THE 6th ANNUAL
ALL SCHOOLS BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS
Date: Thursday 8th October
Time: 8.45am – 3.00pm
Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre, Aughtie Drive – Albert Park

1. ***The Event***

   The All Schools Badminton Championships will be conducted as a separate Boys and Girls Secondary Schools Teams Competition (i.e. TWO SEPARATE state competitions - Girls cannot play in the Boy's competition or vise versa) for:
   - Open Boys and Open Girls Teams and
   - Second Division Boys and Second Division Girls teams

2. ***Who can participate***
   - **Open Events** – Open for any winning boys or winning girl's school team from their respective school association competition (e.g. APS, AGSV VSSSA, etc).
   - If the winning team is unable to attend the next highest ranked team can accept the invitation.
   - **Second Division** – Open for any boys or girls school wishing to experience greater competition outside their school associations (depending on number of entries received)
   - Please note that Badminton Victoria may invite entries from specific schools that do not have competitive badminton being currently played in their school sport organisation.

3. ***Date and venue***

Date:	Thursday 8th October, 2009 (early Term 4)
Venue:	Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, Aughtie Drive, ALBERT PARK / Badminton Hall
Start Time:	8:45am – Manager's Meeting
	9:00am – Tournament Starts
Finish Time	Approx 3.30pm
Cost:	$85 per team (to assist with court hire costs and medallions)

4. ***Supervision*** A teacher is required to accompany each team.

5. ***Conditions of Play***
   - The Championship will be conducted in accordance with the Laws of Badminton (BWF), except where modified by these conditions.
   - All players must be a student studying any year level between years 7-12, and **be a student of the competing school.**
   - Teams will consist of 4 to 6 players. Players will be ranked in order of singles ability 1-6.
   - Doubles pairs to be ranked 1 - 3 and can consist of any combination of team members.
   - Singles rankings are to remain the same for the duration of the days play.
   - Doubles rankings or pairings may be altered from match to match, but must be nominated prior to the commencement of each match.
   - Each tie will consist of 6 games (four singles and two doubles) and will be played on one court. Boys Division 2 will consist of **3 singles and two doubles** due to time restraints and court availability.
   - PLEASE NOTE: A 45 – 60 minute time slot will be allocated to each tie depending on the number of teams per pool. If games are not completed in this time the scores will be recorded but no winner for that game will be named
   - Singles & Doubles games will be to 21 points, with no setting being permitted. Change of ends will occur at the 11th point.
   - The rally point scoring will be used
   - Each school will be responsible for umpiring in turn.
   - Feather shuttles will be supplied by Badminton Victoria, as well as medallions for the winners and runners up for the boys and girls events.

6. ***Championships Structure***
   - Teams will be allocated into Round Robin groups where they will play other teams in that Round Robin group.
   - If there are 2 or more pools in a Division, cross-over matches will occur to determine final placing.
   - At the end of the round-robin, the team winning the greater number of matches in their pool will be the pool winner. If match wins are equal, the winner will be determined by the number of games won, and if still equal, then on the differential between points for and points against. If two teams are still equal, then the winner will be determined by the result of the round robin match between them.

Please note: Changes to the playing format may be made on the day if finishing time becomes a concern.

Further information concerning the event may be obtained via the BV Office – Carolyn Beaumont (Development Officer):
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