THE CARTOON BOOK OF

BOG SNORKELLING



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Meet Bog Snorkelling!

Swim a peat-bog trench with a snorkel and flippers.



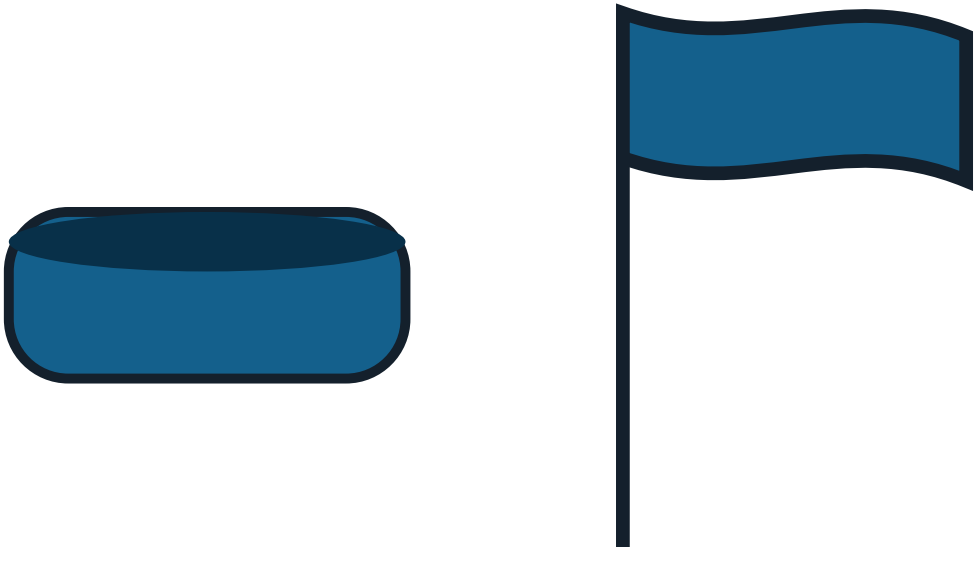
Where It Is Played

A water-filled trench 60 yards long cut through the Waen Rhydd peat bog at Llanwrtyd Wells, Wales — two lengths totalling 120 yards.



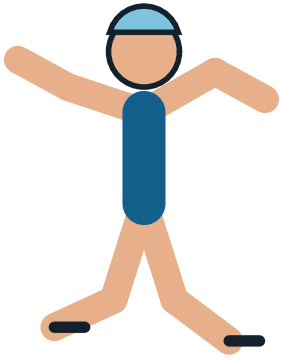
The Gear

Snorkel, mask and fins/flippers (flippers can be borrowed in limited supply); wetsuit optional and commonly worn; fancy dress optional but encouraged.



How It Starts

Enter online through Green Events for the August Bank Holiday championships, bring your own mask and snorkel, and practise snorkelling face-down in cold, dark water.



How to Play

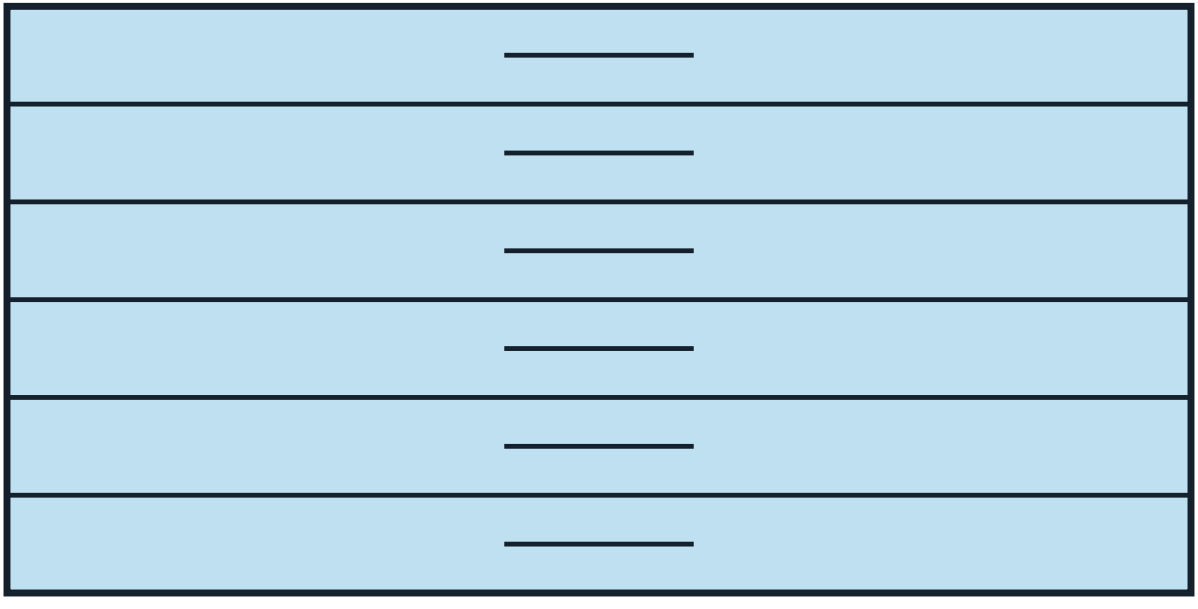
- Format: an individual time trial — snorkel two lengths of a bog trench, 120 yards in total, in the fastest time.
- Competitors are allocated one of two bog trenches at registration on the day; allocations are not transferable.
- Competitors must touch the post at both ends, and the turn post must be touched above the water level.
- No rest time is allowed within the timing; a competitor judged too slow on the first 60-yard length may be stopped at the end of that length.

More of the Game

- No recognised swimming stroke is permitted other than doggy paddle with hands and arms kept below the waterline; many competitors rely purely on leg propulsion.
- Competitors must swim with faces in the water, breathing through the snorkel, with only occasional 'looks' allowed to correct direction.
- Fins may be used but mono-fins are not permitted, and webbed gloves or similar are not permitted.
- Competitors provide their own snorkels and masks; categories include Male and Female Champion, over-50s, Junior, Local and Fancy Dress, and the organisers' decisions are final.

