

Sussex
Volleyball
Association

Members Handbook

2011/2012 Season

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President's Address

Welcome all to the new season.

First of all let me thank all the committee for all their hard work last season and thank you to those people who have volunteered to stand as committee members this season.

We start the season with a successful Beach Fest already behind us. Thank you to Richard Reynolds for making this so successful yet again. Richard has decided to step down from Beach and the updating the website. Can I thank Richard for all his hard work and efforts over the last few years.

I am pleased to say that we have gained another Adur ladies team this season but sadly lose Chichester University.

We have been lucky to continue the momentum with our juniors in Sussex with the work done by Freda and Worthing continuing to deliver good results. Darren Ball has been supportive in keeping juniors alive in St Pauls and this coming season Dolphins will link with St Pauls both in terms of junior training but also as the base for the Sussex National League volleyball team.

I hope many of you got to the international games that again were hosted in Sussex in June this year with both the GB mens and ladies squads performing well. As a prelude to the Olympics it was a wonderful opportunity to see top flight volleyball at reasonable prices in our backyard. I was also pleased to see so many local schools with pupils attending on the Friday afternoon. They certainly cheered our boys on!

As always last years leagues were hotly contested and I have no doubt the coming season will prove equally competitive.

Finally I would like to wish you all the best of luck for the upcoming season.

Tracy Hemery

Chairman

SVA Management Team

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2011/12 LEAGUE ENTRIES

Ladies Division	Men's Division 1	Men's Division 2
Adur Battlecats 1	Adur Jaguars	Adur Tigers
Adur Battlecats 2	Dolphin 1	Adur Panthers
Ashcombe Durrington Aces	Eastbourne	Dolphin 2
Dolphin 1	Friends Hastings	Kings 2
Dolphin 2	Kings 1	Storrington Scorpions
Kings 1	Llamedos Phoenix	Worthing Jets
Worthing Demons	Worthing Vipers	Worthing Sharks
Worthing Devils		

Notes on Fixtures

1. All fixtures MUST be played as per the tables as some clubs do not have any dates to re-arrange a fixture to.
2. Some fixtures will seem irregular to some teams. This is in order to accommodate venue, multiple teams and non-availability requirements of some clubs.
3. All League matches will consist of the best of 5 sets. In the case of league matches 3 points are awarded for a win, 1 point for losing a match, and no points for forfeiting a match

Ladies Division:

This Division will consist of 8 teams and will be organised on the same basis as last year. Each team will play each other team once at home and once away.

Men's Division 1:

The league will consist of 7 teams competing for the league title playing each team once at home and once away. Llamedos have elected to play all their home games as away games and will pay for the other clubs home venue for the match and referees required.

Men's Division 2:

The league will be organised with 7 teams competing for the league title playing each team once at home and once away.

2010/2011 League Results

2010/2011 LADIES' DIVISION – FINAL LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	L	+	-	diff	Points
Dolphins 1	14	13	1	40	10	30	40
Devils	14	11	3	36	11	25	36
Ashcombe Aces	14	10	4	33	17	16	34
Dolphins 2	14	7	7	24	25	-1	28
Battle Cats	14	6	8	26	29	-3	25
Kings	14	4	10	17	34	-17	22
Demons	13	3	10	12	32	-20	19
Chichester Uni	13	1	12	6	36	-30	15

2010/2011 MEN'S DIVISION 1 – FINAL LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	L	+	-	diff	Points
Vipers	16	14	2	45	9	36	44
Uni-Sharks	16	13	3	39	13	26	42
Jaguars	16	10	6	35	24	11	35
Eastbourne	16	9	7	31	32	-1	34
Kings 1	16	8	8	31	31	0	32
Dolphins 1	16	6	10	23	37	-14	28
Llamedos	16	5	11	20	38	-18	25
Hastings	16	4	12	24	36	-12	23
Sharks	16	3	13	15	43	-28	22

2010/2011 MEN'S DIVISION 2 – FINAL LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	L	+	-	diff	Points
Tigers	15	12	3	39	24	15	39
Panthers	15	11	4	37	20	17	37
Storrington	15	9	6	34	24	10	33
Worthing Jets	15	8	7	31	28	3	31
Dolphins 2	15	3	12	20	39	-19	21
Kings 2	15	2	13	17	43	-26	19

