

Irish Masters Championship

Event Manager: Andrew Johnston
 Division One Manager: Host Club Members
 Division Two Manager: Host Club Members

Benefits:

1. More competitive play. (Match play is proven to be the best way to improve personal and international performances).
2. The event has been approved for inclusion in the world rankings. (Results will be reported after each days play)
3. Further development in the depth of the international squad.
4. The benefits of tournament weekends with only one days play per weekend.
5. Results will benefit the selection committee in choosing players for international duty.

Rules and further information:

1. Two divisions of eight people per division. Initially the eights will be selected by the CAI selection committee. Any additional promotions required due to withdrawals in following years should follow the appropriate placings from division two in the previous season. (At the selection committee's discretion)
2. All play all. (Best of three matches in Division 1, Single matches in Division 2).
3. Matches are to be played over the season on four dates around the country.
4. All results will be kept up to date on the CAI web site throughout the season.
5. Top 2 enter final play-off for title. (Best of 3)
6. Bottom player from Division 1 is automatically relegated; the winner of Division 2 is automatically promoted for next season's event. The players finishing 2nd and 3rd in Division 2 play off against the players finishing 2nd and 3rd last from Division 1. (Final championship weekend). (Best of 3)
7. **If players are not available on particular dates the designated matches must be played before the next scheduled games, at the designated venue. These matches must be played in their entirety and not at several attempts in best of 3's. The results of these matches must be telephoned to the manager immediately after the match.**
8. Time limits:
 Division 1
 (6hrs per match – 2:2:2 left over time from previous game added to next game)
 Division 2 (3hrs per games)

Proposed Venues & Dates:

Venue:	Date:	Details
Herbert Park	26 th & 27 th April 2008	Div 2 play 2 singles games matches on the 26 th . Div 1 play 2 best of three matches on the 27 th .
Newcastle	21 st & 22 nd June 2008	Div 1 play 2 best of three matches on the 22 nd . Div 2 play 2 singles games matches on the 21 st .
Carrickmines	19 th & 20 th July 2008	Div 2 play 2 singles games matches on the 19 th . Div 1 play 2 best of three matches on the 20 th .
Carrickmines	23 rd August 2008	Last round of league matches and finals and relegation play offs. (Finals and play offs all best of three)

Irish Masters Championship – Division One

*	*****	PF	SW	MOS	CB	AJ	EC	NH	GH	Games Won	Matches Won
1	Patsy Fitzgerald	****									
2	Simon Williams		****								
3	Michael O'Shaughnessy			****							
4	Conor Broderick				****						
5	Andrew Johnston					****					
6	Ed Cunningham						****				
7	Nathaniel Healy							****			
8	Gerard Healy								****		

Order of play:

All matches best of three.

Fixture date 1:

1 v 2 3 v 4 5 v 6 7 v 8
 1 v 8 2 v 7 3 v 6 4 v 5

Fixture date 2:

1 v 3 2 v 4 5 v 7 6 v 8
 1 v 7 2 v 8 3 v 5 4 v 6

Fixture date 3:

1 v 4 2 v 3 5 v 8 6 v 7
 1 v 6 2 v 5 3 v 7 4 v 8

Final fixture date:

1 v 5 2 v 6 3 v 8 4 v 7

Championship Final:

Top two playoff. (Best of three)

Relegation promotion play offs:

6th place Division 1 v 3rd place Division 2. (Best of three)

7th place Division 1 v 2nd place Division 2. (Best of three)

Irish Masters Championship – Division Two

*	*****	BRS	CVS	JS	EN	DJ	RH	KM	RB	Games Won	Matches Won
1	Ben Reeves Smith	****									
2	Carl Von Schneider		****								
3	Kieran Murphy			****							
4	Russell Harris				****						
5	Danny Johnston					****					
6	Jane Shorten						****				
7	Evan Newell							****			
8	Robert Barklie								****		

Order of play:

All matches single games.

Fixture date 1:

1 v 2 3 v 4 5 v 6 7 v 8
 1 v 8 2 v 7 3 v 6 4 v 5

Fixture date 2:

1 v 3 2 v 4 5 v 7 6 v 8
 1 v 7 2 v 8 3 v 5 4 v 6

Fixture date 3:

1 v 4 2 v 3 5 v 8 6 v 7
 1 v 6 2 v 5 3 v 7 4 v 8

Final fixture date:

1 v 5 2 v 6 3 v 8 4 v 7

Championship Final:

Top two playoff from Division 1. (Best of three)

Relegation promotion play offs:

6th place Division 1 v 3rd place Division 2. (Best of three)

7th place Division 1 v 2nd place Division 2. (Best of three)

This event will require venue managers. Please contact Andrew Johnston if you will be able to help in this role for this prestigious new event.

Venue Manager Responsibilities:

1. Collection of entry fee on first days play. (€25)
2. Reminder calls to participants 2-3days prior to each weekend of play.
3. Contact the hosting club to ensure they are ready for the event. (lawns cut etc.)
4. Ensure hoops are firm and set satisfactorily prior to start of play.
5. Ensure matches are started on time.
6. Ensure the availability of lunches.
7. Record scores and send to event manager at close of play each day.

(All payers are expected to referee themselves IF no qualified referees are at the venues of play)

All details above are subject to change. Should you have any queries please contact Andrew Johnston.