The Shape of a Match

Race out-and-back along a murky peat-bog trench against the clock, face down, breathing through a snorkel.

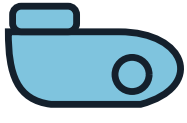


More of the Water & winter Family

- Surfing — Ride ocean waves on a board; judges score maneuvers, speed, and flow on the best waves.
- Ice Hockey — Skate and pass a puck to score in the opposing net. Six per side, three periods of 20 minutes.
- Water Polo — Seven-a-side ball game in deep water.
- Sailing — Racing under wind power, from dinghies to the America's Cup.
- Alpine Skiing and Snowboarding — Downhill racing on FIS World Cup circuits.
- Figure and Speed Skating — Judged artistic skating and timed racing on ice.

A Note on the Rules

Bog snorkelling is a Welsh novelty event (Llanwrtyd Wells, since the 1970s) run under its own house rules: two lengths of a peat-bog trench, snorkelling only, no recognised swimming strokes, fastest time wins. It has no governing body beyond its organisers and no law history. No documented rule change is carried for bog snorkelling.



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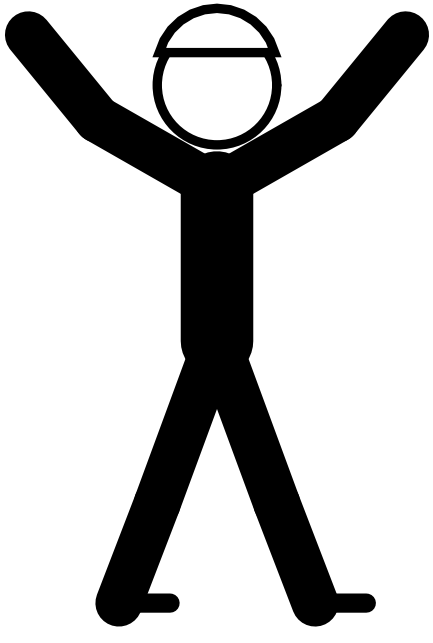

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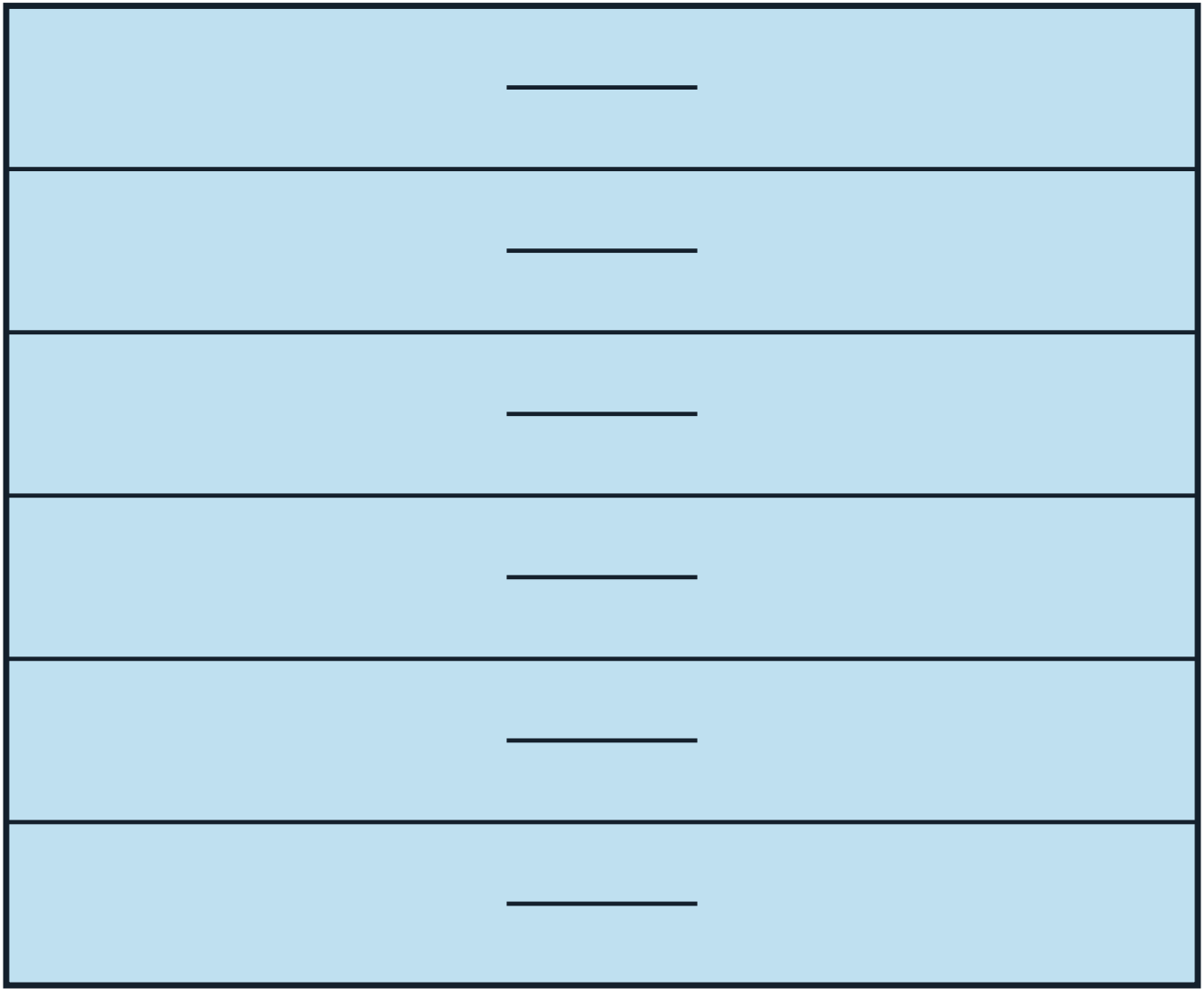

