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Southern Baseball Association

*An amalgamation
(formed in 1958)*

of

SOUTH EASTERN COUNTIES
BASEBALL ASSOCIATION
Founded in 1949

SOUTH EASTERN BASEBALL LEAGUE
*Founded in 1935 as the East London Baseball League
Re-formed in 1948 as the London East Baseball League
Re-named South Eastern Baseball League in 1950*

WESTERN COUNTIES
BASEBALL ASSOCIATION
Founded in 1950

WESTERN AMATEUR BASEBALL LEAGUE
*Formed in 1950
Successor to the Metropolitan Baseball League
(1937-1939)
and London West Baseball League (1948-49)*



Headquarters:
Ye Olde Tiger Tavern
1 Tower Hill, London, E.C.3
Telephone: Royal 5239

Teams in Membership

SENIOR DIVISION

Barnet Athletics	-
Briggs Brigands	-
Cardinals	-
Navy Blue Jackets (London)	-
Queens Park Aces	-
Thames Board Mills	-

DIVISION ONE

Epsom Lions	-
Essex Nationals	-
Esso Tigers	-
Kodak	-
Leatherhead Maple Leafs	-
Sutton Beavers	-
Sutton Royals	-
Tigers (Mitcham)	-

DIVISION TWO

Barnet Panthers	-
Bluejays (Dulwich)	-
Briggs Tigers	-
Esso Tigers "A"	-
Richmond Red Sox	-
Vitamins Magpies (Crawley)	-

BARNET ATHLETICS *formed 1950 as Hornsey Athletics*

Secretary: Mrs. J. M. ROBERTS
313 Wightman Road, N.8.

Telephone: Mountview 8586.

Ground: Barnet Lane, Barnet.

Directions to Ground: Northern Line to High Barnet. Turn left out of station down hill, cross road (Barnet Hill) and turn down Fairfield Way which is at side of the "Old Red Lion." Ground is behind School on right-hand side of Grasvenor Avenue (continuation of Fairfield Way) (about 200 yards) and is behind Barnet Football Ground.

Colours: White with Blue Trimmings.

BARNET PANTHERS *formed 1956*

Secretary: PETER S. ASH
96 Salisbury Road, Barnet, Herts.

Telephone: Barnet 9436 (*home*).
Elstree 3311 (*business*, 9 - 5.30).

Ground: Barnet Lane, Barnet.

Directions to Ground: Northern Line to High Barnet. Turn left out of station down hill, cross road (Barnet Hill) and turn down Fairfield Way which is at side of the "Old Red Lion." Ground is behind School on right-hand side of Grasvenor Avenue (continuation of Fairfield Way) (about 200 yards) and is behind Barnet Football Ground.

Colours: Blue Shirts, White Trousers.

BLUEJAYS (Dulwich) *formed 1949*

Secretary: ALAN R. BROWN
60 Oglander Road, London, S.E.15.

Telephone: Museum 8010, Ext. 331 (*office*).
Hop 1386 (*office*) (J. Paré, Manager).

Ground: Beckenham Place Park.

Directions to Ground: British Railways from Holborn Viaduct or Blackfriars to Beckenham Hill (Beckenham Hill exit). Turn left out of station and park entrance is across street on right.

Telephone No. of Ground:

Colours: White with Blue Trimmings.

BRIGGS BRIGANDS formed 1934

BRIGGS TIGERS formed 1938

Secretary: W. ISAACS
Briggs Social & Athletic Club, Briggs Motor Bodies, Chequers Lane, Dagenham, Essex.

Telephone: Rainham (Essex) 680 (Sports Office).

Ground: Briggs Sports Ground, Rush Green Road, Romford, Essex.

Telephone No. of Ground: Romford 5678.

Directions to Ground: Nearest Stations are Romford (Eastern Region from Liverpool Street) or Dagenham Heathway or Dagenham East (District Line). From these Stations the following buses pass the ground: 87 (Romford-Barking), 103 (Romford-Dagenham East-Rainham) or 175 (Romford-Heathway).

Colours: Green with White Trimmings.

CARDINALS formed 1956

Secretary: Mrs. E. GAUTHIER
67 Mount Ararat Road, Richmond, Surrey.

Telephone: Richmond 3478.

Ground: Bushey Park, near Kingston - on - Thames, Surrey.

