

Calcutta Policies and Procedures

Calcutta Auctions are a way to add excitement and money to a field of players. Basically, a Calcutta is a way for people to bid on the player(s) that they think have a chance to win their bracket. The players in the division that has a Calcutta have been told that their division will hold a Calcutta. A time and place are determined by Western BCA that gives the most people a chance to bid on the player(s) of their choice. The Calcutta will be promoted by Western BCA. Usually, the players are in elite divisions. Someone will be selected by Western BCA **Board of Directors** to serve as the Calcutta Master of Ceremonies. The order of player bids will be predetermined and if a player is not rated as high or if his abilities are in the lower echelon of the division, he may be part of a field bet. The Calcutta generally starts with the first 2 bids being on the "pick of the litter". In other words, the person with the highest bid can choose whoever he wants from the list of players. After the two "picks of the litter" bids are finished the remaining players will be bid on **alphabetically**. Bidders can buy as many players as they want. The Field bet is the last players bid upon. The Calcutta Master of Ceremonies and President will determine the size of the Field. The following procedures must be followed in order for the Calcutta to be successful:

1. The list of players and their Fargo rate will be given to the Calcutta Master of Ceremonies by the Tournament Registrar.
2. The bracket for the Calcutta division will not be drawn until after the Calcutta is finished. The bracket draw will be a random draw.
3. The players involved will be given a chance to buy half of themselves or a team. This must be done at least 15 minutes before the bracketing of the tournament is released.
4. The Tournament Committee will determine the time and place of the Calcutta.
5. The Treasurer will oversee the handling of the money involved in the Calcutta.
6. Bidding will continue on each player until one player alone receives the highest bid. The highest bidder will immediately pay their bid to the Calcutta accountant in cash only.
7. Once all players have been bid upon the Calcutta accountant will balance the money received with the amount bid.
8. The player will have to contact the successful bidder and pay them immediately or make arrangements to pay the bidder.
9. The player or team can pay the successful bidder up to 50% of the bid and will receive a corresponding % of the payout.

The staff needed for a Calcutta is as follows:

1. Calcutta Director, chosen by the Board of Directors.
2. Calcutta Master of Ceremonies, chosen by Western BCA **Board of Directors**.
3. Calcutta Accountants (2), chosen by the Treasurer
4. Calcutta Runners (2 or 3), chosen by the Calcutta Director to collect money and deliver it to the accountants.