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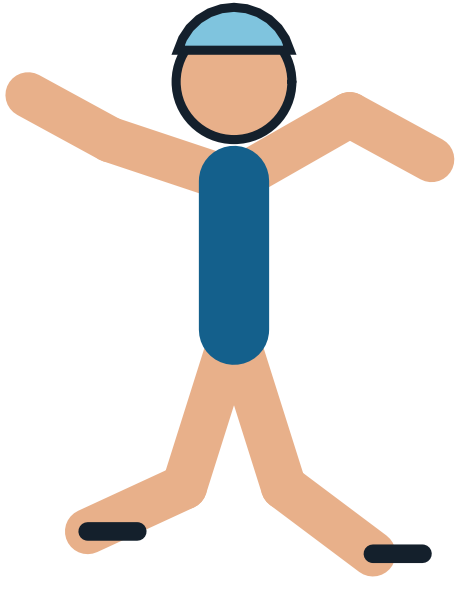

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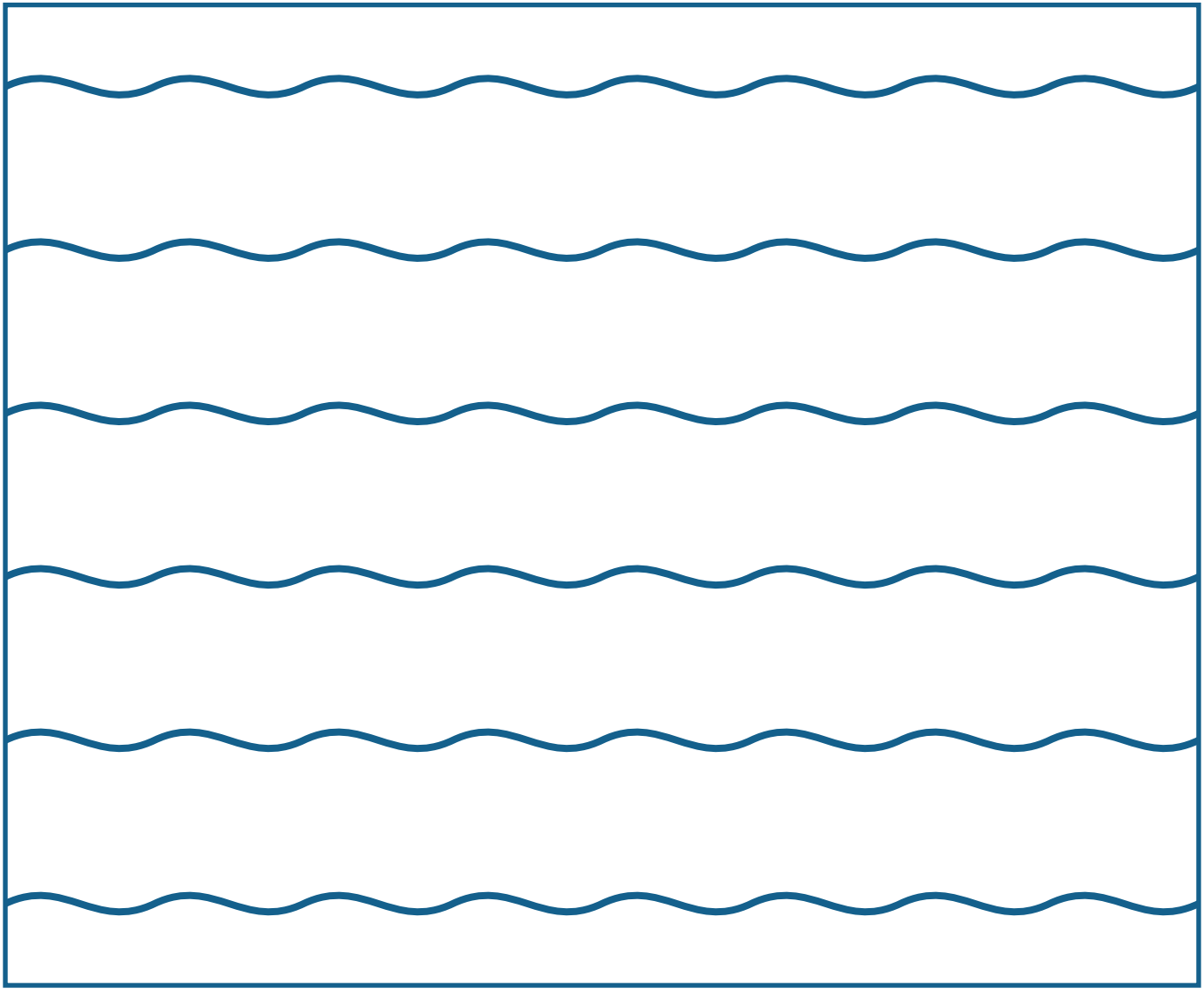

