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30 June, 2025

Dear Club Secretary/ Team contact,

### Cadet & Junior British Clubs Leagues – season 2025/26

Please note that the <u>MEMBERSHIP</u> link is for individual players to buy/ update individual memberships and for clubs to create/ renew affiliations; the <u>REGISTRATION</u> link is for officers of affiliated clubs to manage their team entries, player registrations and playing rosters; the HOST VENUE webpages will be live when team entries are allocated to specific venues – this is where players and clubs can see their fixtures/ tables/ stats, and are also used by hosts to manage their divisions.

Please find the season details for 25/26, and kindly note the following:

- 1. Please note that clubs must be affiliated to Table Tennis England as a Premier, Associate or Registered Club/ Team. As of 01 August (new membership year), all Club details for each team will be validated and checked against the Table Tennis England membership database. Your entry will remain incomplete until this time, and may be rejected if not completed as required
- Team entry, player registration and payments are online via the <u>TT Leagues registration</u> website. This functionality is accessible to designated administrators of your club, once they have logged-in. Administrators for your club can be managed via your club's profile in <u>TT Memberships</u>
  Video tutorials have been produced for the same processes which already exist in British League, and which are largely consistent with CadetBCL/ JuniorBCL:
  - 1. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HHIToGBNtrE and
  - 2. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nq\_RzpKzGUI

These serve as an introduction to the entry functionality, and provide an overview of how to submit your team entries, player registrations, and make payment online.

- 3. <u>Full payment</u> of £105 per team will be required with entry
- 4. During entry, teams will be required to indicate if the team is mixed/boys or girls<sup>1</sup>
- 5. During entry, teams will be required to register a minimum of 3 eligible players
- 6. Please see the separate note on Player Licensing below
- 7. Please also note that all players **must** be individually affiliated in *TT Memberships* to the Club/
  Team the player wishes to represent (in the same way as for local leagues). Players will **not** be able to be registered or selected for your club in the TT Leagues platform if this is not the case.
  Individual players can check and update their affiliations by logging-in to their membership and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For clarity, this does not preclude the same players entering the separate Girls' CadetBCL pilot.

- checking under 'Club & League Info'. Clubs admins can also check which players are already affiliated to their club in <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/jnac
- 8. During entry, teams will be required to specify their preferred geographical venue, plus their preferred alternative(s)
- 9. Girls' divisions will be formed if sufficient girls team entries are received at local level, or a division can be consolidated across a region. For this reason, it is particularly important to specify alternative preferred venues during the entry process for girls teams
- 10. Please note that a separate and dedicated Girls' CadetBCL pilot will also be run in May-July 2026. Girl's players in Cadet/ JuniorBCL will not be restricted from the Girls' CadetBCL pilot. Entry details will be available closer to the time.
- 11. The Committee will endeavour to place all teams in an appropriate geographical playing venue, based on their indicated preferences. Clearly, given the number of teams applying from certain areas, this is not always possible. Applications for entry are therefore made in the knowledge and full acceptance that some travelling may be required.
- 12. Once your entry/ payment is complete, your club/ team player ranking order can also be managed via a 'drag and drop' process in the online entry system. To assist with this process, please see the following illustrative video tutorial guide: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CQUdTkVVyAM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CQUdTkVVyAM</a>
- 13. The club/ team player ranking order will always close on the Friday one week before the next round at each venue, and this will then be reopened on the Monday after that round in preparation for the next.
- 14. Fixtures, leagues, results and stats for Cadet & Junior British Clubs Leagues will continue to use the TT Leagues platform

Please note: various solutions have been explored for BCL on how we can enable more playing opportunities for girls, particularly against other girls, and to help them develop and progress as players. A revised approach for 'playing down between YouthBCL and JuniorBCL has been agreed at Competition Committee for Season 25/26 with the aim of achieving increased playing opportunities for women and girls.

Consequently, girl's players in JuniorBCL may continue to play-up to YouthBCL, and will become restricted to YouthBCL for the remainder of the season only at the point that they compete in 5x YouthBCL team matches (accumulatively for any club/team on any date in the season), rather than just once. YouthBCL players registered for YouthBCL teams will not be able to play down, as per the current approach. This will also apply to the boys to ensure we apply an equitable approach and enable these opportunities for the boys.

