

Regional Development Officers (RDOs)

Promoting, organising and growing badminton in Scotland.



Tayside, Fife & Central: September 2023

Teacher CPD

In partnership with Angus Active Schools, Badminton Scotland has run two teacher CPD sessions. The first was held in Seaview Primary, Monifieth and the second one in Strathmore Primary, Forfar.

The teachers were taken through activities from Early Years, Curriculum For Excellence and Big Hit Festival resources. These resources cover the spectrum from nursery through to P7.

Children introduced to badminton through sessions run by the teachers during and after school will be sign posted to local clubs.

Strathmore are already a great feeder school for Forfar Junior BC.

There are also teacher CPD sessions booked in with Perth Active Schools and the Perth PEPAS network.



Great Partnership Working

The Badminton Scotland partnership with Dunfermline Badminton Association (DBA), and the Dunfermline & West Fife Sports Council (DWFSC), has proved popular with 20 schools already signed up for 3 free taster sessions.

The sessions will run from October through to March 2023.

The winning formula is being replicated in East Fife, this time it is Badminton Scotland in partnership with NEFBA Jaguars and East Fife Sports Council.

The sports council have approved funding to allow coaches from NEFBA to run taster sessions in rural primary schools in the North East of Fife.

Badminton Scotland are also looking to work with St Andrews University BC and Active Schools to offer badminton tasters to primary schools in St Andrews through an out reach program.

Falkirk

In partnership with Falkirk Active Schools Disability Lead, Badminton Scotland are running a disability workshop for volunteers and coaches. Disability sessions currently run in Grangemouth.

Partnership with Scottish Disability Sport & Dundee Leisure & Culture

Darren Thomson from Dundee Leisure & Culture, Graeme Doig from SDS and Badminton Scotland have organised the Disability Badminton section of the Dundee Discovery Games 2023.

Great assistance has been provided by David Gillespie from Glasgow Disability BC, who helps with ratings for the LD competitors. Thanks also to Steve Cummings from Dundee Nomads who encourages volunteers from his club to act as scorers.

This year the event is taking place at the DISC in Dundee on Saturday 23rd September.



Scottish Open

Badminton Scotland delivered a YSLA workshop to sports leaders from Inveralmond Community Campus in Livingston.

The leaders will be delivering all the Big Hit Festivals at this year's Scottish Open at the Emirates Arena supported by Badminton Scotland Development Officers.

Badminton Associations

It's been a busy time with badminton associations gearing up for the season ahead.

At the DABA AGM it was pleasing to hear the new committee focusing on offering more opportunities for children and young people in local clubs.

At the present time only Dundee Nomads offer primary age children the chance to play badminton out with school in Dundee area.

If you want to know of upcoming activity in your area, or advice/help organising an upcoming event? Please get in touch via jane@badmintonscotland.org.uk