

Worcestershire
Badminton Association
Handbook
2021/22



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~~Monday 5 August 2019~~

~~_____ Tuesday 12 November 2019~~

~~_____ Thursday 9 January 2020~~

~~_____ Wednesday 26 February 2020~~

~~_____ Tuesday 9 April 2020~~

~~_____ Monday 8 June 2020~~

~~AGM: Tuesday 21 May 2019~~

LEAGUE RULES

1. Participation

Any club affiliated to Worcester Badminton Association shall be eligible.

2. League Organisation

(a) The league shall consist of Four Divisional Groups – Mens, Ladies, Mixed Doubles and Veterans

(b) There shall be a maximum of eight teams per division.

(c) The Mens, Ladies and Mixed parts shall consist of one Premier division and then Divisions 1,2,3 etc. The Veterans part shall consist of Divisions 1, 2, 3 etc. The number of divisions being governed by the number of teams entering the League

(d) Venues for matches shall be as directed by the League Committee. Any club changing venue for matches should first obtain approval from the League Committee.

(e) Clubs wishing to enter a team must comply with Rule 9 of the Worcestershire Badminton Association. In the event of a club being found to have fielded any player before the affiliation fees have been paid, the games played by the player(s) concerned shall, retrospectively, be awarded to the other team. A nonreturnable entrance fee of £5.00 per team shall be paid to the League Secretary with the League Entry form.

(f) Any club not attending the fixture meeting will not be eligible to play in the league for that season. Re-entry into the League the following season will be one division lower.

(g) All matches arranged at the Fixtures meeting should be for dates before the 15th April.

(h) In the Veterans league, players will be eligible to play from the date they become 40 years of age.

(i) Clubs shall be allowed a maximum of two teams in any one division.

3. League Teams

(a) Mens teams shall consist of three pairs of men. Mixed teams shall consist of 3 Ladies and 3 Men. Ladies teams shall consist of four ladies. The Ladies should play in order of ability. Veterans teams shall consist of 4 players and is open to men and ladies, and teams can consist of any combination and should play in order of ability>.

(b) All team members must be bona fide club members for which an affiliation fee has been paid to the Association, otherwise games played may be null and void. In the case of being a member of two clubs, only one affiliation fee is payable. All players must be registered with the BE for all the clubs they play for.

(c) No player shall represent more than one club in the same divisional group (i.e. Mens, Ladies, Mixed or Veterans) of the League otherwise the games played for the second club shall be null and void.

(d) Clubs entering more than one team in the same part of the League (Mens, Ladies, Mixed and Veterans) must nominate as follows:

- Mens and Mixed – if two teams – four first team players
- if three teams – four first and four second team players
- Ladies and Veterans – if two teams – three first team players
- if three teams – three first and three second team players.

(e) Nominated players for ALL teams in each part of the League shall be sent to the League secretary BEFORE the clubs' first match in that part of the League. Failing this the League Committee will determine the nominations based on the score card submitted.

(f) Any player so nominated shall be eligible to play for a team in a higher division but shall not be eligible to play for a team in a lower division. If a player so nominated subsequently plays for a team in a lower division, his/her scores for that team shall be null and void. From this point onwards, all aces scored by this player for any team in a lower division shall be null and void.

(g) Any player who plays three matches in total for teams in higher divisions shall become a nominated player at that level and shall be covered by the same restrictions as a nominated player.

(h) Where a club has two teams playing in the same division, they shall nominate all players in their higher teams. Players from the lower team would only be able to play once for the higher team. If a player then plays for the higher team on a second occasion, those games shall become null and void. The nomination system shall still apply to a team that a club has in a higher division (League Rule 4n should also be noted at this point).

(i) All nominated players must play at least 3 matches for the nominated or higher team.

(j) When a player has played no more than twice for a team for which he/she has been nominated, a club may apply in writing to the League Secretary, stating the reason for denomination. Should such a denomination be granted then the player may not be played in a higher team during the rest of the season.

