



## Leinster Badminton County Affairs Committee 2022-2023

### Chairpersons Report

The County Affairs Committee (C.A.C) ran its three competitions this season for the first time in three years.

The individual championship took place in December and were not very well represented by a lot of the Counties, but the event went well but was enjoyed by all who took part (see Organiser PO 'Connells report in Appendix 1).

The Leinster Inter County finals took place in February and was the best supported of all events by the counties. All Grades were played except grade 1 which was disappointing. There was a good spread of winners over the counties. (See Results from Organiser Kevin Delaney in appendix 2). The winners went through to the Badminton Ireland All Ireland Intercountry Finals. Well done to those who represented Leinster Branch and congratulations to the All-Ireland Winning Counties: Carlow F, Laois H and Carlow G.

The Inter league took place the end of April and again the entry for them was disappointing, there was a good spread of winners across the counties and a good day had by all.

As this was the first full season since Covid lockdown, I was probably expecting too much. I was particularly disappointed as there was no interest in the competitions by Dublin. It is something will have to look at for next season as the majority of players in Leinster are from Dublin.

Finally, I would like to express my thanks to all the committee for all their help during the season especially Dolores Sheerin.

Yours in Badminton

Walter.

May 2023

## **Leinster CACs Graded Individuals Finals December 2022**

Leinster CAC 2022 Individuals - Ran over 2 days 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022 in L.B.B.U.I. - Baldoyle Badminton Centre Dublin with a healthy entry of over 115 players over Grades 1-7 - with all 5 events (MS, LS, MD, LD & MXD). All levels were open for entry (for all CAC graded players) from beginner to top level players.

I am happy to say given the fact we (The country and Badminton in general) were emerging and finding our feet again after COVID times and being so close to Christmas period the 2022 Leinster CAC 2022 Individuals was a success. It was great to see the support for the Individuals tournament by so many counties and players.

A lot of younger faces this year along with some seasoned regulars was great to see with a good number of titles going to the Youthful Carlow & Wicklow players, this bodes well for the future of Leinster Badminton

Special mention for the continued invaluable support and the large entries from Carlow, Meath, Wicklow & Westmeath especially. We hope to have the same numbers if not more in 2023.

This Graded tournament has been a fantastic steppingstone in many players development. From a beginning playing Badminton grade at club level, competing in their respective County championships and qualifying/representing the County in the Leinster CAC Individuals Finals. To be able to test themselves & their improvement, competing with and against like-minded players from all over Leinster is a real success. We hopefully will see this continuing in the same vein for many years to come.

*All Leinster Counties, their Committees and their representatives on the CAC Committee work tirelessly for the benefit of Leinster grass root county badminton and we thank them for their support.*

We hope to be able to grow the numbers for 2023's Individual event by reaching out to all the County committees and Individual clubs and highlighting the many positives that playing this event has.

Patrick O'Connell  
Tournament Organiser - 2022 Leinster CAC 2022 Individuals.  
May 2023

## Leinster CAC

## Inter Counties Tournament 2022-2023

Grade	Winners
1	n/a
2	Kilkenny
3	Louth
4	Carlow
5	Carlow
6	Laois

Entries by County and Grade
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County	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6
Wicklow			1	1	1	1
Laois				1	1	1
Kilkenny	1	1	1			
Longford				1		
Westmeath				1	1	1
Carlow				2	2	1
Louth			1	1		
Meath		2	2	1	2	2
Dublin						
Kildare						
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>

Semi Finalists
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Grade	County		County
4	Meath	Vs	Westmeath
4	Carlow	Vs	Laois
6	Laois	Vs	Meath 2
6	Westmeath	Vs	Carlow
5	Meath1	Vs	Westmeath
5	Carlow 1	Vs	Laois