



## ***Canterbury Basketball Association***

### ***2026 Winter Club Formats***

<b>Men's Premier League (Seven Teams, 17 rounds)</b>
14 Rounds – Double Round Robin
Hoben Trophy will be awarded to the #1 placed team on the ladder after the regular season ends (14 rounds)
QF – 1 bye, 2 vs 5, and 3 vs 4 (lowest seeded loser eliminated), 6 <sup>th</sup> place classification game also played
SF – 1 vs highest seeded loser, two QF winners play on other SF
F – Both SF winners

<b>Women's Premier League (Seven Teams, 17 rounds)</b>
14 Rounds – Double Round Robin
Patron's Trophy will be awarded to the #1 placed team on the ladder after the regular season ends (14 rounds)
QF – 1 bye, 2 vs 5, and 3 vs 4 (lowest seeded loser eliminated), 6 <sup>th</sup> place classification game also played
SF – 1 vs highest seeded loser, two QF winners play on other SF
F – Both SF winners

<b>Men's Division One (Ten Teams, 15 rounds)</b>
9 Rounds – Round Robin
5 Rounds – Top Six (competition points do not carry over to these rounds)
– Bottom Four Round Robin, then classification SF, and final placing game. (Competition points do not carry over to these rounds)
F – 1 vs 2 from Top Six

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<b>Women's Division One (Four Teams, 12 rounds)</b>
9 Rounds - Triple Round Robin (weeks off on 19 April; 24 May; 21 June)
SF – 1 vs 2 (SF1), 3 vs 4 (SF2)
PF – Loser of SF1 plays winner of SF2. Bye for SF1 winner
F – Winner of SF1 plays winner of PF

<b>French Cup (Six Teams, 15 rounds)</b>
12 Rounds – Double Round Robin. Note, rounds 6 and 7 do not count towards standings, but give a Mid Competition Winner (5 <sup>th</sup> has bye in Round 6, plays lowest seeded loser in Round 7 for 4 <sup>th</sup> place)
Page McIntyre Playoffs
QF1 – 1 vs 2; QF2 – 3 vs 4. 5 <sup>th</sup> Place also played
SF – Loser QF1 vs Winner QF2. Loser QF2 plays 5 (4 <sup>th</sup> place). Bye for Winner QF1 and 6 <sup>th</sup>
F – Winner QF1 vs Winner SF

<b>Men's 23U A (Ten then Eight Teams, 16 rounds)</b>
9 Rounds – Single Round Robin
3 Rounds – Top Eight, split into two even pools (1-3-6-8; 2-4-5-7). Round Robin in each pool played.
Bottom Two teams get moved to the Plate Competition after the first 9 rounds.
QF – 1A vs 2B; 1B vs 2A EF – 3A vs 4B; 3B vs 4A
SF – Losers of QF play winners of EF
PF – QF winners vs SF winners
F – Both PF winners

<b>Men's U23 Plate (Eight then Ten Teams, 15 rounds)</b>
7 Rounds – Single Round Robin
2 Rounds – Plate Playoffs (SF, F, and placing games)
5 Rounds – Middle Section Round Robin (Bottom Two from A Grade, Top Four from Plate Competition)
Or 5 Rounds – Bottom Four Round Robin, with Classification playoff, and final placing, games played

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<b>Men's 20U Division One (Ten Teams, 16 rounds)</b>
9 Rounds – Single Round Robin 5 Rounds – Top Six (competition points do not carry over to these rounds)
Or 5 Rounds – Bottom Four Round Robin, then classification SF, and final placing game
SF – 1 vs 4; 2 vs 3
F – Both SF winners

<b>Men's 20U Division Two (Fourteen Teams, 16 rounds)</b>
13 Rounds – Single Round Robin
QF – 1 vs 8, 2 vs 7, 3 vs 6, 7 vs 8. Classification games are played for 9 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup> place
SF – Each QF winner plays (bracket is reseeded)
F – Both SF winners

<b>XCM Boys' 17U A (18 teams, 15 rounds)</b>
9 Rounds – Two pools of nine teams (A & B) – Round Robin in each pool played. One crossover game played between team from each pool each week (friendly - does not count towards standings)
3 Rounds – Top Six, Middle Six Pools Made. Three results and competition points carry over into these pools from initial rounds
Or 5 Rounds – Bottom Six Round Robin
QF – 1A vs 4B, 2A vs 3B, 1B vs 4A, 2B vs 3A. Classification SF games for 9 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> played
SF – Each QF winner plays (bracket is reseeded). 5 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , and 11 <sup>th</sup> place also played
F – Both SF winners

<b>XCM Boys' 17U Subgrade (20 teams, 14 rounds)</b>
12-14 Rounds – teams grouped into pools of similar ability level teams. Pool size and teams within may change throughout the season to maximise competitive games across the entire competition
Four teams from the "Upper Pool(s)" selected by the CBA Competitions Committee to play:
SF – (Round 13)
F – (Round 14) ("Subgrade Winners")

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<b>Dynasty Girls' U16 (Ten Teams, 14 rounds)</b>
9 Rounds – Single Round Robin
3 Rounds – Top Six, split into two even pools (1-3-6; 2-4-5). Round Robin in each pool played. One crossover game played between team from each pool each week (friendly - does not count towards standings)
Or 3 Rounds – Bottom Four Round Robin
SF – 1A vs 2B; 1B vs 2A. 5 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , and 9 <sup>th</sup> place also played
F – Both SF winners

<b>Dynasty Boys' 15U A (Seventeen Teams, 14 rounds)</b>
5 Rounds – Three pools of five or six teams play a Round Robin (A, B, C)
5 Rounds – Top Six, Middle Six, Bottom Five play a Round Robin
16F – Each team is classified from their pool of five/six: 1 vs 16; 2 vs 15; 3 vs 14; 4 vs 13; 5 vs 12; 6 vs 11; 7 vs 10; 8 vs 9. (Top gets seeds 1-6; Middle gets 7-12; Bottom gets 13-16). Bye for 17
QF – Each 16F winner plays (bracket is reseeded). 16F Losers also play in games against similar level opponents (trying to maximise variety, and competitiveness). One team will have a bye
SF – Each QF winner plays (bracket is reseeded). All other teams play in games against similar level opponents (trying to maximise variety, and competitiveness). One team will have a bye
F – Both SF winners

<b>Dynasty Boys' 15U Subgrade (28 teams, 13 rounds)</b>
11-13 Rounds – teams grouped into pools of similar ability level teams. Pool size and teams within may change throughout the season to maximise competitive games across the entire competition
Four teams from the “Upper Pool(s)” selected by the CBA Competitions Committee to play:
SF – (Round 12)
F – Both SF winners (Round 13) (“Subgrade Winners”)

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