Directions to Ground: From Kingston (Southern Region trains) cross Kingston Bridge and turn right into Teddington High Street. Turn left into Park Road and continue along Sandy Lane to Main Gate of U.S.A.F. Base (about 500 yds. from Kingston Bridge). Ask at Gate for further directions.

Colours: Grey with Blue Sleeves.

EPSOM LIONS formed 1953

Secretary: Mrs. G. RANSON
1 Hook Road, Epsom, Surrey.

Telephone: Epsom 2135.

Ground: Court Recreation Ground, Epsom.

Telephone No. of Ground:

Directions to Ground: Very near Epsom Station (Southern Region). Turn left into Waterloo Road which leads into Temple Road; ground is situated at far end of Temple Road on the left.

Colours: Maroon and Gold.

ESSEX NATIONALS formed 1937

Secretary: TONY SMITH
232 Lodge Avenue, Dagenham, Essex.

Telephone: Dominion 4647 (*home*) or
Dominion 2267 (*business*) or
Dominion 0387 (D. Tinton, *home*).

Ground: Mayesbrook Park, Barking, Essex.

Telephone No. of Ground: Rippleway 5713.

Directions to Ground: Bus 9, 23, 62 or 87 from Barking (District Line). Alight at Goodmayes Lane (near Main Gate).

Colours: Grey with Red Trimmings.

ESSO TIGERS formed 1949 as *Aveley Cubs*

ESSO TIGERS "A" formed 1958

Secretary: ALAN G. ALEY
Rosebury, Wilsman Road, South Ockendon, Romford, Essex.

Ground: Ezzo Sports Ground, North Rd., Purfleet, Essex

Directions to Ground: Green Line 723 (*not* 723A) (Aldgate-Grays) or Country Bus 371 (*not* 371B) (Rainham-Grays). Book to either (a) TUNNEL GARAGE, PURFLEET; thence 20 mins. walk down London-Southend Rd. to North Rd. (fork right at fork road); or (b) NORTH ROAD (near Jurgens Sports Ground), then ground is about 10 mins walk down North Rd. on left-hand side past Fondu Sports Ground.

Colours: White with Red Trimmings.

KODAK formed 1936

Secretary: Mrs. E. RUSSELL
40 Greenhill Road, Harrow, Middlesex.

Telephone: Harrow 2199 (*emergency only*)
or

Mr. A. Feasey (Chairman) (Dept. 131A, Building 105, Kodak Works, Wealdstone, Middlesex) Harrow 4380.

Ground: Harrow View, Harrow, Middlesex.

Telephone No. of Ground: Harrow 2642

Directions to Ground: From Headstone Lane Station turn left into Parkfield Ave. and then take left-hand fork (Harrow View).

Colours: Green and Gold.

LEATHERHEAD MAPLE LEAF formed 1956

Secretary: DEREK PHILLIPS
13 Atherton Street, London, S.W.11.
Telephone: Battersea 5775.
Ground: Leatherhead Sports Ground, Fetcham Grove.
Telephone No. of Ground:
Directions to Ground: From Leatherhead Railway Station (S.R.) proceed down Waterway Lane. From North Street-Bridge Street Crossroads (traffic-lights) to junction with Waterway Lane and turn left.
Colours: White with Black Trimmings.

NAVY BLUE JACKETS (London) formed 1954

Secretary: SK.1 S. T. RANNEY
United States Navy Activities, 34 Grosvenor Square, London, W.1.
Telephone: Mayfair 9222, Ext. 925.
Speedwell 4231 (*private*).
Ground: Mitcham Common.
Telephone No. of Ground:
Directions to Ground: From Tooting Broadway (Northern Line), Trolleybus 630 to Red House (by dressing room). From Mitcham Junction (Southern Region) walk 300 yds. to Blue House, then Trolleybus 630 to Red House (3d. fare).
Colours: Grey, with Blue and Gold Trimmings.

QUEENS PARK ACES formed 1953

Secretary: WILLIAM V. CROTTY
14 Alder Grove, London, N.W.2.
Telephone: Gladstone 1938.
Ground: Wormwood Scrubbs, London, W.12.
Telephone No. of Keeper's office: Shepherds Bush 4030.
Directions to Ground: Central Line to White City. Then by any trolley-bus to Wormwood Scrubbs main entrance; Keeper's office and dressing-room are in Scrubbs Lane.
Colours: Grey with Red and Black Trimmings.

