



Welcome to

HARBOROUGH LC JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

Useful information for players and their parents/carers (Season 2025-26)

- 17 July 2013 with Harborough Leisure Centre, no longer offering Junior Badminton coaching a new independent self-supporting club was formed as "Harborough LC Junior Badminton Club". Club started by offering "open to anyone from age 8+" a 7-week Summer Holiday sessions and 24 players attended.
- From September 2013, the club affiliated to Badminton England (JNR/1403), and all club members pay the respective season Club England Junior Badminton Registration Affiliation Fee.
- 4 December 2013, a Club Committee was formed & constitution introduced. Age group amended for club members to be between aged 8 to under 16 (as classified by the criteria for school year 11). In addition, the total membership based on four courts should be considered as a maximum of 24 with waiting list.
- Award on 24 April 2014 of Badminton England Premier Club & Sport England Clubmark. Renewed now every year.
- From June 2014 available a Club shirt including a badge logo designed by a club member.
- From September 2014 available a Club Short or Skort including the club badge logo.
- From 7 January 2015, the 6:00 to 7:00pm sessions added to after all 5:00 to 6:00pm sessions.
- First AGM held on 21 January 2015. Age group amended for club members to be aged 8 to under 17 (as classified by the criteria for school year 12). Confirmation for the 2014/15 season the 5:00 to 6:00pm sessions should be for aged 8 to 16 & the 6:00 to 7:00pm sessions should be for aged 11 to 17. Consider eight per court when a coach per court.
- First annual club internal tournament events held with trophies presented to winners & runners-up, on 8 July 2015.
- Second AGM meeting held on 20th January 2016. Received funding for two volunteers to attend a Badminton England UKCC Level 1 award in Coaching Badminton. Six members attended "Safeguarding & Protecting Children" course.
- Teams entered season 2015/16 in South Northants Junior League, U13's, two U15's & U17's.
- September 2015 at the 6-7pm sessions used Feather Goose Shuttles & 5-6pm Ashway "The New Bird 2".
- A Satellite / SmashUp club from 4:00 to 5:00pm for 8 to 17 aged brackets is also available for players to attend who are also on the 5:00 to 6:00pm & 6:00 to 7:00pm sessions waiting lists.
- Second annual club internal tournament held with trophies presented. Outstanding finals on 7/09/16.
- Feather Goose Shuttles to be used for all sessions season 2016/17.
- 4:00 to 5:00pm Satellite club coached sessions to allow members to be incorporated into main club.
- Third club internal tournament events held, presentation night on 26/04/17 with free meal & drink.
- Season 2017/18 no Satellite Smash-up club as now all three coached sessions form main club.
- Season 2017/18 all club members to receive free "Club Hoodie tops".
- Fourth club internal tournament events held, presentation night on 18/04/18 with free meal & drink.
- Season 2018/19 club members will be provided with a club hoodie free of charge as part of initially joining the club. In addition, this season a free club shirt, which will be required to wear at the weekly Wednesday badminton sessions
- Christmas party held 19/12/18 with free meal & drink.
- AGM 2019 agreed upper age to be increased to 18 as school year 13.
- Fifth club internal tournament events held, presentation night on 8/05/19 with free meal & drink.
- Funding provided for two members to attend level 1 Badminton England coaching course.
- On 14/05/2019, nine club people attended "Safeguarding and Protecting Children Workshop"
- Christmas party with free meal & drink held December 2019 and AGM in January 2020.
- Season 2019/20 ended on 18/03/20 due to Coronavirus and all clubs outstanding internal tournament events halted.
- Season 2021/22 allowed the AGM, internal club tournaments events, Christmas party & trophy presentation to take place.
- Season 2022/23 allowed the AGM, internal club tournaments events, Christmas party & trophy presentation to take place.
- Season 2023/24 as previous season plus 10 club members attended First Aid Course.
- Season 2024/25 Sport Hall Refurbishment reduced 8 weeks sessions. The internal club tournaments events held with the trophy presentation, free meal and drink together with AGM on 02/07/2025.

