

# ANNUAL REPORT 2024 - 25



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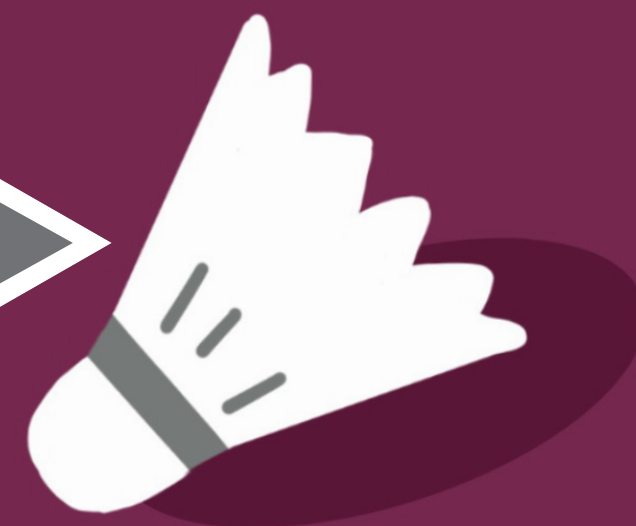
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# OFFICE BEARERS 2024 - 2025

**Badminton Tasmania would like to thank all of our board members, collaborators, volunteers, and sub-committee members who contributed a great deal to our successes during the 2024-25 season. Without you, our sport stops.**



**AUDITOR**  
Bentley Audit PTY LTD

BA Delegates 2025 Forum  
Abbie Rothery & Brent Munday

BA Delegate 2025 AGM  
Abbie Rothery

## BT BOARD 2025

**PATRON**  
Barbara Wesley OAM

**PRESIDENT/CHAIRPERSON**  
Brent Munday

**VICE-PRESIDENT**  
Abbie Rothery

**SECRETARY/PUBLIC OFFICER**  
Abbie Rothery

**TREASURER**  
Mark Steczkowicz

**GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS**  
David Turner  
Amelia Dowe  
Annalea Reid

## Committees

**BTCOC**  
David Turner (president)  
Robert Brockman (treasurer)

**Tournament Sub-committee**  
Matt Stewart  
Stephen Gale  
Alexander Stow  
Brent Munday

## STATE TEAM OFFICIALS - 2025

Open Team Coach	Abbie Rothery
Open Team Manager	Mark Steczkowicz
Open Team Selectors	Robert Brockman, Jenny Badger, and Mark Steczkowicz

Under 19 Team Coach	William Ponsonby
Under 19 Team Manager	Annalea Reid

Under 15 Team Coach	Caroui (Carol) Ouyang
Under 15 Team Manager	Rachel Reeves

Junior Selection & committee for 2024/25  
Jane Kabalan (2024 only), Leesa Grundy, Lasse Bundagaard,  
and Abbie Rothery (2025 only)



# TBA LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Ralph W Ede Clendinnen	1933*
William A Burke	1936*
Eric G Richman	1941*
Alan Colquhoun	9/5/48*
C.D. Stephens	27/2/49*
Ozzie Wilson	7/2/54*
Rex Triffitt	5/12/54*
Jack Dennis	7/12/58*
Cecil Facy	1/12/63*
Ernie Goodger	3/12/72*
Rex Collins	1/12/74*
Ron Whittle	7/12/75*
Harry Thompson OAM	21/11/76*
John Wiltshire	3/12/82
Ken Turner	17/11/85
Barrie Welch	17/11/85
Barbara Wesley OAM	19/11/89
Doug Brain	1/12/96
Jean Hingston	6/12/98*
Gwen Richardson	2/12/07
Kelvin Hayes	2/12/07
David Turner	7/12/08
Pauline Dobson	5/12/10
Leon Young	4/12/11*
Peter Cocker	2/12/12
Matthew Gillie	6/12/15
Robert Brockman	29/08/21

# AWARDED \*deceased

*Badminton Tasmania pays homage to those in our community from throughout history and those still with us today who have contributed an extraordinary amount to our sport in Tasmania.*



\*deceased

Made to a player, administrator, court official, coach or supporter who has given out-standing service but had not qualified for Life Membership at the time of receiving this award:

Neil Evans	1996 *	Pauline Dobson	2009
Dot Allison	1998 *	Bev Hite	2009
Geraldine Brown	2000	Peter Cocker	2009
David Turner	2000	David Jones	2009
Jason Williams	2000	Peter Singline	2009
Adrian Brown	2009	Leon Young	2010 *
Sheila Bird	2009		



## BA Life Membership

Ralph W Ede Clendinnen 1968

## BA Conspicuous Service Award

Ken Turner	1994
Doug Brain	1995
Ron Whittle	1995
Rex Collins	1995
John Wiltshire	1995
Barbara Wesley OAM	1995
Jean Hingston	1995
Dot Allyson	1998
Ken Turner	1999
Kelvin Hayes	2005
Gwen Richardson	2005
Geraldine Brown	2005
Bob Grundy	2013
Matthew Gillie	2013

## BA Award of Merit

Neil Evans	1995
Harry Thompson	1995
Adrian Brown	1995
Pauline Dobson	1995
Leon Young	1995
Gwen Richardson	1999
Max Wood	2005
Brian Cooper	2005*
Bob Grundy	2005
Lisa Hayes	2005
Trevor Hodgkinson	2005
Peter Cocker	2008
John Henderson	2013*

## BA Diploma of Service

Rose Meaghan 2013

## BA Technical Official of the Year

Peter Cocker 2008



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT 24 -25

**Brent Munday**



*This year has marked significant progress for Badminton Tasmania in participation, development programs, member, and community engagement across the state, and in improving governance and child safety practices and procedures.*

## Participation and development programs

*Badminton Tasmania's participation and development programs have resulted in a growth in participation. Successful delivery of the Shuttle Smash - Sporting Schools Programs in both the South and North-West regions has contributed to increased visibility and engagement. A historic milestone was achieved with the first combined senior and junior state development camp in 25 years, held in Port Sorell in North Western Tasmania. Sanctioned tournaments continue to attract solid participation numbers, reflecting the sport's strong presence across Tasmania. The Shuttle Smash initiatives have seen widespread involvement: 360 participants at the Shuttle Smash - Gala Day Competition in Burnie, 40 at the Shuttle Smash - Come & Try Activation in Launceston, 9 regular participants in the Shuttle Smash - All Abilities Program in Hobart, and 139 participants across the Shuttle Smash - 10-Week Programs in Snug, Hobart, Devonport, Launceston, and Penguin. Badminton Tasmania also partnered with Variety Tasmania – The Children's Charity to deliver badminton to over 150 children during multi-sport days in Deloraine, Ulverstone, and Sorell, led by experienced coaches Lasse Bundgaard and Abbie Rothery.*