RICHMOND RED SOX formed 1956

Secretary: REG HARDS
96A Townmead Road, Fulham, London, S.W.6.
Telephone: Renown 7343.
Ground: King George's Field, Ham, Surrey.
Telephone No. of Ground:
Directions to Ground: from Richmond Station (S.R. and L.T.), Bus 65 or 71 to Sandy Lane. Walk to Ham Street, turn right to river.
Colours: Red and White.

SUTTON BEAVERS formed 1949

Secretary: ROBERT J. HAINES
61 Wigmore Road, Carshalton, Surrey.
Telephone: (C. A. Richardson)
Vigilance 7472 (*home*) or
Mitcham 2471 (*business*) (9 - 6).
Ground: Rosehill Recreation Ground, Sutton, Surrey.
Telephone No. of Ground:
Directions to Ground: Northern Line to Morden, and thence by Bus 164 or 164A to the request stop after Rosehill. The Ground is on the opposite side of the road.
Colours: Grey and Maroon.

SUTTON ROYALS formed 1947 as Mitcham Royals

Secretary: CHARLES A. N. COLE
76 Bidhams Crescent, Tadworth, Surrey.
Telephone: Burgh Heath 6585.
Ground: Roschill Recreation Ground, Sutton, Surrey.
Telephone No. of Ground:
Directions to Ground: Northern Line to Morden, and thence by Bus 164 or 164A to the request stop after Roschill. The Ground is on the opposite side of the road.
Colours: White and Blue.

THAMES BOARD MILLS formed 1937

Secretary: DOUGLAS B. WHEELER
Thames Board Mills Sports and Social Club,
Purfleet, Essex.

Telephone: Rainham 4670.

Ground: London Road, Aveley, Essex.

Telephone No. of Ground: Rainham 4670 (ask for Sports Club), or Rainham 4686 (evenings).

Directions to Ground: Green Line 723 (not 723A) (Aldgate-Grays) or Country Bus Service 371 (not 371B) (Rainham-Grays).

Colours: Green and White.

TIGERS (Mitcham) formed 1936

Secretary: DENNIS SPICER
23 Caesars Walk, Mitcham, Surrey.

Telephone: Mitcham 6337.

Ground: Mitcham Common.

Directions to Ground: From Tooting Broadway (Northern Line), Trolleybus 630 to Red House (by dressing room). From Mitcham Junction (Southern Region) walk 300 yds. to Blue House, then Trolleybus 630 to Red House (3d. fare).

Telephone No. of Ground:

Colours: Green and White.

VITAMINS MAGPIES (Crawley) formed 1957

Secretary: JOHN W. FINCH
Vitamins Limited, Magpie Wood, Manor Royal, Crawley, Sussex.

Telephone: Crawley 1580.

Ground: Vitamins Ltd. Ground, Crawley, Sussex.

Directions to Ground: By train from London Bridge or Victoria to Three Bridges Station (*where teams will be met*). By road follow A.23 till just before reaching Crawley; turn off left into Manor Royal just after passing the County Oak Filling Station; the ground is at the rear of Vitamins Ltd. Works on the right-hand side of Manor Royal.

Colours: White with Black Trimmings.

Southern Baseball Association Umpires' Society

Chairman: H. S. KNAPP
87 Granton Avenue, Upminster, Essex

Hon. Secretary/Treasurer:
A. F. MARSHALL
132 Kingsland Road, Plaistow, E.13

List of Umpires:

D. CAMPBELL

8 Grange Road, Aveley, Essex

J. IRVING

9 Dunmow Drive, Rainham, Essex

Telephone: Rainham 5171

H. S. KNAPP

87 Granton Avenue, Upminster, Essex

A. F. MARSHALL

132 Kingsland Road, Plaistow, E.13

P. THERRIEN

77 Archer Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex

Telephone: Southend-on-Sea 67052

Cup Draws — 1958

(all knock-out matches on ground of first-named club)

Southern Association Cup

First Round

(i) Briggs Brigands	v	Esso Tigers "A"
(ii) Kodak	v	United States Navy
(iii) Essex Nationals	v	Mitcham Tigers

Second Round

A Leatherhead Maple Leaf	v	Winners of (i)
B Epsom Lions	v	Mitcham Royals
C Bluejays	v	Vitamins Magpies
D Barnet Panthers	v	Winner of (iii)
E Thames Board Mills	v	Cardinals
F Sutton Beavers	v	Barnet Athletics
G Esso Tigers	v	Richmond Red Sox
H Queens Park Aces	v	Winner of (ii)