League Fixtures

Ladies Division 1

	Battlecats 1	Battlecats 2	Dolphins 1	Dolphins 2	Durrington	Kings	Devils	Demons
Battlecats 1		25-Sep	15-Apr	22-Jan	13-Nov	11-Dec	26-Feb	23-Oct
Battlecats 2	08-Jan		16-Oct	05-Feb	01-Apr	13-Nov	27-Nov	11-Dec
Dolphins 1	30-Nov	18-Jan		28-Sep	01-Feb	26-Oct	21-Mar	07-Dec
Dolphins 2	05-Oct	02-Nov	11-Jan		22-Feb	28-Mar	14-Dec	29-Feb
Durrington	26-Mar	03-Oct	10-Oct	17-Oct		16-Jan	21-Nov	12-Mar
Kings	12-Mar	20-Feb	27-Feb	21-Nov	19-Sep		23-Jan	03-Oct
Devils	06-Nov	11-Mar	13-Nov	08-Apr	12-Feb	16-Oct		08-Jan
Demons	05-Feb	25-Mar	01-Apr	27-Nov	06-Nov	15-Apr	25-Sep	

Mens Division 1

	Jaguars	Dolphins 1	Eastbourne	Hastings	Kings 1	Llamedos	Vipers
Jaguars		08-Jan	02-Oct	05-Feb	06-Nov	04-Mar	04-Dec
Dolphins 1	21-Sep		19-Oct	07-Mar	25-Jan	16-Nov	15-Feb
Eastbourne	23-Jan	06-Feb		12-Dec	19-Sep	20-Feb	19-Mar
Hastings	23-Oct	16-Oct	01-Apr		20-Nov	06-Nov	08-Jan
Kings 1	13-Feb	10-Oct	09-Jan	16-Apr		12-Dec	31-Oct
Llamedos	27-Nov	04-Apr	31-Oct	15-Jan	19-Mar		09-Oct
Vipers	01-Apr	27-Nov	13-Nov	25-Sep	26-Feb	29-Jan	

Mens Division 2

	Tigers	Panthers	Dolphins 2	Kings 2	Storrington	Sharks	Jets
Tigers		23-Jan	15-Jan	11-Mar	16-Oct	20-Nov	30-Oct
Panthers	25-Sep		25-Mar	19-Feb	04-Mar	22-Jan	20-Nov
Dolphins 2	12-Oct	09-Nov		23-Nov	08-Feb	11-Apr	14-Mar
Kings 2	05-Dec	28-Nov	05-Mar		26-Sep	02-Apr	30-Jan
Storrington	12-Feb	02-Oct	04-Dec	15-Jan		26-Feb	06-Nov
Sharks	25-Mar	16-Oct	08-Jan	02-Oct	30-Oct		12-Feb
Jets	26-Feb	18-Mar	02-Oct	23-Oct	08-Apr	04-Dec	

Cup Competition

The Sussex Cup Competition will run the same as last year's competition with a one day event. Date 26/27th April 2012

The venue for this is to be confirmed but it will be a venue in Sussex.

Seeding for the pools will be taken from the league results up to the end of December 2011. Seeding for the Cup or the Plate in the Men's Competition will take place as part of the day within the pools in the morning.

All matches will be timed, except the Grand finals, which will take place over 3 sets.

Other dates of note are as follows:

SEVA Tournament -TBC - to qualify for this you must end up in 1st or 2nd place in Men's Division 1 or the Ladies Division.

Regional Championships – 19th & 20th May – to qualify for this you must be 1st place at the SEVA tournament in either ladies or men's division.

SVA Beach Fest – TBC

JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL IN SUSSEX AND THE SOUTH EAST

- **Junior Co-ordinator**

➤ Rob Smith 07958 768946 juniors@volleyballsussex.co.uk

Current Junior Activities in Sussex

Worthing

Juniors - Mondays, Durrington High School, 5.00-6.00pm for beginners and 6.00-8.00pm for more experienced players. April - September 2012 training moves to Worthing Sand Courts, BN11 2EJ for more information go to: www.ashcombevolleyball.co.uk

Contact:

➤ Freda Bussey 01903 824281 07827 908655 treasurer@volleyballsussex.co.uk

Brighton

Beach volleyball for juniors on the Beach Court- sessions on Thursdays.