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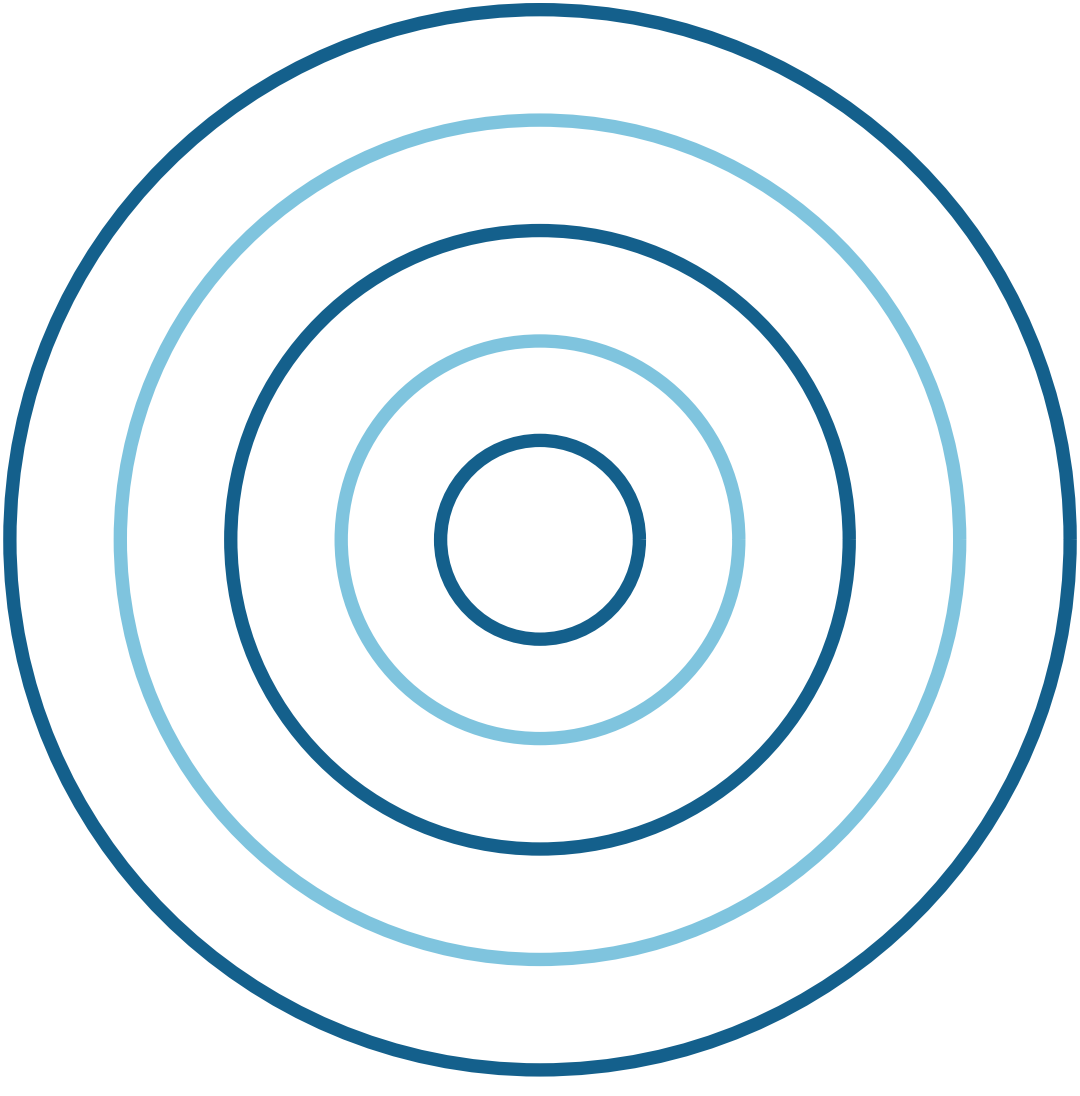

The Water & winter Family

Every sport belongs to a family of games that share its shapes and skills. Here are some of this book's closest relatives — each with a cartoon book and a colouring book of its own.

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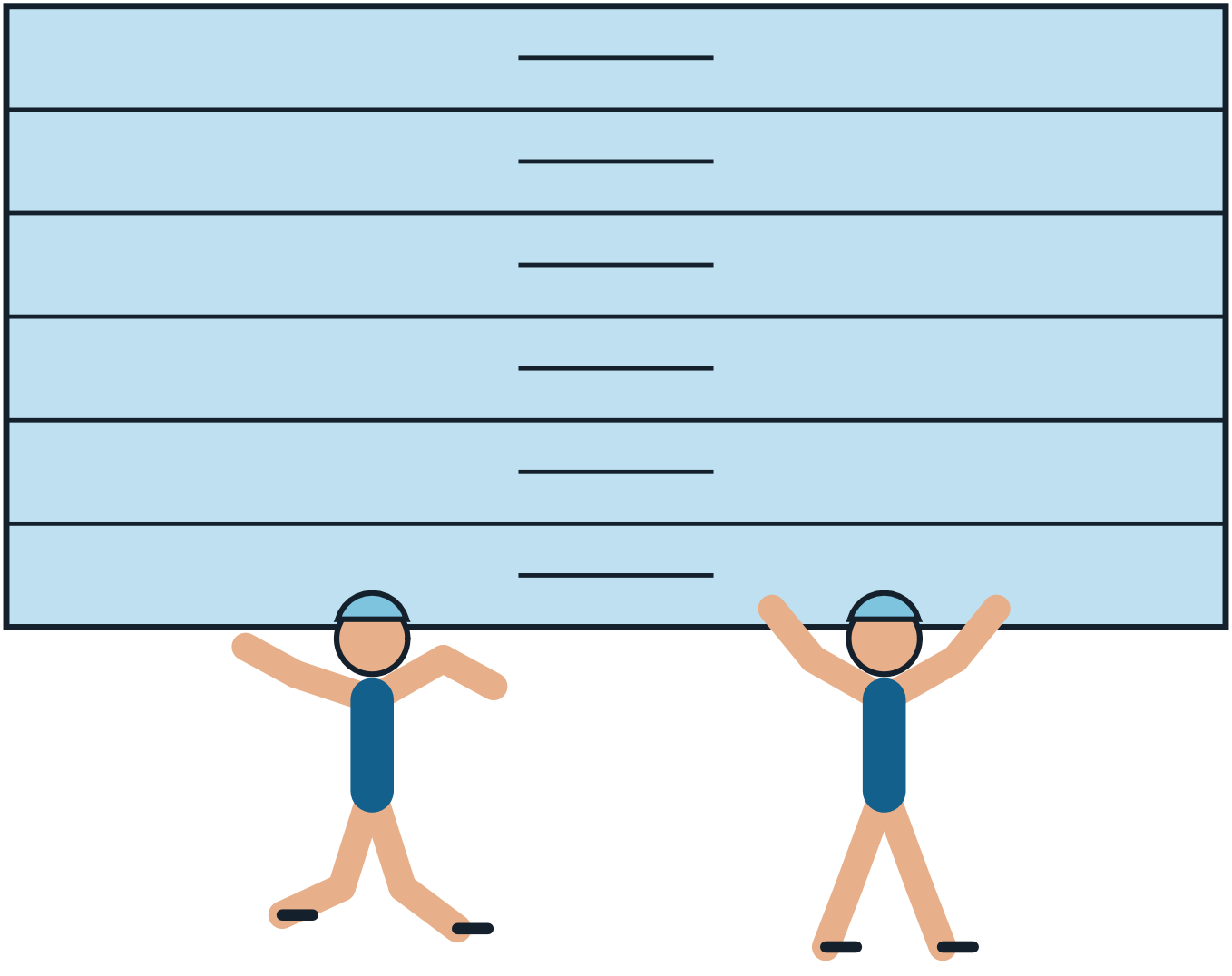
Game Day!



