The men are looking to qualify for the World triples championships in Dijon 5-8 December.

The participants this year will be able to enter the series in either teams of 4 or 3 . If a team of 4 finish top of the rankings they will be our representative in this competition if one is sent. If a team of three finish top of the rankings, then a fourth player will be selected from the $2^{\text {nd }}$ ranked team by the lead in discussion with the $1^{\text {st }}$ ranked team. Any team of four will be able to make substitutions inline with the international rules, but all 4 players must start games on each qualification day. No person who has entered the series with one team may change teams within this series. No team may have more than 4 players within the series.

The series will be run over 2 weekends they are $18^{\text {th }} 19^{\text {th }}$ may in Leicester and $8^{\text {th }} 9^{\text {th }}$ June in Worthing. The format of the series will be either 4 round Swiss with knockout or leagues and knockout dependant on numbers. 8 teams will be taken through the main on each day with the rest of the teams into the plate. Ranking Points will be given for the top 16 ranked teams as follows:

| Winner | 30 points |
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| R/UP | 24 points |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ | 20 points |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ | 16 points |
| $5^{t^{\text {th }}-8^{\text {th }}}$ | 12 points |
| $9^{\text {th }}$ | 8 points |
| $10^{\text {th }}$ | 6 points |
| $11^{\text {th }}$ | 4 points |
| $12^{\text {th }}$ | 2 points |
| $13^{\text {th }}-16^{\text {th }}$ | 1 point |

The rationale for allowing teams of 4 is it allows a team to learn how to function as a team of 4 so that when they arrive at a championship it is not a new concept to them. Teams of three will be allowed this year as it is a transition year, however going forward teams of 4 will be the desired format.