*Junior participation continues to grow, thanks to the dedicated efforts of Lasse Bundgaard and Matthew Gillie, whose statewide programs are driving membership and visibility. Tasmania proudly hosted the Senior National Championships in Hobart and the Under 19 & Under 15 National Championships in Launceston. Tasmanian teams were entered in all categories, highlighting the strength of our junior base. The challenge ahead is to retain these players and support their progression to senior levels. Looking forward, our focus will be on enhancing technical training through accredited coaching to strengthen our development pathways.*

*A veteran's tournament was successfully held in the South, although the North-West event was cancelled due to low numbers. Internationally - Linda Byrne achieved a remarkable milestone by winning the Over 70 World Singles Championship, a testament to her dedication and excellence.*



*Brent in action at the 2025 Ede Clendinnen Shield & YONEX Australian National Championships*



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT 24 -25

## Brent Munday



### Governance

During the year, Badminton Tasmania continued to improve its governance practices and procedures including the implementation of:

- a Conflict of Interest Policy and a Child Protection Risk Management Policy; following consultation with member clubs and associations and approval by the board.
- an induction process for all new board members – designed to assist new board members understand their role, be aware of their responsibilities, have a copy of key documents and understand the workings of Badminton Tasmania and its relationship with stakeholders.
- an online compliance system - requiring coaches, officials, board members and volunteers to confirm their understanding of the policies and procedures adopted by Badminton Tasmania under the National Integrity Framework, evidence their completion of compulsory training modules and to evidence their completion of essential checks, including the Working with Vulnerable People Registration. The online compliance system provides Badminton Tasmania with an efficient mechanism to maintain up-to-date compliance records and ensure consistent standards across the state.
- an education program for member clubs and associations – in December 2024, Badminton Tasmania organised a State Forum with a focus on the National Integrity Framework, Badminton Tasmania's Safeguarding Children & Young People Policy and the importance of the implementation of safeguarding practices at the member club and association level. In June 2025, Badminton Tasmania organised an education session for member clubs and associations and coaches on the National Integrity Framework, which was delivered by the National Integrity Manager at Badminton Australia.
- a Board Skills and Diversity Matrix process, under the guidance of Matthew Etherington - Project Officer at Active Tasmania - to assess the current skills, experience and diversity on the board and what will be needed in the future for Badminton Tasmania to achieve its strategic priorities and operational goals. This process has informed the board about future recruitment priorities, future development opportunities to upskill current directors and has positioned us well for the future.
- a self-assessment of Badminton Tasmania's governance policies and procedures against the Australian Sports Commission's 2025 Sports Governance Standards - designed to understand both current strengths and weaknesses in existing governance processes and procedures and the identification of areas for future improvement.

### Child Safety

Badminton Tasmania strengthened its child-safe practices and procedures throughout the year through several key initiatives, including:

- ongoing education; Badminton Tasmania participated in workshops delivered by the Office of the Independent Regulator, Active Tasmania, and Sport Integrity Australia, supporting ongoing improvement of policies, processes, and education relating to safe environments for children and young people.
- the implementation of the Child Protection Risk Management Policy and online compliance system referred to earlier.
- an onboarding process for all new volunteers working with vulnerable people - the onboarding process ensures that volunteers are adequately trained and aware of their responsibilities and the latest industry specific practices reinforcing Badminton Tasmania's commitment to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people and improving its compliance with the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations and Tasmania's Child and Youth Safe Organisations Framework.
- enrolment in the Safeguarding in Sport Continuous Improvement Program (SISCIP) in May 2025, Badminton Tasmania was formally accepted into the 18-month program being run by Sport Integrity Australia to assist state and national sporting organisations around Australia to strengthen their child-safety capability, processes and procedures and to meet compliance requirements. Badminton Tasmania will continue to work closely with Sport Integrity Australia during the program.
- the completion of a self-assessment process facilitated by Sport Integrity Australia - designed to understand both current strengths and weaknesses in existing child safety processes and procedures and the identification of areas for future improvement.

**“ We are committed to provide a child-safe environment where all children are respected, protected, and empowered. We have a zero tolerance for child abuse and take all concerns seriously. ”**

**Brent Munday - BT President**





PRESIDENT’S REPORT (cont.)



Acknowledgements

I extend my sincere thanks to the 2024/25 board of directors for their commitment and hard work. Special thanks to Badminton Hobart, the North Western Badminton Association, and the Greater Northern Badminton Association. Your continued support is vital to the success of Badminton Tasmania.

Finally, I acknowledge and thank the invaluable contribution, guidance and support received from Active Tasmania, Badminton Australia, the Australian Sports Commission, and Sport Integrity Australia - the financial and non-financial support has greatly assisted Badminton Tasmania in being able to deliver its strategic priorities and operational goals.

**Brent Munday**  
BT President 2024-25



KEY STATISTICS:  
BT 2024-25  
MEMBERSHIP

2025 membership numbers for Badminton Tasmania’s member clubs and associations as at 30 June 2025

Members	1,608
Life members	61
Volunteer administrators	22
Coaches	12
Umpires	17
Line judges	6
Referees	2
Program members	1,261
Total members	2,989
Event participants	3,699
Total reach of our sport	6,688

Badminton participation data as measured by the Australian Sports Commission over the last 3 years:

	Australia	Tasmania
30 June 2023	382,075	7,438
30 June 2024	439,353	7,491
30 June 2025	427,416	6,901



STATE TEAMS 2024



2024 Tasmanian Under 17 Team - Ballarat

The Under 17 June Bevan Trophy & Australian Championships were held in Ballarat, Victoria in the latter half of 2024.

Top row: Vincent Wong, Tristan Theissen, Mike Chu, Riichi Sato, Lincoln Lam

Bottom row: Leesa Grundy (Manager), Chloe Young, Max Gardam, Abilashini Palanisamy, Emma Zhuang, Nimmika Thisara (Coach)



2024 Tasmanian Open Team - Bendigo



Back Row (L-R): Mark Steczkowitz (Team Manager,) Lachlan Macdonald-Meyer, Scott Viney and Annalea Reid

Front Row (L-R): Meg Graham, Stephen Gale, Brent Munday (Player/Coach) and Leesa Grundy





2025 Tasmanian Open Team - Hobart

Mark Stezkowicz (manager), William Ponsonby, Indiana Hickey, Houzhi Dong, Li Hong Chew, Brent Munday, Annalea Reid, Abbie Rothery (player/coach), Leesa Grundy, Phuc Le, Chi Chien Gooi



2025 Tasmanian Under 15 Team - Launceston

Rachel Reeves (manager), Ethan Yang, Sky Mao, Kai Lillicrapp, Thomas Feig, Carol Ouyang (coach), Ella Sie (VIC), Gabrielle Chu (VIC), Erica Li, Una Ozaki, Ruby Ponsonby-Reeves



2025 Tasmanian Under 19 Team - Launceston

William Ponsonby (coach), Nam Nguyen, Leonard Skeggs, Ameer Augustina, Houzhi Dong, Daniel Mooney, Annalea Reid (manager), Isabella Liu (VIC), Kallie Batchelor, Samia Kabalan, Vanessa Sadjoli (VIC), Chloe Yung (VIC)



The junior teams having fun off-court exploring Launceston City park!