Club /Training Information

Club / Training night(s) Wednesday's	3 sessions available to suit age groups.	Club / Training times: 4:00pm to 5:00pm School years 3 to 10 / Aged 8 to 15 years.	Club / Training times: 6:00pm to 7:00pm School years 10 to 13 / Aged 14 to 18 years. School Years 8 & 9/ Aged 12 to 13 years. Will also be accepted based on playing ability
Autumn Term 1 (8 weeks) (27/08/25 to 15/10/25)	Autumn Term 2 (7 weeks) (29/10/25 to 26/11/25 & 10/12/25 to 17/12/25)		
Spring Term 3 (6 weeks) (07/01/26 to 11/02/26).	Spring Term 4 (5 weeks) (25/02/26 to 25/03/26).	Club / Training times: 5:00pm to 6:00pm School years 6 to 11/ Aged 10 to 16 years.	
Summer Term 5 (6 weeks) (15/04/26 to 20/05/26)	Summer Term 6 (5 weeks) (03/06/26 to 01/07/26)		

The total Autumn, Spring & Summer Term costs are now in the form of 10 monthly BACS standing order payments (September 2025 to June 2026) of £25.00 (or FREE for a third child) which includes the Badminton England Membership Affiliation Fee for either (i) "Junior Community Club Member (0-11 years)" or "Junior Community Club Member (12-18 years)", Club internal tournament, Christmas Party & Trophy Presentation night. The 10 monthly costs cover for at least 36 weeks. No extra charge if 37 weeks are available.

Total cost will be adjusted to reflect date new players first join the Club in a Term session.

Club members will be provided with a club hoodie free of charge as part of initially joining the club. In addition, again this season a free club shirt, which will be required to wear at the weekly Wednesday badminton sessions.

Children could have the opportunity to take part in Badminton England "Shuttle Stars" award scheme for 5-11 years

A "Harborough LC Junior Badminton Club" skort or short at £5.00 is available subject to having signed & returned respective enrolment form agreeing to abide with "Code of Conducts" contained within this welcome leaflet. Copy is on Club web site: <http://www.harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk/>

Club Coaches	Position	Grade
Ray Phipkin	Head Coach	Level 2 Licensed
John Fannon	Assistant Head Coach	UKCC Level 1 Registered
Steve Chapman	Assistant Coach	UKCC Level 1 Registered

PC /Training Information

Members of "Harborough LC Junior Badminton Club" have the opportunity to attend trials with a view to be able to attend training sessions which comes under "Team Leicestershire Performance Centre" (PC) and is linked to the Leicestershire Schools Badminton Association (LSBA) who run the Junior County Teams.

Web Sites

Updated information, which also in the main menu "About", then from the drop down menu "Member information" includes the following which can be downloaded (i) Club Forms, (ii) club Documents, (iii) Club Minutes, (iv) Club Tournament Results can be found on the club web site:-

<http://www.harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk/>

Also, see web sites below to be able to view only some of the forgoing information.

<http://www.active-together.org/directory/harborough-lc-junior-badminton-club>

Code of Conduct for Club Officials and Volunteers

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice is summarised below. All volunteers must:

- ✋ Consider the well-being and safety of participants before the development of performance.
- ✋ Develop an appropriate working relationship with performers, based on mutual trust and respect.
- ✋ Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part.
- ✋ Promote the positive aspects of badminton (e.g. fair play).
- ✋ Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance.
- ✋ Follow all safeguarding and best practice guidelines laid down by BADMINTON England and the club.
- ✋ Hold appropriate valid qualifications and insurance cover, including being a member of the coaching register if a qualified coach.
- ✋ Never exert undue influence over performers to obtain personal benefit or reward.
- ✋ Never condone rule violations, rough play or the use of prohibited substances.
- ✋ Encourage participants to value their performances not just results.
- ✋ Encourage and guide participants to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour.
- ✋ Not use social or other electronic media to publicly criticise any other player, parent or official involved in the game of badminton or otherwise bring the sport into disrepute through inappropriate communications.

Safeguarding Policy Statement

This policy statement demonstrates the importance that this club places on the welfare and wellbeing of all who participate in the club programmes. The club is committed to ensuring that we provide a safe environment where everyone is able to enjoy a wide range of activities. For our Juniors this means that our club will:



















- ✋ Adopt BADMINTON England's Safeguarding Policies and work towards best practice guidelines.
- ✋ Ensure that BADMINTON England DBS checks are undertaken for volunteers and coaches in regular contact with young people where they meet the eligibility guidelines.
- ✋ Appoint a Welfare Officer who has the relevant checks and training in place.
- ✋ Respect and promote the rights, wishes and feelings of young people.
- ✋ Ensure that advice, guidance and training is available for all volunteers working with children in the club.
- ✋ Require all members and visitors to abide by the club's Codes of Conduct and Equality Policy
- ✋ Respond to all incidents, concerns and allegations, swiftly and appropriately.
- ✋ Ensure that incidents, concerns and allegations are shared with the Club Welfare Officer.