4. League Matches

(a) Mens and Mixed matches to consist of nine rubbers each of two games – 21 aces per game (setting permitted) with each pair playing the opposing pairs. The order shall be 1v1, 2v2, 3v3, 2v1, 3v2, 1v3, 3v1, 1v2, 2v3. In the event of the 2 games being shared, a third game shall be played to 11 points, with the winner of the 2nd game the first server. Change ends at 6 points. At 10 points all, there will be setting up to 15 points – the winners will be the team being 2 points ahead. At 14 all the winners will be the winner of the next point.

(b) Ladies and Veterans matches to consist of six rubbers each, best of three games – 21 aces per game (setting permitted) with pairings as follows:
1 + 2: 3 + 4 : 1 + 3 : 2 + 4 : 1 + 4 : 2 + 3 playing the identical opposing pairings.

(c) All match results are decided by the number of rubbers won. In the event of these being equal the match is drawn.

(d) In the event of a club being unable to field a complete team, the team will forfeit the games un-played. In the event of a club being unable to field sufficient eligible players to gain a result, the match may be claimed by the opposing team as a conceded match (a walkover). The team claiming the match will be deemed to have played this match and will be awarded the full number of games and aces available in this match, and the team conceding this match will be deemed not to have played this match (note rule 4m).

(e) All unfinished rubbers shall be replayed from the start.

(f) Club secretaries must inform the League Secretary of match dates.

(g) Matches once arranged may only be postponed due to non-availability of hall, extreme weather or other conditions to be agreed by the league committee. In the event of postponement **both clubs** must inform the divisional league secretary in writing within 24 hours of the original fixture date giving reasons for the postponement. If no such communication is received the club(s) shall be deemed to have conceded this match (Note rule 4m). Any rearranged matches must be played by the end of April and the League Secretary and Divisional League Secretaries must be informed in writing by the home team, and confirmed by the away team, within 4 weeks of the original arranged date.

(h) Any club postponing matches except as above, may have the match awarded to their opponents. Agreement between clubs to waive the above rule may result in the match being declared null and void, but the league committee reserve the right to direct that any postponed match be re-arranged or take any other action as it sees fit when the result detrimentally affect a 3rd team. Any club conceding an away match for reason except as listed in 4g shall pay a penalty of £25 to the County Association, to compensate the home club.

(i) The official score card will be provided by the home team.

(j) The result of the match must be entered onto the FixturesLive web site within 24 hours of the match finishing, by the home captain – as recorded on FixturesLive. If the result has not been entered onto FixturesLive within 24 hours of the match finishing, then the Divisional League secretary must be notified and a copy of the scorecard supplied within 48 hours. The home team also must supply the divisional league secretary with a copy of the official scorecard within 7 days of the match result otherwise 2 points will be deducted.

(k) For all matches played after 15th April, the score card must be scanned and emailed to the relevant Divisional League Secretary contact for the league within 24 hours otherwise 2 points will be deducted.

(l) The cost of the league matches will be borne by the home team.

(m) A team must play all but one of its fixtures otherwise all matches will be null and void, and the team placed at the bottom of the division to be relegated to a lower division the following season. A team failing to complete any of its matches will be deemed to have withdrawn from the League.

(n) Any club with two teams in the same division must play those matches first otherwise the team may lose the results of matches played before these are completed. The ranking of the two teams would be decided from those results.

(o) Where a no scorecard is received, the away team may be allowed to claim any points, rubbers, games and aces won in this match but will not be able to claim a walkover, unless they were given a walkover.

(p) A team not having a playing pair per available court ready to play within 15 minutes of the starting time of a match, including knocking up, shall forfeit the first rubber, unless that rubber can be played within the time allowed for the whole match. Order of play shall be as outlined on the scorecard, see rules 4(a) and 4(b).

(q) If a club is obliged to vacate its premises before a match has been completed, the home club shall forfeit all outstanding games, unless the away team has contravened rule 4(p).

