

# **NOTTS BADMINTON ASSOCIATION**

## **LEAGUE SECRETARY'S REPORT SEASON 2022-2023**

WE HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE IN CLUBS ENTERING TEAMS THIS SEASON. THIS IS REALLY POSITIVE NEWS AND SHOWS THAT MORE PLAYERS ARE RETURNING TO CLUBS 2 YEARS ON FROM THE COVID EPIDEMIC. THIS GAVE A TOTAL OF 387 MATCHES PLAYED COMPARED TO 337 MATCHES THE SEASON BEFORE.

MY CONGRATULATIONS ARE GIVEN TO ALL CLUBS WINNING DIVISIONAL TITLES. WITH A SPECIAL MENTION TO BEESTON FIELDS WHO WON THE TREBLE OF PREMIER MENS, LADIES AND MIXED. EAST LEAKE WITH 3 DIVISION WINNERS, FREDERICK GENTS WITH BOTH THEIR TEAMS WINNING DIVISION TITLES, MAPPERLEY PARK WHO FOR THE 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME IN THEIR HISTORY WILL HAVE 2 MENS TEAMS IN THE PREMIER DIVISION AND SOUTHWELL WITH 2 DIVISION TITLES.

THERE HAVE BEEN A FEW ISSUES REGARDING CLUBS PLAYING STARRED PLAYERS THIS SEASON. I AM PROPOSING A CHANGE TO RULE 8 WHICH WILL PUT ALL CLUBS STARRED PLAYERS NAMES ON THE NOTTS BA WEBSITE. THIS WILL ENABLE ALL PLAYERS PARTICIPATING IN MATCHES TO CHECK IF THERE ARE ANY ILLEGAL PLAYERS PLAYING ON THE NIGHT OF THE MATCH AND NOT AFTER THE MATCH IS PLAYED. AT THE MOMENT THE LEAGUE SECRETARY HAS TO CHECK ALL MATCH RESULTS AGAINST THE CLUBS LISTS WHICH IS VERY LABOUR INTENSIVE. WITH THIS RULE ALTERATION THE ONUS WOULD BE ON THE CLUBS TO CHECK THE MATCH SHEET IS CORRECT BEFORE EMAILING IT IN. AFTER ALL IT IS SIGNED BY BOTH CLUBS TO CONFIRM THE RESULT.

I HAVE DECIDED TO STAND DOWN AS LEAGUE SECRETARY AFTER THE END OF SEASON 2023/24. I NO LONGER PLAY AND AM LIVING AWAY FROM THE AREA SO HAVE DECIDED TO CALL IT A DAY. I HAVE THOROUGHLY ENJOYED DOING THE JOB AND FEEL AS THOUGH THE WAY NOTTS BA CONTROL MATCHES AND RESULTS ON THE WEBSITE HAS IMPROVED SINCE THE OLD POSTCARD SYSTEM I INHERITED !

I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK MARK RANSOM WHO HAS BEEN A GREAT HELP IN ADVANCING THE ELECTRONIC SIDE OF THE RECORDING OF MATCH RESULTS ON THE NOTTS BA WEBSITE. HE WILL ALSO BE STEPPING DOWN AT THE SAME TIME AS MYSELF.

GOING FORWARD I BELIEVE NOTTS BA WILL BE LOOKING AT A NEW SOFTWARE OPTION FOR RECORDING OUR MATCH RESULTS WHICH WILL BE AN EXCITING NEW CHAPTER FOR OUR MEMBER CLUBS, ENABLING MORE CLUB CONTROL OF FIXTURE ORGANISING, RESULTS COLLATING AND INDIVIDUAL PLAYER DATA.

THE DATE FOR NEXT SEASONS FIXTURE MEETING IS MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023 7PM AT THE ARNOLD LIBERAL CLUB.

FINALLY LET ME TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WISH YOU ALL GOOD LUCK IN THE COMING SEASON.

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