## Regional Development Officers (RDOs) Promoting, organising and growing badminton in Scotland.



## North East Scotland - February 2024

As the season progresses, games are quite close throughout the leagues, good luck for the remaining games everyone!

Well done to Aberdeenshire players, who travelled down to the Dundee Bronze Event on the 18<sup>th</sup> February, Well done to Blair & Murray Spence who made it to the final, Leona Rhind & Claire Elder who won the women's doubles and to Murray and Leona who won the mixed doubles, well done and just shows what we are capable of in the North East! If any other players travel to tournaments, let me know so we can highlight all the good from Aberdeenshire!

If you want to continue your coaching career, we have a Level 1+ happening in Aberdeen on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March at Jesmond, places still available, likewise if you want to start your coaching career there will be a basics course going live this week for the Sat 20<sup>th</sup> April if you want to join in.

This week, been busy going round schools in Aberdeen with help from Active Schools, to give pupils a chance to participate in badminton for the first time to get future players involved at an early age.

Last weekend we held the first social tournament of the year at the Jesmond sports hall, 20 players turned up to some close games, fun throughout and some competition. Everyone enjoyed themselves and competitors came from all over Aberdeen and a player from China got involved — while on his holidays! So thank you all for coming along and will let you know of the next one! See below for photos on the day and the table.

Results: https://badmintonscotland.tournamentsoftware.com







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 <a href="mailto:steven@badmintonscotland.org.uk">steven@badmintonscotland.org.uk</a>.

## 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