(r) In the event of a match being conceded, both teams must notify the divisional league secretary stating the reason for the match being conceded.

(s) In the event of an injury to a player during the course of a match, no substitutions will be allowed that affect the final score. However, at the discretion of both teams a substitute player can play but their scores will not count.

(t) In accordance with League Rule 4d, a team shall forfeit the result of any game where the full name of the player (as registered with BE) is omitted from the score sheet or is illegible. In the event of 2 players in a club having the same name, it should be clear on the scorecard which player is which.

(u) Should any conceded match detrimentally affect the promotion/relegation prospect of a 3rd party team, the League Committee reserve the right to take any steps to remedy the situation.

5. Divisional Placings

(a) Two points will be awarded for a win and one for a tie.

(b) In the event of a match being conceded, two points will be awarded for the win and two points will be deducted from the team who conceded the match.

(c) The final placing of a club in its divisional group shall be determined by the number of points gained. In the event of points being equal the Club with the higher rubber difference between won and lost shall be placed higher in the division. In the event of the rubber difference also being equal, the Club with the higher games difference between the won and lost shall be placed higher in the division. In the event of games difference being equal then aces won divided by aces lost shall be worked out and the higher result shall determine final league places.

6. Promotion and Relegation

At the discretion of the League Committee the League Committee will state whether play-offs take place and if they are to be arranged the date will be published at the beginning of the season.

(a) All divisions—one up and one down.

(b) All divisions—second from bottom team in a division shall play the team finishing second from top in the lower division in a play-off match (see 7).

(c) In the event that no play-offs take place, promotion and relegation will be one up and one down, apart from the bottom division, which will be 2 up, and the next to bottom division will be one up and 2 down.

(d) If a team opts not to take promotion, it shall be demoted to the bottom division.

7. Play-off Matches

(a) Play-off matches will all take place at a neutral venue at the end of April/start of May. The cost will be £10 per team, payable on the day. The team from the higher division will provide the shuttles for their match, with costs shared by their opponents. Any team failing to turn up for the match will automatically forfeit the match and will play in the lower division the following season.

(b) To be eligible to play in a Play-off match, players should have played at least 50% of the matches for the team. Players who subsequently become nominated for a higher team would no longer be eligible (see rule 3g). In

the event of an ineligible player taking part in the match, all their games will be awarded to the opposition. If a club is unable to field a complete team of eligible players the League will consider granting special dispensation to any player who has not quite fulfilled the necessary 50% appearances.

(c) In the event that two teams from the same club would be involved in a match, no match will take place and the teams will remain in the same divisions the following season.

(d) The League committee may decide not to hold play-offs in any given year, if circumstances deem it appropriate.

8. Shuttles

(a) All shuttles must be cork based and conform the Law 4 of the Laws of Badminton. In addition to this the skirt of all shuttlecocks used in the three Premier Divisions and four First Divisions of the league and in Veterans Division 2 must be made of natural goose feathers.

(b) The home team must ensure an adequate supply of such shuttlecocks.

(c) Shuttlecocks of the same make, type, and speed must be used throughout the match.

9. Trophies

See Association Rule 10.

(a) A £50 fine will be levied if the trophies are not returned prior to one month before the presentation.

(b) Trophies not collected at the presentation will be retained by WBA.

(c) It is the responsibility of the winner of the trophy to have the trophy engraved otherwise a fine of £10 will be levied.

10. General

The committee reserves the right to take action against any club or player who is found not to be acting in the spirit of the game.

11. Rule amendment for 2021/22 season

(a) Due to the exceptional circumstances of the Covid-19 pandemic, the committee and league secretaries will be permitted to vary any league rules for the 2021/22 season in order to enable a sensible and fair completion of the leagues during this uncertain and potentially changeable situation. This rule flexibility can cover, but is not limited to, player eligibility, introduction of a Combination league group, team fees, fixture cancellations and re-arrangement, completion date for matches, cancellation penalties, etc. The committee and league secretaries will endeavour to ensure consistent application of these flexibilities across all leagues and divisions.

