

NORTH FORELAND REGIONAL BADMINTON ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 13<sup>th</sup> June 2013 - 7.30pm  
POLO FARM, CANTERBURY – CT3 4AF

A G E N D A

1. Chairman's Opening Remarks
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Minutes of previous AGM and matters arising
4. Secretary's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Match Secretary's Report
7. Presentation of League Trophies and awards
8. Coaching Report
9. Tournament Secretary's Report
10. Publicity Report
11. Junior Affairs Report
12. Regional Report  
including Inter-Regional events  
KBL affairs
13. Proposal by the Committee to add to the General Rules:  
"12. The Chairman shall attend the KBL AGM and any similar general meeting and vote on behalf of The Region".
14. Proposal by the Committee to add to the first paragraph of Competition Rule 1 which ensures we follow BE and KBL rules :  
" except where specifically stated in these Rules"  
and  
to add at the end of Rule 1:  
"Coaching in matches may only take place in the changeover between games."
15. Election of Officers and Committee Members
16. Any Other Business

Any member of a club affiliated to the North Foreland may attend but only one member from each club shall be entitled to vote.

Please do your best to ensure that your club is represented. It would be helpful if you could let me have apologies if this isn't going to be possible – especially if your club won a division trophy.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT - 2012/2013

Our spring meeting was cancelled due to the weather so we only managed three full committee meetings this season.

The Inter-Regional events that we organise on behalf of KBL were successful once again with our local teams taking part in all the competitions. There is a separate report on the event.

Clubs should have received information about the recent changes to Badminton England affiliations. Individual fees for next season increase from £11 to £12 (with the Kent fees remaining at £5.75). The new 'social' membership doesn't apply to club members – whether or not they play in teams.

The local BE organisation has changed. Lauren has disappeared – as has her post. There are now BE staff covering wider areas and acting more as advisors with an expectation that if local clubs/leagues want things done then they need to act themselves – with BE support.

There is a local CBN (Community Badminton Network) group based in Canterbury of which we are a part and which is being re-constituted. The idea is that it should be the single recognised voice for the sport in the area with the overall aim of increasing participation and retention of players. To receive BE funding and support (and there may be funding from other sources) considerable commitment is expected – for example:

- \* properly constituted with formal financial facilities
- \* planned objectives – timescales, measurable targets formally signed off
- \* regular meetings with BE to check progress
- \* links with all likely local partners – schools, colleges, leagues
- \* baseline measurements against which to assess progress.

We have to decide whether we are to participate in this local CBN or not and whether we wish to pursue the formal BE line. Those of us who have taken part in the various initiatives of CBN in its former guise are certain of one thing – we wish to see actions resulting – a talking shop is not an option.

One initiative which was included in a circular to BE members in April is 'SmashUp!'. This is aimed at 13-16 year-olds and substitutes a very free-format session with accompanying music etc to replace formal coaching. They are looking for 'activators' to promote these sessions – there is much about this on the BE website.

So there are ideas out there. What are we going to do?

Dave Gardner,  
Hon. Secretary

June 2013

## MATCH SECRETARY'S REPORT 2012/13

Congratulations to all league winners over the past season where on several occasions teams have struggled to get full sides out. This season has been hit by the winter weather with numerous matches rearranged due to snow right into March and in several cases draws awarded as no free dates were left to replay the games. It would be good if more teams could start playing towards the end of September/early October especially as so many clubs now play on a Sunday and Monday night and do not wish to play two nights running.

I have had problems getting results from certain teams so I would appreciate that when you assign your Captains that you make sure they are prepared to send me the results promptly.

The points deduction for conceding games also had some problems this season where clubs with a full team rearrange in good faith to later in the season only to find circumstances have changed and they are penalised by putting out weaker teams or conceding altogether. The Committee discussed this and propose that in future the teams who didn't initiate the rearrangement will not have points deducted if they have to concede the new date.

To help teams out, I am happy to create a list of people who are willing to reserve for other clubs when they are short if their own club does not run a team in the league ie no ladies team/Composite team for example. Do you think this would help ?

Thanks to all those who responded to my email for results, pointed out incorrect results and sent me completed cards.

Kathy Vaughan

## Junior Inter-Regional - 2013

This year's U19s Inter-Regional squad was again ably managed by Will Brealy; however, to help him concentrate on his game, Jenny Drake stayed on and organised the team.

The squad (alphabetical order) of Matt Bamber, Will Brealy, Hannah Breddy, David Cooke, Emily Dilnot, Gemma Hill and Charlotte Radford played very well, each stretching themselves in every game.

