

New Sidcup, New Eagles & New Bexley Badminton Clubs



Dear Members

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2018.

Please note the upcoming events and add them to your diary. We would also like to have members' feedback in order to improve the club. Please speak to a Committee Member at club nights or email Anna Smith - alh.smith@hotmail.com.

AGM – The committee has decided not to hold any future AGM unless there is a demand. All news will be published in our bi-annual newsletter.

A questionnaire will be sent to you, could you please respond ASAP.

Upcoming Events

21 April 2018 (TBC)
Intertoto XIV Competition

2 - 12 April 2018
PAYP club nights

17 November 2018 (TBC)
Quiz night

1. MEMBERS

Welcome to all new members since the last newsletter. Thank you to all the loyal members for your continued support.

Current club membership to date:

- New Sidcup – 24 (Monday)
- New Eagles – 30 (Thursday)
- New Bexley – 24 (Wednesday)

As you can see, Monday & Wednesday clubs (New Sidcup & New Bexley respectively) are very low on members therefore if you know anyone who would like to play in a friendly club environment, feel free to introduce them to the club. If any member is happy to display flyers for the club, please speak to a Committee member for copy of the flyer.

Please note that all applications for membership must be referred to the Recruitment Officer (via the membership [enquiry form](#)). No players may go on court without prior arrangement.

2. FINANCIAL MATTERS

The financial status of all three clubs is in good order. Bank balances up to the end of 2017 can be obtained from the Club Treasurers.

- New Sidcup – Beryl Abnett
- New Eagles – Jan Adam
- New Bexley – Paul Hanson

Quiz night winning team "The Leftovers" – Peter & Zoya Bromley, Paul Hanson & Paul Maulkin. The club has donated £30 to their chosen charity (Alzheimer's Society).

TEAM	ROUND	AVERAGE										TOTAL SCORE	POSITION		
		SCIENCE	HISTORY & POLITICS	GENERAL KNOWLEDGE	GEOGRAPHY	ENTERTAINMENT	HAIRY TRIVIA SCORE	MUSIC KNOWLEDGE	GOD KNOWS	ART & LITERATURE	FOOD & DRINK			SPORT	
1	The Under	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
2	The Ladies	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
3	The Gentlemen	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
4	The Madcaps	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
5	Parasol	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
6	Isidiah	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
7	Redeem	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11

3. EVENTS – please go to <http://www.eaglesandsidcup.com/index.php/events> for the latest update

Intertoto XIV will be held on 21 April 2018 at Haberdashers' Aske's Crayford Academy. Paul Maulkin will once again be organising this event. **An entry form will be displayed at club nights – please put your name down to support this event.** Due to the low number of participants in previous tournaments we only held one tournament in 2017 and it may be the same this year.

Quiz night will be held on 17 November 2018 at [Robert's Hall, Christ Church, Bexleyheath](#). An entry form will be displayed at club nights nearer the time. Please put the number of people (maximum 8) in your team on the form. There is a charge of £5 per person and bring your own food & drinks. All profits of the event will be donated to the chosen charity of the winning team.

4. **PARTY** – we did not have a party in 2017 due to the lack of interest. As mentioned, a questionnaire will be sent to determine if we hold a party in 2018.

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.

5. PAY AS YOU PLAY

“Pay as You Play” has been well received in the past. **The dates for April 2018 are the two weeks commencing 2nd and 9th for ALL THREE CLUBS.** PAYP continues to operate on Mondays and Wednesdays until further notice.

6. BADMINTON ENGLAND MEMBERSHIP & INSURANCE

When a new member joins the club, a fee is payable for “public liability insurance” and the club will pay for this fee on renewal (September) **for members who have been with the club for a minimum of six months.** Please note that the “PLI” **doesn't cover personal injuries.** If members would like to take out personal injuries insurance please visit www.badmintonengland.co.uk/membership to find out about the “Club England Premier” subscription.

All members should have received membership renewal email from Badminton England towards the end of last year. If you have not, please speak to a Committee Member at club night or email Anna Smith – alh_smith@hotmail.com as your contact details may be incorrect.

7. WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

Please visit our [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) for news and update.

Members' corner: Fact from Paul Hanson

Did you know in 2017 the three clubs spent nearly £4,000 on shuttlecocks; that's 2,000 shuttlecocks. Stacked on top of each other, our 175 tubes of “birds” would have been higher than Nelson's column! The good news is the used ones go to a good home; we have some members who run school badminton clubs where our shuttlecocks get a second lease of life!

If you would like to contribute to this section, please contact Anna Smith.

PS – Please read our [shuttle etiquette](#) in order to preserve the shuttlecocks.