The Sport on Earth Mark

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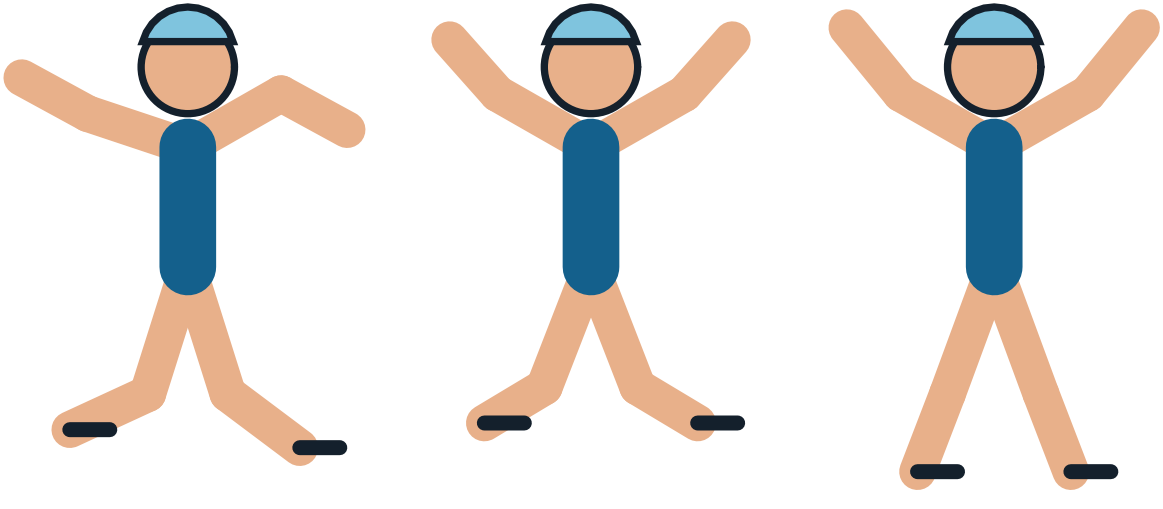
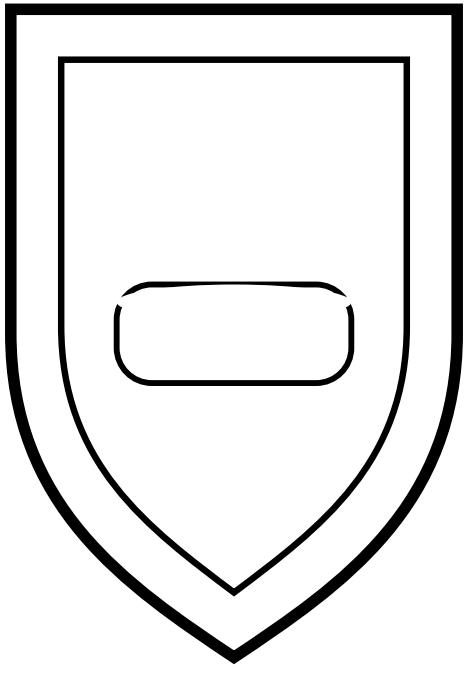
Moves of the Game

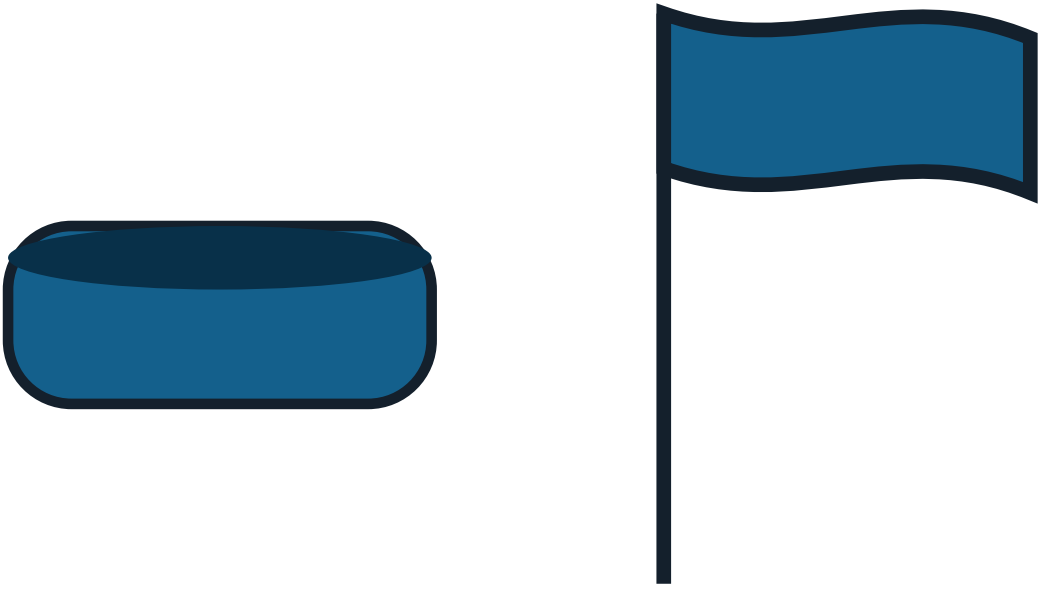


Design a Badge



Draw and colour a badge for your own team.

