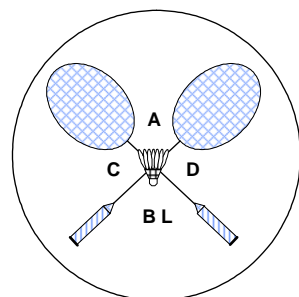


Aldershot & Camberley District Badminton League Newsletter No. 1



Welcome to the New Season

The League committee would like to wish you an enjoyable and successful 2003/04 season.

Following the Annual General Meeting held on 3rd July 2003 at Oak Farm School, the following members were elected or re-elected.

Chairman	Charlie Forster
General Secretary	Fran Jones
Treasurer	Henjia Goldsmith
Internal Match Secretary	Phil Pullen
Tournament Secretary	Mark Prictoe
Ass. Tournament Secretary	Steve Appleton
Junior Co-ordinator	Peter Yeabsley
Ass. Junior Co-ordinator	Debbie Currie
Ex Officio	Joyce Hood

All Committee members are contactable via email. Simply email 'firstname'@acdbl.co.uk e.g fran@acdbl.co.uk. Alternatively telephone numbers can be found in the handbook.

Handbook

A copy of the league handbook has been emailed to everyone who indicated they would like their own copy and a hard copy has been forwarded to each club secretary. There is also a copy held on the ACDBL website. Address www.acdbl.co.uk.

Welcome

We have one new club this season, a warm welcome is extended to Reading and Country.

We sadly say goodbye to Wand Tetley and good luck to Chaucer Valley and Tomlinscote with your new merged club, CVT.

Affiliation Fees

Henjia Goldsmith is waiting to receive the League affiliation fees, These have increased to £15 per club and £10 per team entered into the league. Please make your cheques payable to ACDBL and pay them promptly.

If you are a Hampshire registered club then you should have received your Hampshire and BAofE affiliation forms. This season the Hampshire fees are £4.40 per adult and £2.20 per junior. Please could you arrange to make your payments direct to the BAofE as requested.

Nominations and Registrations

Please could all club secretaries send their team player nominations to Phil Pullen, Internal Match Secretary, before the matches begin. At the same time, you are required to register your club players with the League. Also before the commencement of matches. Remember you cannot turn out players for matches if they are not registered!

This season it was agreed at the AGM that Phil will accept the registration of a player 48 hours prior to playing in a match.

Tournaments

All tournaments this year will be played at Lightwater. All of the Tournament dates are in the Handbook. Please ensure that they are made available to all of your club members.

The level doubles, mixed doubles and vets are being run in the evenings, all commencing at 7.00pm in order for the tournament to be completed. Please try and support these to the best of your ability. We have even introduced handicapping of the tournaments to attempt to improve entries!

Match Cards

The match cards have all been sent to the match secretaries for distribution to your team captains, together with Freepost labels which need to be stuck on the match cards. I am enclosing additional labels should sufficient not have been supplied with the cards. Please ensure these labels are attached, as a penalty point will be applied if the cards are received late due to them not being properly addressed.

We are continuing with Freepost and it is the responsibility of the winning team to submit the card although the home team will supply it.

In the case of a draw, the home team shall be responsible for sending in the match card.

Please ensure that cards are also submitted for conceded and cancelled matches.

A deduction of **ONE POINT** will still be applied to the team responsible for sending in the match card if it is more than 14 days late in reaching the League Internal Match Secretary.

Charity Event

Last season we supported Disability Initiative. The league ran another 24 hour charity event which took place on Friday 23rd and Saturday 24th May 2003 and we raised in excess of £1,200. A final figure will be available on the website once Henjia has received all the sponsorship money. Thank you to everyone who took part.

We will be choosing another charity to support this season so if anyone has any suggestions please notify me as soon as possible.

Enclosed Information

Enclosed with this newsletter is your League handbook. Electronic copies will be sent to those who have requested them. If anyone else would like his or her own copy please e-mail me on fran@acdbl.co.uk.

Also enclosed is a list of errors that were detected when collating the Home & Away fixtures. Please ensure that you contact the relevant Match Secretaries and confirm the match details. This list does not relieve you of the responsibility to check all of your fixtures.

If there are any amendments or alterations you would like me to make please contact me as soon as possible and I will make the necessary changes.

I am also enclosing a copy of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting. Please circulate them to your members so they are aware of all changes.

Shuttles

If your club wish to purchase shuttles from the league (C.N.Alpha), then please contact Fred Lewis who is happy to continue to supply shuttles to your club. He will be happy to take your order.

Handbook Amendment

Please amend your handbook to show the up-to-date telephone number for the Secretary for CVT.

May you all have a very enjoyable season. If you have any queries or problems, please do not hesitate to get in touch with a member of the committee.

Bye for now,

Fran Jones, League Secretary