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OFFICIAL HANDBOOK

SEASON 2019-2020

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NELSON & DISTRICT BADMINTON LEAGUE - CLUB CONTACTS, MATCH NIGHTS AND TIMES 2019-2020 SEASON

CLUB NAME AND VENUE	CLUB SECRETARIES NAME, ADDRESS & TEL NO.	MATCH SECRETARIES NAME, ADDRESS AND TEL NUMBER	NUMBER/TYPE OF TEAMS	MATCH NIGHT	TIME OF START	NUMBER OF COURTS
Brunlea BC St Peters Sports Centre Burnley BB11 2DL	Miss Cecile Planque 79, Lower Antley Street Accrington BB5 0BA 07411412090 cecile.planque@gmail.com	Mr Stewart Holt 86 Stirling Court BRIERCLIFFE Burnley BB10 3QT Tel: 01282 450023/07973905396 s.p.holt@talktalk.net	2 mixed 2 mens	Monday	8.00 p.m.	2
Colne BC Pendle Leisure Centre Crown Way Colne BB8 9NP	Mr Paul Stanton 73 Walton Lane Nelson BB9 8BG 07557587890 secretarycolnebc@gmail.com	Mrs Olivia Lucas 15, Main Street Kelbrook BB18 6TJ 07895240078 ofranks91@hotmail.com	1 mixed 1 mens	Tuesday	7.15 p.m.	2
Nelson College Nelson & Colne College Scotland Road Barrowford BB9 7YT	Mr Glenn Tunbridge 33, Boulsworth Crescent Nelson BB9 8DF 01282 691214 07891140182 glenn.tunbridge@gmail.com	Mr Glenn Tunbridge 33, Boulsworth Crescent Nelson BB9 8DF 01282 691214 07891140182 glenn.tunbridge@gmail.com	1 mens	Wednesday	7.15 p.m. For 7.30pm prompt start	2
Todmorden BC Todmorden Sports Centre, Ewood Lane, Todmorden, OL14 7DF	Phil Glister 52 Cragg Road Mytholmroyd Hebden Bridge HX7 5EG 01422 886914 info@todmordenbadmintonclub.co.uk	Mrs Sandra Simpson 34, Southfield Heptonstall HX7 7LS 01422844734/ 07999810904 k_a_simpson@talktalk.net	1 mixed 1 mens	Wednesday	8.00 p.m.	2

LEAGUE HONOURS 2018/2019 SEASON

Division 1 Champions - Todmorden A
 Runners-up - Brunlea B

Men's Four Champions - Todmorden A
 Runners-up - Colne

Ladies Four Champions - Not played
 Runners-up - Not played

CUP WINNERS 2018/2019 SEASON

Pollard Cup Winners - Brunlea A
 Runners-up - Todmorden

Sherratt Cup Winners - Not Played
 Runners-up - Not Played

KNOCKOUT WINNERS 2018/2019 SEASON

MIXED DOUBLES Champions - F. Wells & C. Morgan
 Runners-up - S. King & H. Tan

LADIES DOUBLES Champions - R. Hillary & K. Lamb
 Runners-up - S. King & C. Eldon

MEN'S DOUBLES Champions - S. Grantham & D. Bertenshaw
 Runners-up - H. Tan & J. Bowen

MEN'S SINGLES Champion - P. Ainscoe
 Runner-up - D. Bertenshaw

LADIES SINGLES Champion - J. Mounsey
 Runner-up - F. Wells

MOST SPORTING PLAYERS - Janet Sanderson & Jonny Hartley

LEAGUE RULES

1. The League shall be called 'The Nelson and District Badminton League'.
2.
 - a) The League and its competitions shall be administered by a League Management Committee (L.M.C.), consisting of Executive Members elected annually at the League A.G.M. with the power to co-opt associate members as and when necessary to the L.M.C. (Executive Members being Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Match Secretary and Treasurer). In the event of some unforeseen occurrence whereby the League Rules do not adequately cover a particular situation, a final decision will be made solely by the L.M.C.
 - b) All disputes or appeals on any matter connected with the League shall be submitted in writing to the League Secretary within 7 days.
 - c) Any team wishing to resign shall give notice in writing to the League Secretary and their results will then be deleted from the League Records.
 - d) The L.M.C. will produce minutes of meetings and they shall be circulated to all clubs.
 - e) Dates of all meetings will be circulated to all clubs who will be represented at all meetings by a club member. Each representative will take their turn on the L.M.C. Failure to attend a meeting by a club representative shall result in a £5.00 fine.
3. League Fees
 - a) **Entrance Fee** - Registration fee per club -£30.00 and £20.00 per team to be paid to the League Treasurer at the League Formation Meeting. Entrance Fee to be determined by the A.G.M. taking into consideration the previous year's balance sheet.
 - b) **Cup Fee** - £10 per team per competition to be sent along with a list of player's names for each team, to the League Treasurer 14 days before the start of each competition.