For further info go to www.yellowwave.co.uk

South East Training

All junior players aged 12-17 boys and 12-16 girls welcome to the open sessions from September onwards. Squads will be cut from January 2012 to the players selected for the Inter Regional Championships.

Dates for South East Junior training for 2011-12 are

10th September
15th October
12th November
3rd December
7th January
11th Feb
17th March
7th April
21st April

All at Ashcombe Volleyball Centre, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1LY. 10.00.a.m. - 3.00.p.m.

Adur Volleyball Club

- **Club Secretary**

- Elise Dupuy 01273 739217 adur@volleyballsussex.co.uk

- **Ladies Division – Battle Cats 1**

- Suzanne Gardent adurbattlecats1@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 18:00 / Match Start @ 18:30

- **Ladies Division – Battle Cats 2**

- Peggy Lippold adurbattlecats2@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 16:00 / Match Start @ 16:30

- **Men’s Division 1 – Jaguars**

- Maciek Marianski adurjaguars@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 16:00 / Match Start @ 16:30

- **Men’s Division 2 – Tigers**

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- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 16:00 / Match Start @ 16:30

- **Men’s Division 2 - Panthers**

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- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 18:00 / Match Start @ 18:30

- **Main Venue**

- Impulse Leisure – Lancing Manor
Manor Road
Lancing,
West Sussex BN15 0PH
01903 524 624
- Map of venue : [Impulse Leisure - Lancing Manor](#)
- Website : impulseleisure.co.uk

Ashcombe Durrington Aces Volleyball Club

- **Club Secretary**

- Freda Bussey 07827 908655 ashcombe@volleyballsussex.co.uk

- **Ladies Division – Ashcombe Durrington Aces**

- Freda Bussey 07827 908655 ashcombe@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Mondays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 19:00 / Match Start @ 19:30

- **Main Venue**

- Durrington High School
The Boulevard
Worthing
West Sussex
BN13 1JX
- Website : <http://www.durringtonhigh.w-sussex.sch.uk>

Dolphin VC

- **Club Secretary**

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- **Ladies Division – Dolphin Ladies 1**

- Sophie Jupp 07867 517440 dolphinladies1@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Wednesdays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 20:00 / Match Start @ 20:20

- **Ladies Division – Dolphin Ladies 2**

- Sam Elmer 07845 133017 dolphinladies2@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Wednesdays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 20:00 / Match Start @ 20:20

- **Men's Division 1 – Dolphin Men's 1**

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- Matches played on Wednesdays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 20:00 / Match Start @ 20:20

- **Men's Division 2– Dolphin Men's 2**

- Tom Hayes 07941 390595 dolphinmen2@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Wednesdays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 20:00 / Match Start @ 20:20

- **Main Venue**

- Freedom Leisure – The Triangle, Burgess Hill
1 Triangle Way
Burgess Hill
West Sussex
RH15 8WA
- Website :
<http://www.freedom-leisure.co.uk/centres.asp?section=240§ionTitle=the+triangle%2C+burgess+hill>

Eastbourne Volleyball Club

- **Club Secretary**

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- **Men's Division 2– Dolphin Men's 2**

- James Clow 07834 235698 eastbourne@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Mondays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 19:45 / Match Start @ 20:00

- **Main Venue**

- University Sports Centre
Denton Road
Eastbourne
Sussex
BN20 7SR

- Map of venue : <http://www.streetmap.co.uk/idld.srf?X=560052&Y=98051&A=Y&Z=110&lm=1>

Friends Hastings

- **Club Secretary**

- Kristina Bohmova 07912 201077 hastings@volleyballsussex.co.uk

- **Men's Division 1– Friends Hastings**

- Kristina Bohmova 07912 201077 hastings@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 17:45 / Match Start @ 18:00

- **Main Venue**

- Summerfield Leisure Centre
Bohemia Road
Hastings
Sussex
TN34 1ET

- Map of venue : <http://www.streetmap.co.uk/idld.srf?X=560052&Y=98051&A=Y&Z=110&lm=1>

<http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&hl=en&geocode=&q=TN34+1ET&ie=UTF8&ll=50.857706,0.568607&spn=0.006773,0.008218&z=16&g=TN34+1ET&iwloc=addr>

Kings VC

- **Club Secretary**

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- **Ladies Division – Kings Ladies 1**

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- Matches played on Mondays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 20:00 / Match Start @ 20:20
- Please note that there are two main Venues – one for 2011 & one for 2012 – Please ensure that you have the correct venue!