A full copy of the BADMINTON England's Safeguarding & Protecting Children and Young People Policy and Guidelines document is available from BADMINTON England or can be downloaded from the website <https://www.badmintonengland.co.uk/about-us/safeguarding/>









Code of Conduct for Parents/Carers

As a parent/carer of a badminton player we hope that you gain lots of enjoyment from supporting your child as they play. We would like you to support us by reading through and agreeing to the following.

As a parent/carer please:

-  Focus on your child's efforts and enjoyment rather than winning or losing.
-  Provide positive verbal feedback in both training and matches.
-  Encourage your child to learn the rules and regulations of badminton and play within them.
-  Encourage and guide performers to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour.
-  Applaud good performance and efforts and from all individuals and teams.
-  Congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
-  Leave the coach to communicate with players on court.
-  Respect the decisions of officials and teach children to do the same.
-  Respect umpires, officials, coaches, players and spectators.
-  Inform the team coach or manager of any injury, health or welfare issue that you feel it is appropriate for them to know.
-  Ensure that your child/children arrive and are collected promptly for club sessions and competitions.
-  Ensure your child's fees are paid promptly by the due date.
-  Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
-  Treat everyone equally regardless of age, ability, gender, race, religion, ethnic origin, social status or sexual orientation has the right to be protected from abuse.
-  Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person involved in badminton.
-  Report any concerns you may have in relation to a young person, follow reporting procedures laid down by BADMINTON England.
-  Challenge and/or report discriminatory or bullying behavior.
-  Help your child to understand and abide by the Code of Practice for Junior Players.

Please do NOT

-  Force your child/children to participate in badminton.
-  Ridicule or shout at your child or other players for making a mistake or losing a game.
-  Question publicly the referee, coach, official or players' decisions within a game, match or training situation.
-  Enter the court of play.
-  Use foul, sexist or racist language or gestures at any time.
-  Condone behaviour that contravenes the codes of conduct/prohibited practice.
-  Give young people alcohol or cigarettes when they are under the care of the Region/County or Club.
-  Use social or other electronic media to publicly criticise any other player, parent or official involved in the game of badminton or otherwise bring the sport into disrepute through inappropriate communications.

Breaches of the code of practice will be dealt with according to the BADMINTON England Disciplinary Procedures.

Code of Conduct for Junior Players

[**Harborough LC Junior Badminton Club**] is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, members are encouraged to be open in sharing any concerns or complaints they may have about any aspect of the club with the Chairperson, Welfare Officer or Head Coach.

As a member of [**Harborough LC Junior Badminton Club**], you are expected to abide by the following junior code of practice:

- ✋ I will have fun, act in a safe manner and encourage those around me to do the same.
- ✋ I will always respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants around me including team-mates, opponents, coaches and officials regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background or religious beliefs or sexual identity.
- ✋ I will be honest and play fairly in everything I do and never deliberately cheat or be dishonest.
- ✋ I will play within the rules and laws of badminton and accept officials' decisions without question or complaint.
- ✋ I will listen carefully when spoken to and act as directed where appropriate.
- ✋ I will use the correct equipment for the sport and will look after it to the best of my ability.
- ✋ I understand that deliberate damage to club property could result in disciplinary action being taken in accordance with the club's constitution.
- ✋ I will never upset those around me and keep quiet if someone else is being upset.
- ✋ I will congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
- ✋ I will give my opponents a hand if they need it and accept apologies from them when they are offered.
- ✋ I will always do my best and give 100% effort in whatever I do.
- ✋ I will arrive for club sessions and competition on time and will inform someone if I am unable to attend or will be late.
- ✋ If selected for a competition or match, inform their coach or appropriate official immediately if they are required to withdraw. Members must wear suitable badminton sports clothing for club sessions and competitions, as agreed with the coach or officials of the club.
- ✋ Members must pay any fees for club sessions and events promptly or by the due date.
- ✋ Junior members are not allowed to smoke, consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the club premises or whilst representing the club. (Junior members who are required to take prescribed medicine must discuss this with the Welfare Officer.)
- ✋ Members must not use social or other electronic media to publicly criticise any other player, parent or official involved in the game of badminton or otherwise bring the sport into disrepute through inappropriate communications.
- ✋ As a young person taking part in sporting activities I recognise that I am an ambassador for my sport and others taking part in sport.
- ✋ I will try to ensure I wear the "Free" club shirt at the weekly badminton sessions.

