



Badminton Scotland AGM

23 June 2021



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**Events Report
23 June 2021**

Return to play

- **Last season we were the Non Events Committee**
- **Rearranged four events from last season**
 - **U13/17 Nationals (14-15 August, Glasgow)**
 - **Disability Nationals (21 August, Dalkeith)**
 - **Yonex Scottish Nationals (27-29 August, Perth)**
 - **U15 Quadrangular (1-3 October, Glasgow)**
- **Excellent tournament calendar in place for Season 21/22**
- **Re-start Scottish ranking lists in August 2021**

Domestic ranking events

Age group	Type of competition	Season 18/19	Season 19/20	Season 21/22	Season 22/23 (target)
Seniors	NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	1	1	2	1
	Circuit A	5	5	5	5
	Circuit B	3	5	6	12
	Circuit C	5	11	11	18
	Circuit D				
U19	SCOTTISH NATIONAL JUNIOR	1	1	1	1
	Circuit A	4	4	5	4
	Circuit B	4	4	4	6
	Circuit C				
U17	SCOTTISH NATIONAL JUNIOR	1	1	2	1
	Circuit A	4	4	4	4
	Circuit B	2	2	3	6
	Circuit C				
U15	SCOTTISH NATIONAL JUNIOR	1	1	1	1
	Circuit A	4	4	5	4
	Circuit B	10	10	7	10
	Circuit C				
U13	SCOTTISH NATIONAL JUNIOR	1	1	2	1
	Circuit A	4	4	4	4
	Circuit B	9	9	8	10
	Circuit C				
U11	SCOTTISH NATIONAL JUNIOR	1	1	1	1
	Circuit B	4	6	2	7
	TOTALS	64	74	73	96

Training and Development

- **Made use of the downtime**
 - **Events webinars**
 - **Expanded Events Committee**
 - **New event personnel for Badminton Scotland's events**
 - **Training Opportunities**
 - **Events KPIs**
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Engagement Committee

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Key Highlights 2020/21

- **Covid Guidance**
- **Development**
- **Community**
- **Inclusion**
- **SCRBC**
- **Questions**



Covid Guidance

- **First Guidance Issued in June 2020**
- **Updated on a Regular Basis - 22 times to date!**
- **Key Templates for Return to Play**
- **sportscotland Covid Officer Training**



Development

- Reviewed & Updated all resources
- Created New Activities & Resources for them
- Increased Partnership Working
- Reviewed & Updated Coaching Qualifications
- PDA & Tutor qualifications/recruitment
- Development of the VLE
- Replacement for UKCC Courses
- Junior Match Play Sessions
- Area Development Plans
- Court Official Recruitment



Community

- **New Resources**
- **Series of Webinars**
- **Membership & Regional Groups**
- **Web site & Social media**
- **BSCH**
- **Retail Offer Improving**



Inclusion

- **Safeguarding & Wellbeing**
- **Badminton Scotland Disability Group**
- **Establishing a Badminton Scotland Equality Group**
- **Increased partnership Working**
- **Badminton Europe Project – Gender Equality**



SCRBC

- **New Operating Procedures Developed & Implemented**
- **New Online Booking System Introduced**
- **Covid Procedures in Place Early**
- **Opened the Venue Quickly After Each Lockdown**





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Performance Update

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Overview

- **Performances**
- **Culture**
 - **Wider performance sector**
 - **Key Relationships**
- **Covid**
- **Regional Performance Squad update**



Performances

- **Kirsty Bronze at EC after returning from injury with only 4-5 weeks of full training**
- **Preparations for Tokyo going really well**
- **Win at SaarLorLux Open and beating Carolina Marin in Semis**
- **5th place at EMTC (without Alex and Kirsty), only losing out to Denmark 2:3**
- **Joshua Apiliga beating Max Weisskirchen earlier in the event**
- **3 Semi finals at Spain Masters (Super 300) – Adam, Julie and Ciara**
- **Grimley Twins taking both Lamsfuss/Seidel and Rankireddy/Shetty to 3 close games**
- **7 players having met the CG selection criteria already**
- **Any others to mention?**

Culture – Wider Performance Sector

- **Fostering a culture of transparency, exchange and communication**
- **Bruce Flockhart and Craig Robertson members of PC**
- **Informal "Performance forum" implemented that meets once a month to stay on top of early developments/topics that come up and get valuable input and discussions (Andy B, David G, Bruce F, Craig R, Craig G, Ingo K)**
- **Athlete commission implemented and also involved in PC (Adam Hall, Kirsty Gilmour)**
- **Very regular exchange within RPS/SDS coaching team**

Culture – Relationships

- **Good relationships with CGS, BadmintonEurope but especially SportScotland**
- **SportScotland:**
 - **Key partner and massive help in establishing training and travel protocols during Covid**
 - **Very well integrated work with support team**
 - **Regular exchange with HPM Aileen McGillivray who is a major support**
 - **Same with the Medical Team around Niall Elliott and John Maclean**
 - **Big increase in allocated days of support services and increase in number of supported players from 16 to 18**

Covid

Unfortunately Covid will probably still be a big part of updates like this for a while

Training under strict protocols – progressions were gradually accepted but unfortunately not all yet (e.g. SDS involvement)

Protocols will not disappear too soon to keep training environment extra safe

All decisions will be taken in consultation and based on advice of SportScotland

Tournament landscape still very volatile (e.g. Polish International withdrawal on very late notice after we've been advised not to go – right decisions after hearing that a lot of players got infected there)

Higher costs per tournaments (e.g. estimate for MAS/SGP was 4000GBP/person)

So far only 1 positive Covid case in the Squad – Head coach, but no transfer to anyone else in the training environment

Regional Performance Squad update

- **Current Number of Athletes (7 Regions) – 188**
- **Current Number of Coaches (7 Regions) – 22**
- **New Process for Athlete Evaluation in place**
- **Selection Competitions in place for both U15 Quadrangular & U17 European Junior Championships**