- **Men's Division 1 – Kings 1**

- Bon Sae-Lang 07988 752579 kings1@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Mondays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 20:00 / Match Start @ 20:20
- Please note that there are two main Venues – one for 2011 & one for 2012 – Please ensure that you have the correct venue!

- **Men's Division 2– Kings 2**

- Tom Hayes 07941 390595 kings2@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Mondays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 20:00 / Match Start @ 20:20
- Please note that there are two main Venues – one for 2011 & one for 2012 – Please ensure that you have the correct venue!

- **Main Venue – 2011 Fixtures**

- Michael Hall School
Forest Row
RH18 5JA
Directions:
Approaching from S on A22, cross Ashdown Forest and continue until village centre of Forest Row. Go over first min-rdabout and immediately take sharp left at next min-rdabout onto Priory Rd. Follow along 0.6m until entrance to school on LHS. Follow road around to parking at rear near bicycle racks. Sports Hall is on RHS. PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL OUTDOOR FOOTWEAR MUST BE REMOVED BEFORE ENTERING SPORTS HALL (They're very strict about the footwear rule with everyone - there's plenty of room indoors to change shoes before going further into the building.)

- **Main Venue – 2012 Fixtures**

- Freedom Leisure – Kings Centre, East Grinstead
Moat Road
East Grinstead
Sussex
RH19 3LN
- Website :

<http://www.freedom-leisure.co.uk/centres.asp?section=234§ionTitle=kings+centre%2C+east+grinstead>

Llamedos Phoenix

- **Club Secretary**

- Alan Hands 07709 053688 llamedos@volleyballsussex.co.uk

- **Men's Division 1– Llamedos Pheonix**

- Alan Hands 07709 053688 llamedos@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Llamedos do not have a home venue – All matches will be played at away venues and times.

- **Main Venue**

- All home games being played at away venues. Llamedos will pay for hall hire and referees if needed, please let us know if you cannot arrange a referee well in advance in order that we can arrange one ourselves.

Storrington Scorpions

- **Club Secretary**

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- **Men's Division 2– Storrington Scorpions**

- Martin Fisher 07703 517564 storrington@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Warm Up @ 17:30 / Match Start @ 18:00

- **Main Venue**

- Impulse Leisure – Lancing Manor
Manor Road
Lancing,
West Sussex BN15 0PH
01903 524 624
- Map of venue : [Impulse Leisure - Lancing Manor](#)
Website : impulseleisure.co.uk

Worthing

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- **Ladies Division – Devils**

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- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Timing to be advised by secretary

- **Ladies Division – Demons**

- Petrina Gilbert 07771 694709 worthingdemons@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Timing to be advised by secretary – see below

- **Men’s Division 1 – Vipers**

- Andy Lay 01903 834904 worthingvipers@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Timing to be advised by secretary – see below

- **Men’s Division 2 – Jets**

- Nigel Goldsmith 07795 523467 worthingjets@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Timing to be advised by secretary – see below

- **Men’s Division 2 - Sharks**

- Richard Reynolds 07712 811086 worthingsharks@volleyballsussex.co.uk
- Matches played on Sundays at the Main Venue – Timing to be advised by secretary – see below

- **Main Venue**

- Most matches will be played as double headers – The relevant team secretary will notify you well in advance of the correct time for your match.
- Warm up will be either 18:00 or 20:00 with match start times of 18:30 or 20:30
- Worthing High School
South Farm Road
Worthing
West Sussex
BN14 7AR
- Map of venue :
<http://maps.google.co.uk/maps/place?cid=13847321510602167239&q=Worthing+High+School&hl=en&ved=0CA8Q-gswAA&sa=X&ei=UA1RTvqqFoeQ8QPk8JigDw>

Constitution

1. The Association shall be known as the "Sussex Volleyball Association".
2. The aim of the Association is the furtherance of volleyball in the Sussex area.
3. The Association will be administered by the SVA Committee (SVAC) made up as follows: -

President	Fixtures/Competitions Secretary
Secretary	Division Managers
Treasurer	Junior Development Officer
SEVA Representative	Handbook
Webmaster	

and any other officer elected at a general meeting.

