

Plymouth & District Badminton League
Annual RESTRICTED Tournament Sunday 30th January 2022
Singles, Doubles & Mixed Handicapped Events
Torpoint and Rame Leisure Centre, Antony Rd, Torpoint PL11 2NH

The Plymouth and District Badminton League Tournament rules will apply throughout the tournament and all players must be affiliated to Badminton England and a club playing in the Plymouth and District Badminton League. All events will be played as a handicapped round robin followed by knockout phase. The organisers reserve the right to change any event to a knockout as necessary.

Entries to be sent to either:

- **Jo Jackson, 68 Underlane, Plympton, Plymouth, PL7 1QY** or
- **PlymouthBadders.Tournaments@gmail.com**

Entries must be received no later than **Thursday 27th January 2022**. Please note that entries received after this date may not be accepted. Please make cheques payable to the "Plymouth and District Churches Badminton League". No payments will be refunded. A separate entry fee is required for each event entered.

Entries for the Restricted Events will be accepted from players in Medley Division 2, Men's Division B & C and the lower section of ladies Division 1 where 2 ladies divisions do not operate – this will be players from those teams which are in single points at the start of the New Year. Entries will also be accepted from nominated players in Division 2 / B & C players who have "played up" a maximum of three times in Division 1 / A fixtures.

Start times:

- Ladies Doubles: 09:00
- Men's Singles 09:00
- Ladies Singles 10:30 (as courts and players become available)
- Men's Doubles: 10:30 (as courts and players become available)
- Mixed Doubles: 12.00 (as courts and players become available)

**Enter 2 Events and
get the third event
half price!**

A SEPARATE ENTRY FORM IS REQUIRED FOR EACH COMPETITOR

Name: _____ Contact Tel. No. : _____

Club: _____ Division Played: _____

Badminton England No. : _____

Event

Men's Singles: _____ £ 10.00

Ladies Singles: _____ £ 10.00

Partner's Name

Men's Doubles: _____ BE No: _____) £ 10.00

Ladies Doubles: _____ BE No: _____) £ 10.00

Mixed Doubles: _____ BE No: _____) £ 10.00

*Deduct £5.00
from total if
you enter all
three events*

TOTAL ENTRY FEE PAYABLE £ _____

Photographs / videos may be taken during the Tournament – please inform the Organisers if you do not wish your photograph to be taken or used for publicity purposes. Anyone wishing to take photos / videos needs to obtain permission from the organisers.