- c) **Guarantee Bond** - £30.00 per club to be paid to the league Treasurer by the start of the current season. The bond is to cover non- attendance at match fixtures. At the discretion of the L.M.C. this money is refundable providing that the teams comply with the League Rules. Any team not complying with the League Rules will immediately forfeit their £30.00 Guarantee bond and must therefore pay a further £30.00 Guarantee bond.

A.G.M./FORMATION MEETING

The A.G.M./Formation Meeting shall be held at the end of the season, but at least six weeks before the start of the following season. All Club Secretaries will be notified in writing at least 28 days before. All teams must send one representative; otherwise a fine of £5 will be imposed. All officials and members present shall have one vote. Any member wishing to have a proposal included in the Agenda of the A.G.M. must notify the League Secretary at least 14 days before, in writing, together with a signature of their seconders. Voting at an A.G.M. will be on a one vote one team system.

Registration

- a) A player must be registered with the League Match Secretary in writing at least 7 days before being eligible to play in their first match. Closing date for registration being December 31st of season. (In exceptional circumstances only, may registration after this date be accepted, at the L.M.C.'s discretion).
- b) Players who take part in the Annual K/O's must be bona fide registered members of the clubs.

MATCH PLAY RULES

1. A team shall consist of two ladies and two men. Matches to consist of four mixed doubles sets, one ladies doubles set and one men's doubles set. A team failing to comply with this shall forfeit four games.
2. A player shall only represent one Club in any season, except by special permission of the L.M.C.

3. A Club with more than one team in the League should nominate four players (2men, 2 ladies) for all teams. The top two players (1 lady & 1 man, if more than one team then 2 ladies & 2 men) should be starred using the handicaps and the other two players will only be entitled to play down in the lower team on a maximum of three occasions.
4. The League shall consist of two divisions although this may be varied by the Committee at the Formation Meeting. The number of teams in a division and the number of teams promoted or relegated shall be based on the relative strength and position of the teams in the previous season and to be decided by the L.M.C.
5.
 - a) All matches to be played up to 21 points using the Rally Points scoring system where the side winning a rally adds a point to its score. If a game reaches 20 all, the game continues until one side reaches a 2 point gap or 30 points, whichever comes first.
 - b) All matches to be played with 'Yonex Mavis' synthetic shuttles of good speed and quality, to be provided by the home team.
 - c) Any match may be played with feather shuttles if both teams agree.
6. If a match has not started within 15 minutes of the official time of start as stated in the handbook, the offending team shall forfeit 2 games. If after a further 15 minutes the match still has not started, then the offending team shall forfeit 4 games. The order of play on the score sheet should be adhered to whenever possible. If a definite result has not been obtained within the time allowed, providing the match started promptly, the match to be concluded at the earliest possible date and Match Secretary to be informed.
7.
 - a) The Home Team Captain to enter his team on the score sheet first, this is to be given to the Visiting Team Captain who will enter his team before start of play. Any alteration to be agreed upon by both Captains and a new score sheet written out.
 - b) All match scores to be checked and signed by a member of each team. The completed sheet to be sent by the Home Team to the Match Secretary within 96 hours of match. Failure to comply with this rule shall mean the club concerned will be fined £5 and receive a 5 point penalty.

- c) If the match is unsatisfactory and a result cannot be agreed upon, then do not sign the score sheet and follow up the disagreement with the Match Secretary.
8. The teams which have scored the highest number of League points shall hold the Championship of their respective divisions. In the event of a tie on points for any League Championship the teams concerned shall play a deciding match on a neutral court. In any un-played match the defaulting team to lose all points and the non-defaulting team to receive an average.
9. If a match (League or Cup) be postponed, the Match Secretary must be informed of the postponement and of the date within 7 days of the original date. The only reason for postponement being non-availability of courts. Any match may be brought forward if mutually agreed by both teams and Match Secretary. Should teams fail to agree the new dates for postponed matches or replays, then the Match Secretary to arrange a new date.
10. If a player becomes ill or is hurt or sustains accidental breakage of his/her spectacles during play, the injured team may allow the other members of the team to substitute in the remaining games. Failing this the scores shall stand as at the time of the accident and all remaining games shall be forfeited by the player.
11. The trophies shall be held by the winning team and shall be returned to the Match Secretary in good condition, by the date of the Annual Handicap K/O or sooner if required by the L.M.C. Clubs failing to comply will be fined £5.00.
- a) The umpire shall be in complete charge of the game and responsible for calling faults and not the players.
- b) All players to wear predominantly white sportswear whenever possible.
- c) All players can only play in one match on the same night.