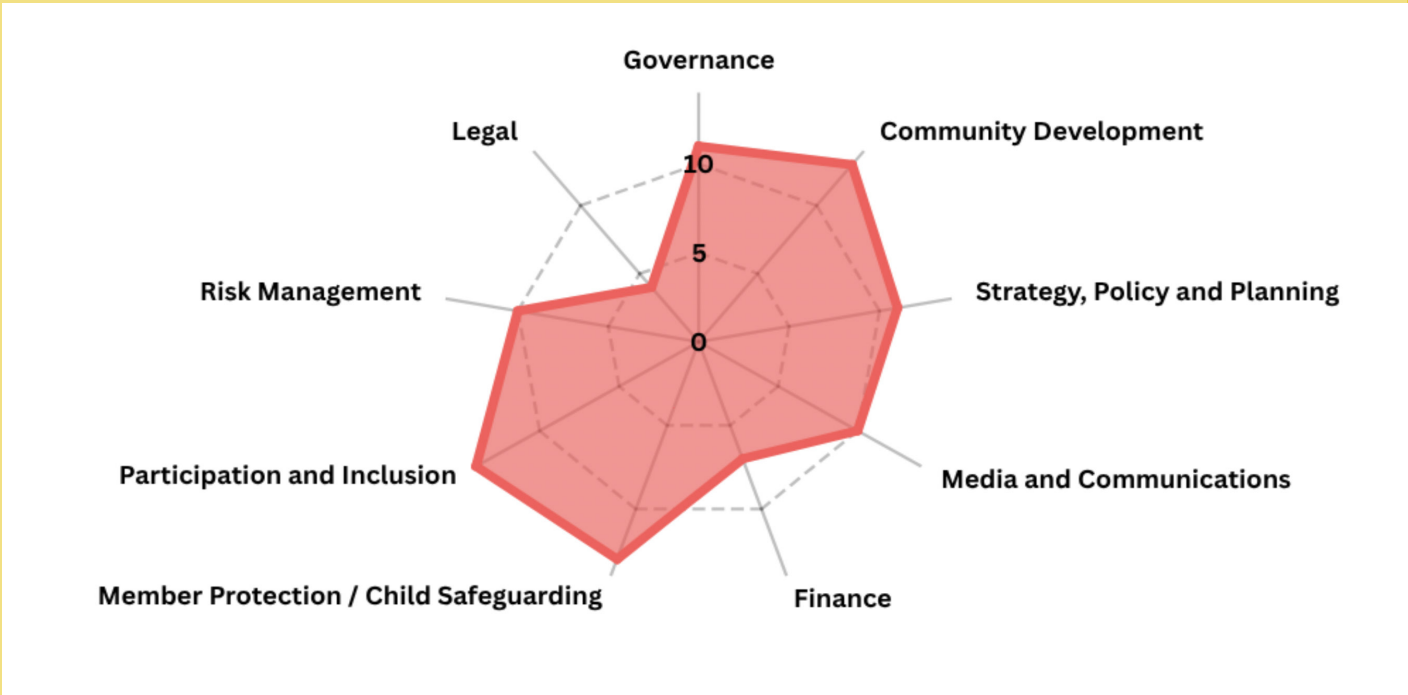


# BOARD SKILLS & DIVERSITY MATRIX ASSESSMENT

In 2025, Badminton Tasmania board members undertook a Board Skills and Diversity Matrix assessment process aimed at identifying strengths and gaps in the skills and diversity of its board of directors as part of BT's commitment to good governance. The self-assessment process and discussions were guided by Active Tasmania Project Officer Matthew Etherington, and the following results and recommendations were corroborated. A big thank you to Matthew and Active Tasmania for affording us the invaluable opportunity to take this deep dive into our governance makeup and empowering the Board to shape Badminton Tasmania's future direction in a powerful and meaningful way.

The Board identified the following skills as the top 8 priorities for director recruitment and future leadership of the organisation:

- Governance
  - Community Development
  - Strategy, Policy and Planning
  - Media and Communications
- Finance
  - Member / Child Safeguarding
  - Participation and Inclusion
  - Risk Management



Matrix survey results of current director skills combined

Once priority areas had been established with each director's input, each board member then individually completed a survey to assess their strengths against each of those eight skill areas. The scores each board member gave themselves were then added together to determine the board's collective strengths and weaknesses. The areas identified as most collectively lacking were Legal and Finance, and the strongest scores were Community Development, Participation and Inclusion, and Member Protection / Child Safeguarding.

“ When a Board reflects the diversity of the sporting community, the organisation will be better able to engage with members, stakeholders and potential partners. This contributes to growth in membership, participation and volunteering, as well as financial sustainability. ”

- Matthew Etherington  
Active Tasmania

Gender		Geographical Location	
Female directors	3	Southern Tasmania	4
Male directors	3	Northern Tasmania	0
Other	0	North-West Tasmania	2
Age		Other	0
		Indigeneity	
Directors aged 18 – 29	1	Yes	0
Directors aged 30 – 39	1	No	6
Directors aged 40 – 49	3	LGBTQIA+	
Directors aged 50 – 59	0		
Directors aged 60+	1		
Disability		Yes	1
Yes	0	No	4
No	6	Prefer Not to Say	1

BT Board Diversity Tally

Diversity amongst the board was also examined as part of this process. Diversity is important to Badminton Tasmania's board, to be able to represent and consider the lived experience and cultures we serve in our sport. One strategy we have already implemented in the BT 2024-27 Operational Plan is to maintain gender diversity with no more than 40% of any gender on the board. Plans for future strategy being considered include maintaining an age gap of a certain number between oldest and youngest members on the board, and ensuring that in addition to recruiting new board members with the skills and experience in areas of priority, that we also look to include at least one person from Northern and/or regional Tasmania, and actively promote roles in those areas, as well as encourage indigenous people and people with a disability to apply.

## In 2026, in light of the findings, the BT Board plans to:

- Review the processes for recruiting board members, and highlight skillsets identified as priorities in Position Descriptions and nominations processes.
- Conduct an annual review of the Skills Matrix, as well as after major transitions in Board composition.
- Revise key documents such as the Strategic & Operational plans to reflect the outcomes of the self-assessment.
- Develop and support directors through tailored professional development plans, with self-paced goals.
- As a board, complete the ASC's online training module in Board Director training, and set up other professional development opportunities Legal, Finance, and Governance.
- Form a Finance, Audit and Risk Committee with a formal Terms of Reference to assist in reducing workload and skill dependency on a single Board Member.
- Develop a formal succession plan using the Skills and Diversity Matrix.





