

## Regional Development Officers (RDOs)

Promoting, organising and growing badminton in Scotland.



## Glasgow & West: March 2024

### Courses

Glasgow had the first level 1 coaching course of 2024 happen this month, it has been great to see people taking up the opportunity to further their own coaching knowledge and pathway! The hope is that these course with clubs helps become more active and will be posting more for the region within the next few months.

### Clubs

As always visiting and hearing from my local clubs is one of my key priority. Understanding the support needed to allow clubs to grown and give the members of these clubs more opportunities to play and develop. I also want to showcase the high support for the club helpers, with the great work club helpers do, its great we can now get you on the Justgo system via your own free membership and allows us to understand the full picture of the club!

A huge thank you to, Things Tae Dae badminton club who invited me down to see the club! This clubs highlights opportunities for everyone, they have development sessions and sessions for individuals with learning disabilities, it was a great honour to be invited to the club session and I'm very excited to see the opportunities grow and develop for the club!



I am always keen to hear from other clubs and encourage anyone who is part of a club to get in touch, lets hears about your club and ways I can support and offer development opportunities.

## Schools

Schools have been super busy this month, with young people taking on the Young leaders course to allow them to take ownership of primary badminton sessions, and others running fun badminton events. Bellshill Academy with Jill Smith smashed the course with all participants getting highly involved and we are keen to see these coaches in with the primary schools.



Trinity High school smashed their training and it showed! With the students running 2 Big hit events, having over 120 primary students up visiting the high school and participating in the events, they showed real character and leadership abilities when it came to running the event, a big well done to everyone involved!



## Colleges & University Opportunities

After meeting with several colleges and universities, some development work for providing social / competitive opportunities are starting to form. If you are involved with a college or uni club or go to further education and want to get involved, see if there is a badminton club and let me know, I would love to hear from you and find out more about these clubs and what it going on.

## West Disability Open

Thank you to SDS for inviting myself down to deliver some badminton sessions during the festival. It was great to see other governing bodies down all for the day providing lots of sporting opportunities.



A reminder that the West disability Champs is still online and available to participant, 11<sup>th</sup> May, all information can be found online!

## Other News

All the RDOs in badminton Scotland will going through their first-aid training, this means we can offer support at events and something we can keen to take up in.

I always welcome the opportunity to speak with any clubs, social hits, development clubs and learn more about what's going on in my area, so please get in touch!