The Gear Parade



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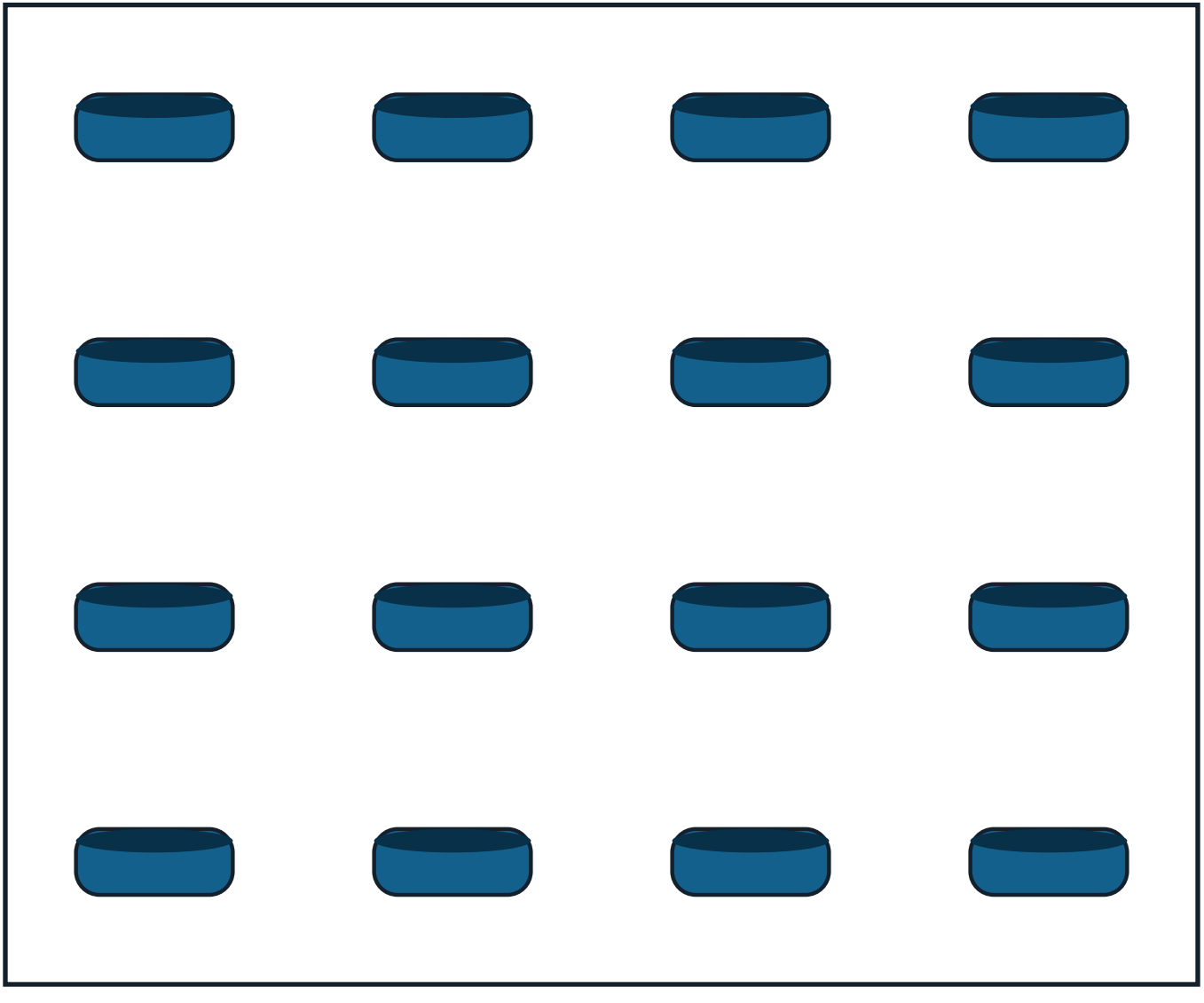
