

Terenure Badminton Centre (Midland Branch Badminton Club) Report to Leinster Badminton 2024 AGM

For Year ended 31st December 2023

Committee Members:

Joe Byrne, (Acting Chairman), Grainne Kinnerk (Honorary Treasurer),
David Murphy (President Leinster Badminton), Ita Marron (Secretary),
Jean Kelly, Adrienne Taylor,
Trustees: David Hogan

Terenure Centre Resident Clubs:

The following clubs are resident in Terenure Badminton Centre in 2023/24 Season

- Ailesbury (Adult/League)
- Pembroke (Adult/League)
- Viking (Adult/League)
- Old School (Adult/League)
- South Dublin (Adult/League)
- The Titans (Adult/League)
- Danum (Adult / League)
- Flying Trojans (Special Olympics)
- Whitehall Road Juvenile (Juvenile)

External Tenants:

In addition to courts the Centre also has the following amenities which are provided by third parties on a tenant rental basis.

- “Amazing Minds” Montessori School (Main Function Room Mon – Fri Mornings)
- Barbara’s Art Classes (Autumn – Spring - Small Function Room Tuesday & Wednesday)
- Slimming Ireland (Every Thursday Evenings – Main Bar Area)
- Massage Therapist – John Nolan (By Appointment)
- Karate Club – (Main Bar Area - Wednesday and Saturday mornings)

Bar & Functions Operations

Generally the Bar facilities are open on Friday to Sunday and is mainly used the following:

1. For Leinster Badminton Tournaments and Events held in the Centre, including Leinster Senior Opens, BPL Nights DDLC, CAC and YAC events.
2. Opened for hired, Free of Charge, by a number of the resident Badminton Clubs for Christmas and End of Season parties .
3. Occasion private parties, birthdays celebrations / predominantly for badminton club members that know of and use the Centre.
4. Specific repeat customers that have used the bar previously, examples include the Templeogue Swimming Club Annual fundraiser quiz, The Irish Quiz Group for their individual Quiz days.

Because we had no new members come forward onto the Midland committee last year, we were unable to host “Promotion Type Events” for the bar facility other than the support of the events as outlined above.

We were fortunate to have the general operations, staff and stock management for the bar to May 2023 as part of her overall Leinster Badminton duties. The Midland committee would like to thank Elaine for her work in that regard.

Unfortunately, we have been unable to get a replacement for Elaine, and as a result the managing of bar and functions fell back onto the over stretched Midland committee members.

New Works / Initiatives:

The Midland committee have funded a new 'Tea and Coffee' station installed in the front reception area. Unfortunately, this has yet to be made operational and requires the co-operation and support of all Centre staff in order to get it up and running.

The intention is that this facility will operate on a "Honestly Basis" like the Confectionary Honesty Basket in the main office.

The Midland committee also funded the installation of the new trophy cabinet in the main reception lobby. We also sponsored the DDLC competitions for using the Terenure Centre for the Finals by purchasing all the trophies for all the League Winners and Runners-up.

When you exclude the above sponsorship expenditure, the Midland accounts for 2023 show some €3K profit, which is a great reflection on all our hard work.

I would like to express sincere thanks to Grainne for her continuing role in managing the Midland accounts and helping us to achieve this profit.

Hopefully with the injection of new Midland members and the support of the Executive Committee, the Bar will continue to generate income to support other Leinster Badminton activities in the coming seasons.

Centre / Bar Staffing:

With the current ad hoc opening of the Bar the Centre evening / Bar staff have been either operating out of Reception or from the Bar – depending on an activity taking place.

I would like to express thanks to all the Centre staff for their work and flexibility in the varying tasks with managing the Midland Tenant requirements and also with operating the bar facility to support functions mentioned above.

It should be remembered that all the income raised through the hire of the function rooms and money generated via opening of the Bar facility, including managing of the "Drinks Machine" and "Honesty Basket" all goes to Leinster Badminton.

In Conclusion

Finally, I would like to thank each and every one of the Midland Committee for their hard work, dedication and commitment and for their continued support to the Terenure Centre and to me over the past number of years.

Joe Byrne
Acting Chairman Midland Branch – April 2024