

Badminton North Harbour Intermediate School Competition Outline for the 2020 League – Term 3 Competition begins Monday 27 July

TEAM COMPETITION

- Separate competition for girls and boys
- Mondays: Boys
- Wednesdays: Girls
- There are two sections – A & B. If players have played before, they are to enter section A; if they are new players to badminton, they are to play in section B.
- Matches must be ready to start at 4pm sharp. Finishing time is 5.30pm at the latest.
- ***Please note: there is a possibility that some grades in the 2020 competition will be played at an alternative venue in Apollo Drive, Mairangi Bay. If you are entering teams' they must be able to play at this venue if needed. If two venues are used schools North of Constellation Drive will play at Apollo Drive and those South will play at Badminton North Harbour.***
- ***A decision will be made once entries close on Wednesday 1 July.***
- ***Team numbers may be restricted should we receive more entries than we can accommodate.***

IMPORTANT DATES

- Intermediate competition will begin on Monday 27 July.
- Entries for the term 3 competition close on Wednesday 1 July.
- The competition will run for up to 8 weeks depending on the numbers of teams entered.

FEES

- The entry fee per team will be \$150.00 including GST.
- Your school will be invoiced during term three for these fees.
- This fee covers court hire, shuttles, administration costs, pizzas for prize giving and medals for the winning teams.

ENTRY & RANKING OF TEAMS

- Completed entry forms consisting of the school summary sheet and team list, which requires student names, their school year and age, should be supplied to BNH by the closing date – **Wednesday 1 July**. Entry forms are attached.
- Entry to the competition is limited and priority is given to entries received first.
- All players in the intermediate competition must be from years 7 & 8.
- Teams must be graded as either A or B.
- Section 'A' is for players that have played before.

- Section 'B' is for players that are new to badminton.
- **Please note: under no circumstances can a North Harbour representative player play in the 'B' section.**
- The team ranking orders that are submitted on your entry forms are played throughout the competition and reserves come in at the bottom unless ranked in the team. Please list players in ranked order on entry forms.
- **Entries close Wednesday 1 July – no late entries will be accepted.**

MATCH STRUCTURE

- Sections 'A' & 'B' – play four singles and four doubles games per tie. A minimum of 4 and a maximum of 6 players per team are required for these sections.
- Each student in a team must be ranked from player 1 – 6, the strongest being number 1.
- All games are 'rally point', one game to 21 points.

Badminton North Harbour reserves the right to regrade or reposition any team or player as required. This is sometimes necessary due to numbers of teams entered in a section or a player being placed in the wrong grade. Should there be more teams entered that Badminton North Harbour can accommodate, some teams will have to be withdrawn or another playing day could be offered.

UMPIRES:

- All matches will be umpired by students from the teams playing on that court. If schools require help in any aspect of the game, our development officer is available to come to your school. For availability and costing, please phone Abhinav Manota on 410-6941 or email mani@bnh.org.nz

RESULTS

- These will be available on our website www.bnh.org.nz
- They will also be displayed, along with the weekly draw, on the notice board behind courts 4 & 5.

DEFAULTS

- Defaults are a problem that we are trying to eliminate. Defaults should not happen.
- They are very disruptive to the competition and should only happen as a last resort.
- Defaulting teams must notify **both** the opposing team and Badminton North Harbour by midday on the day of the match. The defaulting school will be invoiced with a \$30 default fee.
- Do not enter teams that have players who are not committed.

SUPERVISION

- All schools must supply a supervising teacher or parent to remain with teams for the duration of the session.
- Supervisors should also ensure that teams arrive on time and start their matches promptly. If there is a delay at the beginning of the tie, it is likely that all matches will not be completed.

- Badminton North Harbour has a great facility. Please make sure students respect it whilst here. We will not tolerate behaviour that may have a negative impact on our centre or our staff.

SHUTTLES

- Section 'A' & 'B' will play with feather shuttles.

FOOTWEAR & CLOTHING

- **No dirty or marking shoes** are to be worn on the courts.
- School sports uniform is encouraged but not compulsory. Players are expected to be in clothing that is appropriate for badminton, i.e. no jeans, rugby jerseys, etc.

CAFÉ

- Court 12, the café at the Bartercard Badminton Centre will be open each afternoon during Intermediate schools' competition if the event is played at the North Harbour Badminton Centre and dependent on Covid-19 Alert Level we are in at the time. Students, teachers and parents are very welcome to buy food and drink from the café, however, we do expect students to only visit the café when they are not due to play and they must take their purchased item back downstairs.

COACHING

- Pre-season coaching is available from Badminton North Harbour. We have a package available from our development officer, Abhinav Manota. If you would like further details, please contact Mani on 410-6941 or email mani@bnh.org.nz. We can also run trials for you school if required.

Enclosed is a copy of the 2020 competition rules plus the Simplified Rules booklet. Further copies can be obtained from the office. It is essential that all players need to know the rules of the game before the competition begins. If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me. If any of the contact details have changed within your school, please inform us.

I look forward to receiving your entries.

Yours sincerely,

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