(b) This 2021/22 season will also not give rise to any automatic promotions or relegations and there will be no play-offs.

(c) This rule 11 will cover the season for 2021/22 only and will expire and be removed from the league rules in July 2022.

Recommendation:

(a) It is recommended that teams should make contact the week before a match to confirm the details for the match.

(b) Clubs sharing the same facilities:

Where one or more clubs use the same facilities, a sub-committee should be formed comprising of two members from each club.

The duties of this sub-committee are:

- To confirm the established use of all clubs concerned of the facility.
- To deal with any conflicts arising as a result of the use of the facility
- To judge on any members conflict of interests reference the clubs concerned

Should any matter arise which cannot be satisfactorily resolved, then it should be passed on to the league committee for advice.

(c) Teams shall be written onto the scorecard before the start of the match. Each team shall write their own players in block letters.

(d) Clubs should play the majority of higher team matches before all lower team matches have been completed.

Worcestershire League – Member Clubs

ALCESTER

Matches - 2 courts Thursday 8:30-10:00pm (Plastics)
Alcester Grammar School, Birmingham Road, Alcester, B49 5ED

Club - 4 courts Monday 7:45-10pm; 4 courts Thursday 8:30-10:00pm (only 2 if match being played)
 Venue as matches

Secretary
 Nigel Hawes 07814 785234
 nphawes@gmail.com

Match contacts
 Vets - Becky Lovell - 07956 276108
 Combi - Hannah Pilkington - 07881 922213

BADMINTON BEARS

Matches – 2/3 courts Thursday 7.30-9.30 pm (Feathers)
Harborne Academy, Harborne Road, Birmingham B15 3JL

Club – TBC
 Venue as for matches

Secretary
 Victor
 vp02511@gmail.com

Match Secretary
 Zhi Lun
 zhi_lun@hotmail.com

BARNT GREEN SPORTS CLUB

Matches - 2 courts: Friday 8pm or Sunday 4pm, 6pm or 8pm as arranged. (Feathers)
Barnt Green Sports Club, Margesson Drive, Barnt Green, B45 8LR

Club – 2 courts Tuesday 8-10pm (Intermediate), Wednesday 8-10pm (Advanced), Thursday 8-10pm (Beginner)
 Venue as for matches

Secretary
 Kayleigh Smith
 kaymay01@hotmail.co.uk

Match Secretary
 As above

BLACKMINSTER

Matches - 3 courts Wednesday 8pm (Plastic)
St Egwins School, Worcester Road, Evesham, WR11 4JU

Club – 3 courts Monday 8-10pm
 Venue as for matches

Secretary
 Mikah Dent - 07425 317024
 secretary@eveshambadminton.co.uk

Match Secretary
 Jon Quin 07961 111222
 fixtures@gmail.com

Match Contacts:
 Ladies – Mikah Dent - 07425 317024
 Vets – Andrew Knowles 07531 979514
 Mens/Mixed – Jon Quin 07961 111222

BROMSGROVE & REDDITCH

Matches – 1/2 courts Sunday 5.40-7.40pm (Feathers)
Abbey Stadium, Birmingham Road, Redditch, B97 6EJ

Club – 1/2 courts Sunday
 Venue as for matches

Secretary
 Steve Whittaker 01527 61476/07805 051456
 steve1whit@msn.com

Match Secretary
 D Barret-Meade 07815 694649

DICK WHITTINGTON

Matches – 4 courts Monday 7.45pm (Plastic)
Bishop Perowne Sports Hall, Merrimans Hill Road, Worcester, WR3 8LE

Club – 4 courts Monday 7.30-9.30pm
 Venue as for matches

Secretary
 Nicola Banks 01905 794110
 niccibanks@hotmail.com

Match Secretary
 Sally Banks 01905 381895
 banks.ronsal@btinternet.com

HCK

Matches – 4 courts Tuesday, Friday 8-10pm (Feathers)
Hagley Catholic High School, Brake Lane, Hagley, Worcs, DY8 2XL

