



Sutton Coldfield Pokéclub Newsletter

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Welcome to our June newsletter with details of the upcoming UK TCG National Championships, advice on how to get a Darkrai on the DS and news about the online TCG. Remember to check our website for updates to event dates, lost property and other news at www.suttoncoldfieldpokeclub.weebly.com. New on the website this month is a page with advice on using card sleeves.

Upcoming dates for your diary:

9 June	League meeting	10am – 12pm	£2.00
16 June	League meeting	10am – 12pm	£2.00
30 June	TCG UK National Championships at Wicksteed Park, Kettering		

TCG UK NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The UK National Championships will be held on Saturday 30 June at Wicksteed Park in Kettering

For many players this is the culmination of a year's play, testing out decks and playing in tournaments in the hope of being crowned the UK's best player and winning a trip to the World Championships in Hawaii. It would be great to see lots of Team SC players there.

The tournament is free to enter but remember, Masters and Seniors are only eligible to compete at the Nationals if they have earned 10 or more play points throughout the season. Juniors can play regardless of how many play points they have earned as long as they have a player ID. You can check how many play points you have by accessing your online trainer account profile at pokemon.com

Registration times: Masters and Seniors 9.00am until 10.00am. Juniors 10.00am until 11.00am.

More information, including location details for Wicksteed Park are available on our website – just click on the Tournaments heading and select UK Nationals.



Your Pokémon Club staff are Joanna, Glenn and Chris



Special Event Pokémon available for DS Download



For players of Pokémon Black or Pokémon White on the DS, from 9th May to June 10th, you will be able to get a Darkrai through the Mystery Gift option via Nintendo WFC.

Darkrai comes with the moves Dark Void, Ominous Wind, Faint Attack and Nightmare.

It will be at Level 50 and will be holding an Enigma Berry which restores a quarter of the holder's HP when hit by a super effective move.

Remember, once you've received the Mystery Gift, in order to get Darkrai you must have an empty slot in your party of six Pokémon. Go into any Pokémon Centre and speak to the man near the entrance and he'll give you Darkrai.



Pokémon TCG Online

For anyone who has been playing the online Trading Card game at Pokemon.com you will have noticed that the game is currently undergoing some major changes. According to the Pokémon company the game is being updated and a new version is currently in production. While this update is going on, the online multiplayer option is not going to be available.



Don't worry about losing any cards or decks you've got online already from virtual booster packs. When the new version is released players should get back all their online cards and packs that they have redeemed using the online code cards, together with any non-redeemed booster credits.

The new version will also require a software download and install onto your computer (currently the game is played only through a web browser using Flash) and this should improve performance of the game's speed in loading and playing. There's no set date for the release of the new version but it is expected to be late summer. Until then you have the option of downloading the beta (test) version of the software to take a look at how the new game may look although it's early in the development stages and more changes to the game layout are likely before the final version. Unfortunately the beta version is only available as a Windows download so if you are a MAC user will need to wait for the full release before you can download it.