

Welcome:

We are pleased to welcome you to our November edition of the Shuttle Feed, which also is our 50th edition! It has been another busy month and we have plenty to update you on!

In this edition we will be bringing you:

- What's on at the STBA?
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What's on at the STBA?

Lightning Roster:

Sunday – Thursday Nights

***Last round beginning 13th December**

Tuesday After Work Session:

Every Tuesday 4:30pm – 6:30pm

***Last session 15th December**

Saturday Vets Session:

Every Saturday 5pm – 7pm

***Last session 5th December**

Term 4 Junior Program:

Beginners & Intermediate Coaching 1-2pm

Super Smash Program 2pm-4:30pm

*** Last session on the 12th of December, wind-up Christmas Party at 5pm.**

Centre Closure on 19th December

Centre Reopening on 4th January

4th – 17th January, the STBA will be open for limited hours: 3pm – 9:30pm.

Holiday Hit Sessions

Friday 8th of January, 10am – 12pm

Wednesday 13th January, 10am – 12pm

Friday 15th January, 10am – 12pm

Junior Come & Try Sessions

Saturday 16th of January (3-5pm)

Saturday 23rd of January (3-5pm)

3-Day Junior Holiday Clinic:

18th – 20th January, 10am – 1pm, focusing on Doubles skills and game plans.

27th – 29th January, 10am – 1pm, focusing on Singles skills and game plans.

President's Report –

Garion Weller:

As we approach the end of 2020, I wanted to provide you with a quick update on what has been happening in our hall recently.

Tassie Titles

In mid-November, the STBA hosted the final Tasmanian tournament for 2020. Usually held in August, Covid-19 slightly skewered the tournament calendar this year and it was a pleasant change to spend a day in the hall wearing shorts. It was one of the biggest tournaments the STBA has organised in years and one of the best tournaments I have had the pleasure of assisting at.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to Marcus Freebody (in division 3) from Devine Property for sponsoring the event and to the following:

- Vicky, Alicia and Luke for your hard work in organising the tournament
- Rob for refereeing and scheduling the tournament
- Our wonderful team of Umpires who take the pressure off our players
- And to all our volunteers who assisted with getting matches on or helping with canteen duties

There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes to run a tournament and without your help, none of it would have been possible.

Spring Pennant

Almost two weeks ago now we wrapped up our second pennant competition for the year with some hard-fought matches down on the courts. Our organised competitions are something special, with not many other clubs in Australia still offering weekly competitions like we do.

A healthy competition needs a strong participation numbers, and this Spring competition certainly delivered – we had some of our highest numbers of participation in years! Our pennant competition remains a core and integral part of our club and it is of strategic importance to the committee to continue to increase participation numbers in 2021.

We will be looking to offer another pennant competition in early 2021 and hope to assemble a sub-committee to ensure that our teams are fair and evenly balanced. We need players from each division to form part of this sub-committee, so if you are interested in helping (it should take no more than a couple of hours) please get in touch with us.

Lightning Rosters

We are now halfway through our final competition for year; the lightning rosters and it is pleasing to see these being well received again. This time around we introduced another two formats: paired doubles on a Sunday evening and junior doubles on a Wednesday evening.

If you have not played in a lightning roster before, I would strongly encourage you to put your name down for the next one. Designed to be self-grading, a lightning competition pairs you with three other people of similar strength each week. This means that all matches are not only a lot fun with people you might not get to regularly play with, but also very competitive and very high quality.

Like our pennants, we will continue to offer Lightning roster competitions in 2021 and are always interested in hearing feedback to make our competitions even better.

Schools Championships

In yet another case of an event being displaced by Covid, the 2020 School Championships were held in our hall last week. Whilst usually held in the middle of the year, this year we offered a slightly shorter roster to High School students in Southern Tasmania. Congratulations to all winners!

I would like to extend a huge thank you to the coordinator, Rowan Henderson. Rowan has worked tirelessly, not only this year, but for the past several years as our school's roster coordinator. It is a huge logistic effort trying to coordinate over ten simultaneous rosters across multiple venues and multiple sites and this year was no exception with 11 rosters and 66 teams represented by over 10 different schools.