Club – 4 courts Friday 8-10pm
 Venue as for matches

Secretary
 Stuart Cooper
 sp_cooper@hotmail.com

Match Secretary
 Paul Scrivens
 pauljs1984@hotmail.com

KBC

Matches – 4 courts Monday 8-10pm/Sundays 7-9pm (Feathers)
Baxter College, Habberley Rd, Kidderminster, DY11 5PQ

Club – 4 courts Thursday 8-10pm
 Venue as for matches

Secretary
 James Stickley
 jstickley174@hotmail.co.uk

Match Secretary
 Sally Bangay 07957 848132
 jsbangay@gmail.com

LONGMEADOW	
<p>Matches – 2 courts Tuesday 8.20-10.20pm (Feathers) <i>Arrowvale Sports Centre, Greensward Lane, Matchborough, Redditch, B98 0EN</i></p> <p>Club – 2 courts Thursday 8.20-10.20pm <i>Abbey Stadium, Birmingham Road, Redditch, Worcs, B97 6EJ</i></p> <p>Website: www.longmeadow-badminton.co.uk</p>	<p>Secretary Margaret Hope 01527 526170/07941 076429 mhope2@hotmail.co.uk</p> <p>Match Secretary As above</p>
LYE	
<p>Matches – 4 courts Monday 8-10pm (Feathers) <i>Hagley Catholic High School, Brake Lane, Hagley, Worcs, DY8 2XL</i></p> <p>Club – 4 courts Thursday <i>Venue as for matches</i></p>	<p>Secretary Liz Hamar 01384 377691/07790 379559 lizhamar@blueyonder.co.uk</p> <p>Match Secretary Evie Hamar 01384 377691/07753 164968</p>
MALVERN HILLS	
<p>Matches – 4 courts Thursday 8pm (Feathers) <i>Dyson Perrins Sports College, Yates Hay Road, Malvern Link, Worcs, WR14 1WD</i></p> <p>Club – 4 courts Monday <i>The Chase School Sports Hall, Geraldine Road, Malvern, WR14 3NZ</i></p>	<p>Primary Contact Julie Bigford 07796 414841 jbjewels@icloud.com</p> <p>Secondary Contact</p>
MANOR	
<p>Matches – 4 courts Sunday 4.45pm (Feathers) <i>West Mercia Police Headquarters Sports Hall, Hindlip Hall, Worcester, WR3 8SP</i></p> <p>Club – 4 courts Tuesday 7.30-9.30pm <i>North Bromsgrove High School, School Drive, Stratford Rd, Bromsgrove, B60 1BA</i></p>	<p>Secretary Mark Brown 07753 636321 markcbrown@hotmail.co.uk</p> <p>Match Secretary As above</p>
PITMASTON PARK	
<p>Matches – 2 courts Tuesday 8-10pm, Sunday 6-8pm (Feathers) <i>Perdiswell Leisure Centre, Bilford Road, Worcester, WR3 8DX</i></p> <p>Club – 2 courts Tuesday 8-10pm <i>Venue as for matches</i></p>	<p>Secretary James Hodgkins 07827 314068 jameshodgkins1@gmail.com</p> <p>Match Secretary Jude Tyson 07743 717842 jude_tyson@yahoo.co.uk</p>
QBEC	
<p>Matches – 4 courts Monday 8.15-10pm, Friday 8-10pm (Feathers) <i>Redhill School, Junction Rd, Stourbridge, DY8 1JX</i></p> <p>Club – 4 courts Monday 8.15-10pm <i>Venue as for matches</i></p>	<p>Secretary : Ian Mitchell - 0780 1072867 & 0121 429 3952 ikm8cc@gmail.com</p> <p>Match Secretary Deepak George 07780 697737 deepakgeorge@gmail.com</p>
STOURBRIDGE INSTITUTE – S.I.B.C	
<p>Matches – 1 court Mon, Wed, Thurs 7-11.15pm Saturday 5pm (Feathers) <i>Stourbridge Institute Social Club, Bell Street, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY8 1AA</i></p> <p>Club – 1 court Tuesday 8-11pm (please phone as this night is often used for matches during the season) <i>Venue as for matches</i></p>	<p>Secretary Jan Hewett 01527 831897/07783 419147 jan.bryan33@gmail.com</p> <p>Match Secretary Mens – Richard Lewis 07803 128245 lewisbigrich@blueyonder.co.uk Mixed – Jerry Roper 01384 443991/07484 823904 jeremy_ropert@btinternet.com</p>
WEST MERCIA	
<p>Matches – 2 courts Wednesday, Friday 7.30-10.30pm (Feathers) <i>West Mercia Police Headquarters Sports Hall, Hindlip Hall, Worcester, WR3 8SP</i></p> <p>Club – 2 courts Wednesday, Friday 7.30-10.30pm <i>Venue as for matches</i></p> <p>Website: www.wmbc.uk</p>	<p>Secretary Dave Timms - 07967 723184 clubsecretarywmbc@yahoo.com</p> <p>Match Secretary Laura Smith wmbcfixtures@yahoo.com</p>