This will be a 1-year pilot for the 25/26 season and will be reviewed in Spring 2026 for the 26/27 Season.

We appreciate that some clubs will require support to complete the requirements – please do contact us on CadetBCL@tabletennisengland.co.uk or JuniorBCL@tabletennisengland.co.uk for assistance as required

For full details of how the CadetBCL and JuniorBCL competitions operate, please see the *Operational Processes guidance document* on the <u>event webpage</u>

We very much look forward to seeing you at a Cadet or Junior British Clubs League event this season!

Best wishes,

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## Season 25/26 dates:

Online entry, player registration & payment open: 30 June 2025 Club affiliation details renewed/ validated: as from 01 August

New season player ratings released: mid-August

JuniorBCL Online entry, player registration & payment deadline: 15 Sept

JuniorBCL host allocations finalised: by mid-Sept

JuniorBCL core playing dates (Saturdays): 18 Oct 2025, 15 Nov, 24 Jan 2026, and 28

Feb (with some local variations below)

CadetBCL Online entry, player registration & payment deadline: 29 Oct

CadetBCL host allocations finalised: by early-Nov

CadetBCL core playing dates (Sundays): 30 Nov 2025, 11 Jan 2026, 01 Feb & 15

March (with some local variations below)

CadetBCL hosts	Area	Local Date Variations
Birmingham TT Academy (Nishkam HS)	W Midlands	
Stowmarket ^	East	Day 4 is 08 March
Cippenham	Bucks/Berks	
Fusion TTC	East London	
Westminster Under School	SW1	11 Jan 2026, 01 Feb, 01 March & 15 March
Guildford	South	Saturdays 29 Nov, 10 Jan, 31 Jan & 14 March
Halton, Widnes	North West	
Hastings	Sussex/Kent	Day 4 is 08 Mar
Highfield TTC Wellingborough	East	
Horsham (9 tables)	Sussex	
London Academy	West London	Day 2 is 18 Jan
Huddersfield	West Yorkshire	
Ormesby, Middlesborough	North East	Day 3 is 01 March
Southampton (Waterside TTC)	Hampshire	
Venue needed!	South West	

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JuniorBCL hosts		Variations
Stowmarket ^	East	Sundays 30 Nov,
		11 Jan, 01 Feb &
		08 March
Cippenham	Berks/Bucks	
Fusion TTC	East London	
Halton, Widnes	North West	
Highfield TTC Wellingborough	East	29 Nov, 10 Jan, 31 Jan & 14 March
Huddersfield	West Yorkshire	
Ormesby, Middlesborough	North East	Sundays 19 Oct, 16 Nov, 25 Jan & 15 Feb
Southampton (Waterside TTC)	Hampshire	
Venue needed!	South West	
Tamworth	Staffs	
Tunbridge Wells	Kent	

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<sup>^</sup> Different players required for CadetBCL/ JuniorBCL at these venues

#### Player Licensing:

- Please note that all players will require a Table Tennis England Player Compete membership for season 25/26 prior to their first fixture. New memberships start as of 01 August. However, if you are registering a player in June-July 2025 for the sole purpose of your entry, any membership category including Club Play will suffice for the purposes of this process
- Home Countries players (those with season 25/26 affiliations with table tennis associations in Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Jersey, Guernsey or Isle of Man) or International Players (those with season 25/26 affiliations with table tennis associations outside the home countries) will be issued a free-of-charge reciprocal registration upon production of evidence to the TTE office. This is the full responsibility of the player/ team concerned, and is valid only until 31 July each season
- Contact the Table Tennis England membership department membership@tabletennisengland.co.uk
- Fixtures in which a team fields ineligible or non-registered players, or field players in the incorrect playing order, may be forfeit

#### Balls:

The Table Tennis England Official Ball Supplier for season 25/26 is TBC

#### **Further Information:**

Table Tennis England website: <a href="https://www.tabletennisengland.co.uk/competitions/cadet-and-junior-british-clubs-leagues/">https://www.tabletennisengland.co.uk/competitions/cadet-and-junior-british-clubs-leagues/</a>

CadetBCL/ JuniorBCL fixtures & results: <a href="https://cadet-junior-bcl-registration.ttleagues.com/page/linkstohostvenuewebsites">https://cadet-junior-bcl-registration.ttleagues.com/page/linkstohostvenuewebsites</a>

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