

Plymouth and District Badminton

Tournament Secretaries Report:

There have, as usual, been three league tournaments held this year:

The Christmas mixed doubles handicapped tournament was held in mid December 2021 and attracted nine pairs, although one pair pulled out prior to the event. It was a smaller turn out than usual but in light of the pandemic it was good get tournaments running again. The day was a success, lots of great games, played in good spirits. Thanks as always to Julian Cooper, Alan Berry, Ryan Lambourne and Waine Parker for there input with the handicaps. The Committee have discussed the smaller entry and agreed to an earlier date in December for the 2022 event to try to avoid Christmas events clashing with the tournament date.

The Restricted tournament was held in late February 2022, 34 players entered which is a great turn out compared to previous years, and again a great atmosphere, and players enjoying the competition.

The Open tournament was held in March 2022, 26 players entered and again there were lots of great games played. Committee have taken note that the event clashed with the all England event in Birmingham and will ensure that this does not happen again in 2023 to enable more players to enter.

Keep sake trophies for all winners and runners-up in all these events were handed out on the day, with the exception of the Open mixed doubles, which was completed just over a week later due to the event over running. Perpetual trophies were given out at the recent presentation evening. My thanks to Ryan and Waine for organising the purchase and engraving off all the keep sake and perpetual trophies.

Thank you to everyone who helps to ensure that these events run smoothly and to those who put up with me being stressed on the lead up to the events and on the day.

I hope next years events will attract even more players and continue to foster an enjoyable competitive edge to the badminton played in our district.

Jo Jackson