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Dear Player,

Restricted Tournament 24th/25th September :- Due to problems with hall hire, and sports halls being unavailable, we are this year holding the Restricted tournament in two separate venues over the two days. Please note (as per the entry form), that :-

The Singles will be at Exeter University on Friday evening 24th September. There will be at least 2 games per player as we will have the luxury of 8 courts. The exact format of the singles tournament will be decided nearer the time and will be dependent on entry levels.

The Doubles will be held at the Acorn Centre, Torquay on Saturday 25th September; all times to be advised.

Senior County Trials 26th September :- We are holding the Senior County trials on Sunday 26th September at 1.30pm at Exeter University.

We appreciate that this may cause some players difficulties given that most will probably want to play in the Restricted Tournament as well as put themselves forward for county selection by playing in the Trials on the Sunday; the same weekend as the Restricted.

Unfortunately this is the best arrangement we could come up with. It was felt important that we take the results of the Restricted to the trials so that we have as much information as possible when it comes to team selection. The other reason it has to be this way is because team selection will take place immediately after the trials have finished so that names can be registered with BE within the time frame and well before the 1st fixture takes place.

The only consolation we can offer is that those who do well in the Restricted and wish to go to the trials will at least have the Sunday morning to recuperate!

If you feel that you cannot make either the Restricted and / or the Trials and you wish to be considered for selection please inform us directly of your intention; speaking to or sending a message via a third party will not be accepted. You must email or speak directly either with Malcolm, our County Secretary or me. This will then, hopefully, avoid any confusion about your intentions, as happened in the past.

It is our desire to ensure team selection is honest, open and transparent. It is the executive board's intention to appoint selectors at our next board meeting. Those putting themselves forward as selectors (3) will be elected by board members following receipt of nominations. We hope this will give players confidence that everything is conducted in a manner which is fair to everyone.

Yours Sincerely,
Bob Cross (Chairman)