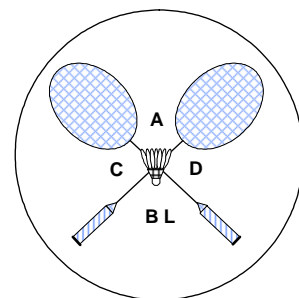


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GOODBYE TO THE LEAGUE MATCH SECRETARY

Some of you may already be aware but Phil Pullen has resigned as the League Match Secretary. Phil, Alex and family have decided to leave friendly Farnborough and venture to Suffolk. He has assured me that he will miss receiving match cards with stamps on, match cards in envelopes and even match cards with details missing!!

On behalf of the league I would like to thank Phil and Alex for all the hard work they have put into the Aldershot and Camberley league over the past few years and wish them much happiness in their new home.

In the meantime Ian Mott is processing the match cards. The Freepost address remains the same; cards are now being directed to Ian's address, so no action is required by anyone. As before, please continue to mail your completed match cards to arrive before the 14-day deadline.

If you do have any queries regarding matches, **please do not ring Ian**, refer these to Charlie Forster. His phone number can be found in the league handbook. If you are unable to get hold of him then feel free to phone any of the committee members.

- Refer to the handbook for phone numbers -

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HANDBOOK CHANGES

Please note the following changes for your handbook.

Featherways;- Sue Dale - Secretary
- Email fran@acdbl.co.uk for Sue's new email -

Wellington;- John London – Chairman
- Email fran@acdbl.co.uk for John's new email -

TOURNAMENT NEWS

Team Tournament is taking place on 28th February from 10.00 at Lightwater. The closing date has passed and the draw will be with the club secretary within the week.

There is a **level doubles** tournament for the Guildford League on the 6th March at Godalming Badminton Hall. This is handicapped and open to players from the A & C league. If anyone is interested in playing please contact Gary Collyer at gary@gdbl.org.uk as soon as possible.

Mixed Doubles Tournament is taking place midweek on Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th March. Please start thinking about generating interest now. Thank you.

Vets Tournament is on Monday 19th April and Thursday 22nd April and is handicapped.

BAoE INSURANCE

Last month Charlie attended the Hampshire District Forum meeting at Winchester and commented on the reduced insurance the BAoE were now offering. It has come to light that any player in the league who is over 70, is not actually covered by the insurance. If any clubs have players of this age or above please can you make them aware of this.

A further meeting is to take place in early March. If anyone has any comments they wish to pass to the Hampshire Badminton Association please direct them to Charlie or myself and we will happily bring them up at the meeting.

LEAGUE AGM

The next newsletter will provide details of the AGM and a request for proposals that clubs would like to include in the AGM agenda. Please can you collect your thoughts and begin to prepare any proposals you may like to submit.

As ever some committee members will decide to step down at the end of this season – we need a new Match Secretary. At the last AGM, we had difficulty filling the committee places and we don't want the same problems this season.

No one thinks they have time to do these jobs but you will find that the jobs are rewarding, you meet new people and get your say in how the league develops and it keeps the game of badminton from decline. We really do need some new members to step forward. So please discuss it within your clubs and think about giving a little back to the league.

CHARITY TOURNAMENT

As you are all aware for the past 2 seasons we ran a 24 hour Charity Tournament. The first season was very well supported but we saw a decline last year. We have therefore decided to take a different approach this season.

As I mentioned in my previous newsletter the Charity the League are supporting this season is Homestart. We intend to run a tournament towards the end of May, early June along the format of the team tournament. All you will need to do is enter as a mixed pair and the committee will put you in a team with 2 other pairs of different ability from other clubs. We have run a tournament like this in the past and it has been very successful so hopefully this can be repeated.

LEAGUE TABLES

Please find attached the up to date league tables for distribution to your club members.

Fran Jones
League Secretary