

Club Secretaries,

The new badminton season is rapidly approaching and the committee are working on finalising the fixture list which we will be distributing in the near future. The first matches at the Central Venue are scheduled for 1st October.

Please find attached minutes of this year's annual general meeting along with a draft Club Contacts. All Secretaries are requested to check the club contact details for accuracy and notify any changes required in respect of your club to the League Chairman (Robin Ripley) by e-mail. An updated list will thereafter be distributed and published on the league website.

For the information of those not represented at the Annual General Meeting and following the success of the League Tournament last season, it was agreed that the League Affiliation fees would be increased to £30 per team to including two entries in the relevant section of the League Tournament.

The League Tournament will be held at RGU on Friday 11th and Friday 18th February 2011 commencing at 6pm each night. These dates will be included with the fixtures list and published on the Aberdeen & District League website. Club Secretaries are requested to notify the League Tournament Secretary (Colin Anderson) of your two nominated entries by 31 January 2011. A reminder will be distributed nearer the time and approximate playing times notified once the draw is made.

The introduction of a Singles League was also discussed at the Annual General Meeting. There was agreement that the League supported the proposal in principle and encouraged any increase in competitive play. Due to the timescale available it was not possible to consult fully with all clubs to establish how many clubs were in a position to enter a "team" or on the format of the team e.g. 3 players each playing 3 games as in the doubles matches or 3 games in total as in ladies matches. For this season and an interim league will be introduced hopefully developing into a full league for next season (see singles league entry information below).

All Club Secretaries are requested (once your clubs have started playing this season), to consult with your members and establish if you have sufficient interest in entering a "singles" team next season along with any comments on the format of singles league matches and notify the League Secretary (Ian Wright) by e-mail in order that the committee can consider ideas to put forward a proposal for adoption at next year's Annual General Meeting. A response of not interested is also requested.

Scorecard representatives are reminded that results should be forwarded to Ken Watson and Ian Wright by e-mail using the distributed templates (also available on website)

Invoices regarding league fees and for hire of central venue facilities will be distributed separately.

Robin Ripley
Chairman
Aberdeen and District Badminton League

2010/2011 Aberdeen & District Singles League Entry Information

It was agreed at the Annual General Meeting that an interim singles league would be introduced this season. It is to be played in pools with each player in the pool contacting and arranging to play every other player in their pool, either at one of their clubs or on a hired court with both players sharing the costs. The final stages of the singles league will be played at the League Tournament.

The League committee will assist in the management of the league and Club Secretaries are asked to make members of their Clubs aware of this event requesting that anyone interested in participating notify the League Secretary Ian Wright by e-mail prior to a closing date of 1st October 2010 they should include contact telephone numbers and e-mails which will be notified to other players in their designated pool (This information will not be published elsewhere). After the closing date and numbers of players confirmed the committee will meet to decide on the format of the pools and numbers to go forward to the final stages in February. It is proposed that the deadline for completion of all singles matches be set at 31 January 2011 with the leader or leaders in each pool progressing to the final stages based on the recorded results on that date.