# BLOOD BOWL Full Beard Cup

7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> September 2019 WARHAMMER WORLD EVENTS,



"Hello sports fans, I'm Jim Johnson"

"And I'm Bob Bifford, and we're back with some exciting news for you"

"That's right Bob, once again it's time for the return of the Full Beard Cup, and this year the Stunty teams are said to once again have a chance!"

"Well I wouldn't quite say that Jim, but never say never!"

"That's true Bob, but what is for certain is we're sure to once again see some fantastic Blood Bowl action and plenty of carnage!"

"Certainly Jim, so if it sounds like you're the coach to bring a team to victory, pick up your stadium pass and we'll see you on the pitch!"



The Blood Bowl Full Beard Cup is once again back for the 2019 season. Warhammer World's premier Blood Bowl tournament is where the brightest and best Blood Bowl coaches assemble their team and descend upon Warhammer World for a weekend filled with fun Blood Bowl festivities, jaw-dropping touchdowns, bone-breaking blocks and all round fantasy football enjoyment!

Whether you're going Full Beard to achieve gold, or here to relax and enjoy yourself under Josef Bugman's roof, the weekend promises to be one like no other. Pull up your socks and bite down on your mouthguard, for the Full Beard Cup is here!

# **Event Essentials**

Date: 7th - 8th September 2019

System: Blood Bowl

Team Size: 1,150,000 gold pieces.

**Team Selection**: Blood Bowl The Official Rules, Death Zone Season 1 and 2, the Inaugural Blood Bowl Almanac, the 2018 Blood Bowl Almanac, Spike! Journal and Blood Bowl Teams Of Legend.

What To Bring: Models, rosters, dice, templates, special play cards, rulebooks.

We Will Provide: Pitches and dug-outs.

Number Of Games: 5.

Meals: Lunch is provided on both days.

Other Activities: Painting competitions and free entry to the Warhammer World exhibition.

# **Creating Your Team**

Teams are created as described on pg22 of the Blood Bowl Official Rule Book. Please use the following guidelines for creating your team for the event:

- Coaches may use any team from the Blood Bowl Official Rule Book, Death Zone Season 1, Death Zone Season 2, the Inaugural Blood Bowl Almanac, the 2018 Blood Bowl Almanac, Spike! Journal or the Teams of Legend PDF (BloodBowl.com).
- In addition, any teams and/or Star Players released in the future are in use, unless their release date falls on the weekend of the event.
- Coaches have a Treasury of 1,150,000 gold pieces to spend for hiring their team of eleven or more players, plus any Inducements allowed (see 'Inducements' below).
- Any gold not spent is wasted. You will not be able to choose additional Inducements to make up any difference between your Team Value and your opponents. We strongly advise that small sums leftover be spent on Fan Factor, Assistant Coaches, or Cheerleaders to make your roster a round 1,150,000 value.
- All teams must be recorded on a Blood Bowl Roster Sheet. You will need two copies of your Roster Sheet for the weekend: One to hand in to the event referee at registration and one for you and your opponent for the game.

# Inducements

All Inducements are allowed with the exception of Special Play Inducements (see below). Inducements must be purchased from your Treasury during team creation and are permanently added to your roster for the event. Please note the following:

- All Inducements, including Star Players, may be chosen from any of the publications listed above, or from the list of Legacy Star Players included at the end of this document.
- Star Players may be induced, but the team **must contain a minimum of eleven players before adding any Star Players**. Coaches are reminded that Star Players cannot benefit from Apothecaries; if they are injured they refuse to play on and trust their care to their own trusted apothecaries!
- Please note, Grak & Crumbleberry are available for Inducement but **only** for Halfling and Ogre teams at this tournament. Their rules say Any Team, and this is because they are very willing mercenaries in most leagues. In tournaments such as this however, they are far less pragmatic and will only play for the teams they want to win!
- Note that the Swift Twins and Grak & Crumbleberry take up both Star Player slots (there are two of them).
- If both coaches have Induced the same Star Player or member of (In)Famous Coaching Staff, both coaches get to use that Inducement. Duplicates do not cancel each other out. Assume that the character appearing on the losing team was an imposter!
- Special Play Inducements are not allowed. Please use the Special Play Cards rules contained in this rulespack.