WOLVERLEY	
<p>Matches – 4 courts Thursday (before Christmas), Friday 8-10pm (Feathers) <i>Winterfold House School, Chaddesley Corbett, Worcs, DY10 4PW</i></p> <p>Club – 4 courts Monday 8-10pm <i>Venue as for matches</i></p>	<p>Secretary Andy Judd andyjudd@uwclub.net</p> <p>Match Secretary Dave Preston willowtree2413@live.co.uk</p>
WORCESTER	
<p>Matches – 3 courts Monday, Wednesday 7.30pm (Feathers) <i>Kings School Sports Hall, Severn Street, Worcester, WR1 2ND</i></p> <p>Club – 4 courts Monday, Wednesday <i>Venue as for matches</i></p>	<p>Secretary Pete Cairns Pistolpete007@btinternet.com</p> <p>Match Secretary As above</p>
XDC	
<p>Matches – 4 courts Sunday –6.00 pm (Feathers) St Thomas Aquinas Catholic School, Wychall Lane, Kings Norton. Birmingham B38 8AP</p> <p>Club – 4 courts Sunday 6.00-8.00pm <i>Venue as for matches</i></p>	<p>Secretary Katy Harris 07540 136410 secretary@xdcbadminton.co.uk</p> <p>Match Secretary Steve Ross 07854 587064 fixtures@xdcbadminton.co.uk</p>