Super Smash Juniors Competition

And finally, I cannot forget our Super Smash juniors' competition on a Saturday. Established a few years ago, the Super Smash competition is home to our future state players and a steppingstone into our Badminton community.

For those that are unaware, Super Smash is comprised of two components: coaching and competitions. I would like to thank our coaches; Greg and Lasse for helping to train the next generation of stars and to Vicky, Chloe, Alicia, Bek and everyone else who makes Super Smash possible on a weekly basis.

On behalf of the committee and the STBA team, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy new year. Stay safe, and I look forward to seeing you all out on the court as we do this all again next year!

Spring Pennant Grand Finals Report:

In [Division 1](#), Team 4, consisting of Leesa Grundy, Deryck Green, Alec Avellana, Hannah Flack, Jenny Badger and Wendy Hickman won the roster, after strong performances throughout the roster. Team 2 fought valiantly in the Grand Final however were unable to overcome Team 4.



In [Division 2](#), Team 4 consisting of Ruhao Fan, Alston Wang, Peter Peng, Kenny Wang, Kiki Du, Ivy Guo and Tianyi Zhan won the Grand Final comfortably after a dominant performance. Division 2 had been

an incredibly close roster throughout the competition. Congratulations to Team 4 on their win, and well done to Team 5 as runners-up.



[Division 3](#) was won by Team 5 of Clive Goransson, Neil Dalman, Leigh Gordon, Hudson Pennells, Laura Dennison and Wen Gao. This was the closest of all our Grand Finals, with Team 5 prevailing over Team 7, five matches to four. Congratulations to both teams on such an exciting Grand Final.

In [Division 4](#), Team 7 won the roster, defeating Team 1 in the Grand Final. Team 7 was made up of Surinder Manral, Deepak Janiti, Praveen Panwar, Joanna Wu and Congxin Li. Team 7 had a slow start to the roster, but finished strongly with some great performances, saving the best for last.



Thank you again to everyone involved in making the Spring Pennant Roster what it was, from the volunteers to the participants and everybody in between. We look forward to seeing you all in our rosters in the new year.

Juniors Update:

We are now in the final stretch of our Term 4 Junior Coaching and Super Smash Programs. Our coaches and volunteers have noticed significant improvements in both the beginner and intermediate level players which is fantastic to hear.

We are also excited to be able to bring you information on our Junior Holiday Plans for January! We can announce that throughout January we will be running:

- School Holiday Discount Rate
- Juniors Holiday Hit
- Juniors Come & Try Session
- Juniors 3-Day Holiday Clinic

Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information regarding each of these opportunities, or [visit this page](#).

The 2020 Devine Property Tasmanian Championships:

Brought to you by [Devine Property](#) and [realestate.com.au](#), the 14th and 15th of November saw participants from all over Tasmania visit the Southern Tasmanian Badminton Association for the 2020 Devine Property Tasmanian Badminton Championships. With over 150 participants, and over 200 matches played over nine different grades, this was the biggest badminton tournament held in the state in over ten years.

This was a particularly impressive turnout given the impacts that COVID-19 has had on all sports, not only locally, but globally. As well as impressive overall numbers, the centre welcomed many junior participants.

This is a positive sign for badminton moving into the future, with the youngest participant involved being only nine years of age.

There were many high-quality matches played throughout the two-day tournament, none more so than the Open Grade Mixed Doubles Final. The first seeded pair of Brent Munday and Meg Graham from the North Western Badminton Association faced off against Will Ponsonby and Leesa Grundy of the Southern Tasmanian Badminton Association. The favoured pair of Munday and Graham took the first set 21-13 before the STBA pair rallied to take the second set 21-16. This set up the match for a thrilling final set, with the NWBA pair of Munday and Graham edging out Ponsonby and Grundy 27-25.



