

Regional Development Officers (RDOs)

Promoting, organising and growing badminton in Scotland.



Lothian and Borders – August 2023

In August, the holiday season was in full swing, including the Edinburgh Fringe festival. While most clubs and school are off during this time, I took a break to enjoy a week off with my family.

However, I still had some badminton activities on the go:

- I visited Livingston Badminton Club where the members enjoyed a coaching session I ran to give tips and then we played some games.
- We delivered a Badminton Basics Course for Edinburgh Leisure, 14 candidates successfully completed this course.
- I ran a girls only badminton class.
- My visit to the Lothian RPS session was very interesting and seeing how the players are developing is fantastic.
- On 29th of August we will have the first Borders club meeting, the invitation from Badminton Scotland CEO Keith Russell.

Other items of note:

- It was great to be able to help the Lothian RPS to find the sports hall and promote the Lothian RPS trial.
- Arranging coaching courses, Badminton Basic Course and UKCC Level 1.
- CPD training in Borders in the diary September.
- I have also been promoting the “Learn to Play” program, Edinburgh Leisure and West Lothian Leisure are going to have the “Learn to Play” program for kids in their leisure centre.

Upcoming dates for your diary in September:

- 16th September. Livindians Charity Badminton Tournament at Xcite Criagswood.
Contact info: 07707331210 or 07488287424
- 17th September. Borders Group junior and adult open day coaching at Earlston High School
Contact: Gordon McClean, gordonmclean77@gmail.com
- 23rd September. Disability Badminton 'Come and Try' EAST Event at Heriot Watt University. Booking link: <https://bit.ly/45OLf8m>
- 24th September. Level Doubles Ladders Competition at St. George's School Edinburgh
- **Intermediate Level booking link:**
<https://shorturl.at/bfRT4>
- **Advanced Level booking link:**

<https://shorturl.at/uFLX9>

- 24th September, UKCC Level 1 at Earlston High School.
Booking Link: <https://shorturl.at/fuJN8>