All elected officers and 1 representative per club shall have a vote at SVAC meetings.

4. Meetings of the SVAC will be held as required. It is compulsory for each club playing in Sussex League to have one representative on the SVA committee. (It does not have to be the same person at each meeting,) The quorum for each meeting will be four. Others may be invited to these meetings but may not vote.
5. The Association will meet once per year at the Annual General Meeting. Dates and venues of these meetings will be announced by the SVAC giving at least four weeks notice.
6. Any club failing to send a representative to a General Meeting (AGM or EGM) will forfeit all of their goodwill deposit.
7. Each **team** must send at least one representative to every General Meeting of the Association. A person attending a General Meeting may not represent more than one team.
 - 7.1 At General Meetings each attending team as listed in the Association Handbook will have one vote per person attending up to a maximum of 3 votes.
 - 7.2 The President shall not vote except in the case of a casting vote being necessary.
 - 7.3 The quorum for a General Meeting shall be fifteen.
8. The Association will pay the cost of travelling to a General Meeting for one person per team based upon the current cost of petrol calculated at the rate of 30 pence per mile.
9. Extraordinary General Meetings may be called by means of a written request to the Secretary signed by ten voting member teams of the Association including two from the SVAC.
10. All clubs wishing to compete in the Association competitions must be affiliated to the English Volleyball Association at the beginning of the season and before they commence their fixtures. No matches may be played unless the league has proof that the club is affiliated.
11. Cheques drawn on the SVA account may not be signed by signatories from the same club.

12.1 All cheques paid by the Association shall be signed by two of the following people:-

Treasurer
President
Secretary
Competitions Secretary

12.2 The amount of each single transaction authorised by the SVAC is limited to a maximum of £150.00. Any amount above this is to be authorised by quorum of the SVAC and detailed in committee minutes.

13. The following competitions will be organised annually:-

- a. A local league comprising as many divisions as necessary, appropriate to the ability, number and geographical location of the member teams.
- b. A knock-out cup competition arranged as a tournament day (or days)
- c. Tournaments, depending on demand and facilities available.

14. There shall be an Association Handbook giving a directory of all SVA affiliated club teams, team members and fixtures.

15. Any disputes between teams or clubs in the Association shall be settled by the SVAC, whose decision shall be final unless over-ruled by a General Meeting.

16. Any discipline matters arising within the Association shall be dealt with by the SVAC. Penalties imposed shall be within the absolute discretion of the committee. The procedure for conducting and appeal shall be as set out in the publication "Getting it Right" published by the Sports Council 1994 except that the appeal deposit shall be £40.

17. In the event of the dissolution of the SVA, any remaining funds or assets, after outstanding liabilities have been paid, will be dispersed equally between SVA affiliated clubs.

18. Communications between the SVA and clubs shall be predominantly by e-mail to club secretaries and SVAC members. The SVA website will be regularly updated with results, tables, news items and downloadable documents.

19. The accounting year for the SVA will run from April – March.

SVA Competition Rules

CLUB/TEAM ADMINISTRATION

1. EVA rules will apply to the conduct of SVA matches where not varied by local rules.
2. All teams will maintain a financial goodwill deposit of £35.00 with the SVA. This is intended as an additional token of commitment and will enable the SVA Committee (SVAC) to levy appropriate fines against teams which infringe any of these rules.

In the event that all or any of the deposit is forfeited, the deposit must be made up in full within 14 days of despatch of the fine notice.

Fines not paid...

Within 14 days loss of all points during the unpaid period

Within 4 weeks expulsion of team from League and KO Cup

- 3.1. All league entry fees and goodwill deposits must be paid by the 19th June 2011 and until such money is paid in full any matches played by the teams concerned shall be deemed to have been lost 3 – 0 by the offending team.
- 3.2. Each team must register with the SVA the names of all players in that team by completing the player registration form. Enrolment fee is £10.00 per player. Player registrations must be completed before the start of the teams first game. Further registrations may be made on the day of a meeting as long as either; The cheque and players details are handed to a member of SVAC or an email to the division secretary, SVA treasurer and President is sent and payment made the same day by bank transfer.
- 3.3. After the end of January, there will be no transfers between teams or clubs.