Junior Clubs

Please note that these clubs may not be affiliated to Badminton England

ASHTON JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB	
The Kingswinford School Gym, Water Street, Kingswinford, DY6 7AD Monday – 5.30 - 6.30 pm 5-11 years Monday – 6.30 - 8.00 pm 11-16 years Wednesday – 6.30 - 8.30 pm All ages welcome	Contact Maureen South 01384 271588 sales@contessakitchens.co.uk
BARNT GREEN	
Barnt Green Sports Club Saturday – 11.00 - 1.00 pm All juniors 12.30 - 1.30 pm Beginners 1.30 - 2.30 pm Improvers coaching 2.30 - 3.30 pm Advanced coaching Thursday – 5.00 – 7.00 pm Advanced coaching	Contact Reggie Baker 07956 160792 badders55@yahoo.co.uk Tony Gardner 07779 311426 tcg.103@hotmail.com
BAXTER	
Baxter College, Kidderminster Monday – 7.00 – 8.00 pm Autumn and Spring terms	Contact Dave Barnett 07719 292745 dave@lakeshouse.com
BEWDLEY COLTS	
Bewdley Leisure Centre Saturday – 10.00 - 11.30 am Autumn and Spring terms	Contact Dave Barnett 07719 292745 dave@lakeshouse.com
BLACKMINSTER	
<i>St Egwins School, Worcester Road, Evesham, WR11 4JU</i> Monday – 7.00 – 8.00 pm	Contact Charlie Fordham charriefordham@btinternet.com 07973 676504
LYE BADMINTON JUNIORS	
Hagley Catholic High School Thursday – 6.30 – 8.00 pm	Contact Liz Hamar 01384 377691/07790 379559 lizhamar@blueyonder.co.uk
MANOR JUNIOR CLUB	
North Bromsgrove High School, Stratford Road, Bromsgrove, B60 1BA Tuesday – 6.30 - 7.30 pm	Contact Mark Brown 07753 636321 markcbrown@hotmail.co.uk
STOURBRIDGE INSTITUTE BADMINTON CLUB	
<i>Stourbridge Institute Social Club, Bell Street, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY8 1AA</i> Tuesday – 5.00 pm	Contact Reggie Baker 07956 160792 badders55@yahoo.co.uk
UNIVERSITY OF WORCESTER PERFORMANCE CENTRE	
Worcester Arena Tuesday – 6.00 – 8.00 pm Thursday – 6.00 – 8.00 pm	Contact Heather Crump
WOLVERLEY JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB	
Winterfold School Friday 7.00 – 8.00 pm	Contact Dave Preston 07973 717152 Willowtree2413@live.co.uk
WORCESTER BADMINTON CLUB	
Tudor Grange School, Worcester Saturday – 10.00 – 11.00 am. Age 7-15 and must be accompanied by an adult who can also play Saturday – 11.00 – 1.00 pm General play. Please contact before turning up	Contact Jan Brant 07751 409773 jbfrog@talk21.com

WORCESTERSHIRE SCHOOLS BADMINTON ASSOCIATION	
Turves Green Boys School, Turves Green, Birmingham, B31 4BS	Contact Stephanie Cartwright-Randle 07976 814036 stefcr@live.co.uk
WYCHAVON DISTRICT COUNCIL	
Pershore Leisure Centre Saturday – 9.00 – 10.00 am Beginners 10.00 – 11.00 am Intermediates	Contact Alan Hope amsport@hotmail.co.uk
XDC JUNIOR CLUB	
Turves Green Boys School, Turves Green, Birmingham, B31 4BS Sunday – 3.00 - 4.00 pm Under 11 years Sunday – 4.00 - 5.30 pm Over 11 years	Contact Stef Cartwright-Randle 07976 814036 stefcr@live.co.uk

