



Ricochet Q & A



Offensive or Defensive play?

Ricochet maybe played as a quite attacking offensive game, or as a defensive “safe” game.

The first may have an element of risk and possibility of reward.

The second extremely defensive game reduces scoring opportunities and can be less satisfying for both sides. (Aunt Emma)

A balanced approach is best, with a slight emphasis on aggressive play.

Many players are ruled by fear, as opposed to a calculated spirit of adventure, with thinking such as:

“what do I do if I fail”, the better thinking would be. “what can I do when I succeed”

When you start your turn, you should have a “positive attitude “ I can do this.

Some Options are:

1. Make a hoop.
2. Deny the opponent.
3. Set up for a Break.
4. Set up with a safe position, wired, set a long roquet on the border.
5. Set up a rush for your partner ball (but do not leave a double)

Setting up for a Break is the best option.

You must recognize and play to your strengths and be aware of the opponent’s strengths and weaknesses. But most of all ENJOY your play.

“Determination and Positive thinking are keys for success.”

Next issue ‘Taking a Bisque “ (in time for the start of Pennant play)

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