- 1) The Tournament will be run by the Plymouth & District Badminton League in accordance with the Tournament Regulations of Badminton England.
- 2) Entries must be made on the official form and must be received by the Tournament Secretary listed on the prospectus cover, with entry fees, by the stated closing date. BOTH doubles partners MUST submit an entry form. Competitors seeking a partner must enter 'Partner Wanted' in the "Partners Name" section but do so knowing they may be paired with a player of unknown standard/ability. Illegible or incomplete entries may be ignored (late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the tournament organiser).
- 3) The Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse entries without assigning any reason and will seed all level events. The Committee also reserves the right to restrict the number of entries in each event. All entries will be accepted on a 1st come, 1st served basis. If entries are oversubscribed, the date of receiving entry forms will be taken into account. When determining seeding, the Badminton England Player Grading List followed by the rankings lists shall be used. The Committee reserves the right to use their discretion in selection and seeding, to limit entries in any particular event, or alter or modify the programme in any way it sees fit, if it is in the interest of the tournament or where standard of competitors is not known. Its decisions on all matters shall be final. In all cases, Badminton England Tournaments regulations will be followed.
- 4) All competitors must be present at least 10 minutes before their start time & report to the Tournament 'check-in' table immediately on arrival and be prepared to play at all times.
- 5) Rally points scoring shall be used throughout, as outlined within the Laws of Badminton. In games where setting is allowed, at 20 all, the side gaining a 2 point lead first shall win that game. At 29 all, the side scoring the 30th point wins that game. The period for knocking up before any match shall not exceed THREE minutes. An interval not exceeding 60 seconds shall be permitted when the leading score reaches 11 points in each game. An interval not exceeding TWO minutes is also permitted between games.
- 6) In a group where each match is two games or best of three games the winner shall be (with or without extended scoring): i) The player/pair who wins the most matches.
In a group where each match is only one game the winner shall be (without extended scoring): i) the player/pair who wins the most points. ii) If two players/pairs have won the same number of matches (if two or best of three games) or points (if only one game per match), the winner of the match between them. iii) If there is no winner under (ii), or if three or more players/pairs are equal these players/pairs will be placed in descending order according to overall games difference. NB Games difference is number of games won minus games lost. iv) If two players/pairs are then equal the winner of the match between them. v) If there is no winner under (iv), or if three or more players/pairs are equal these players/pairs will be placed in descending order according to overall points difference. NB Points difference is number of points won minus points lost. vi) If two players/pairs are still equal the winner of the match between them. vii) If three or more players/pairs are still equal the Referee must use his discretion.
- 7) Competitors must be prepared to play at the times stated for the commencement of each event. Evening events will remain the same times as previously stated. Competitors must report to the Tournament Desk immediately upon arrival, and must not leave the hall without Tournament Desk permission, until otherwise eliminated from all events. **ANY COMPETITORS NOT READY TO PLAY WHEN CALLED UPON WILL BE LIABLE TO BE SCRATCHED AND / OR PENALISED.**
- 8) Play shall not take place on days other than those sanctioned and no competitor shall be obliged to commence a match before the stated times but finish times cannot be guaranteed.
- 9) In accordance with Tournament Regulations of Badminton England, clothing must be acceptable and its suitability, within the Badminton England regulations, and final decision on suitability will be at the discretion of the Tournament Referee.
- 10) Yonex Aerosensa feather shuttles will be used throughout the tournament.
- 11) All entry fees as listed on the entry form.
- 12) The Plymouth & District Badminton League is committed to providing equal treatment for all its members, associated members, prospective members, guests and prospective guests in compliance with the Equality Act 2010. By entering this tournament you agree to comply with Badminton England's Equality and Diversity Policy. A copy of the policy can be downloaded from the Badminton England website.
- 13) All players and spectators are expected to comply with the Plymouth & District Badminton league rules and code of conduct. A copy of the current rules and code of conduct can be download from www.plymouthbadminton.co.uk.
- 14) **CONDITIONS OF PLAY:**
 - a. Play in any tournament shall not take place on days other than those specifically sanctioned.
 - b. No competitor shall be obliged to start a match before 9 a.m. or in the case of junior tournaments Under 13 and below after 8.00 pm, Under 14 or 15 after 9.00 pm; Under 16-19 after 10.00 pm; and all other tournaments after 11 p.m. In all Junior Tournaments play on Sundays should be planned to end not later than 7 p.m.
 - c. The period for knocking up before any match shall not exceed three minutes.
 - d. All players will be expected to be available to play when called by the referee.
 - e. Every player is entitled to at least 20 minutes break after any best of three singles match, and at least 10 minutes break after any best of three doubles match.
- 15) **WITHDRAWALS:** Should you need to withdraw, you must contact the Tournament Secretary. Competitors prevented from playing by illness or injury, or other unforeseen cause, shall have entry fees returned in full provided only that at least 36 hours' notice is given. No refund is due if withdrawal is made within 36 hours of the start of the tournament. Withdrawal during the Tournament must be notified to the Tournament Secretary.
- 16) **SUBSTITUTIONS:** Only genuine cases will be considered and all applications must be made to the secretary 15 minutes prior to the pair being due on court. All entries received WITHOUT named partners and NOT paired before the draw will be entered on the substitution list.
- 17) Entry is at the competitor's own risk and by signing the entry form the competitor will imply the acceptance of the above conditions and any additional notes listed on the entry form. All competitors, or their guardians, undertake that to the best of their knowledge that the competitor is healthy to compete.
- 18) **ELIGIBILITY:** Players will be eligible to play in the tournament by being affiliated to a club within the Plymouth & District Badminton League
- 19) **DATE OF BIRTH REQUIREMENT:** Where events are restricted dependent on age, the player's date of birth must be completed on the entry form.
- 20) **EVENTS FORMAT:**
 - a. All events will initially be played as a round robin event with the number and size of each group being determined by the number of entries.
 - b. Where a handicap format is in use, all players will receive a handicap at the beginning of each game.
 - c. Where time allows, the top 2 players in each group will proceed to the knockout stage. On some occasion, the highest scoring third pair may also proceed to fill knockout events. Knockout stages are normally played as best of three ends (dependent on time).
 - d. Where time allows, all knock-out stages will be best of three games with setting (knock-out stages for handicapped events will be best of three games with no setting).
 - e. Where the tournament includes a plate event, all players not proceeding to the knockout stage will enter a plate event. The plate event will follow the same format as the knockout stage. Each round of the plate event will normally be only one game and second hand shuttles may be used.
- 21) All winners and runners up of both main and plate events will receive a keepsake trophy.
- 22) All winners will receive the annual league tournament trophy which is held for one year and returned to the league (all engraving is carried out by the league).
- 23) All events will be played in accordance with Badminton England regulations and Plymouth & District Badminton league rules.