## Additional Skills

All coaches may give some of their players additional skills when creating their team:

- No player may have more than 1 additional skill.
- No skill may be chosen more than twice as an additional skill (for example, you may add 2x Block, but not 3).
- Extra skills are free, coaches do not have to pay for them from their 1,150,000 treasury, just add them free of charge.

#### **Skill Selection**

How many additional skills a team may take will depend upon what tier the team belongs to. Top tier teams gain only a few additional skills, whereas tier three teams (the Stunty teams) gain quite a few!

The tiers Blood Bowl teams are split into and how many additional skills they can take are as follows:

<b>Tier 1</b> Chaos Dwarf, Dwarf, Wood Elf, Skaven, Norse, Lizardman, Orc, Shambling Undead, Amazon and Dark Elf Teams.	5x Normal Skill
<b>Tier 2</b> Chaos Chosen, Human, Tomb Kings, Chaos Renegades, High Elf, Nurgle, Necromantic Horror, Elf Union, Vampire and Underworld Alliance teams.	5x Normal Skill and 1x Double Skill*
<b>Tier 3</b> Halfling, Goblin and Ogre teams.	6x Normal Skill and 2x Double Skill*

## Model Requirements

Playing exciting, atmospheric games with fully painted miniatures is a big part of our events at Warhammer World. Therefore all miniatures in your collection must be Games Workshop miniatures and be **fully assembled**, **painted and based**. Each model must fully represent what you have presented on your Roster Sheet. For example, there must be a clear distinction between Linemen, Throwers, Blitzers etc.

Furthermore, please contact us to let us know about any conversions or proxies you are planning on using, and provide us with photos of the models in question where possible. Don't worry, we fully appreciate awesome hobby skills and cool models, but we just want to make sure everything is super clear for your opponent and no confusion can arise during games.

We will politely ask you to remove any models that don't meet these standards to protect everyone's experience.



## The Games

During the Full Beard Cup, coaches will play 5 games of Blood Bowl, each with 2.5 hours permitted. We expect all games to be played within this time schedule, so get some practice games in beforehand! At the end of each round you will need to submit your results as promptly as possible, as any delays in submitting results will delay the following round.

For your first game you will be drawn against a random opponent. For games 2–5, you will be placed against an opponent on a similar number of cup points to you, keeping things relative and a reasonable challenge each round.

#### **Pre-Match Sequence**

- A Roll on the Weather Table
- Make your opponent aware of Inducements you may have.
- ◊ Draw Special Play Cards—See 'Special Play Cards' below.
- Obtermine FAME for both teams
- ♦ Flip for the Kick (or roll dice if preferred).
- Place the ball, scatter, and roll on the Kick-Off Table
- Let the carnage begin!

#### Post-Match Sequence

- ♦ The winner increases their Fan Factor by 1.
- Output State Update your Team Roster.
- Hand your results in for the round.

#### Conceding



Sometimes the games just don't go your way! Your players are beaten, broken or worse, your apothecary is patching players up left, right and centre, and the crowd is turning against you for a poor performance. Nonetheless, you play on, determined to scrape something from the match! Even if you are losing, we would ask all players to play to the end of the game; real world sports teams don't quit the pitch when the game is going badly and nor should Blood Bowl teams. However if you do concede the following things happen:

- ♦ The game ends immediately.
- The Head Coach that conceded automatically scores 0 Cup Points for their result.
- The Head Coach that won counts as having scored the maximum number of Cup Points for that game (3).
- Vou should still record all your Touchdowns, Casualties etc.

