

BICC members may have noticed a revised entry sheet within their 2022 Handbooks, to include an extra column to encompass the new five bird (5B) race, and a different and important statement at the bottom of the entry sheet.

Every member entering any of the races MUST sign this entry form stating that their birds have been vaccinated in conjunction with both RPRA & DEFRA rules, and also confirm their pigeons have shown no signs of any notifiable disease in the 14 days prior to being raced. Please do not rely on just an ETS print-out as this entry sheet may be checked by the Ministry Veterinarian signing the requisite certificate at the last marking station.

The 5B Nomination 'race-within-a-race' is a new concept, and if members take the idea and concept 'on board', it has the potential to substantially swell the prize pot.

Members may enter from a single bird up to a maximum of five any age pigeons, for an extra £1.00 per bird race fee. These pigeons must first and foremost be entered into the main race, and pooled if members so wish in the normal way. There will be no pooling in the 5B race. The Nomination race will have its' own result and 80% of the money generated from all the entries will be returned 'pro rata' across the sections on a 50% - 30% - 20% basis.

To enter the 5B race simply tick the relevant column and write the ring number of the entry on to the manual sheet.

It is worth also commenting that regrettably a surcharge of £3.00 "per member / per race" has been introduced; hopefully only for as long as fuel prices remain as inflated as they currently are. If fuel returns to a more normal and stable pricing level, then this surcharge will be removed and the club will advise members accordingly.