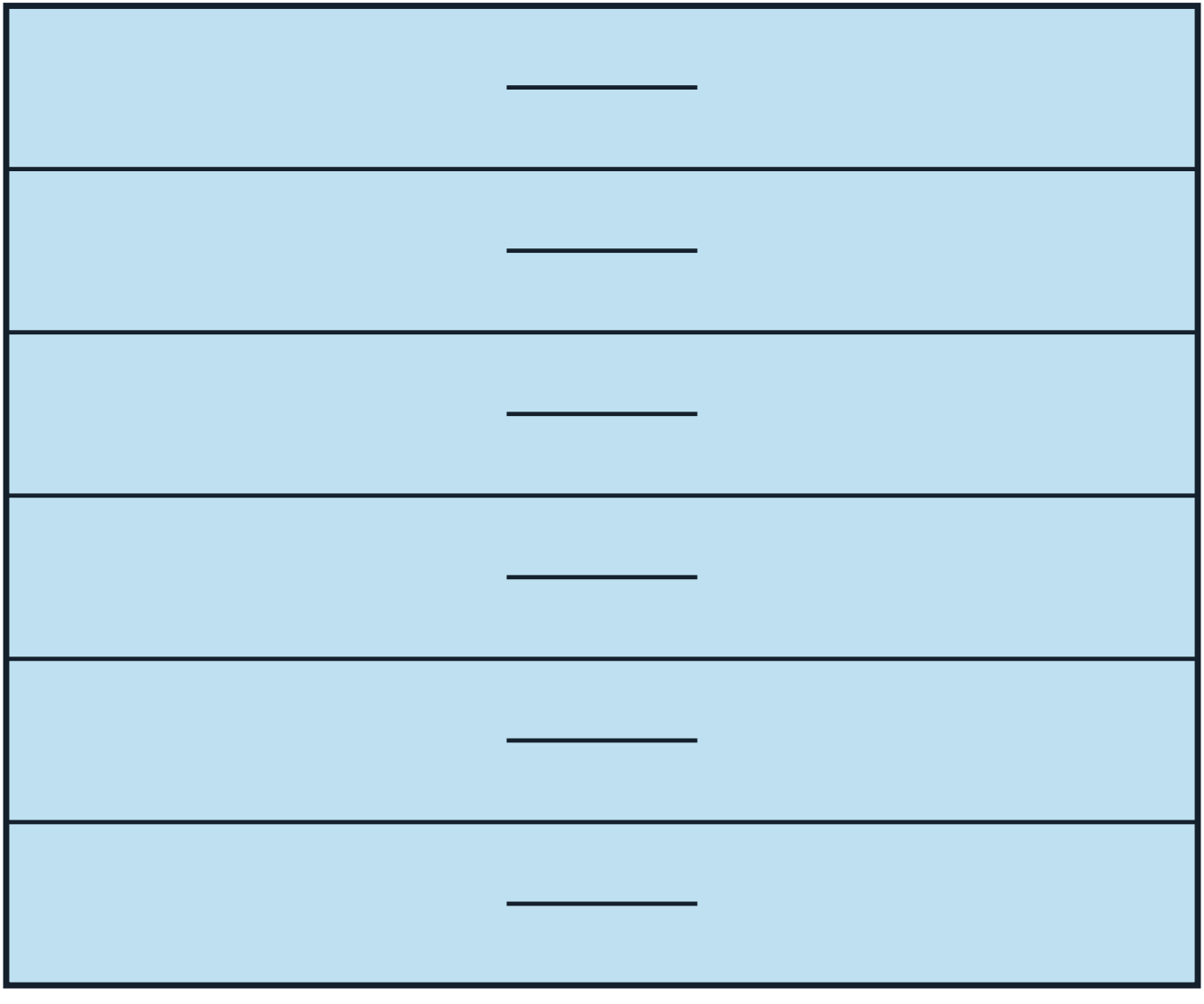
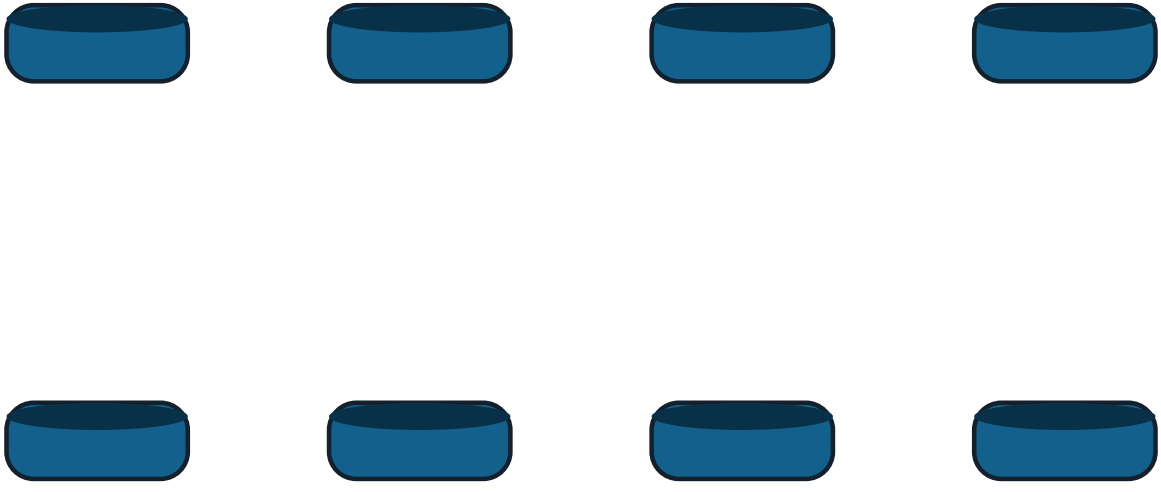


