

## Regional Development Officers (RDOs)

Promoting, organising and growing badminton in Scotland.



## Glasgow & West: January 2024 - Courses

With the badminton basics happening on 2 February, wishing the best of luck to these new coaches starting their coaching pathway!

A friendly reminder that spaces are filling up FAST for the level 1 course that is happening at the Sir Craif Reddie Badminton Centre in March, and the level 2 coach award all can be found online.

Any desire to become a coach or a club having multiple people wanting, please reach out to myself directly and we can work together to build more opportunities for these courses to happen.

## Scottish Cup

The Scottish cup happened on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>. It was fantastic to see all the clubs and participants. A great day, full of action packed badminton and some extremely exciting rallies!! Great effort from all the teams and everyone involved. Excited to see the semi finals and the games that come!



## Club visits

It has been great to get back into the community! Coming round to the clubs, visiting the coaches, players and everyone else involved with the clubs. I will be reaching out to all clubs in my area again to organise calls or visits as I'm keen to get back out to the community. Huge thanks to Glasgow disability club who welcomed me to the club.. also put through my paces during the visit as a few participants asked for a game.. they showed who were the pros!



During my time in January, hearing from clubs and local areas to here about their own success, future projects and development plans has been fantastic. Some very exciting opportunities are soon coming to everyone in the West to get more chances of social play!

## Extra news

- **LGBTIQ+ Workshop for Clubs.** LEAP Sports Scotland will be delivering an Actively Included workshop on Thursday 8 th February for clubs and community organisations. This workshop will support those attending to increase knowledge and confidence when working with LGBTIQ+ community members. LEAP Sports will provide a specific sports focus, discussing common barriers that LGBTIQ+ people face to getting involved in sports and exercise and ways that these can be reduced. They will also cover LGBTIQ+ terminology and inclusive language. Clubs and Organisations can sign up to the free workshop below or get in touch if they have any further questions: <https://glasgowlife.sportsuite.co.uk/events/2024/02/leap-sports-scotland-activelyincluded-training>
- **First Social doubles ladder of the year** will take place at the Jesmond Sports centre on the 24th February, this will be for participants of the sport that are beginner/social players to give everyone a fair chance to get some games and have fun, hope to see you there! See link below to sign up!  
<https://badmintonscotland.org.uk/tournaments/aberdeen-senior-socialadder>

If you want to know of upcoming activity in your area, or advice/help organising an upcoming event? Please get in touch  
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