We are committed to your enjoyment when you are playing badminton. If anything or anyone worries or upsets you then you should tell someone about it so that they can help you.

To find out more people who can help go to the www.badmintonengland.co.uk/safeguarding

Useful Contacts

Harborough LC Junior Badminton Club CONTACTS

Club Welfare Officer 1#: Nancy Fitzmaurice	Phone: 07887 965701 Email@ nancyfitzmaurice@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Club Welfare Officer 2# John Fannon	Phone: 07709 699466 Email: johnfannon@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Team Leicestershire Welfare Officer Natalie Clare	Phone: 07889 688860 Email: natc75@icloud.com
Club Chairman: Steve Chapman	Phone: 07971 617942 Email: stevechapman@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Club Secretary: Lynda Haynes	Phone: 07901 935105 Email: lyndahaynes@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Club Treasurer: Ray Phipkin	Phone: 07582 195940 Email: rayhipkin@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Coaching Co-ordinator: Ray Phipkin	Phone: 07582 195940 Email: rayhipkin@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Wizard Administrator (for BE web site) Ray Phipkin	Phone: 07582 195940 Email: rayhipkin@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Club Web Site Administrator: John Fannon	Phone: 07709 699466 Email: johnfannon@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Head Club Coach: Ray Phipkin Badminton England Level 2 Licensed	Phone: 07582 195940 Email: rayhipkin@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Assistant Head Club Coach: John Fannon Badminton England UKCC Level 1	Phone: 07709 699466 Email: johnfannon@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Assistant Club Coach: Steve Chapman Badminton England UKCC Level 1	Phone: 07971 617942 Email: stevechapman@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk

Harborough Leisure Centre (the venue provider on club nights) provides emergency first aid equipment and a member of their staff qualified in first aid is on duty and available at all times.

Nominated Club Officer for First Aid Nancy Fitzmaurice	Phone: 07887 965701 Email: nancyfitzmaurice@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Parent / Carer Representative 1# Penny Fannon	Phone: 07713 396950 Email: pennyfannon@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Parent / Carer Representative 2# Julie Hine	Phone: 07951 034746 Email: juliehine@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Parent / Carer Representative 3# Clare Scott	Phone: 07557 221758 Email: clarescott@harboroughlcjuniors.org.uk
Junior Member Representatives:	Hattie Hine, John Bunten, Daniel Bourne.

BADMINTON England Contacts

National Badminton Centre
Milton Keynes
MK8 9LA

Website: www.badmintonengland.co.uk
Tel: 01908 268400

Head of Safeguarding
Victoria Brown
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Badminton England Safeguarding Team
safeguarding@badmintonengland.co.uk

County Coaching Secretary
(for Leicestershire)
Carole Spencer
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Tel: 07914 941109

Relationship Manager
East
Liam Cooper
liamcooper@badmintonengland.co.uk
Tel: 01908 113034

Other Useful Contacts

The NSPCC

National Centre,
42 Curtain Road,
London EC2A 3NH.

Website: www.nspcc.org.uk
Tel: 020 7825 2500
Free phone 24 hour helpline: 0808 800 5000

Child Protection in Sport Unit

NSPCC National Training Centre,
3 Gilmour Close, Beaumont Leys,
Leicester, LE4 1EZ.

Website: www.thecpsu.org.uk
Tel: 0116 234 7278 / 7217 / 7224
Fax: 0116 234 7251
Email: cpsu@nspcc.org.uk

Childline UK

Freepost 1111, London N1 0BR.

Tel: 0800 11 11

Bullying UK

Website: www.bullying.co.uk
Helpline: 0808 800 222
Tel: 0115 896 7700

(part of) Family Lives East Midlands

Playworks,
North Alfred Street,
Nottingham, NG3 1AE

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