

IDBL Report for SBA AGM 17th July 2024.

Overall things have finally returned to near normal this season and we have seen the number of conceded matches and matches played short the same as last year (8 and 12 respectively). However we have had three teams withdraw from the league during the season (Framlingham Men's A, Glevering Mixed B and Ladies) – leaving us with 83 teams in the league.

All the results and final tables are on the league website, but worthy of note are Belstead & Bergholt who won the Mixed and Ladies Division 1 titles whilst YM Exiles won the Men's Division 1 title.

On a positive note I have already had notification of an additional Men's team from Constitutional BC and an additional Mixed team from Stowmarket BC.

The Playford Trophy was successfully completed this season with final being played at Rushmere Sports Centre. With Corinthians turning out winners against Stowmarket. Another positive note is that DVE have already notified that they plan to enter the tournament next season following a 10-year break.

This year the league has embarked on a major redevelopment of its website that will over the coming months and years will see the automation of score card submission and subsequent publication be available in real time. We are hoping to trial the first instance of this during the 24/25 season with full implementation ready for the start of the 25/26 season.

The league successfully ran the Junior U15 and U18 events on Sunday 21st April at Ipswich School. The tournaments attracted 35 U15 entrants and 13 U18 entrants.

All of the winners are detailed below.

EVENT	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
U15 Boys Singles	Sam Collyer	Ellis Cheek
U15 Boys Doubles	Sam Collyer & Logan Bailie	Hassan Shahab & Amogh Mahajan
U15 Girls Singles	Rithika Gobinath	Sashvitha Gobinath
U15 Girls Doubles	Melaine Arche & Takiyah Woods	Sophie Shimon & Matilda Surti
U15 Mixed Doubles	Not Played	
U18 Boys Singles	Ryan Daley	Lewis Crawford
U18 Boys Doubles	Jace Hoang & Rylee Hoang	Lewis Crawford & Ryan Daley
U18 Girls Singles	Harleen Nanda	Erin Daynes
U18 Girls Doubles	Not Played	
U18 Mixed Doubles	Amelia Williams & Ryan Daley	Erin Daynes & Jude Mason

It should be noted that we were not able to run the U15 Mixed Doubles nor the U18 Girls Doubles events due to lack of entrants.

The timetable for the start of the 24/25 season is laid out below:

- Unless the league hears otherwise, we will assume all clubs will be entering the same teams as last year when we start the stacking process.
- If any club needs to change the teams entering into the league for the 24/25 season (either withdrawing or adding in new) then we need to be made aware of this before 19th July 2024

- We will also assume the teams that entered the Playford trophy this year will also enter next year, again if you want to add (or remove) your club to the entry list please let us know by 19th July 2024.
- If any of the key contacts and personnel within the club change please let us know ASAP so we can be sure to update our contact list and keep the right people up to date - Unless we hear otherwise, we will continue to use the contacts we already have.
- The league committee will meet on 24th July to finalise the league stackings, these will then be issued to all clubs on or before 30th July 2024.
- Clubs will then have all of August to set the fixtures for 24/25.
- Once you have completed your fixtures a copy MUST be sent to the league; a revised template will be issued nearer the time, along with online team nomination forms.
- The League AGM is booked for Monday 2nd September - formal invites and details will follow 4 weeks prior to the AGM.
- No matches should be scheduled until after the AGM and ALL matches must be scheduled to complete before the end of March 2025.

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