

New Sidcup, New Eagles & New Bexley Badminton Clubs



Upcoming Events

Summer PAYP

July – 5 September 2024

19 October 2024

Club Challenge 2024

December 2024 Free Play

Play on other nights for free
(members only)

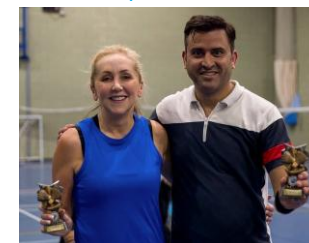
Christmas Holiday

23 December 2024 – 2
January 2025 (inclusive)

Intertoto XVII 2024 – Winners: Elliott
Lynch & Suzanne Durant



Runners Up: Jan Smith & Pankaj Jaggi



Pictures are available to view on our
[Website](#) & [Facebook](#)

Dear Members

Summer is disappearing quickly and we hope that you are all keeping well.

Some of you have been making most of PAYP during July & August. Please note that this will finish on Thursday 5 September. Please arrange payment for sessions attended if not already done so and thank you.

We are looking for club night support (i.e. responsible nets holder). If any member would like to help, please talk to a committee member.

1. MEMBERS

Welcome to all new members since the last newsletter and there are a few. Thank you to all the loyal members for your continued support.

Club membership:

- New Sidcup – 34 (Monday)
- New Bexley – 33 (Wednesday)
- New Eagles – 36 (Thursday)

There are a few places for NS & NB and a waiting list for NE.

All new applications for membership must be referred to the Recruitment Officer (via the membership [enquiry form](#)). No non-members may go on court without prior arrangement.

The following members have resigned since April. We are sad to see them leave but we wish them all the best:

- Michael O'Mahony (NS/NB) – He decided to take a break from badminton due to his injury and hopefully he will return on recovery.
- Andrew Roblett (NS) – A very long term member who we will sadly miss.
- Wale Koiki (NB) – Arrival of their baby boy and he will return when the family has settled to a routine. Congratulations to them all.



Baby Wale

2. FINANCIAL MATTERS

The financial status of the club is still in good shape. Bank balances up to the end of 2023 can be obtained from the Club Treasurer (Paul Hanson). Audit of 2023 has been examined by Shimeer Thakrar.

As mentioned in our last newsletter the costs of hall hire has increased by 25% in 2024 and the price of shuttlecocks has also risen significantly. Our monthly subscription hasn't changed since **September 2008 (16 years)** therefore I regret to inform you that an increase will be necessary in 2025. The prices will be £18 (£15*) for one club, £35 (£28*) for two clubs and £42 (£35*) for all three clubs. We shall remind you by email in early December.

* members under 18 years of age

3. EVENTS

Club Challenge 2024 will be held on 19 October at Wilmington Academy from 1.30 – 5.30 PM. An entry form will be displayed at club nights – please put your name down to support this event.

Christmas Party – we need to establish if there is enough interests for this event, please let us know if you are interested.

We are always looking for suggestions for events in which members would like to participate. Please talk to a member of the committee at club night.

4. SHUTTLECOCKS

We have been playing with Yehlex Championship Grade feathers and they seem to be well received. Due to less duck and goose are being consumed in China, resulting in [shuttlecocks becoming more expensive](#), the price for a tube of Yehlex Championship Grade has gone up by £2.40 in August! Please check out [shuttle etiquette](#) on how to look after them since they are the major expense for the club.

5. PAY AS YOU PLAY & FREE PLAY (MEMBERS ONLY)

PAYP has always been welcomed to those who would like to play on a different club nights during school holidays. The fee for PAYP is **£5 per session** and £4 for under 18.

FREE PLAY in December 2024 will start on 2nd December and there will be no extra charge.

6. PLAYING ROTATION & MIXING (SKILL & SEXES)

This has been a long term problem that we discuss at every committee meeting. There are some members who do not adhere to the Club's Constitution (an updated version can be found on our website) in line with the rotation and mixing of play. The club will ensure that the rotation and mixing will be fair to all members, and does not support clique groups forming and playing throughout an evening. Please respect all members and do not leave anyone hanging on a court otherwise the pegboard system will be used even though the attendance is less than 23. **Please be reminded that this is a Social Club and it was formed to provide a focal point for the promotion and enjoyment of badminton.**

7. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

We know that you all like the AGM but Anna Smith is going to be away in September so if there is no objection there will not be an AGM this year. Having said that if there is any issue, please email Anna of your concern.

8. WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

Our website has moved to a new platform. Thanks to Rebecca Ireland who has created a new look to our [website](#). Please pay a visit and you may find yourself on the front page or in the events' photographs!