## Tournament results





## MS

- 1 Jordan Chen Yuen Lee
- 2 Dylan Monks

## MS A

- 1 Lincoln Lam [2]
- 2 Riichi Sato [1]

## MS B

- 1 Mike Chu [2]
- 2 Lincoln Lam [1]

## MS C

- 1 Maxime Carlier
- 2 Felix Nguyen

## MS D

- 1 Arisandra Soo [3]
- 2 Felix Nguyen

## MS E

- 1 Jem Hunter Harrington-Yee [1]
- 2 Sid Ward Harrington-Yee

## BS U17

- 1 Kai Lillecrapp [1]
- 2 Leonard Skeggs [2]

## BS U19

- 1 Lincoln Lam [1]
- 2 Nam Hoang Nguyen

## WS A

- 1 Ester Cheang
- 2 Chi Chien Gooi [1]

## WS C

- 1 Erica Li
- 2 Zoe Alexander [1]

## WS D

- 1 Erica Li
- 2 Yitong Fan [1]

## GS U17

- 1 Erica Li [1]
- 2 Una Ozaki

## MD

- 1 Jordan Chen Yuen Lee  
Louis Chen Hao Lee
- 2 Bill Chen  
Dylan Monks

## MD A

- 1 Jordan Chen Yuen Lee  
Louis Chen Hao Lee
- 2 Ashwin Saripalli  
Joshin Toh

## MD B

- 1 Clive Erik Goransson  
Joshin Toh
- 2 Yu Fan [2]  
Bin Zhou

## MD C

- 1 Yu Fan [2]  
Bin Zhou
- 2 Dung Le  
Felix Nguyen

## MD D

- 1 Toby Cee  
Haomin Zhang
- 2 Jem Hunter Harrington-Yee [2]  
Leonard Skeggs

## MD E

- 1 Jordan Chan  
Jeffrey Chan Shum Hang
- 2 Jem Hunter Harrington-Yee [1]  
Sid Ward Harrington-Yee

## BD U17

- 1 Lloyd Kim [1]  
Taiyo Painter
- 2 Sky Mao  
Ethan Zhang

## BD U19

- 1 Riichi Sato [1]  
Tristan Zi Le Thiessen
- 2 Mike Chu  
Vincent Wong

## WD

- 1 Leesa Grundy  
Phuc Le
- 2 Chi Chien Gooi [1]  
Annalea Reid

## WD A

- 1 Jingyi Chen  
Sarah Lyu
- 2 Lei Lei [1]  
Pei Wen Lim

## WD B

- 1 Beenu Krishnadasa  
Vihini Krishnadasa
- 2 Samia Alice Kabalan  
Sophie Ng

## WD C

- 1 Zoe Alexander [1]  
Samia Alice Kabalan
- 2 Hui Li  
Wenjuan Li

## WD D

- 1 Rose Ch Lerner  
Skylar Yao
- 2 Victoria Cao  
Valerie Marvania

## GD U19

- 1 Lin Li  
Issabella Liu
- 2 Una Ozaki [1]  
Emma Zhuang

## XD

- 1 Brent Munday [2]  
Leesa Grundy
- 2 Michael Enoch Chan  
Maggie Li

## XD A

- 1 Jordan Chen Yuen Lee  
Jingyi Chen
- 2 Michael Enoch Chan  
Maggie Li

## XD B

- 1 Tsungyen Sean Yao  
Qianning Liu
- 2 Wallace Lam  
Nga Ping Cheung

## XD C

- 1 Daniel Mooney [1]  
Samia Alice Kabalan
- 2 Dung Le  
Thi Vuong

## XD D

- 1 Dung Le [1]  
Thi Vuong
- 2 Daniel Foong  
Valerie Marvania

## XD U17

- 1 Thomas Feig  
Jade Feig
- 2 Ethan Zhang [1]  
Una Ozaki



# 2025 GNT Australian Multicultural Badminton Championships

22-23rd March

MS  
1 William Andrew Ponsonby  
2 Houzhi Dong [1]

MS A  
1 Nithika Samarabandu  
2 Rithvik Gollapalli

MS B  
1 Nithika Samarabandu  
2 Nam Hoang Nguyen

MS C  
1 Daniel Mooney  
2 Leonard Skeggs

MS D  
1 Taiyo Painter [1]  
2 Isaac Sun [2]

MSE  
1 Maclan Baker  
2 Ethan Zhang [1]

BS U15  
1 Isaac Sun [1]  
2 Ethan Zhang [2]

BS U17  
1 Nathaniel Tseng [1]  
2 Leonard Skeggs

BS U19  
1 Charles Liu [1]  
2 Alexander Liu [2]

WS  
1 Livia Huang [1]  
2 Roseville Zhang

WS A  
1 Roseville Zhang [2]  
2 Livia Huang [1]

WS C  
1 Sophie Ng  
2 Zoe Alexander [2]

WS D  
1 Kallie Batchelor  
2 Freya Zhang [2]

GS U17  
1 Una Ozaki  
2 Freya Zhang [1]

GS U19  
1 Samia Alice Kabalan [1]  
2 Una Ozaki

MD  
1 Brent Munday  
William Andrew Ponsonby  
2 Leesa Grundy  
Scott Viney

MD B  
1 Nam Hoang Nguyen  
Nithika Samarabandu  
2 Dung Le  
Vu Khoa Nguyen

MD C  
1 Max Ling [1]  
Joey Vo  
2 Dung Le  
Vu Khoa Nguyen

MD D  
1 Colin Bowerman [1]  
Shuyang Yu  
2 Maclan Baker  
Jamison Pilgrim

MDE  
1 Maclan Baker  
Jamison Pilgrim  
2 Taiyo Painter [1]  
Ethan Zhang

WD  
1 Leesa Grundy  
Abbie Rothery  
2 Livia Huang [1]  
Lily Muyao Zhang

WD A  
1 Annalea Reid [2]  
Charine Wubary  
2 Livia Huang [1]  
Lily Muyao Zhang

WD B  
1 Zoe Alexander [1]  
Charine Wubary  
2 Samia Alice Kabalan [2]  
Sophie Ng

WD C  
1 Zoe Alexander [2]  
Emma Jade  
2 Samia Alice Kabalan [1]  
Erica Li

WD D  
1 Hsu YEE Hnin  
Ei Hnin Khine Phyo  
2 Kallie Batchelor [1]  
Una Ozaki

XD  
1 William Andrew Ponsonby  
Leesa Grundy  
2 Indiana Hickey [1]  
Annalea Reid