#### **Additional Rules**

Please can all coaches also be aware of the following:

- The 'Illegal Procedure' rules are NOT in use at this event.
- The 'Time Limit' rules are also NOT in use. As each round is 2.5hrs, we feel this is plenty to play a game of Blood Bowl. However if you feel that an opponent is taking unreasonably long turns, please call a referee. As a good rule of thumb, try and get your turns to be no more than 4 mins each and try not to dawdle during the pre-match sequence!

## Injuries

Because all the players are utterly psyched for this event and will let nothing short of death stop them (and even then, it won't stop everyone), all your players are pulled back from the brink by a liberal use of under-the-counter Goblin Mushrooms, Life Magic, Daemonic Pacts, Pig-Headedness, Necromancy, a healthy dose of Bugmans XXXXX - you name it! This means that at the end of each round, your team fully recovers for the next game. This is to make sure no team gets heinously destroyed in the first match, and allows all the coaches in the cup to get some good games in without having to worry about their favourite player getting their head smashed in—beyond the normal boundaries of a Blood Bowl match, of course!

If you have an Apothecary on your roster he may be used as normal once per game to force your opponent to re-roll the Lasting Injury roll and may then return a Badly Hurt player (11-38 on the Lasting Injury roll) to your Reserves Box (see Death Zone 1, page 38). Please remember that you cannot use an Apothecary on a Star Player.

**Masters Of Undeath**: Shambling Undead and Necromantic Horror coaches may raise one Zombie per game should the Lasting Injury roll be 61-68 DEAD, if that player cannot be revived by an Apothecary, and assuming they are ST4 or less and do not have the Regeneration skill, the Undead coach may place a normal, rookie Zombie in the Reserves box of their dugout. This Zombie is kept for the remainder of that game and lost before the next.

**Nurgle's Rot**: Nurgle team coaches may recruit one Rotter per game should the Lasting Injury roll be 61-68 DEAD as a result of a Block, Blitz or Foul action by a player with the Nurgle's Rot skill, if that player cannot be revived by an Apothecary, and assuming they are ST4 or less and do not have the Regeneration skill, the Nurgle coach may place a normal, rookie Rotter in the Reserves box of their dugout. This Rotter is kept for the remainder of that game and lost before the next.

Note that this is a change to the normal Nurgle's Rot skill rule, allowing Nurgle coaches to benefit from the free player during their current game.



## Special Play Cards

We will be using Variant One – The Points System for Special Play Cards at this event. This system is the closest to the standard rules for choosing Special Play cards, but alters the value of the various decks based on their relative power levels to keep things balanced for the event.

#### How it Works

During step 3 of the Pre-Match Sequence, **each coach gains 2 points to spend** on cards from the various Special Play card decks. Each coach rolls a D6 and whoever scores the highest spends their points first. To spend points, a coach can buy cards from any of the available Special Play card decks, in any combination. Each deck has its own cost per card, and the decks available are as follows:

Deck	Points per card
Benefits of Training	2
Heroic Feats	2
Magical Memorabilia	2
Dirty Tricks	1
Random Events	1

Card decks should contain a minimum of 10 cards. Once a coach has finished drawing their cards, they may return any **one** of them to the bottom of its deck, and draw a replacement from the top of the same deck.

#### Event Exclusive Card

Of course it wouldn't be a Full Beard Cup without another event exclusive card now would it? At registration, **all players will be given a limited edition Special Play card**. This card is of 4 point value and may be used **once** during the event in addition to normal cards. You must note on your results sheet when it has been used. You'll have to wait and see what it is, but it's safe to say that mischief is afoot as usual!

In addition, Limited Edition cards are allowed. Simply add the card to the appropriate decks.



## Scoring

The Full Beard Cup uses a system of Cup Points to determine who will be the winner of the event. You earn cup points from your games in the following way:

Win a game: 3 points Draw a game: 1 point Lose a game: 0 points

Then there are bonus points available each game for the following:

Score 3 or more touchdowns: 1 point Concede zero touchdowns: 1 point Cause 3 or more Casualties: 1 point



For example, the Dodgy Blighters defeat the Oversised Ogres 3-0. The Dodgy Blighters earn Cup Points for winning the game (3 points), scoring 3 touchdowns (1 point) and conceding 0 touchdowns (1 point) for a grand total of 5 Cup Points. The Oversized Ogres only score 1 cup point, as they managed to inflict 4 casualties on the Dodgy Blighters.