The 2020 Devine Property Tasmanian Badminton Championships were a great opportunity to see the spirit of the Tasmanian badminton community on full display. Players from diverse backgrounds, skill levels and age groups came together to participate with great sportsmanship, which made the tournament a true spectacle for all to see.

Winners List:

Grade:	Event:	Players:
Open Grade	Men's Singles	H E Thisara
Open Grade	Women's Singles	Meg Graham
Open Grade	Men's Doubles	Rowan Henderson & Brent Munday
Open Grade	Women's Doubles	Meg Graham & Leesa Grundy
Open Grade	Mixed Doubles	Brent Munday & Meg Graham
A Grade	Men's Singles	Adrian Loane
A Grade	Men's Doubles	Adrian Loane & Lachlan Macdonald-Meyer
A Grade	Women's Doubles	Jenny Badger & Maria Shelverton
A Grade	Mixed Doubles	Scott Viney & Jenny Badger
B Grade	Men's Singles	Andre Chua
B Grade	Women's Singles	Niamh Woodfield
B Grade	Men's Doubles	Ruchit Khambhadiya & Ashwin Saripalli
B Grade	Women's Doubles	Alieta Eyles & Wendy Hickman
B Grade	Mixed Doubles	Alec Avellana & Vicky Zhang
C Grade	Men's Singles	Tsz Pang Liang
C Grade	Women's Singles	Pin-Hsiu Huang
C Grade	Men's Doubles	Andre Chua & Declan Ee
C Grade	Women's Doubles	Linda Lattimer & Lauren Tjan
C Grade	Mixed Doubles	Tsz Pang Liang & Pin-Hsiu Huang
D Grade	Men's Singles	Tsz Pang Liang
D Grade	Women's Singles	Pin-Hsiu Huang
D Grade	Men's Doubles	Mahmudul Hasan &

		Mohammed Raihan
D Grade	Women's Doubles	Ester Cheang & Michele Tie
D Grade	Mixed Doubles	Tsz Pang Liang & Pin-Hsiu Huang
E Grade	Men's Singles	Mohammad Yasin Arafat
E Grade	Women's Doubles	Congxin Li & Joanna Wu
E Grade	Mixed Doubles	Juntao Wang & Fay Wang
Under 19s	Boy's Singles	Declan Ee
Under 19s	Boy's Doubles	Baxter Clark & Jacob Wyllie
Under 17s	Boy's Singles	Oscar Blackburn
Under 17s	Girl's Singles	Scarlett Neil
Under 17s	Boy's Doubles	Jack Freshney & Ryan Gardner
Under 17s	Mixed Doubles	Toby Rayner & Scarlett Neil
Under 15s	Boy's Singles	Houzhi Dong
Under 15s	Girl's Singles	Samia Kabalan
Under 15s	Girl's Doubles	Samia Kabalan & Diva Kennedy

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The 2020 Devine Property Tasmanian Championships



From the Umpire's Chair – Rob Brockman

Most players are aware that when a shuttle lands on their court they will usually call for play to stop, below are the rules which govern when and who can call a let.

Please review and make yourself aware of these laws.

If you have any queries at any stage, please ask a qualified umpire.

1. LETS

14.1 "Let" shall be called by the umpire, or by a player (if there is no umpire), to halt play.

14.2 It shall be a "let", if:

14.2.1 the server serves before the receiver is ready (Law 9.4);

14.2.2 during service, the receiver and the server are both faulted;

14.2.3 after the service is returned, the shuttle is:

14.2.3.1 caught on the net and remains suspended on its top, or

14.2.3.1.1 *except in wheelchair badminton when it is a fault.*

or

14.2.3.2 after passing over the net is caught in the net;

14.2.3.2.1 *except in wheelchair badminton when it is a fault.*

14.2.4 during play, the shuttle disintegrates, and the base completely separates from the rest of the shuttle;

14.2.5 in the opinion of the umpire, play is disrupted, or a player of the opposing side is distracted by a coach;

14.2.6 a line judge is unsighted, and the umpire is unable to make a decision; or

14.2.7 any unforeseen or accidental situation has occurred.

