

## Regional Development Officers (RDOs)

Promoting, organising and growing badminton in Scotland.



### North East Scotland January 2024

Hello, and welcome!

Hope you all had a good festive break and are getting back into some good matches in the league.

I want to start by saying well done to all that passed their Level 1 coaching on the 13<sup>th</sup> Jan, onwards and upwards soon to the 1+!

If you live in the Huntly area and your children play badminton, I will be running a Young Leaders Award on the 9<sup>th</sup> February, if interested see your Active Schools Co-ordinator for more details.

Ladies, trying to arrange some doubles coaching with our own Rita Gao on the 8<sup>th</sup> March, as soon as I have more details I will let you all know it is live on the website to book your place. Places will be first come I'm afraid.

Awaiting confirmation, but trying to arrange a Badminton Basics course in April if anyone is interested?

First Social doubles ladder of the year will take place at the Jesmond Sports centre on the 24<sup>th</sup> 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-social-ladder/>

If you are not aware, on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March we will be having club doubles at Kincorth, entry form will be available soon, just to make you all aware.

As for the Social doubles ladder, would there be any interest if we made this a quarterly event throughout Aberdeen like a Grand Prix style event, any thoughts just let me know!

If you are free on a Friday night in Mintlaw area, we are steadily growing numbers, more than welcome to come and join us at the Macbi centre from 7pm-9pm.

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).

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