

Regional Development Officers (RDOs)

Promoting, organising and growing badminton in Scotland.



Glasgow & West: November 2023

East Renfrew Primary & Secondary Gibb Memorial Quaich

It was a great honor to be invited to the Primary and Secondary Memorial Quaich. With 7 schools already advancing to this round, the level of competition was great! The team at East Renfrew, the coordinators and their young coaching academy did an excellent job! The event ran amazingly well, everyone taking part was in high spirits, full of enjoyment and cheering on their team members, and I am excited to see the level of competition happening within Renfrew continue to grow.



Knightswood Young Leader Award

Within Glasgow, Knightswood Secondary school has put through their young coaches through the Y.L award. The group of new coaches were fantastic, with great attitudes, great ideas, and we are excited to see where their badminton coaching will take them!



Dumfries And Galloway CPD

D&G hosted a CPD that allowed us to communicate with teachers on the new needs for badminton coaching within schools. This shared learning allowed us to highlight some key aspects of the game and it allowed us to understand the change in needs! Thank you to the active schools team for inviting us down and it is excited to hear about the opportunities coming to the area

Badminton Basics

The first badminton basics was completed this month. 12 new individuals have started their coaching journey. A fantastic group of individuals who are super keen to get involved in their local selected clubs. Wishing them the best of luck on their progress and hope to see them on the level 1!

Midlands Events

I was invited to visit up to Dundee to meet John and Steve. These gentlemen run a very successful social badminton event for the local area. It was great to see the structure of this event and how receptive the participants were. It was very clear why this event is so successful, a big thanks to John for all the hard-work he puts into these events and I hope I am able to replicate something similar, soon coming to Glasgow!



Argyll & Bute Committee

The Argyll & Bute had their first area committee meeting with a great success. This was a great chance for local clubs to communicate together, share learning and discuss what barriers clubs have experienced. This was also a great chance for them to speak to the governing body to discuss support and needs required for the end of the year. Still open for new members to join.

Boots & Beards Badminton Club

It has been very exciting for Glasgow area. A brand new club has been formed. The organization Boots and Beards has created a brand new club, focusing on juniors currently, with the help of coach Scott. The new club is aiming to provide more opportunity for those looking to get started in the sport.

With the first session already underway, and everyone returning, we are very excited to see how the club will grow.



Ayrshire Badminton Club

Within Ayr, there was a loss of clubs, so it is with great news that the Ayrshire Badminton Club (ABC) has been put in place. People within the community, and recognition to Emma Cook who has put a lot of time and effort into bringing the ABC back. It was great that we could support the new sessions coming live and to hear after only a few sessions the numbers continue to grow.

Helping them make connections within schools and communities within Ayrshire, the plan within the year will be to develop 2-3 more locations around Ayrshire, allowing the local community opportunities to play the sport again! Very exciting times for the club and the community.