Sadly we did not manage to win any ties against some very strong competition but many games were very close, with Hannah deserving a special mention for playing the girls singles. We only just lost our local derby against South Foreland – in fact we scored more points in the match than they did.

This year's U15s Inter-Regional squad was again ably managed by Morrison Ayley.

The squad (alphabetical order) of Morrison Ayley, Alyssa Chin, Jade Elsdon, Harry Hodges, Cherry Jain, Fern Jefferies, Ethan Solly, and Tom Gill-Pratt played very well, working hard in every game.

We won two of our five ties and came 4th overall - many games went to 3 ends and our games totals came out at 36 - 42. Cherry and Alyssa deserve a special mention for the doubles in the first match - Cherry had not played for several months and it was Alyssa's first experience of the Inter-Regional - they won their leg giving us a 4-3 win.

A special thanks to Jenny Drake and both the captains.

Thanks must also go to Herne Bay Juniors for sponsoring the printing on our team shirts.

Linda Mason

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## Senior Inter-Regional - 2013

Our senior team in Division 1 was managed this year by Leigh Curtis, the other players being Alex Skilton, Mike Barham, Ali Mannings, Jack McCulloch, Dave Fenlon, Lesley Darlington, Julie Kennedy, Sarah Vine, Vikki Sutton, Michelle Brothers and Katrina Taylor.

The ties against Orpington and Tunbridge Wells were very tough but by winning the last end of the last match we were victorious in the tie against Ravensbourne and so kept our position in the top division.

UNDER 15	NF	O	R	SF	TW	M	MATCHES		TIES	
North Foreland		4-3	2-5	7-0	1-6	2-5	16	19	2	3
Orpington	3-4		0-7	5-2	0-7	0-7	8	27	1	4
Ravensbourne	5-2	7-0		7-0	0-7	4-3	23	12	4	1
South Foreland	0-7	2-5	0-7		0-7	0-7	2	33	0	5
Tunbridge Wells	6-1	7-0	7-0	7-0		7-0	34	1	5	0
Medway	5-2	7-0	3-4	7-0	7-0		22	13	3	2

UNDER 19	NF	O	M	SF	TW	MATCHES		TIES	
North Foreland		1-6	0-7	3-4	0-7	4	24	0	4
Orpington	6-1		0-7	5-2	1-6	12	16	2	2
Medway	7-0	7-0		7-0	1-6	22	6	3	1
South Foreland	4-3	2-5	0-7		1-6	7	21	1	3
Tunbridge Wells	7-0	6-1	6-1	6-1		25	3	4	0

SENIOR Div 1	Opponents	W/D/L	Matches
Ravensbourne	Orpington/NWK 1	L	3 - 6
	North Foreland	L	4 - 5
	Tunbridge Wells	L	4 - 5
	<b>Totals</b>	0 - 3	11 - 16
Orpington/NWK	Ravensbourne	W	6 - 3
	North Foreland	W	7 - 2
	Tunbridge Wells	W	6 - 3
	<b>Totals</b>	3 - 0	19 - 8
North Foreland	Ravensbourne	W	5 - 4
	Orpington/NWK 1	L	2 - 7
	Tunbridge Wells	L	1 - 8
	<b>Totals</b>	1 - 2	8 - 19
Tunbridge Wells	Ravensbourne	W	5 - 4
	Orpington/NWK 1	L	3 - 6
	North Foreland	W	8 - 1
	<b>Totals</b>	2 - 1	16 - 11

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## AGM June 2013

### Summary

Formal minutes will be presented for approval at next year's AGM. However there are some matters it is worth noting now, indeed there are some which are relevant to activities next season.

The international rules allow for a very flexible approach to coaching during matches. We have decided that any form of coaching or advice from the sidelines should be restricted to the changeovers between games.

There was a proposal to increase our team fees to take account of a likely increase in the fees for entry in the annual Inter-Regional event. The meeting decided to hold this decision over until next year when the I-R fees will have been agreed – so our team fees are unchanged.

The use of the points 'fine' for teams conceding fixtures was generally supported. However it was agreed that the Committee should have some flexibility in applying the rule where the fixture had previously been rearranged for the benefit of the other team.

The local Community Badminton Network was discussed. Responses from clubs show that the main requirement is for more members. The organisation and detailed activities of the CBN are yet to be agreed and the meeting left this to be progressed by the Committee.

The 'Junior of the Year' award was presented to Fern Jefferies of Herne Bay Juniors.

The Committee members remain unchanged.

On our website you can find:

- The final league table

- Secretary's Report

- Match Secretary's Report

- Inter-Regional Report

- Revised General Rules

- Revised League Rules

Dave Gardner - Secretary