XD A  
1 Charles Liu [2]  
Roseville Zhang  
2 Bill Chen  
Chi Chien Gooi

XD B  
1 Nithika Samarabandu  
Samia Alice Kabalan  
2 Jacob Wyllie [2]  
Charine Wubary

XD C  
1 Jacob Wyllie [1]  
Charine Wubary  
2 Xiang Yang Chen  
Sophie Ng

XD D  
1 Leonard Skeggs [2]  
Una Ozaki  
2 Maclan Baker [1]  
Kallie Batchelor

XDE  
1 Maclan Baker [1]  
Kallie Batchelor  
2 Sky Mao  
Erica Li



**Burnie Bullets**

Brent Munday  
Scott Viney  
Chris Allen  
Nam Hoang Nguyen  
Durga Thapa  
Josiah Reimers  
Maclan Baker  
Kevin Hewitt  
Leigh Hewitt  
Phuc Le  
Annalea Reid  
Charine Wubary  
Eva Hung  
Moriah Reimers  
Kallie Batchelor  
Kellie Grace Parsons

**Devonport Dragons**

David Jones  
Adrian Loane  
Clinton Badger  
Simon Russell  
Jacob Wyllie  
Asharp Sharmec Godwin  
Colin Bowerman  
Jarrod Moore  
Leesa Grundy  
Chi Chien Gooi  
Jenny Badger  
Zoe Alexander  
Emma Jade  
Liesel Reimers  
Azriel Reimers  
Cherinda Batchelor

The Burnie Bullets were the winners of the team event.

Mens Single Div 1  
1 William Andrew Ponsonby  
2 Brent Munday

Singles Div 2  
1 Nam Hoang Nguyen  
2 Dominic Weller

Singles Div 3  
1 Maclan Baker  
2 Moriah Reimers

Womens Singles Div 1  
1 Chi Chien Gooi  
2 Annalea Reid

Mens Doubles Div 1  
1 Brent Munday  
William Andrew Ponsonby  
2 Leesa Grundy  
Phuc Le

Mens Doubles Div 2  
1 Duc Nguyen  
Nam Hoang Nguyen  
2 Josiah Reimers  
Simon Russell

Mens Doubles Div 3  
1 Leigh Hewitt  
Jarrod Moore  
2 Kevin Hewitt  
Durga Thapa

Womens Doubles Div 1  
1 Leesa Grundy  
Phuc Le  
2 Chi Chien Gooi  
Annalea Reid

Womens Doubles Div 2  
1 Emma Jade  
Moriah Reimers  
2 Kallie Batchelor  
Liesel Reimers  
Mixed Doubles Div 1  
1 Brent Munday  
Phuc Le  
2 William Andrew Ponsonby  
Leesa Grundy

Mixed Doubles Div 2  
1 Jacob Wyllie  
Charine Wubary  
2 Chris Allen  
Zoe Alexander

Mixed Doubles Div 3  
1 Durga Thapa  
Moriah Reimers  
2 Adrian Wen Chiang Khoo  
Hsu YEE Hnin

Mixed doubles Div 4  
1 Leigh Hewitt  
Liesel Reimers  
2 Jarrod Moore  
Azriel Reimers



2025 Tas Teams Championship Division 1

- 1 Coastal Cougars
- 2 South West Hitters
- 3 Northern Ravens
- 4 Eastern Shore Renegades

2025 Tas Teams Championship Division 2

- 1 South West Hitters
- 2 Coastal Cougars
- 3 Eastern Shore Renegades
- 4 Northern Ravens

Bellchambers Cup - MD Division 1

Luke Chong

Bellchambers Cup - WD Division 1

Charine Wubary

Bellchambers Cup - MD Division 2

Nam Nguyen

Bellchambers Cup - WD Division 2

Moriah Reimers



Division 1 Winners: Coastal Cougars



Division 2 Winners: South West Hitters



# 2025 TASMANIAN BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

MS	
1	Koushiik C S [1]
2	Houzhi DONG [2]
MS A	
1	Houzhi DONG [1]
2	Sida XU [2]
MS B	
1	Siyuan XU [1]
2	Arisandra SOO
MS C	
1	Leonard SKEGGS [2]
2	Simon Xinwen LI
MS D	
1	Clement Jia Jun CHUNG
2	Shuyang YU [1]
MS E	
1	Liam CHING [1]
2	Lloyd KIM [2]
BS U13	
1	Ashton DONG [1]
2	Evan ZHANG
BS U15	
1	Jeon D TABADA
2	Ethan ZHANG
BS U17	
1	Declan Hao Lin CHONG [2]
2	Luke SO [1]
WS	
1	Claire CHAN [2]
2	Mona ZHENG
WS A	
1	Claire CHAN [2]
2	Karin Sophia NG

WS B	
1	Rachelle CASANOVA
2	Hui LI
WS C	
1	Zoe ALEXANDER
2	Rachelle CASANOVA
WS D	
1	Yitong FAN [1]
2	Una OZAKI
WS E	
1	Olivia CHING [1]
2	Kallie BATCHELOR [2]
GS U15	
1	Erica LI [1]
2	Yitong FAN [2]
GS U17	
1	Olivia CHING [1]
2	Kallie BATCHELOR
MD	
1	Sasindu RAUNTHUSHKA
	Nimmika THISARA
2	Brent MUNDAY [1]
	William Andrew PONSONBY
MD A	
1	Houzhi DONG [2]
	Tristan Zi Le THIESSEN
2	Lucas LIM
	Sida XU
MD B	
1	Yu FAN [1]
	Luke SO
2	Dung LE [2]
	Joey VO

MD C	
1	Dung LE [3]
	Joey VO
2	Yu FAN [1]
	Luke SO
MD D	
1	David John COOMBES
	Martin VALENCIA
2	Hammad NAZIR
	Affan SHAHZAD
MD E	
1	Maclan BAKER
	Ranjith Kumar RANGAN
2	Sahidur HIMEL
	Matthew KRISVINDI
WD	
1	Jingting ZHANG
	Mona ZHENG
2	Claire CHAN [1]
	Awen (Haowen) LI
WD A	
1	Claire CHAN [1]
	Awen (Haowen) LI
2	Lina LAI
	Xueying XU
WD B	
1	Ivy GUO
	Wei Sia MAH
2	Zoe ALEXANDER
	Sophie NG
WD C	
1	Zoe ALEXANDER [1]
	Sophie NG
2	Ivy GUO
	Pei Wen LIM
WD D	
1	Eva HUNG
	Emma JADE
2	Hsu YEE HNIN [2]
	Ei Hnin Khine PHYO