Third Round

I Winner of D	v	Winner of C
II Winner of E	v	Winner of B
III Winner of A	v	Winner of G
IV Winner of H	v	Winner of F

Semi-Finals

X Winner of I	v	Winner of III
Y Winner of IV	v	Winner of II

Final

Winner of Y	v	Winner of X
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Intermediate Cup

First Round

K Richmond Red Sox	v	Briggs Tigers
L Barnet Panthers	v	Vitamins Magpies

Semi-Finals

M Winner of K	v	Esso Tigers "A"
N Winner of L	v	Bluejays

Final

Winner of N	v	Winner of M
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Consolation Cup

Preliminary Round

(Matches to be arranged if required)

First Round

R Loser of Match A	v	Loser of Match B
S Loser of Match C	v	Loser of Match D
T Loser of Match E	v	Loser of Match F
U Loser of Match G	v	Loser of Match H

Semi-Finals

V Winner of R	v	Winner of S
W Winner of T	v	Winner of U

Final

Winner of V	v	Winner of W
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Regional Cups

To be played on league principle,
each team meeting each other team once

Essex Cup

Briggs Brigands, Briggs Tigers, Essex Nationals,
Esso Tigers, Esso Tigers "A", Thames Board Mills
Top two teams meet in Final

North of Thames Cup

Barnet Athletics, Barnet Panthers, Cardinals,
Kodak, Navy Blue Jackets, Queens Park Aces
Top two teams meet in Final

South of Thames Cup

SECTION A: Epsom Lions, Leatherhead Maple Leaf, Sutton
Royals, Vitamins Magpies
SECTION B: Bluejays, Richmond Red Sox, Sutton Beavers,
Tigers (Mitcham)
Winners of Section A meet winners of Section B

L. J. Kosta Memorial Trophy

This will be competed for at Thames Board Mills Sports
Ground on Whit-Monday in a One Day Tournament. Draw
to be made later.

Leagues and Cups — 1958



South Eastern

EASTERN SECTION	<i>Pld.</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Pts.</i>
Thames Board Mills	10	9	1	18
Briggs Brigands	10	8	2	16
Essex Nationals	10	7	3	14
Ford Sports	10	4	6	8
Esso Tigers	10	2	8	4
Briggs Tigers	10	0	10	0

WESTERN SECTION	<i>Pld.</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Pts.</i>
Queens Park Aces	12	10	2	20
Hornsey Athletics	12	9	3	18
United States Navy	12	8	4	16
Leatherhead Maple Leaf	12	7	5	14
Sutton Beavers	12	5	7	10
Epsom Lions	12	2	10	4
Kodak	12	1	11	2

Play-offs

Semi-Finals—

Thames Board Mills ... 16	Hornsey Athletics	4
Queens Park Aces 29	Briggs Brigands	6

Final—

Queens Park Aces 9	Thames Board Mills	7
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Div. 1 Play-off—

Queens Park Aces 4	Thames Board Mills	3
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LEAGUE SENIOR CUP FINAL

Queens Park Aces 3	Hornsey Athletics	2
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LEAGUE INTERMEDIATE CUP FINAL

Queens Park Aces 9	Sutton Beavers	0
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SOUTH EASTERN COUNTIES CUP FINAL

United States Navy 17	Sutton Beavers	2
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ESSEX CUP

Briggs Brigands 19	Ford Sports	7
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METROPOLITAN CUP

Hornsey Athletics beat Queens Park Aces

INVITATION TOURNAMENT FINAL

Epsom Lions beat Esso Tigers

L. J. KOSTA MEMORIAL TROPHY FINAL

Essex Nationals 6	Kodak	4
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Western

COUNTY CUP	<i>Pld.</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Pts.</i>
Richmond Cardinals	10	9	1	18
Tigers (Mitcham)	10	6	4	12
Bluejays	10	5	5	10
Barnet Panthers	10	5	5	10
Mitcham Royals	10	3	7	6
Richmond Red Sox	10	2	8	4

LEAGUE	<i>Pld.</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Pts.</i>
Richmond Cardinals	10	10	0	20
Tigers (Mitcham)	10	8	2	16
Mitcham Royals	10	4	6	8
Bluejays	10	3	7	6
Barnet Panthers	10	3	7	6
Richmond Red Sox	10	2	8	4

Past Winners



South Eastern

League Senior Division

(Known as Division I, 1935-51)

Cup presented by John Moores, Esq.