#### How to win the Full Beard Cup

At the end of the event, the coach who has earned the most Cup Points overall will lift the Full Beard Cup and be named the 2019 Champion!

If any players are on the same number of Cup Points, we will use the highest touchdown difference (touchdowns scored minus touchdowns conceded) as a secondary sorter, followed by casualties caused as a third sorter.

#### Favourite Game Vote

At the end of the event, we ask you to vote for two opponents who each gave you the most enjoyable game over the weekend. This might be because they were really fun to play against, tested your Blood Bowl skills fully, or it was a super close game with exciting highlights. The player with the most Favourite Game Votes will be awarded a sporting award at the end ceremony.

# PAINTING COMPETITIONS

During the event we will celebrate hobby and painting skills by holding various Painting Competitions for the seamsters and kit designers amongst you! The first of these is the **Legends Painting Competition**. This is perfect for any particular models in your team you are most proud of. It's open entry, so enter a model of your choice from the team you've been using into any of the categories for peer judging. The winning model from each category will win a Legend award. The categories are as follows:

- Player of Legend—any player or Star Player that has a strength statistic of 4 or lower.
- Big Guy of Legend—any player or Star Player that has a strength statistic of 5 or higher.
- Staff of Legend any single model representing coaching staff coaches, cheerleaders, chefs etc!

The Events Team also reserves the right to specify additional requirements on the day if needed.

The second Painting Competition is the **Best Team Competition**. This is a prestigious award for hobbyists who manage to achieve a truly excellent standard of hobby consistently across their whole team. The Events Team will nominate a shortlist of teams, then peer judging will take place with the winner earning the Best Team award.

Please note that in order to win a Painting Competition, you must have done the building and painting yourself.

## The Glittering Prizes

At the end of the Full Beard Cup we will conduct an Award Ceremony to celebrate players' prowess for 2019! The following awards will be on offer:

- Player Of Legend as voted by you, for the winner of the Player category as detailed above.
- **Big Guy Of Legend** as voted by you, for the winner of the Big Guy category as detailed above.
- Staff Of Legend as voted by you, for the winner of the Staff category as detailed above.
- Best Team as voted by you, for the most impressive looking team.
- Mighty Zug's Wall Of Steel for the coach who concedes the least touchdowns.
- Eldril Sidewinder's Golden Gloves for the coach who scored the most touchdowns.
- Max Spleenripper's Gut Wrencher for the coach who caused the most casualties as a result of Blocking, Blitzing, or injuries caused by the fans after a Crowd Surfing incident (Crowd Surfing is the name given to successfully pushing an opponent off the pitch and into the crowd). Casualties caused by Secret Weapons, Foul actions, or Thrown Rocks do not count. Nor do self-inflicted casualties caused by failed Dodges or Go For It's.
- **Dirty Dan's Filthy Git** for the coach who has the most players sent off as a result of Foul Actions. Do not count Secret Weapon players sent off at the end of a drive.
- Da Stunty Cup for the coach of a Halfling, Ogre or Goblin team with the most number of cup points.
- The McMurty's Fair Play Award for the coach who received the most Favourite Game Votes.
- The Quarter Beard for the coach who finishes 3rd overall.
- The Half Beard for the coach who finishes 2nd overall.
- The Full Beard for the coach who finishes 1st overall.

