

National Badminton Week

14th – 22nd October 2006

'1 Minute Rally Challenge'



This challenge is to be played within the spirit of the game of badminton, to have fun and to contribute to charity!

Eligibility

- The Challenge must take place between 14th – 22nd October 2006 inclusive
- Open to anyone (experienced or inexperienced)
- 2 Age groups – Under 18 and Over 18 (DoB 1st September 2006)
- An under 18 player may play in the Over 18 category if they are partnering an Over 18 player (2 x Under 18 as a pair are ineligible in the Over 18 category)

Rules

A 3rd party to count must be appointed

The Laws of Badminton apply excepting for rule 2, 3 or 5 listed below

1. The challenge is for two people playing in co-operation with each other as singles
2. When striking the shuttle, both feet must remain on or behind the service line. The recovery step may take you forward following the hit. If both feet move over the line, the rally challenge attempt ends
3. The count begins with the strike of the shuttle to get the shuttle in play often called a 'service'
4. The final count must be the last time the shuttle passed over the net
5. There will be no penalty for an 'illegal' serve
6. If the shuttle lands on the floor at any time, or is deemed out of play, (e.g. hits one of the players or is hit twice by the same player before passing over the net) the score can stand at the last successful shot. If this happens within the 1 minute rally playing period, play can continue starting from this score until the end of the period
7. Time allowed for each challenge attempt in total is 5 minutes, but up to only 3 attempts are acceptable within this period. A continuous rally playing period is 60 seconds only

Organisation

- The score sheet must be signed by both players **and** the 3rd party appointed as the 'counter'
- £1 per pair for the 5 minutes, paid before the activity begins to the organiser
- Unlimited number of sessions, but each session costing £1
- Money to go to NSPCC and where arrangements have been made 50% to the charity within the county
- Results to be emailed to Emily Weller emilyweller@badmintonengland.co.uk who will put them on the BADMINTON England web site

Prize will be offered to the top 10 highest scorers i.e. 5 pairs in each age group. The prize will include an invitation to the National Badminton Centre, Milton Keynes