



BALDOYLE BADMINTON CLUB. ANNUAL REPORT
TO YEAR END DECEMBER 31ST. 2018

Current Committee Members: **Chair.** Breda Connolly. **Acting Secretary.** Declan McGinn. **Hon. Treasurer.** Michael Smith. **Members.** Gay Sullivan, Mary Dinan, Catherine Smyth, Dermot Daly.

BAR AREA.

It is once again disappointing to note that we are showing a trading loss on our “house” activities within the bar area.

We are constantly looking at options to increase turnover in the bar but this is still proving quite difficult in its present condition and surroundings are not attractive for potential customers.

We badly need some improvement in the bar furniture and fittings and this still ranks top of our list for urgent items for attention.

Our committee organised a “ROCKSHORE” lager promotion night on December 7th. last and it was well promoted within the clubs and the centre to kick off the season from a social aspect. Lager was €3.50 per pint on promotion with a free quiz and prizes. We also had a “PINK GIN” promotion. Sad to say that a total of 8 people only attended which was extremely disappointing.

From an income perspective, revenue from our function room and fundraising activities are still on a par with that of the bar. Courses continue to run and the Bridge Club plays every Monday night.

The Centre Manager in particular is to be complimented for this.

Lotto continues on Thursday nights. We thank Michael and Christina Smith for their support for this.

ACTIVITIES.

The Mini League which is now running for over 10 years took place from September to November 2018. It was very successful competition and thanks must go to Jean, Centre Manager for this.

Summer Club which is run by a committee took place from June to August and was very well attended.

Over 35's League was also a very successful competition. This caters for mixed and ladies doubles events. Our thanks to Muriel Moles for running the ladies competition and to Jean Denihan for running the mixed completion.

Umpires, Sponsors, Volunteers.

We are particularly grateful to the **Umpires** for their attendance at our finals as their presence makes a real difference to the players and spectators also adding to the competitive atmosphere.

Particular mention of thanks also to our **Sponsors** for their generosity and loyalty to us; to those people who donate raffle prizes and to all our **volunteers** in various capacities.

Without the invaluable help from these people, we could not really function so once again thank you all.

Tenant Clubs continue to operate during the season. We would like to see more representatives on the centre management committee.

Coaching courses continue to run from September to June and feed new members to the surrounding clubs

One Day Events. Several clubs now run one day events in the centre which are well supported and the court hire for LBBI helps to replace part of the loss of BI events to the National Arena.

League Finals. We are delighted to have these returned to Baldoyle Centre this year and hope that both organisers and players will have a positive experience.

Our **Facebook** page continues to be well supported.

The committee is again grateful for the ongoing loyalty of all our volunteers and of course to Manager Jean Denihan and staff at the Centre.

Declan McGinn

May 2019