## Schedule

Saturday 7th September 2019

9.00am-10.00am Registration in Bugman's

10.00am Events Hall and Stores open

10.20am Event brief

10.30am-1.00pm Game 1

1.00pm-2.00pm Lunch and the Legends competition

2.00pm-4.30pm Game 2

4.30pm-5.00pm Break

- 5.00pm-7.30pm Game 3
- 8.00pm Events hall and stores close
- 10.00pm Warhammer World closes

Sunday 8th September 2019 10.00am Warhammer World opens 10.30am-1.00pm Game 4 1.00pm-2.00pm Lunch and the Best Team competition 2.00pm-4.30pm Game 5 4.30pm Break 5.30pm Award ceremony 6.00pm Warhammer World closes

#### CONTACT US

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# Legacy Star Players

The following section is an addendum to the Teams Of Legend pdf. It provides a comprehensive list of classic Blood Bowl Star Players who have graced the gridiron in days gone by.

Classic Citadel miniatures exist for all of the players listed here which are of course welcome at the event. They do however also provide some wonderful conversion possibilities to create your own take on these classics to match your own teams.

Equally as important, these players give a good selection of Star Players for the teams listed in the Teams Of Legend pdf, some of which might otherwise find themselves lacking for mercenary clout!

#### **Bomber Dribblesnot**

Goblin bombardier extraordinaire.

Cost	MA	ST	AG	AV	
60k	6	2	3	7	

**Skills:** Accurate, Bombardier, Dodge, Loner, Stunty, Right Stuff, Secret Weapon, Stunty

**Plays For:** Goblin, Ogre, Orc, Chaos Renegade, Underworld Alliance

#### Boomer

Dwarf bombardier.

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Skills: Accurate, Bombardier, Block, Loner, Secret Weapon, Thick Skull

Plays For: Dwarf, Norse

#### **Flint Churnblade**

Dwarf chainsaw wielding loony.

Cost	MA	ST	AG	AV
130k	5	3	2	8

Skills: Block, Chainsaw, Loner, Secret Weapon, Thick Skull

Plays For: Dwarf

- Provide	Night Goblin fanatic.				
ost	МА	ST	AG	AV	

Skills: Ball & Chain, Mighty Blow. Loner, No Hands, Secret Weapon, Stunty

Cost 80k

Plays For: Goblin

Fungus The Loon

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#### Headsplitter

Mutant Rat-Ogre of uncharacteristic cunning.

Cost	MA	ST	AG	AV
340k	6	6	3	8

Skills: Frenzy, Loner, Mighty Blow, Prehensile Tail

Plays For: Skaven



#### **Hthark The Unstopable**

Favoured of Hashut, champion Bull Centaur of Zharr Nagrond.

Cost	MA	ST	AG	AV
330k	6	5	2	9

**Skills:** Block, Break Tackle, Juggernaut, Loner, Sprint, Sure Feet, Thick Skull

Plays For: Chaos Dwarf

#### Nobbla Blackwart

Goblin chainsaw wielding loony.

Cost	MA	ST	AG	AV
130k	6	2	3	7

Skills: Block, Dodge, Chainsaw, Loner, Secret Weapon, Stunty

Plays For: Chaos Dwarf, Goblin, Ogre, Underworld Alliance

#### Rasta Tailspike

Skaven catcher.

Cost	МА	ST	AG	A۱
120k	8	3	3	7

Skills: Catch, Extra Arms, Loner

Plays For: Skaven

#### Rashnak Backstabber

Hobgoblin assassin.

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Skills: Dodge, Loner, Side Step, Sneaky Git, Stab

Plays For: Chaos Dwarf

#### **Skitter Stab Stab**

Skaven master assassin.

And who knows? Maybe sometimes they did glimpse him...

Cost	MA	ST	AG	AV
160k	9	2	4	7

Skills: Dodge, Loner, Prehensile Tail, Shadowing, Stab

Plays For: Skaven, Underworld Alliance

#### **Ugroth Bolgrot**

The other 'Ripper', Orc chainsaw wielding loony.

Cost	MA	ST	AG	AV
100k	5	3	3	9

Skills: Chainsaw, Loner, Secret Weapon

Plays For: Orc. Chaos Renegade