WD E	
1	Cherinda BATCHELOR
	Kallie BATCHELOR
2	Una OZAKI
	Ruby PONSONBY-REEVES
XD	
1	Shibo ZHANG
	Lina LAI
2	Dylan MONKS
	Wei Sia MAH
XD A	
1	Shibo ZHANG
	Lina LAI
2	Rithvik GOLLAPALLI
	Wei Sia MAH
XD B	
1	Daniel MOONEY [2]
	Sophie NG
2	Chris ALLEN [1]
	Zoe ALEXANDER
XD C	
1	Longjin YAO
	Xueying XU
2	Yu FAN
	Pei Wen LIM
XD D	
1	Adrian Wen Chiang KHOO [2]
	Ei Hnin Khine PHYO
2	Andy CHEN
	Yitong FAN
XD E	
1	Liam CHING [1]
	Olivia CHING
2	Maclan BAKER
	Kallie BATCHELOR



MS	
1	Sasindu Ranthushka
2	Tristan Thiessen
MS A	
1	Tristan Thiessen
2	Houzhi Dong [1]
MS B	
1	Ho Long Lam [2]
2	Rithvik Gollapalli
MS C	
1	Yaoming Zhou
2	Leonard Skeggs [1]
MS D	
1	Jem Hunter Harrington-Yee
2	Clement Jia Jun Chung
MS E	
1	Lloyd Kim
2	Maclan Baker [2]
BS U13	
1	Charlie Yang [1]
2	Ari Xiang Soo [2]
BS U15	
1	Jeon D Tabada [1]
2	Ethan Zhang
BS U17	
1	Kai Lillecrapp [1]
2	Jeon D Tabada
WS	
1	Wei Sia Mah
2	Annalea Reid
WS B	
1	Samia Alice Kabalan [1]
2	Zoe Alexander

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2	Adriana Fan
WS E	
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2	Gowrimanohari Rakkannan [2]
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1	Erica Li [1]
2	Una Ozaki
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2	Lily Carr
MD	
1	Sasindu Ranthushka
	H E Thisara
2	Houzhi Dong [2]
	Tristan Thiessen
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1	Ho Long Lam
	Riichi Sato
2	Houzhi Dong [1]
	Tristan Thiessen
MD B	
1	Ho Long Lam [2]
	Riichi Sato
2	Soon Rea Lau
	Kenny Han Wang
MD C	
1	Trung Kien Dang [3]
	Joey Vo
2	Shenhao Zhao
	Bin Zhou

MD D	
1	Rafiul Karim Rafi
	Md Ashikur Rahman
2	Alvin Lai
	Max Ling
MD E	
1	Charlie Yang [1]
	Lei Yang
2	Matthew Krisvindi
	Jaffrey Hernandez Salvacion
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	Wei Sia Mah
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	Annalea Reid
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	Sophie Ng
2	Ivy Guo
	Lei Lei
WD C	
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	Lei Lei
2	Cheuk Wing Lam
	Yee Lai Lee
WD D	
1	Rose Ch Larner [1]
	Skylar Yao
2	Adriana Fan
	Sophie Ng
WD E	
1	Namanpreet Kaur [1]
	Gowrimanohari Rakkannan
2	Lily Carr
	Lour Chiee (Lc) Lim

XD	
1	Brent Munday [1]
	Phuc Le
2	Indiana Hickey
	Annalea Reid
XD A	
1	Bill Chen [2]
	Wei Sia Mah
2	Scott Viney
	Zoe Alexander
XD B	
1/2	Bill Chen [2]
	Ivy Guo
1/2	Daisuke Muto
	Wenjuan Li
XD C	
1	Rithvik Gollapalli
	Ivy Guo
2	Yifan Yuan
	Lei Lei
XD D	
1	Clement Jia Jun Chung
	Yee Lai Lee
2	Adrian Wen Chiang Khoo [2]
	Una Ozaki
XD E	
1	Md Ashikur Rahman [1]
	Eva Hung
2	Thomas Geoffrey Couser
	Any Song



# 2024 & 2025 TASMANIAN PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

These awards are determined by a point system from individual placings in Tasmanian sanctioned tournaments during the season, as well as performance at national championships. Due to the higher points available for the State Championship placings, the calculations usually require finalising during the Tasmanian Championships. Presentation of the Trophy and/or Certificates are conducted at the conclusion of the Championships.

## Rex Collins AM Memorial Trophy

This trophy is donated by the Collins family and is for an Open player, male and female, determined by only Open events points over all tournaments. Rex was a former Australian player, President of the TBA, Australian Coach Examiner and Coach of the Tas Open state teams. The Trophy was presented by Rex's daughter Pauline Dobson.

2024 Winners: William Ponsonby [pictured right] & Meg Graham

2025 Winners: Brent Munday & William Ponsonby



## Harry Thompson OAM Trophy

This perpetual trophy was donated by the Thompson family and is in memory of Harry Thompson who was a strong supporter of junior badminton. It is awarded to a junior player, male or female, determined by all junior events points over all tournaments. Harry was both a Badminton Australia and BT President and coached junior players for many years.

2024 Winner: Samia Kabalan

2025 Winner: Houzhi Dong [pictured right]



## Henderson Family Award

Donated by the Henderson family, this trophy is in recognition of their 3 boys, all state team representatives from U16, U17, U19, & Open teams, determined by events points only within any one grade over all tournaments.

2024 Winner: Indiana Hickey [pictured right]  
2025 Winners: Brent Munday & William Ponsonby



## Phyllis Archer Award

This award was donated in memory of one of the stalwarts of Tasmanian badminton and is presented to the best female player, determined by events points only within any one grade over all tournaments.

2024 Winner: Annalea Reid [pictured left]  
2025 Winner: Leesa Grundy

## Max Wood Trophy

Awarded to the player voted most outstanding Tasmanian player at the Under 19 C.P Madden Trophy and National Championships.

2024: not awarded, due to no U19 team

2025 Winner: Houzhi Dong



## Doug Brain Trophy

Awarded to the player voted most outstanding Tasmanian player at the Under 17 June Bevan Trophy and National Championships.

2024 Winners: Chloe Young [pictured left] & Riichi Sato  
2025: not awarded, due to no U17 team



# BTCOC Report

This year Badminton Tasmania have had umpires at every sanctioned Tasmanian tournament, at the national Open carnival and all national unior carnivals. This is a minimal number and Pauline Dobson must be mentioned for her ongoing support in umpiring Tasmanian events and providing a service for the entire weekend of these events.

Tasmania currently has

- 15 active umpires
- 6 active Line judges
- 2 active referees

This notably includes;

- One member of the BWF umpire assessment panel – David Turner
- One BWF Line Judge – Karen Arnold
- Two Oceania Accredited umpires – Casim & Vicky Zhang

Follow up of umpires who have completed courses in 2024 is still underway, and we have an umpires course planned for early 2026.

