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## MOTOPOLO

Motopolo first originated in France in the 19th century and has taken many forms under many monikers. Our objective is to bring this sport back, it's just too good to be forgotten. Introducing the game now known as Motopolo.

## THE GAME

Motopolo is a non-contact sport, played outside on lightweight motorised two wheeled motorcycles. Two teams play two halves in each direction, scoring goals by putting the ball between the two markers in the opposing teams half. The players use their feet to control the ball. Play starts from the centre-line with a coin toss. After a goal is scored the conceding team starts play.

## TEAMS

The teams consist of 5 players, 4 of which play in each team at the same time with one substitute. 8 players are only allowed on the field at any one time. Each player must wear appropriate protective clothing and a helmet. The standard positions are:

- #1. Goal Keeper.
- #2 & #3. Wing
- #4. Forward
- #5. Substitute.

## MOTORCYCLES

Motopolo is a team game of low-speed skill, smaller lightweight motorcycles (50-350cc) are most appropriate. Due to the rather complicated nature of motorcycles, the substitute player is crucial to keeping a fast paced game in action and can 'sub in' at any time.

## TIMING

Each half of the game is played for 20 minutes, with a game lasting 40 minutes, with a 10 minute half time to check the motorcycles.

## SCORING

The goal is marked out by 2x6ft padded markers, spaced 5ft apart. The players aim to put the 50cm (diameter) ball between the markers. The opposing team aims to prevent this. A goal signifies one point, at the end of the 40 minute game, the team with the most goals wins. In a championship match a 'draw' will not be the result and after a further 10 minutes of extra time a 5 shot penalty shoot out will occur - taken 20ft from the goal.

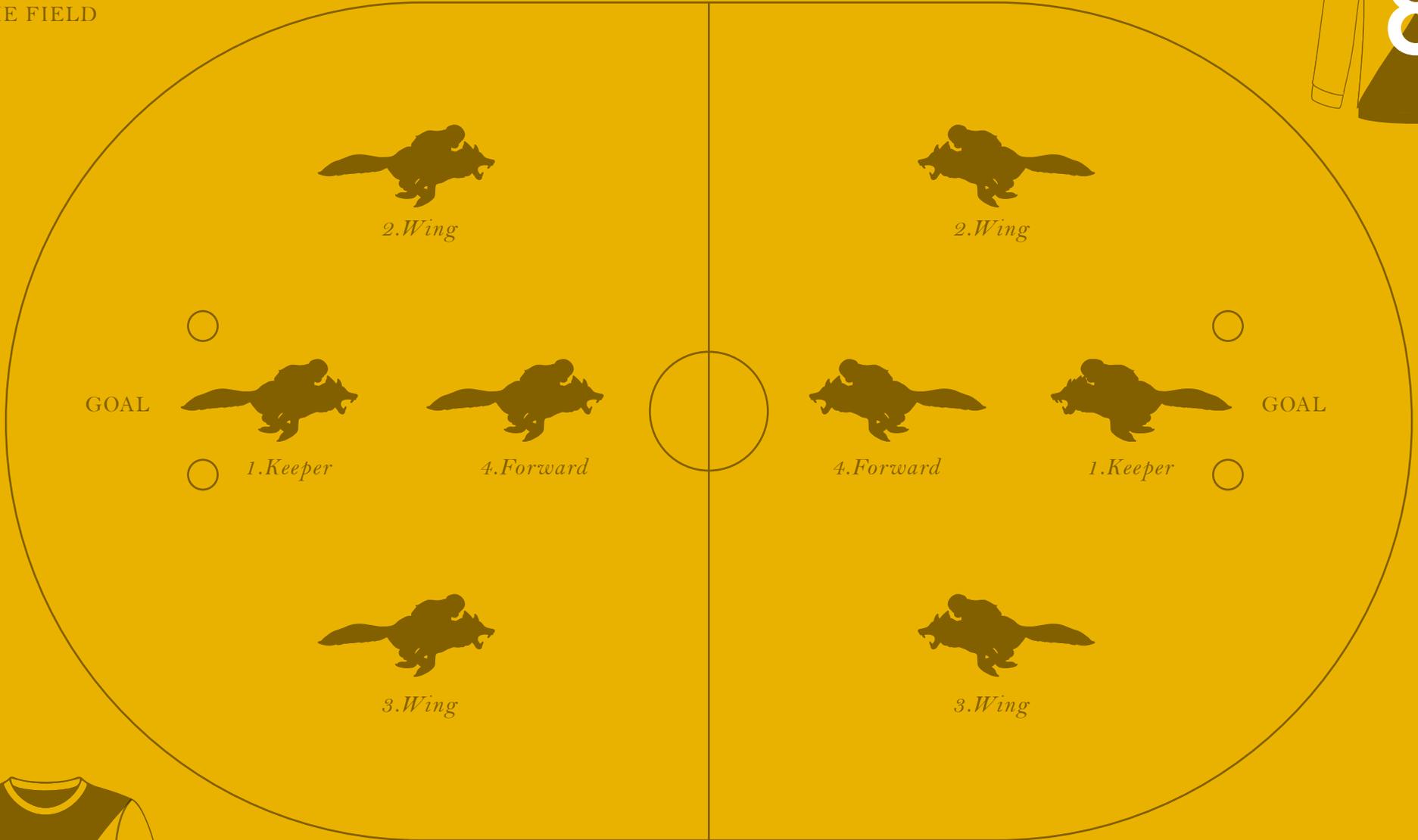
## FOULS

The Referee monitors play, in the event of any contact a free kick is awarded to the other team. Dangerous play, show-boating and multiple contacts will result in a 30 second penalty to that player. If a player continues to abuse the rules and endangers any other player, at the referees discretion the player is removed from the game and the team will continue 1 player down.

## THE FIELD

The field can be any size, but it must be a complete oval, with a distance of more than 15ft behind the goal at each end. Ideally the boundary of the field is a 'hard' edge to keep the ball in play. If the ball leaves the field, the other team will be awarded a free throw-in to resume play.

THE FIELD



5. Substitute



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*“Moto Polo is similar in nature to Afghani ‘Buzkashi’, but played instead on motorcylces and with less need for the severed goats head.”*

*Team Malle*



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