ASSOCIATION RULES

1. The Association shall be called 'The Worcestershire Badminton Association', (hereinafter called the Association), and all clubs affiliated to it shall be affiliated to The Badminton Association of England, and shall conform to its rules.
2. The objects of the Association shall be the promotion of Badminton generally in the County, the organisation of annual Inter-Club competitions and the arrangement of County matches and County Championships. Affiliated Clubs shall be eligible to take part in such functions directly promoted by the Association.
3. All Clubs of which the object or one of the objects is Badminton and having their courts in the County of Worcester 1886 Boundary, shall be eligible for membership, subject to the approval of the committee. All residents in the County of Worcester 1886 Boundary or any person whose interest lies in observing the playing of Badminton shall be eligible for Associate Membership, subject to the approval of the Committee. A General Meeting shall be empowered to elect to Honorary Associate Membership, without subscription, such persons as may be deemed worthy of the honour, they shall possess the same rights as Associate Members. Recommendations shall be made in writing to the Honorary General Secretary by 31st March in each year.
4. The management of the Association shall be vested in a Committee consisting of, a President, Vice Presidents (if any are elected, of whom there shall be no more than three), a Chairman, an Honorary General Secretary, an Honorary Treasurer (who may be one and the same person), an Honorary Match Secretary, an Honorary Assistant Secretary, all hereinafter referred to as officers, and not more than twenty five members of affiliated clubs. All officers other than the President and Vice-Presidents shall be members of clubs belonging to the Association. All members of the Committee shall be elected annually by ballot and shall be eligible for re-election on retirement. The Committee shall have the power to fill vacancies at their discretion and to create and to co-opt to such sub-committees as may be necessary. Five shall form a quorum at a meeting of the Management Committee at which shall be elected a Chairman who shall have a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. The Committee shall have the power to invite individuals to become Honorary Life Vice-Presidents of the Association.
5. An Annual General Meeting shall be held in April or May in each year, for the purpose of receiving the Committee's report, passing the Accounts, electing the Committee and an Honorary Auditor if desired, for the ensuing year, and other business. Each club belonging to the Association shall be entitled to send representatives to this and every General Meeting. The officers shall not be deemed to be representatives of the respective Clubs to which they may belong, but shall ex officio be entitled to vote at General Meetings, but in the event of the same Club having more than one officer, in addition to one other representative present at the Annual General Meeting, or at an Extraordinary General Meeting, only two of such representatives shall be entitled to vote. Notices convening the meeting, and stating the business to be done, shall be sent to the Honorary Secretaries of the Clubs belonging to the Association and to Associate Members at least fourteen days prior to the date of the Meeting. The Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote.
6. A Special General Meeting may be called at any time by the Committee, and shall be convened by the Honorary General Secretary upon the requisition in writing signed by any three members of the Committee or by representatives of six affiliated clubs. Every such requisition shall expressly state the object of the proposed meeting. The Honorary General Secretary shall give to all Honorary Secretaries of the Clubs belonging to the Association and Associate Members at least seven days notice of such meeting, specifying the purpose for which it is called, and no other business than that specified shall be transacted thereat.
7. The Honorary General Secretary shall call a meeting of the Committee when requested in writing to do so by three members thereof, or at any time at his discretion.
8. The Rules of the Association may be altered, but only at a General Meeting, and the proposed alterations shall be fully specified in the notice convening the meeting. No alterations of the Rules shall be adopted unless two thirds of those present entitled to vote shall be in favour of such alteration.
9. The Annual Subscription for a Club (which shall include the subscription payable to the Badminton ENGLAND, by the Association) shall be the amount agreed at the Association's AGM plus the amount agreed at the AGM of Badminton ENGLAND.

By the 1st November each club shall pass to the Badminton ENGLAND the affiliation fee for each member of the club.

Any club whose affiliation fee is not paid by 1st January shall, at the discretion of the Management Committee, cease to be a member of the Association and shall forfeit all rights attributable to such membership. Details of any person

becoming members of a club subsequent to the payment of the annual subscriptions referred to above shall be sent immediately to the Badminton ENGLAND with the appropriate affiliation fee.

10. All trophies awarded on an annual basis to individuals or clubs remain the property of the Association and shall be returned at a date and venue laid down by the organising committee awarding the trophy. Any individual or club failing to return a trophy at date and venue specified shall be fined and shall not be allowed to enter any competition organised by the Association until such fine is paid and the trophy returned. In addition, the offending club or individual shall not be allowed to hold a trophy belonging to the Association for one year from the date of the offence.

11. County Colours for the relevant team will be awarded to any player who has represented the Association in all but one of the Inter-County Championship matches for their designated team in one season, or has represented the Association in 8 Senior County matches in all County Colours will be awarded to any player who has represented the Association in 8 Veterans team matches.

12. The County Playing Colours for players granted their colour under Rule 11 shall be :-

- a) First Team: A badge consisting of the County Crest with the words "Worcestershire" above and "Badminton" below
- b) Second Team : A badge similar to the above but with the words "Second Team" below the crest.
- c) Third Team : A badge similar to the above but with the words "Third Team" below the crest.
- d) Fourth Team : A badge similar to the above but with the words "Fourth Team" below the crest.
- e) Veterans Team : A badge similar to the above but with the words "Veterans Team" below the crest.

Any member of an affiliated club shall be entitled to wear the scarf and tie in County Colours, viz.: Green and Yellow.

13. The Committee shall have the power to deal with any matters not covered by these rules.