

SOUTHERN TASMANIAN BADMINTON ASSOCIATION

2022 COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

Position	Nominee
President	William Ponsonby, Matthew Stewart
Vice President	Mark Steczkowicz, Matthew Stewart, Garion Weller
Treasurer	Ryan Aditama, Matthew Stewart
Secretary	Luke Bennett, Clinton Duong, Matthew Stewart
General Committee Member	Luke Bennett, Jim Birch, Jonothan Cracknell, Clinton Duong, Terry Polglase, David Needham, Matthew Stewart

Nominations for the positions made vacant by either term limit or resignations will commence at 6.30 PM, on the 20th of September 2022.

Nominations will be elected in a top-down approach – meaning if a nominee qualifies for a higher position, their nomination will be withdrawn from proceeding positions. The voting method to be used for this process is 1 mark, 1 point, and if a nominee has nominated for more than 1 position, you can give them a mark in each of their nominations.

More information on each candidate is on the proceeding pages – provided to you from the nominees directly.

Aditama, Ryan	Treasurer
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Hi friends!

By way of introduction, my name is Ryan Aditama and I love badminton.

This passion extends to our lovely STBA community, its players, its building, and its welcoming spirit. Therefore it is with great joy and excitement that I would like to be nominated as Treasurer for this upcoming committee. I am confident that my qualifications in finance and my experience in accounting would be an asset, and my determination in badminton would certainly not be a liability either.

Appreciate your support and your vote!

Bennett, Luke	Secretary, General Committee Position
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I'm a software developer with a passion for problem-solving and producing high-quality products. I am also a badminton enthusiast who would like to use the knowledge from one of my passions to further and better the other. I believe I'll be able to do this by helping to facilitate development and technological processes within the STBA which will benefit the STBA and its members.

Birch, Jim	General Committee Position
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I'm nominating for actual election to the committee after being co-oped in to a vacant spot earlier this year. I've got a lot out of badminton and it's my time to repay with some time and effort. Hopefully I'm regarded as sane enough to elect.

Cracknell, Jonothan	General Committee Position
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Been around badminton for a long time.

Hopefully can make a difference the future of the STBA.

	Duong, Clinton
	Secretary, General Committee Position

I have been a part of the STBA community for about 6 years now and have thoroughly enjoyed the sport and the community that the club has cultivated. However, during my time at STBA there has been a recurring theme that has come up when speaking with other club members, and that is around a lack of transparency and communication from the committee. In looking to join the general committee, my goal is to help develop clear lines of communication with all stakeholders, and subsequently to increase transparency around decisions made by the committee.

Polglase, Terry	General Committee Position
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I am a current general committee member, and I am standing for re-election. I have had a 50-year association with the STBA, and I know its history well. I still play at Div 2 standard and possess a coaching certificate. I have worked in schools coaching badminton through the Sports in Schools program and as a relief PE teacher during the last 5 years. The STBA is in a transition period moving from a voluntary operation to a business model and I am happy to assist with this and I offer my skills at this time.

Needham, David	General Committee Position
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Have been a long-term committee member of the STBA. During my time on the committee I have managed and completed the ongoing maintenance of the building and grounds.

	Ponsonby, William
	President

My family and I have been long standing members of the STBA and the Tasmanian badminton community and I have been a member of the STBA committee for 3 years, and in an executive position for two years. During that time I have had key responsibilities for junior development, STBA facility redevelopment, facility maintenance, tournament directing, coaching junior STBA teams and squads, and assisting rosters.

As Vice-President I have worked hard to secure funding for the STBA to help the ageing hall make it through the next 100 years. I have made strong progress on that front making submissions to key stakeholders and holding meetings with politicians that are now in support of our case.

My leadership in gaining significant funding for the STBA was rewarded with a \$419,000 grant to re-build our front entrance, install a lift and provide access toilets, so we can welcome people of all abilities into the badminton centre. This is an important issue to resolve and I am looking forward to continuing to lead this work to completion.

As a player, I have participated in the local rosters, state tournaments and represented the state at the national championships. I am a NCAS Level 1A Coach having coached at the local level for over 15 years and coached Tasmanian state teams.

I have a strong passion for the sport at every level and as a committee member I have advocated for increased participation, and modernisation and better use of the STBA facility.

I would like the opportunity to continue to focus on bringing the STBA hall up to modern standards and have inclusive access for everyone. I would also like to see increased use of the hall, increased social activities, and better use of the STBA resources – including its members and better working relationships with all our key stakeholders.

Regards

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Steczkowicz, Mark	Vice President
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My focus as the Vice President will be to implement a long term strategic plan to grow badminton across southern Tasmania, establish player development pathways, build better social atmosphere, improve accessibility, greater access to more facilities while improving current ones including condensation issues.

	Stewart, Matthew
	President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, General Committee Position

I am once again running for a committee position on the STBA Committee, to continue to assist the members of the STBA, and in particular, those who are regulars around the Centre at 101 Cascade Road. I was extremely thankful to the members for electing me as President in 2021, and have since been working hard on various projects, but also the day-to-day operations of the association to ensure work gets completed to continue to offer a wide range of opportunities to everyone, regardless of playing ability (along with our amazing group of staff and volunteers) – and am seeking to be re-elected to continue this work, and to continue to listen to our members.

I'll continue to look for opportunities through state and federal bodies for grant funding arrangements that can improve the playing conditions for our players, and believe we can look at targeted areas to provide some real and meaningful assistance to those within our membership base, including (1) further assistance to our junior players to attract players for life, (2) continuing to build female participation by working closely with the Hobart Ladies Badminton Association, a long-time supporter and affiliated association of the STBA, (3) review of fees for concession card holders, and (4) implementation of off-peak times and a reduced cost for those periods

Our members are the ones that are consistently using the facilities by hiring courts, and I want to continue to look at opportunities in our club and within our member base to use these funds, rather than putting this money into wider state-based goals – the needs of our members and the centre need to be put first and foremost. However, where possible, and where our interests align, we should continue to work with the state body while also further developing this relationship to benefit the STBA and the members.

I'm looking forward to using my work experience and skills in financial planning, human resources, and office administration, to continue to assist the community at the STBA. If anyone would like to chat about anything before or after the AGM, please reach out (mstewart@stba.net.au) and I'll make myself available!

	Weller, Garion
	Vice President

I've been involved in the Tasmanian badminton community on and off for over 14 years now. The STBA has seen significant changes over the past few years, and we need to respond and adapt to these changes so that we can continue to remain an affordable and welcoming club for players of all abilities. I will use my 10 years' experience in IT, operations, and project management across the Government and Higher Education sectors and combine this with my knowledge of badminton governance to help progress and protect our association and facilities and ensure long term sustainability and success.