There is a continual need to support and encourage umpires to contribute regularly to each event held in Tasmania. Some travel costs, refreshments and meals for a minimum amount of umpire hours is available at some events but must be offered consistently across all events.

Tasmania is again set to host two National events in 2026 and we must continue to provide umpires for these events.

We have two umpires nominate for assessment to a higher level in 2026 which is pleasing.

Congratulations to the Board of Badminton Tasmania for all the work they have undertaken over this year. Badminton has seen a growth in player numbers and a greater opportunity to be involved in the sport throughout the whole state.



**David Turner Trophy**

Awarded to the player voted most outstanding Tasmanian player at the Ede Clendinnen Shield and National Championships.

2025 Winner: Leesa Grundy [pictured right]



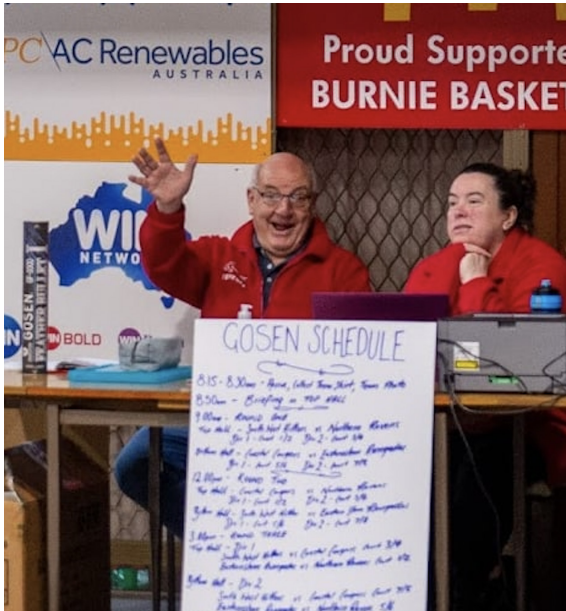
**David Turner**

Badminton Tasmania Court Officials Committee Chair



# Tassie officials in action

National Accredited umpire Elka Chamley was appointed to umpire at the U13 & U17 National carnival in Perth in 2025. Elka, originally from North West Tassie, has recently moved to QLD to pursue her studies in psychology. We are proud to have played a part in her badminton officiating pathway.



Casim has recently qualified as an Oceania Accredited Umpire at the North Harbour International in New Zealand, and has umpires at both local Australian events and international tournaments.

Robert Brockman and Karen Arnold continue to support all events in Tasmania as referees and have both been involved in National events. Karen Arnold recently was a line judge at both the World Junior Teams event and individuals among other events worldwide. The long list of tournament results included in this annual report would not have been possible without the dedication of both Karen and Rob this year as event referees.



Vicky Zhang [pictured left - collecting her Oceania Umpires Certificate] has umpired at the Korean Masters and other events in Australia and world-wide in 2025.



David Turner worked at the World Championships in Paris and the World Junior teams event in India among other events, as well as carrying out assessments for BA at the National Championships and assessmenst for Badminton Oceania and the Saitho Group Australian Open.



### Building Member Engagement

*In 2025, Badminton Tasmania introduced quarterly liaison meetings with member clubs and associations to strengthen communication and support the ongoing improvement of participation programs around Tasmania. The meetings provided a simple and effective way to check in on program delivery, discuss upcoming activities, and ensure associations, clubs and Badminton Tasmania are working together toward shared participation goals.*

### Strengthening Child Safety & Compliance

*Badminton Tasmania strengthened its child-safe practices throughout the year through several key initiatives. BT participated in workshops delivered by the Office of the Independent Regulator and Sport Integrity Australia, supporting ongoing improvement of policies, processes, and education relating to safe environments for children and young people.*

*In May 2025, Badminton Tasmania was formally accepted into Sport Integrity Australia’s Safeguarding in Sport Continuous Improvement Program (SISCIP) — an 18-month program designed to assist sporting organisations to strengthen child-safety capability and meet compliance requirements. BT will work closely with Sport Integrity Australia as the program progresses.*

*To support safer delivery across all programs, BT introduced a new online compliance system requiring coaches, officials, and volunteers to complete essential checks and acknowledgements and complete online courses. This process includes Working with Vulnerable People Registration, policy confirmation, and required training modules. The system provides BT with a clear and efficient way to maintain up-to-date compliance records and ensure consistency across the state.*



### Sporting Schools Program

*Badminton Tasmania delivered the Shuttle Smash - Sporting Schools Program to 22 schools across Tasmania during 2024–25. This included 15 schools in Southern Tasmania, 6 in the North West, and 1 in Northern Tasmania.*

*A total of 3,460 students participated in fun and active badminton sessions delivered inside school hours. Many students experienced badminton for the first time, and coaches used shuttle feeders, modified equipment, and age-appropriate activities to support learning and engagement.*

*The Sporting Schools Program continues to be one of Badminton Tasmania’s strongest participation products. Interest from schools is growing, with more than 20 school bookings for Terms 3 and 4 in 2025, demonstrating the increasing reach and popularity of the program and the sport.*



# Shuttle Smash Programs



## Shuttle Smash: Come & Try Program:

One-off coaching sessions were held across multiple locations to introduce new players to badminton:

- Penguin: 1 & 2 October 2024, and 5 March 2025 & 7 April 2025
- Snug: 30 September & 3 October 2024
- Beaconsfield: 1 October 2024
- South Hobart: 24 & 29 April 2025

A total of 127 participants attended these sessions. Many later joined the Shuttle Smash: 10-Week Programs, supporting a strong participation pathway from introduction to regular play.



## 10-Week Shuttle Smash:

10-Week programs were delivered across five program locations:

- Girls Program (Hobart)
- Snug
- Penguin
- Beaconsfield
- Devonport

There were 193 Shuttle Smash program participants in total, with strong engagement from junior players across Tasmania. Programs were delivered after school or on weekends.

## Shuttle Smash Gala Days:

Two major inter-school Shuttle Smash: Gala Day Competitions were delivered at the Burnie Sports Centre in Upper Burnie:

- Year 9 & 10 Gala Day – 15 August 2024 – 137 participants
- Year 7 & 8 Gala Day – 22 August 2024 – 223 participants

Together, the Shuttle Smash: Gala Day Competition engaged 360 students (179 girls and 181 boys) providing a positive competition environment and strengthening school engagement in the North West of Tasmania.