14.3 When a "let" occurs, play since the last service shall not count and the player who served last shall serve again.

2. SHUTTLE NOT IN PLAY

A shuttle is not in play when:

15.1 it strikes the net or post and starts to fall towards the surface of the court on the striker's side of the net;

15.2 it hits the surface of the court; or

15.3 a "fault" or a "let" has occurred.

Who's Who at the STBA – Keiko Dalby

Keiko Dalby is a new member of the 2020-2021 STBA Committee and a face familiar to most at the STBA. After becoming a member of the STBA community almost six years ago, Keiko can be found at the centre most days.



Keiko initially came to the centre to play because a friend she knew from a beach that she regularly walked her dog encouraged her to come and give it a try. Prior to coming to the centre Keiko had only played badminton twice, with her major racquet sport experience coming from Soft Tennis – a variant of tennis using rubber balls developed in Japan.

As well as seeing Keiko on the courts most days, you will often find her behind the lens of a camera in the centre, particularly around tournament time.

Keiko is to thank for the wonderful photos from the 2020 Tasmanian Championships that you can find in this edition of the Shuttle Feed Newsletter.

Keiko enjoys taking pictures of badminton due to the challenges associated with capturing high quality images of such a fast-paced game – we think that she is more than a match for these challenges. Keiko's true photography passion lies in macro photography, the art of taking pictures of small objects to make them look life-sized or larger in a photo, like flowers and insects.



As Keiko's journey at the STBA has continued, her desire to see the game thrive at the centre has grown. At the beginning of 2020 Keiko took over as the organiser of the Wednesday Morning Ladies group who run alongside the HLBA. Additionally, her desire to help has culminated in joining the 2020-2021 STBA Committee.

As a member of the committee, Keiko is hoping to help create more opportunities for badminton newcomers of all ages so that they are easily welcomed into our wonderful STBA community and grow to love the sport as much as she does.



Badminton Holiday Programs – January 2021

3-Day Holiday Clinics

- For players wanting to develop their game through expert coaching.
- 18th – 20th January, 10am – 1pm, focusing on Doubles skills and game plans.
- 27th – 29th January, 10am – 1pm, focusing on Singles skills and game plans.
- A beginner program for players aged 7 – 18 years.
- An intermediate program for players aged 10 – 18 years.
- Maximum of 20 players per each program.
- Registrations are open from 30th November 2020 – 8th January 2021.
- Registrations via <https://www.stba.net.au/january-school-holiday-programs/>
- Pricing as below:

1 Program	1 Child	2 Children	3 Children	4 Children
18th – 20th Jan	\$100	\$180	\$240	\$300
27th – 29th Jan	\$100	\$180	\$240	\$300
Both weeks	\$180	\$330	\$450	\$570

Junior Come & Try Sessions

- This is a session organised by a coach, for new and experienced players to play social games and to receive basic coaching.
- Saturday 16th of January (3-5pm).
- Saturday 23rd of January (3-5pm).
- \$15 per person, no registration required, participants can attend on the day.
- Included in the fee is a shuttle and racquet hire per participant.

Holiday Hit Sessions

- A fun friendly session for junior players and parents to just turn up and play.
- Friday 8th of January, 10am – 12pm.
- Wednesday 13th January, 10am – 12pm.
- Friday 15th January, 10am – 12pm.
- \$15 per person, no registration required, participants can attend on the day.
- Group discount rate, \$40 for 4 participants, can be 4 children, 2 adults and 2 children etc.
- Included in the fee is a shuttle and racquet hire per participant.

School Holiday Promotional Court Rate

- A discounted court rate of \$15 per hour for STBA members bringing their children to the centre or junior members aged 16-18 years old.
- From centre opening until 5pm, from 4th – 29th January.

All programs to be run at 101 Cascade Road, South Hobart

For more information visit this page:

<https://www.stba.net.au/january-school-holiday-programs/>

For any other queries, please contact info@stba.net.au