1935	...	Briggs Brigands
1936	...	Briggs Brigands
1937	...	Ilford No Varys
1938	...	South-East Essex Tech. College
1939	...	Ford Sports
1949	...	Hornsey Red Sox
1950	...	Dodgers and Thames Board Mills (ti 1)
1951	...	Thames Board Mills
1952	...	United States Navy (London)
1953	...	Briggs Brigands
1954	...	Briggs Brigands
1955	...	Hornsey Athletics
1956	...	Briggs Brigands
1957	...	Queens Park Aces

League Division One

(Known as Division II, 1937-51)

Cup presented by P. H. Lendrim, Esq.

1937	...	Paragon
1938	...	Leyton Civics
1939	...	West Ham Invicta
1949	...	Paragon
1950	...	Essex Cubs
1951	...	Ford Sports
1952	...	Aveley Cubs
1953	...	Fondu
1954	...	Snowdown Magpies
1955	...	Thames Board Mills
1956	...	United States Navy (London)
1957	...	Queens Park Aces

League Division Two

1952	...	Snowdown Magpies
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League Senior Cup

Cup presented by L. D. Wood, Esq.

1937	...	Ilford No Varys
1938	...	South-East Essex Tech. College
1939	...	Ford Sports
1949	...	Hornsey Red Sox
1950	...	Hornsey Red Sox
1951	...	Hornsey Braves
1952	...	Thames Board Mills
1953	...	Thames Board Mills
1954	...	Briggs Brigands
1955	...	Kodak
1956	...	Queens Park Aces
1957	...	Queens Park Aces

League Intermediate Cup

1950	...	Aveley Cubs
1951	...	Ford Sports
1952	...	Snowdown Magpies
1953	...	Dagenham Royals
1954	...	Queens Park Aces
1955	...	Queens Park Aces
1956	...	Queens Park Aces
1957	...	Queens Park Aces

Essex Cup

"I. Arthur Rank Cup" presented by West Ham Invicta S.C.

1949	...	Essex Nationals
1950	...	Thames Board Mills
1951	...	Essex Nationals
1952	...	Thames Board Mills
1953	...	Briggs Brigands
1954	...	No competition
1955	...	Briggs Brigands
1956	...	Ford Sports
1957	...	Briggs Brigands

Metropolitan Cup

Cup presented by L. J. Kosta, Esq.

1952	...	Snowdown Magpies
1955	...	Epsom Lions
1956	...	Queens Park Aces
1957	...	Hornsey Athletics

Invitation Tournament

Shield presented by F. Morgan, Esq.

1955	...	...	Kodak
1956	...	...	United States Navy (London)
1957	...	...	Epsom Lions

L. J. Kosta Memorial Trophy

Cup presented by Thames Board Mills B.C.

1956	...	...	Queens Park Aces
1957	...	...	Essex Nationals

South Eastern Counties Cup

Cup donated by L. J. Kosta, Esq.

1951	...	...	Thames Board Mills
1952	...	...	Essex Nationals
1953	...	...	Snowdown Magpies
1954	...	...	Briggs Brigands
1955	...	...	Briggs Brigands
1956	...	...	Hornsey Athletics
1957	...	...	United States Navy (London)



Western

League President's Cup

1949	...	...	West London Pioneers
1950	...	...	West London Pioneers
1951	...	...	West London Pioneers
1952	...	...	Sutton Beavers
1953	...	...	Sutton Beavers
1954	...	...	Sutton Beavers
1955	...	...	Sutton Beavers
1956	...	...	Tigers (Mitcham)
1957	...	...	Richmond Cardinals

League Vice-President's Cup

1950	...	...	Kodak
1951	...	...	Briggs Brigands
1952	...	...	Kodak
1953	...	...	Tigers (Mitcham)
1954	...	...	Epsom Lions
1955	...	...	Tigers (Mitcham)
1956	...	...	Sutton Beavers
1957	...	...	Tigers (Mitcham)

Western Counties Cup

1952	...	...	Tigers (Mitcham)
1953	...	...	Wokingham Monarchs
1954	...	...	Wokingham Monarchs
1955	...	...	Tigers (Mitcham)
1956	...	...	Tigers (Mitcham)
1957	...	...	Richmond Cardinals