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| **NICKO 2023/24**  **ENTRY FORM FOR NATIONAL INTER-CLUB KNOCKOUT 2023/24** | | | | | | | | | new EBU Logo | | |
| CLUB NAME | | |  | | | | Club EBU No. | | |  | |
| Contact name | | |  | | | | Contact EBU No. | | |  | |
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|  | Daytime telephone no. | | |  | | | | | | |  |
|  | Email address | | |  | | | | | | |  |
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| **Team A** | | Player names | | | EBU Nos | Captain’s details | | | | | |
| Captain | |  | | |  |  | |  | | | |
| Player 2 | |  | | |  |  | |  | | | |
| Player 3 | |  | | |  |  | |  | | | |
| Player 4 | |  | | |  |  | |  | | | |
| Player 5 | |  | | |  |  | |  | | | |
| Player 6 | |  | | |  | postcode | |  | | | |
|  | |  | | |  | Playing Preference | | Online  F2F  Both | | | |
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| **Team B** | | Player names | | | EBU Nos | Captain’s details | | | | | |
| Captain | |  | | |  | Postcode | |  | | | |
| Player 2 | |  | | |  | Email | |  | | | |
| Player 3 | |  | | |  | Tel (eve) | |  | | | |
| Player 4 | |  | | |  | Tel (day) | |  | | | |
| Player 5 | |  | | |  | Venue | |  | | | |
| Player 6 | |  | | |  | postcode | |  | | | |
|  | |  | | |  | Playing Preference | | Online  F2F  Both | | | |
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| **Team C** | | Player names | | | EBU Nos | Captain’s details | | | | | |
| Captain | |  | | |  | Postcode | |  | | | |
| Player 2 | |  | | |  | Email | |  | | | |
| Player 3 | |  | | |  | Tel (eve) | |  | | | |
| Player 4 | |  | | |  | Tel (day) | |  | | | |
| Player 5 | |  | | |  | Venue | |  | | | |
| Player 6 | |  | | |  | postcode | |  | | | |
|  | |  | | |  | Playing Preference | | Online  F2F  Both | | | |
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| **Team D** | | Player names | | | EBU Nos | Captain’s details | | | | | |
| Captain | |  | | |  | Postcode | |  | | | |
| Player 2 | |  | | |  | Email | |  | | | |
| Player 3 | |  | | |  | Tel (eve) | |  | | | |
| Player 4 | |  | | |  | Tel (day) | |  | | | |
| Player 5 | |  | | |  | Venue | |  | | | |
| Player 6 | |  | | |  | postcode | |  | | | |
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**PAYMENT INFORMATION**

**The entry fee is £86 per team.**

**The closing date for entries is Monday 9th October 2023 (12pm).**

Junior players are entitled to 50% reduction in entry fees. When a team contains one or more juniors the reduction will be pro rata on the basis that the entry fee (before discount) attributable to each player is an equal fraction of the total. Discounts only apply for juniors nominated on the original entry.

Please indicate how payment is being made.

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| Cheque enclosed | £ |  |  |
| BACS to 20-03-18 70357200 | £ |  | Please quote the club EBU No as reference. |
| Existing Direct Debit mandate | £ |  |  |
| Credit / debit card | £ |  | Please call 01296 317203. |
| Total | £ |  |  |
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**Please send entries to:**

Competitions Department, English Bridge Union, Broadfields, Bicester Road, Aylesbury HP19 8AZ

or by email to [comps@ebu.co.uk](mailto:comps@ebu.co.uk)

**CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

1. Entries are open to all clubs affiliated to the EBU, who may enter an unlimited number of teams, to be referred to as A, B, C etc. in no particular order of preference. Entries should be submitted by an authorised official of the club, who should be satisfied of the credentials of the players.
2. Players must:
3. be registered members of the club they are to represent continuously throughout the period commencing with the date three months before the published closing date for entries to the competition, and finishing with the last match which they play in the competition; and
4. play regularly at the club or for the club, or contribute to the club regularly in some other way (or have done so in previous years, yet be unable currently to do so through some personal circumstance, e.g. illness, work, childcare, etc.).

“Registered member” means a member of the club who is at all relevant times included on the list of members of the club registered with the EBU for the purposes of the Universal Membership Scheme.

1. Clubs are required to ensure that their representatives meet these criteria and are thus eligible to represent them. If any complaints are received that any members of a team do not meet these criteria, the club will be required to explain why it believes the players to be eligible. If that explanation is not regarded as convincing, disqualification may follow.
2. At least four players must be nominated for each team when the entry form is submitted. EBU numbers must be provided for all players. If, exceptionally, that is not possible, then it is essential that their postcodes are provided instead to enable easy identification of players. Entry forms which are deficient in this respect may be returned for the missing information to be provided.
3. Extra players may be added, up to a maximum of six players per team, at any time during the competition provided that:
4. they satisfy the entry conditions (see 2 above);
5. they have not represented another team in the competition in the same season;
6. they are nominated to the EBU Competitions Department before they play.
7. For the purposes of Conditions 2(a) and 5(b), “the competition” includes the NICKO Plate.

**VENUES**

Please note that draws are based on the home venue postcode(s) included on this form, or, if the venue box is left blank, on the postcode of the captain’s home address as shown in our records. Please help us to avoid unnecessary travelling for teams by including the correct postcode for each team’s proposed home venue.

**OTHER INFORMATION**

A certain number of teams (usually 16) will be seeded. The finalists in the 2022/23 competition, if known in time, and if entering a substantially unchanged team, will be seeded. Seeding of the remaining teams will be according to the Gold Point list current at the start of the competition. Seeded teams will be exempt from at least the first round and will not be eligible for the Plate competition.

In order to reduce travelling distances for teams in the middle rounds, teams from the same club may be drawn against each other from Round 3 onwards, although this will still be avoided if reasonably practicable until the quarter-finals, from which stage the draw is completely random.

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| **SUPPLEMENTARY PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL TEAMS**  (Please copy as many times as necessary and add team letters E, F, G etc. as appropriate) | | | | |
| **Team** | Player names | EBU Nos | Captain’s details | |
| Captain |  |  | Postcode |  |
| Player 2 |  |  | Email |  |
| Player 3 |  |  | Tel (eve) |  |
| Player 4 |  |  | Tel (day) |  |
| Player 5 |  |  | Venue |  |
| Player 6 |  |  | postcode |  |
|  |  |  | Playing Preference | Online  F2F  Both |
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