



Tchoukball

Tchoukball is a non-contact team sport played by teams of 7 or 9 indoors, outdoors or on the beach. Players compete by rebounding the ball across a tightly sprung trampette whilst defending players try to catch the ball before it touches the floor. And what makes our game so unique is that it is the only sport in the world in which both teams can score points at EITHER end.

Paris 2007 Club Tournament Liphook Tchoukball Club the overall winners

7 players of the Liphook Tchoukball Club (Louisa Fountain, Tom Offin, Pete Justin, Pat Dennis, Stu Blakemore, Oli Prain & Rob Ellis) attended the Paris First Tchoukball Tournament in France from 24th – 25th November 2007 and achieved great success.

Unlike most Tchoukball matches, the games were played on smaller courts with only 5 players per team on the court at any one time. The matches were played on a first to score 12 points wins basis with the quarter, semi and final being played best out of 3 sets.

On Saturday 24th each team played 14 matches with the team that had the most success proceeding through to the semi finals taking place on Sunday 25th. Liphook won 13 of their 14 games, putting them through to the semi final on the Sunday.

On Sunday 25th Liphook played Marignier TBC in the semi finals and after a great match Liphook won 2 sets to 0. The final was Liphook vs Le Havre, Le Havre won the first set but after great effort by Liphook they managed to win the next 2 sets crowning Liphook Tchoukball Club the overall winners.

Best Trick Competition Liphook Tchoukball Club winners

After the tournament had finished, they announced that there would be a best trick competition for anyone that wished to participate. 6 teams entered the competition each with their own unique trick shot for the chance at winning the Best Trick Trophy.

The rules were each team had 3 attempts at a trick shot of their choice to try and impress the 5 judges. They were allowed a maximum of 3 players and 3 passes after which they must shoot.

Each teams trick shot received a thunderous round of applause from the viewing audience and the other teams. (One team in particular had one of their players jumping from their team mates back catching the ball in mid air and releasing it to perform a shot behind them)

The 3 players that entered from Liphook (Stu Blakemore, Oli Prain & Rob Ellis) won after a three-way switch. This included one player standing on his hands with his legs split, another jumping through his legs to pass the ball across while the one standing on his hands jumped back up to receive the ball in the air from the third player and perform the shot.