FIXTURE ARRANGEMENTS

4. All matches are automatically confirmed on publication of the definitive fixture programme on the SVA website.
5. All disputes shall first be considered by the League Managers and when necessary referred to the SVAC.
6. No matches shall be played after the final scheduled fixture shown in the handbook unless agreed under rule 8.1.
7. All League matches will consist of the best of 5 sets. In the case of league matches 3 points are awarded for a win, 1 point for losing a match, and no points for forfeiting a match. League positions are decided on points won. In the event of teams being equal on points the final league positions will be decided on sets difference, then sets for, then sets against and if this doesn't give a clear placing with respect to promotion/demotion to have a playoff at a neutral venue.

- 8.1.** The fixture list is published in draft form for consultation in July. Fixtures may only be re-arranged at short notice during the season in the following circumstances, or with the agreement of the league manager:
- a. The venue is unavailable due to unforeseen circumstances. The home team must inform the designated club contact of the visiting team at least 3 days before the fixture date.
 - b. Difficult weather conditions on the day of the match
- ...and in both cases the League Manager **MUST** be informed.

Fixtures may be re-arranged for other reasons with the agreement of both teams. All re-arrangements are subject to the following rules:

A date for the postponed match must be agreed within 28 days of the date the game was postponed. The team postponing the game is primarily responsible for rearranging the game and will be liable for the penalty points under rule 28 if adequate arrangements are not made. If a suitable date cannot be found the team who did not initiate the postponement can claim the game. All games must be played by the end of the season prior to the AGM.

- 9.1.** Failure of teams to attend matches (except as under Rules 8.1 and 8.2) will be dealt with as shown in the penalty point table rule 30.
- 9.2.** Expenses **MUST** be claimed through the SVAC and not directly from the offending team. The final decision on the level of any expenses to be claimed will rest with the SVAC.
- 9.3.** Where the team offended against is the home team a completed score sheet must be submitted to the League Manager. Where the team offended against is the away team a team list must be submitted to the League Manager.

LEAGUE MATCH ARRANGEMENTS

- 10.1.** The time published in the Handbook is the warm-up start time and except where varied by the home team entry in the handbook, the first ball is due to be served 30 minutes later.
- 10.2.** The first ball will not be served until both teams and officials are on court. Any team causing a delayed start will be penalised as follows:-

<i>DELAY</i>	<i>PENALTY</i>
Team not available for match start time	Loss of first set
Over 15 minutes	Loss of second set
Over 30 minutes	Loss of third set

- 10.3.** It is the responsibility of the home team to start on time and provide enough court time to play the game. If the game then overruns the home team forfeits the match
- 11.** The minimum number of players for the Men’s lowest Division and the Ladies Division is five, in which case three shall be front court players. No serving penalties shall apply for teams playing with five.

12. Clubs may field mixed teams in the Men's Divisions but the net must remain at Men's height.
13. The minimum roof height shall be 7 metres for Men's Div. 1 and Ladies League matches. Teams can elect to play at home (by informing the Fixtures Secretary before the beginning of the season) if their opponent's hall does not meet this requirement.
14. All teams must turn out in matching shirts with numbers attached. Only if the mismatching shirt is shown on the score sheet will the penalty points apply as in rule 30.
15. The home team must arrange for the following officials at matches:-

a. Men's Division 1 and Ladies Division 1:

- EVA Qualified Referee
- Competent 2nd Official
- preferably four lines persons but a minimum of 2 will be acceptable
- Scorer

The home team must provide a qualified 1st referee for ALL Division 1 matches (Men's and Ladies) or the game will be forfeited by the home side. If there is any doubt over the referee's qualifications, the game must be played on the night with any comments being put on the score sheet. A final decision on the match result will then be made by the SVAC.

The details of these officials must be entered on the score sheet and must include the referees qualification and number.

b. Men's Divisions (excluding Division 1):

Competent Referee, 2nd official, scorer and 2 line judges

16. The home team in any fixture must make available at least four good quality balls for the use of the visiting team if they require them.
17. All results must be submitted by the home team to the relevant Division Manager by text or email on THE DAY OF THE FIXTURE. The score sheet should be sent 1st class post the following morning after the match.
 - a. Score sheets must be completed legibly with team names, set scores and the names of all players and officials. All matches must be recorded on EVA score sheets.
 - b. Score sheets are to be completed in triplicate and copies as follows:-

Top copy	Appropriate League Manager
Middle copy	Away Team
Bottom copy	Home Team

- c. Only the 1st referee may complete the remarks box on the score sheet provided the correct FIVB protocol has been observed.

