

EVENLODE B.C. Newsletter

Dear Members

Welcome to the 2016/2017 season – especially our new members and juniors. Looking back over the last few months, we have enjoyed a very successful summer club, with up to 24 players turning up one evening, in a rather hot hall at Larkmead. Thanks to James for organising the sessions, to James & Lee for running the junior club, and to Lilian, Claire and some other for chasing the fees. The Rounders' match against Abingdon Club was a great success on a warm and sunny afternoon in August (even though Abingdon's secretary had booked their members to be there an hour too early!). With 25 people in total, and some younger players, we decided to split both clubs and just play a "friendly" match. Well, it was far from that! One team managed 24 rounders in the second game, and the next day several people reported stretched muscles from so much sprinting! Afterwards we all set off for the Prince of Wales and enjoyed a drink and a BBQ. This social will definitely be repeated next year.

The selections of teams this year was even more complicated as we have larger numbers due to newcomers and some juniors joining us from Junior Club. On behalf of the club, can I thank Claire, Lee, Pierre and Jordan for giving up an evening to put together our 13 league teams.

We have 2 more socials booked this year: the annual trip to Abingdon's brewery is booked for Tuesday 6th December (for details please contact me), and the Christmas Meal this year will again be at "Ask" in Abingdon on the 10th December - details from Lilian.

May I wish you all success and enjoyment at matches this season, and hopefully meet many of you on and off court at club nights and at our socials. Steve Vaughan Club Chair

New Season

The new season is now underway. The cost for the season is £95 for adults and £70 for juniors, payable to Claire Townsend/Steve Rowland, Treasurers by the end of October. Match fees are £4 for home and away matches payable to the captain

Fixtures & Matches

Fixtures and matches for Evenlode BC have started now, a full list of matches

can be found on Evenlode BC website. If selected for a team take a look at your matches and put them in your diary, if you cannot play in a match please tell captain asap so that they can arrange for a sub. Please also arrive early for a match as late starts could mean games being claimed by opponents.

Fixtures are updated regularly and can be viewed on our website. <http://www.evenlode-badminton.org>

Christmas Meal

Saturday 10th Decemeber, 7.30 pm – ASK Italian in Abingdon – Classico menu, £18.95 for three courses. Names and £5 deposit to be paid to Lilian by 14 October 2016.

Junior News

Oxfordshire Senior restricted.

Well done to Megan Ready winning the ladies singles title, I cannot remember the last time an Evenlode player won such a title. I guess older club members will tell me know. In the final Megan beat Maisie Marriott which is also a great achievement for such a young player to reach a senior final. Megan also won Silver doubles in the Plate.

She also qualified in the top 16 for the under 19 Nationals.



The start of new season has been quiet due to the temporary move to Didcot Girls school whilst we wait for new sports hall to be finished at St Helens. We are due to start back at St Helens from the 31st October onwards. We have lost a few juniors as a result of the temporary move but gained as many new players.

Well done to Albie Marriott, Andrew Norkett, Maisie Marriott and Bronwyn Ready all being moved up to the higher group of Oxford PC. This does mean we lose them on Mondays but wish them well.

Bronwynn Ready made up the trio of ladies entering the Oxfordshire senior restricted, well done to all three of them.

Oxfordshire junior restricted.

It was great to see so many of Evenlode juniors enter this tournament.

U10

Girls Singles was an all Evenlode match with Crystal Luo beating Inka Saarema in the final, maybe these two could be winning the Oxfordshire senior ladies title soon, may be even the Yonex All England Final.

U12

Girls singles was another clash of Evenlode players, this time Inka winning gold, With Crystal runner up and Zoe Soonawalla 3rd place.

Boys singles Leo Saarema made the semi finals.

U14

Albie Marriott won Singles silver, Gold medals in Mixed and doubles

Rebecca Norkett won Singles and mixed silver medals.

Eleanor Hoch won doubles gold medal.

U16

Andrew Norkett won doubles silver and made quarter final of Singles.

Maddy Cook won silver medals in singles and doubles.

Albie Marriott won Mixed Silver.

U18

Jamie Cackett won silver medals in doubles and mixed. Jamie also made the singles semi finals.

Bronwynn Ready won Mixed silver and gold in doubles

Maisie Marriott won Doubles gold

Charlie Shan won doubles gold.

Well done to all players that entered the Junior restricted, for us at Evenlode it is great to see so many talented juniors.

Evenlode Website: <http://www.evenlode-badminton.org> (website administrator - Andrew W)

Committee: Chair – Steve V, Secretary – Lilian, Treasurer – Claire T/Steve R, Match Secretary – James
Ordinary members – Claire, Pierre, Judy, Jordan, Anna
Child Welfare Officer – Stella A
First Aiders – Lee, Judy, James, Anna, Stella