring at each event is:
* Red – Championship Tie-break (first to 10pts with 2 clear)
* Orange – Championship Tie-break (first to 10pts with 2 clear) or best of 3 Tie-Breaks to 7 points (2 clear at 6-6)
* Green – 1 Fast4 set (first to 4 with 2 clear, tie break at 3-3) **NEW**

***Fast4 Format***

* *Best of three sets*
* *First to four games wins*
* *At 3 games all a tie-break is played to 7 points, 2 clear at 6-6*
* *If the score reaches 1 set all, a match tie-break is played to 10 points, 2 clear at 9-9*
* *No ad scoring. If the score reaches deuce, it’s a sudden death point with the receiver choosing the side.*

But please note this may be subject to change at the discretion of the individual organiser and the Winter Series events may differ per venue depending on numbers of entries.