18. Teams consistently guilty of inadequate match organisation will be subject to penalties as laid out in Rule 30 and to review by the SVAC.
19. Promotion and relegation will in general operate on a "two up, two down" basis but may be subject to variation by the SVAC in order to administer variable entries at the start of the season.

ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

20. No player may play for more than one club in the league. In the case of women players, they may also play for one club within the Men's division. This rule also applies to Challenge Cup matches. Exceptions will only be made with the agreement of SVAC.
21. **Movement of Players within a Club.** Where a club has more than one team within the leagues, they must register players for a single team within that club. However, one player per match may play up any number of times for a team within that club for which they are not registered as a player. However a player may only play down if the team would otherwise only have 5 players.

In the case of women, Rule 21 also applies.

In the case of players under 17 as at 1st September, they are eligible to play for any team within the club therefore overriding any rule restricting only 1 player to be played up/down in a match. This rule does not apply to Challenge Cup matches.

If any club suspects an infringement of this rule the League Manager shall check the score sheets to assess the validity of the allegation.

22. All transfers between teams and/or clubs must be notified to the relevant league secretaries in writing at least 14 days before the player is eligible to play for the new team/club.

SUSSEX PLAYER OF THE SEASON AWARDS

23. There will be one award for each division. After each match the team captains shall nominate a player of the match from the opposing team and the referee will confirm that he agrees with the selection. If necessary the referee may change the vote if he considers that either captain's vote is unsportsmanlike. The player with the most recommendations at the end of the season will be the winner.

The player of the match nomination shall be made at the end of the match, before the players leave the hall.

Players playing up or down should be noted on the score sheet and are ineligible to receive the player of the match award.

EVA REQUIREMENTS

24. U18 players in a team must be clearly identified on the player registration forms. The SVA remind all clubs with U18 players to ensure that they are aware of and follow the guidelines contained in the EVA Child Protection Policy. All clubs affiliated with the SVA should have received a copy of this policy from the EVA.

If this is not the case please contact the EVA National Office on 01509 227722.

25. All clubs must be affiliated to the EVA. (See Constitution Para. 10) This has personal indemnity implications and is an imperative. Affiliation applications and payment of fees must be made directly between the club and the EVA in August each year. No matches may be played by a club unless the SVAC has received confirmation that the club is affiliated. If during a season it is discovered that a club has not affiliated to the EVA all teams within the club will have all points won to that date deducted.
26. Each club should have a qualified coach who is registered with the EVA and whose registration is up to date with the EVA.

SVA ADMINISTRATION

27. It is compulsory for each club to be represented at every SVAC meeting (see Constitution Para. 4). Failure to attend SVAC meetings is a breach of SVA rules and will result in penalties as listed in the table under Rule 30.
28. The SVAC reserves the right to vary the number of divisions depending upon the number of entries that are received for the league.
29. Registered EVA coaches have free membership to the SVA if they submit a copy of their registration card with the player registration form.
30. Teams will receive penalty points for poor or inadequate organisation. For every 10 points accumulated by a team they will be deducted 1 league point. Any team accumulating 100 points will be immediately suspended for the remainder of the season from all SVA competitions.

Rule	Action	Points
3.2	Non-registered player (per player, per match). The match is also awarded to the other team	5
8	Failure to follow correct protocol for rescheduling a match	10
9.1	Failure to attend a match without notice	40
9.1	Failure to attend a match with less than 24 hrs notice	20
14	Mismatching shirt (per player, per match)	2
15e	No (qualified) 1 st Referee	10
15e	No 2 nd Referee	5
15e	No Line Judge	3
15e	No Scorer	10
17	Late Score Sheet/Failure to text result in	3
17a	Incomplete Score Sheet	2
26	1 st failure to send a representative to a SVAC meeting	5
26	Each subsequent failure to send a representative to a SVAC meeting	15

31. Should there be any circumstances not covered by the preceding rules, the final decision will rest with the SVAC.