

## Regional Development Officers (RDOs)

Promoting, organising and growing badminton in Scotland.



### North East Scotland - October 2023

Hello, and welcome!

Firstly, what a month, first time being down at the Emirates for the Scottish Open, great standard of play and well done to all the athletes and eventual winners of the events, as well as all the staff who made it run effortlessly, you guys made it look easy.

Well done to Granite City for all their hard work for the Gold shuttlemark and receiving the banner, link below -

<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=922492412681968&set=a.612937446970801>

If you want any friendly matches with other teams from another district not just Aberdeen but from surrounding areas, send me an email and lets' see what we can arrange.

We still have places available for the Badminton Basics course in Elgin on the 12<sup>th</sup> Nov see link below to start your coaching path –

<https://badmintonscotland.justgo.com/workbench/public/events?ref=932A5CCFF9CDE3DB96FCA73D56F7C2BBED24AAA>

We have Smash in2 Badminton sessions for schools next week starting in Cuminstown, Peterhead and Oldmeldrum, hopefully we can get clubs running in these areas and lets' see where it goes!

If you are free Friday night and stay in or near Mintlaw, come and try badminton at the MACBI centre from 7-9pm looking forward to seeing you there!

If you have any news about your club I can post here or on FB, just let me know, want to hear all the good things that are happening!

If anyone is interested in doing there Badminton basics/level 1 to start their badminton coaching career please don't hesitate to contact myself at [steven@badmintonscotland.org.uk](mailto:steven@badmintonscotland.org.uk). Trying to organise for end of November/start of December for both courses!

Not to Forget the Day-to-Day Activity.

The above indicates a sample of the work that has been undertaken in the NE Area in the last four weeks. Importantly the work of the RDO is about engaging with the members of the Badminton Scotland Local Badminton Communities and chatting with them, listening and working together and sometimes agreeing to disagree and so there is a host of other work that takes place with the following people that is to do with shaping how our sport is delivered our communities;

- Individuals - coaches/players/parents;
- Representatives of Clubs, Associations and Groups
- Colleagues at Badminton Scotland
- Group Meetings with Clubs, Associations and Groups
- Partner organisations – Local Authority Managers of Facilities and Sport Development Teams; Active School Co-ordinators; Sport Scotland; Scottish Disability Sport.
- Social media updates