The Arena From Above



Count the Balls!



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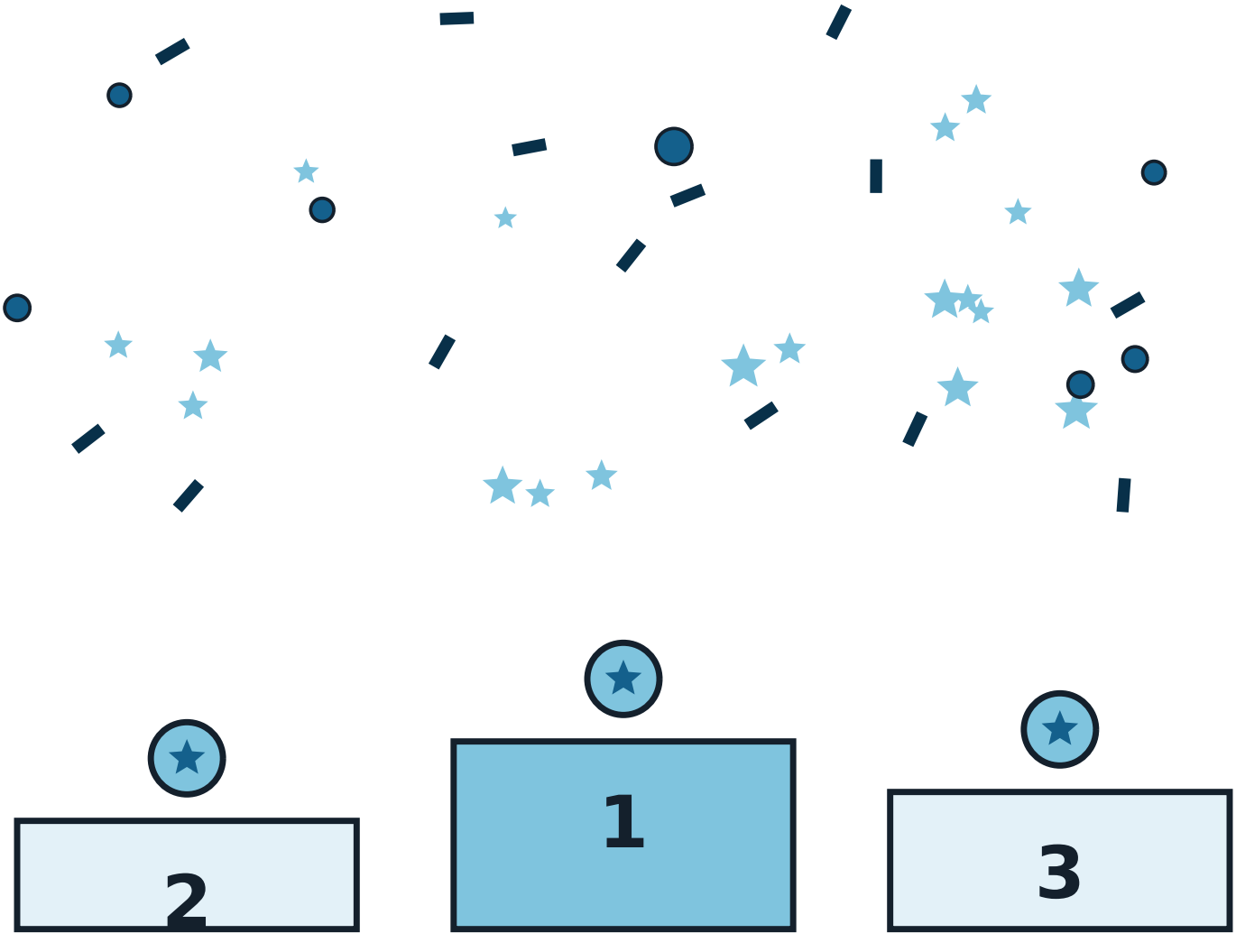
My Favourite Part of Bog Snorkelling

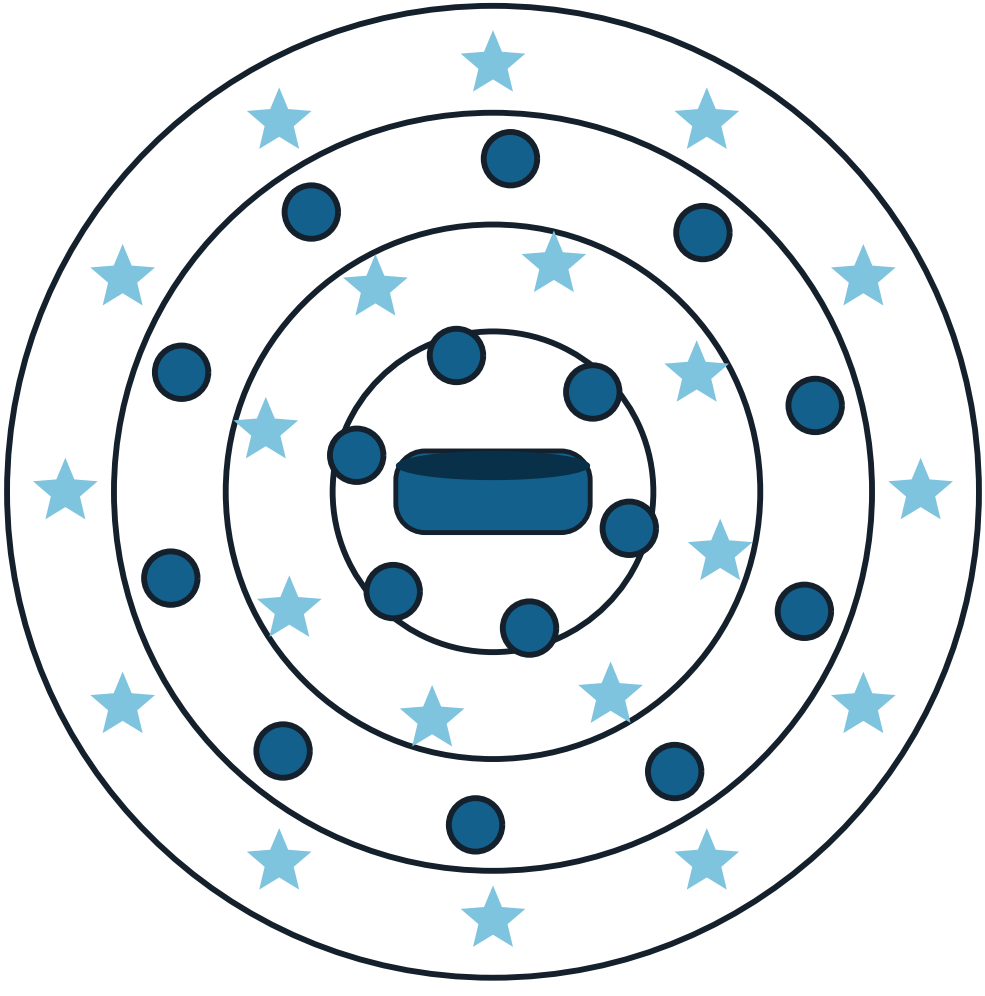
Gear Close-Up



Champions!



The Mandala of the Game



About This Book

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