

Leinster CAC Individuals 2018 Championship Review

Finished - Sunday 22/04/2018 - BALDOYLE BADMINTON CENTRE, UNIT 4, GRANGE AVENUE, BALDOYLE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, DUBLIN 13 D13 E8Y2.

There was no major problems this year in the running of the Event. The usual and regular problems are still being encountered... these are more so annoying and inconvenient but this is Ireland and it's how we do things.

1. Late entries (not one entry was before deadline) always 2-3 weeks after the set deadline – this year March 1st – the final county to enter did so on the 20th. This does have a knock on effect on Zone planning. This year there were only 2 Zones and it seemed to work ok.
2. Not one county paid with their entry.
3. At the time of writing this 03/05/2018 I am still waiting on cheques/cash from Wexford/Longford/Meath and Louth. This has become the accepted norm and has never changed since I began running this event 4-5 years ago. So I cannot do a final financial report until all monies are received.
4. There was not one entry from Kilkenny, Carlow or Offaly – maybe that can be addressed by any attendees from those counties at AGM.
5. Thanks needs to be given to Walter Roundtree, Michael Kenna (Zone Managers) and Pat Furlong (trophies/advice) for their invaluable support to me. Without them it would not have gone as smoothly.
6. Thanks also needs to go to The Legend that is Tommy McGrath, for again he was there for the finals day (playing well for Wicklow but unfortunately losing in semi-final) and it's great for the finalists that they got presented the trophies by the President of Leinster.
7. Thank You Leinster Badminton for the supplying of the Shuttles and advance payment of Trophies for finals day.
8. Costs are rising – nothing new I know. Trophies, Hall Hire and Shuttles are the main costs, so maybe entry fee might soon need to rise to counter this.
9. Finally a big thank you to all the counties and their regular representatives, their continuity really helps and these players/organisers (as they are usually both) are the life blood on this Event.

With Thanks,
Pat O'Connell
Tournament Organiser
2018.