## All Abilities & Para Badminton

### Shuttle Smash: All Abilities Program

*Badminton Tasmania continued to deliver inclusive badminton opportunities for people living with a disability across the state. The weekly Shuttle Smash: All Abilities Program held at the badminton centre in South Hobart engaged 9 participants each week throughout the year, providing a welcoming and supportive environment for children and adults. Sessions were consistently supported by parents, carers, coaches, and volunteers.*

*To broaden access beyond the south of Tasmania, Badminton Tasmania also delivered two All Abilities sessions in Penguin on 20 November and 4 December 2024, engaging 8 participants each week. These sessions strengthened inclusive participation in the North West of Tasmania and built positive connections with local disability organisations.*

#### *Abilities Unleashed – Launceston & Devonport*

*Badminton Tasmania partnered with Disability Sports Australia to deliver badminton sessions at two Abilities Unleashed events:*

- Launceston – 15 November 2024 – 75 participants*
- Devonport – 14 November 2024 – 95 participants*

*These events introduced 170 participants to badminton and created strong community connections in partnership with disability service providers.*

### Making Badminton More Accessible

*Two badminton-specific sports wheelchairs were purchased with an equipment grant received from the Tasmanian Government, Department of State Growth (Active Tasmania). The wheelchairs are based at the badminton centre in South Hobart but are available for use by all associations and clubs across Tasmania.*

*The purchase and use of the two sports chairs was formally launched at the Hobart Invitational Badminton Championships, held in South Hobart in September 2025, in partnership with Badminton Hobart.*

*Badminton Tasmania acknowledges and thanks the Tasmanian Government, and the Department of State Growth (Active Tasmania) for the grant to enable the purchase of the two badminton-specific wheelchairs to assist Badminton Tasmania make badminton more accessible for all.*



## Shuttle Smash Evaluation Project

During the year, Badminton Tasmania, in conjunction with Badminton Australia, developed participant surveys that were issued to participants involved in all of Badminton Tasmania's Shuttle Smash Participation Programs, including the Shuttle Smash - All Abilities Program and the Shuttle Smash - 10 Week Programs.

The aim of the surveys were to evaluate the success of the programs by seeking feedback from participants about their experience.

Two surveys were issued to participants during the year:

- Phase 1 (Nov–Dec 2024): 47 responses
- Phase 2 (May–Jun 2025): 49 responses

Badminton Tasmania received a strong response rate of over 50%, with surveys issued to approximately 75–80 participants in each phase.

The results were consistently outstanding. Participants rated their experience:

- Enjoyment and overall experience: all ratings were 4 or 5 (out of 5)
- Feeling welcomed and included: all ratings of 4 and 5 (out of 5)
- Safety: all ratings of 4 and 5 (out of 5)
- Likelihood to recommend (NPS): 41 of 49 participants rated the program 9 or 10 (out of 10)

The results indicate strong engagement and participant satisfaction across all of Badminton Tasmania's Shuttle Smash Participation Programs.



## Developing our coaches and officials

### BWF Level 1 Coaching Course

*Badminton Tasmania delivered its first Badminton World Federation Level 1 Coaching Course in June 2025, facilitated through a partnership between Badminton Tasmania, Badminton Hobart, and Badminton Oceania. Participants are currently finalising their post course work, with the expectation that seven new BWF Level 1 coaches will qualify, strengthening our coaching pathways statewide.*

### BWF Shuttle Time

*A BWF Shuttle Time Face-to-Face Course was delivered on 24 October 2024 at the badminton centre in South Hobart, with 6 participants attending.*

### BA Foundation

*Two Badminton Australia Foundation Coaching Courses were delivered during the year, with 3 participants on 4 August 2024 and another 3 on 24 November 2024. All six coaches successfully passed and are registered with Badminton Australia.*

### Introductory Umpire Course

*A state-level introductory umpire course was delivered by Badminton Tasmania on 27 October 2024 at the Burnie Sports Centre in Upper Burnie. Four umpires participated; one has since become fully qualified, and the remaining three are completing their assessments at upcoming tournaments.*

### Umpire Assessment Support

*Badminton Tasmania provided financial support to Vicky Zhang and Casim Casim to attend national and international events for assessment towards Oceania Accredited and Oceania Certificated umpire status. Their ongoing development enhances the state's officiating capability.*



# Creating pathways & developing our players

## Performance Training Camp – Port Sorell

Badminton Tasmania delivered a two-day performance camp in February 2025 at the Port Sorell Banksia Centre, bringing together junior and senior players from across Tasmania for focused on-court development. The camp included technical sessions, match play, and opportunities for players to train alongside athletes from different regions, helping strengthen connections across the pathway. The camp was well received by participants and coaches and based on its success the camp will return in 2026 as a key annual development activity for Tasmanian players.



## BA National U15 Training Camp – Melbourne

Four Tasmanian U15 athletes attended the Badminton Australia National U15 Development Camp in Melbourne from 29 May – 2 June 2025. The camp brought together players from across Australia and the New Zealand U15 National team, providing a strong development environment through technical training and match play.



## Training with Olympian Gronya Somerville

Badminton Tasmania organised a special training session with Australian Olympian Gronya Somerville in April 2025 in Hobart as part of the Open Nationals, bringing together female players from the BT Shuttle Smash – 10 Week Program, Badminton Hobart, and state juniors from across Tasmania. The session provided high-quality coaching for 25 girls aged 10–18 and created a rare opportunity for local girls to learn directly from a world-class player and role model.



## Hosting National Championships

Tasmania hosted two major national championship events in 2025. The Open National Championships (April 2025) were held at the badminton centre in South Hobart. The event was delivered by Badminton Australia, with Badminton Hobart hosting at their venue. In July 2025, the YONEX Australian U19 & U15 National Championships was held at the Elphin Sports Centre in Launceston. Having three such high level events in our state in 2025 has been a fantastic opportunity for our players, with many of the juniors in this year’s state teams competing at their first ever national championships.



## U19 Vic Country / TAS team

In 2024, Tasmania did not have the numbers to send an U19 team to the national championships in Perth. Rather than the few kids who did nominate for state team missing out, BT organised for players to compete in a composite team with regional Victorian players at the 2024 Victorian Teams Championships, held in October at MSAC in Melbourne. The team was managed by Jane Kabalan and coached by Abbie Rothery. Tasmanian players were Samia Kabalan, Daniel Mooney, and Nithika Samarabandu.





# It's been a great year, thanks to you!

**Badminton Tasmania extends sincere thanks to all organisations, partners, schools, coaches, officials, volunteers, parents, carers, and community groups who contributed to the success of Badminton Tasmania's programs and events throughout 2024-25.**

**We acknowledge the support and work of our member clubs and associations across Tasmania, whose commitment strengthens opportunities for people to participate in badminton.**

**We also recognise the valuable contribution of Active Tasmania, Badminton Australia, the Australian Sports Commission, Badminton Oceania, and Disability Sports Australia, along with the local communities that partnered with us to deliver programs and events.**

**We thank everyone involved for their support throughout the year.**



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