COMPETITION RULES

1. The Pollard Cup is compulsory to all first division teams and open to all second division teams. The Sherratt Cup is compulsory to all second division teams. Teams shall consist of two men and two women and all matches to consist of six mixed doubles sets.

2. Match Secretaries to forward a list of names for each team in each competition to the League Match Secretary in writing 14 days before the start of the first competition.
3. A player **MUST** have played in at least **TWO** league matches to be eligible to play in a cup team.
4. For the final, each club must submit their cup team **7** days in advance to allow more accurate handicaps to be assessed. Failure to do so will incur a 12-point penalty.
5. All Cup competitions to be handicapped. The handicaps will be derived by the L.M.C. from the average points scored in league matches. Handicaps will not be known by the teams competing in the cup matches until after the match has been completed.
6. All cup matches shall be arranged by the League Match Secretary. Teams will be notified of the date of their first fixture, along with their handicap and the draw, at least 7 days before being required to play.
7. Any club with more than one team in any competition shall not be allowed to interchange players. The top two players (1 lady & 1 man, if more than one team then 2 ladies & 2 men) should be starred. Only named players shall be eligible to play unless L.M.C. permission has been granted.
8. All **FINALS** to be arranged by the L.M.C. on neutral courts and cost stood by the League.
9. **League K/O Handicap Tournament**

The League will hold individual K/O Handicap Tournaments at the end of each season. Handicaps will be assessed by a handicap committee at the last committee meeting before the end of the season.

2019 FIXTURES

OCT	01	<i>MIXED</i>	COLNE	V	TODMORDEN
	02	<i>MENS</i>	NELSON COLLEGE	V	BRUNLEA B
	08	<i>MIXED</i>	COLNE	V	BRUNLEA B
	16	<i>MIXED</i>	TODMORDEN	V	BRUNLEA A
	23	<i>MENS</i>	TODMORDEN	V	BRUNLEA B
	23	<i>MENS</i>	NELSON COLLEGE	V	COLNE
	28	<i>MENS</i>	BRUNLEA A	V	COLNE
NOV	04	<i>MIXED</i>	BRUNLEA A	V	COLNE
	11	<i>MIXED</i>	BRUNLEA A	V	BRUNLEA B
	13	<i>MENS</i>	TODMORDEN	V	COLNE
	18	<i>MENS</i>	BRUNLEA A	V	TODMORDEN
	19	<i>MENS</i>	COLNE	V	BRUNLEA B
	27	<i>MIXED</i>	TODMORDEN	V	BRUNLEA B
DEC	04	<i>MENS</i>	NELSON COLLEGE	V	TODMORDEN
	09		TEAM CHALLENGE		

2020 FIXTURES

JAN	06	<i>MENS</i>	BRUNLEA B	V	NELSON COLLEGE
	14	<i>MENS</i>	COLNE	V	NELSON COLLEGE
	15	<i>MENS</i>	TODMORDEN	V	BRUNLEA A
	22	<i>MIXED</i>	TODMORDEN	V	COLNE
	27	<i>MENS</i>	BRUNLEA A	V	NELSON COLLEGE
FEB	04	<i>MENS</i>	COLNE	V	BRUNLEA A
	10		POLLARD CUP SEMI-FINALS		
	17	<i>MENS</i>	BRUNLEA B	V	COLNE
	24	<i>MIXED</i>	BRUNLEA B	V	COLNE
	26	<i>MENS</i>	TODMORDEN	V	NELSON COLLEGE
MAR	02	<i>MIXED</i>	BRUNLEA B	V	BRUNLEA A
	03	<i>MENS</i>	COLNE	V	TODMORDEN
	09	<i>MIXED</i>	BRUNLEA B	V	TODMORDEN
	16	<i>MIXED</i>	BRUNLEA A	V	TODMORDEN
	23	<i>MENS</i>	BRUNLEA B	V	TODMORDEN
	25	<i>MENS</i>	NELSON COLLEGE	V	BRUNLEA A
	31	<i>MIXED</i>	COLNE	V	BRUNLEA A

NDBL~ DIARY DATES 2019-2020

EVENT	DATE
Handbook available	1 st September 2019
Season starts	1 st October 2019
Registration of teams	15 th October 2019
Committee progress meeting ***Return of trophies***	2 nd March 2020
Knockout forms out	2 nd March 2020
Singles Knockout Competition	2 nd April 2020
Cup finals	TBC April 2020
Knockout forms to be returned	27 th April 2020
Season ends	30 th March 2020
Knockout competition	6 th May 2020
Presentation	12 th June 2020
AGM & Formation meeting	8 th July 2020