

Corinthians Badminton Club

Secretary's Report - 17 May 2012

This is my third Secretary's report and what a year!!!

I would like to report the following: -

- 1. Club of the Year Brendan and I attended the League AGM in September and I accepted on behalf of the club the "Club of the Year" trophy. This was introduced two years ago (Stowmarket were the first winners due to their efforts in creating a successful junior club).
- 2. No of playing member We registered 56 players with Badminton England this year 6 more than we registered last year. With such a big club players come and go, but the website continues to attract the attention of perspective new players. This is excellent.
- 3. League Positions What a year. The tables attached show each team and how they finished in their respective leagues.

Congratulations go to Ladies B, MensC, and Mens A who all won their leagues and further Mixed C and Mens D also gained promotion for next season. I don't think I will mention Mixed B!!!!

For Corinthians this is the first time that we have won the Mens First Division Trophy. Wow!!!

Thanks to Brendan for arranging all the matches, which is not an easy task with ten teams.

There are a lot of significant league milestones which were reached this season. They are listed below:-50 matches – Sally Barker, Duncan Hills, Gill Harris and Martin Waters 150 Matches – Claire Race 200 Matches – Sue Hunt 500 Matches – Adam Rae 550Matches – Graham Mitchell 600 Matches – Bob Chamberlain

- 4. Playford Trophy We won our first two matches against Stowmarket and Ipswich, and unfortunately we lost to Felixstowe Away by 10 points. A very close result and our best performance in the cup for years.
- 5. Committee Meetings The Committee met on three occasions during the year (July, August and April) to try and ensure the smooth running of the club. The bulk of the work however happens outside these meetings and as always my thanks go to all the committee members who have devoted time and effort to make the season run so well.

- 6. Club Nights These continue to be well attended. Average club night attendance is just under 24. With four courts, this provides everyone with the opportunity for several games at club night. Our thanks go to everyone for helping tidy up at the end of the night and especially Bob for all his efforts organising club nights. Thanks to Suzanne and helpers who organised the fun "Last Club Night before Christmas". For those that attended it was a lot of fun and I hope we will repeat it again for the coming season.
- Social Activities Again we have held many Social Activities this year. Karen will report on these. On behalf of the club, many thanks go to both Karen and Sally for organising so many varied events. Congratulations to Karen and Caroline for completing the London Marathon.
- 8. Suffolk Badminton Association Bob and I will be attending the meeting on 1^{4th} May and I will verbally update the meeting on any relevant issues.
- Finals Day The format for this was changed this year with it all the rounds being held on one day at Suffolk One, with the final being held at Northgate. Results to be updated at the meeting. Well done to all who took part.

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