

Yeovil & District Pool League

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Committee 2023

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Dear Captains & Players,

Firstly, on behalf of the Yeovil & District Pool League, I would like to welcome you to the 2023 season. Please read this welcome letter as there are a few items that need addressing with regards to this new season.

Fixtures

The fixtures have already been uploaded to the website (<u>www.yeovilpoolleague.co.uk</u>), to find these simply click on the "League" tab and then select "2023".

This will give you full access to the fixtures plus key information reference to player's stats, venues, competition draws, if there is anything else you would like to view, please let me know and I will see if there is a way this can also be displayed.

League Format

This year the league has effectively been split fully into 2, Divisions 1 & 2 are now playing International Rules with Division 3 playing the standard League Rules.

From this season onwards the Knockout competitions will no longer see a crossover of the rules, Divisions 1 & 2 will only play in their own category (Cat 1) with Division 3 playing in their own category (Cat 2), this will apply to the League Cup and its Consolation Cup along with the Singles Knockout.

Any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Fee's

As per our AGM, this year's match and competition fees are now as follows: -

New Team Registrations = £10 per team.

Existing Team registration = Free.

Match fees = £5 per team per match.
 League Cup entry fee = £10 per team (compulsory).

Consolation Cup entry = £5 per team.
 Singles KO = £2 per person.
 Doubles KO = £4 per doubles team.
 3 Man KO = £6 per 3-man team.
 Captains & Vice-Captains Cup = £2 per player.

Cups & Knockouts

This year the cups and knockouts will be run by Kev Richardson, myself and Baz Moffat, contact details can be found at the top of this page or on the "Contacts" tab at the top of the website.

Please see below this year's competitions: -

- Cat 1 & Cat 2 Singles Knockout This year we will be running the Singles throughout the year, we will be running on the same format as last season whereby 4 winners from each venue will progress to the next round, matches will also be best of 5/7 in the early rounds finishing on best of 7/9 for the final on presentation night with the added bonus of "Prize Money" again.
 - In addition, we will also be running a plate knockout for all the first-round losers if players wish to enter.
- Cat 1 & Cat 2 League Cups & Consolation Cups As per above, this year all teams have been entered into their respective category for this year's competitions (Cat 1 & Cat 2), all teams will play in their League Cup 1st round, the winners will proceed to the 2nd round of this knockout and the 1st round losers will automatically be entered into the 1st round of the consolation cup.
 - Please note, any byes required will be added into the 2^{nd} round of the league cups and 1^{st} round of the consolation cups.
- Doubles & 3 Man Knockout These will be played after the season has completed, entry into these will be open towards the end of the season and any trophies won will be handed out at next seasons presentation night, the format will be decided at this year's EGM.
 - Please note, players who played in both these knockouts over the past couple of months will owe the entry fees in this season.

Constitutional Rules.

For new captains, our constitutional rules and playing rules can be found on the website, simply click on the "Rules & Financials" tab and select "League".

For all other captains, please note the new rule changes for this season as voted for at this year's AGM:

Cancellation of League Matches.

- 35. If a team gives at least 24 hour's notice to both the opposing captain and the league in order to postpone a league match the match is considered 'postponed'.
 - The match will be played on an alternative day within 4 weeks of the programmed fixture and before the final league fixtured date or whichever is sooner by agreement of both captains and the league.
 - If the above is not achieved then the committee will propose 2 dates for the match to be played, if a team is unwilling or unable to play with any amount of players available then a 15-0 win will be awarded to the team available to play.
- 36. If a team gives less than 24 hour's notice to the opposing captain, the opposing captain has the option to:
 - Agree to the postponement. The match is considered 'postponed'. The match will be played on an
 alternative day within 4 weeks of the programmed fixture and before the final league fixtured date or
 whichever is sooner by agreement of both captains and the league.
 - If the above is not achieved then the committee will propose 2 dates for the match to be played, if a team is unwilling or unable to play with any amount of players available then a 15-0 win will be awarded to the team available to play
 - This will result in the 'postponing captain' being penalized with a 10-point league deduction and the match must be re arranged as per rules 36 a. & 36 b.
 - All matches must be completed on or before the final fixtured league match of the season (1 spare week will be added at the end of the first half of the season and at the end of the season which will be classed as fixtured weeks). If a team has matches outstanding beyond this point, the committee will look at the reasons matches have been cancelled and will decide the outcome (this could be match scores of between 0-0 & 15-0).
- 37. In circumstances deemed 'extreme' (examples to include but not limited to the team car/minibus crashing on the way to the venue, the venue closing etc. etc.) the penalty for postponing may be waive by the committee.

League Rules

- 6. Matches start at 20:00 (except League rules (Division 3) which will start at 19:30, captains to be flexible with score card if players are unable to attend the earlier start time). Failure to attend on time will result in an automatic loss of the first frame. Following an automatic loss of the first frame, the second frame must start at 20:15. Following the second automatic loss of frame the third frame must start at 20:30. Following the third automatic loss of frame should the team fail to attend by 20:45 then all frames will be automatically claimed.
- 7. The home team will provide food for league matches only. If this is not possible the League Secretary should be informed prior to the start of the season. The home team will also pay all table costs.
 - a. This rule has now been removed, food is no longer compulsory.

Captains Meetings

Please see below the dates for this year's captain's meetings: -

- Wednesday 1st March 2023 Captains & Vice Captains Cup
- ➤ Monday 3rd April 2023
- ➤ Monday 8th May 2023
- ➤ Monday 5th June 2023 Possible EGM to be confirmed
- ➤ Monday 3rd July 2023
- ➤ Monday 7th August 2023
- ➤ Monday 4th September 2023
- TBC Date for Presentation Night @ the Yeovil Labour Club.
- Annual General Meeting Date to Be Confirmed

The attendance criteria will be as follows: -

- 27. Meetings are held on the first Monday of a month, except where that would fall on a bank holiday. Meetings will start at 19:45 and may continue until 20:15, meeting dates will be advertised in the front cover of the annual books.
- 28. If a captain or representative fails to attend or contact a committee member before the meeting, 5 points will be deducted.
- 29. Only fully paid-up teams with no outstanding score cards will be eligible to miss captain's meetings with no penalty, however should the committee require/advertise that all captains need to attend any meeting the above ruling may apply.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact either myself or the committee at any point during the season.

Regards,

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