

MINUTES 11 July 2011

BADMINTON HERTS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Present: Dave Bartlett (Committee Chairman)
Malcolm Fraser (HBA Chairman)
Gill Bartlett (HBA Newsletter Editor & BHDC Acting Minute Secretary)
Brian Jackson (Coaching Co-ordinator)
Bob Green (North Herts)
Jenni Crisp (Herts BDO)

Apologies were received from:

Ron Duckling (SWHerts); Peter Simmons (Sports Development , HSP); Matt Rayner (Youth & Sport Partnership Manager, Welwyn Hatfield); Matt Warren (Regional Manager, BADMINTON England)

Post meeting apologies to and from Doug Clark (East Herts) who was waiting at the previous venue.

1. **Minutes of the previous meeting:** Minutes of the meeting on 11 April 2011 were approved as accurate.

Under Matters Arising, DCB to obtain details of Bangladeshi badminton activity, and chase: Jill Eaton's excellent Leadership Pathway (PS to send latest version electronically to DCB.) [ACTION: DCB. PS] Regional meeting venue was not changed, so Herts not represented.

Boys Brigade National Final event very successful. George Wood's contact & other info passed to organisers.

CoachMark action carried forward.

DCB meeting with SFO's Sue Lewis this week - to remind about SFO school club.

2. **Partnership Updates**

BADMINTON England Head Office Report by Jenni Crisp:

Jenni presented two papers :

- HBDC – BE Updates
- Opportunities for Clubs and Coaches in Olympic/Paralympic Year.

Please note: Play Badminton is developed as a new initiative to increase participation. It is a web based sign posting tool designed to be a one-stop source of badminton opportunities. Clubs have been sent an email about it and asked to check and edit their information (when they receive their login details by email in a couple of weeks). **Feedback required.**

HBA Report by Malcolm Fraser

MF said HBA had monies available to be spent in the three areas; at the next HBA committee meeting he intended to propose this is spent on club development.

HSP Report by Peter Simmons:

PS had sent copies of the Herts Sports Partnership Badminton Update (copied below with comments from the meeting in red).

[ACTION: DCB to request more info re potential "inspirational" workshops]

HSP: Herts Badminton Update

SERVICE TO SPORT AWARDS 2011

- Nominate your clubs, coaches, administrators and volunteers to get recognition for their efforts.
- Categories include: Volunteer of the Year (U21 & Over 21), Male & Female Coaches of the year, Community Club Award & Service to Sport Award
- **Closing date for nominations 31st July 2011**
- To nominate go to: www.sportinherts.org.uk/awards2011

For further details contact events team on 01707 284229 or info@sportinherts.org.uk

'ACTIVE UNIVERSITIES' THEMED ROUND FUNDING

- HSP awarded **£360,000** funding for 3 year programme with Uni of Herts, Royal Vets College & Herts FE Colleges to achieve higher levels of student sport participation
- Team of student activators to promote extensive programme of 'informal' activities
- Meeting held on 9th June with Badminton DO and RDM to plan programme

For further details contact Will Hollyer w.hollyer@herts.ac.uk or 01707 281007

SPORTIVATE

- Part of Sport England **Places People Play** 2012 legacy programme
 - National target of 300,000 **14-25 year olds** attending minimum of 6 hours coaching
 - Attendees encouraged to join club for ongoing participation
 - Each Local Authority Sports Development Officer has £9,000 per annum for four years
- Fiona Kelly has been appointed one of the Active Uni Activators (10 hours per week) and this should ensure a high profile for badminton in the programme.**

For further details contact Cheryl Obiakpani c.obiakpani@herts.ac.uk or 01707 281201 or your local Authority Sports Development Officer

SPORT MAKERS

- Part of Sport England **Places People Play** 2012 legacy programme
- National target of 40,000 new volunteers in the 16+ age group helping to deliver activity to the 16+ age group (Target of 833 in Herts over two years)
- HSP to work with NGBs to identify volunteer placements
- Would you like a Badminton specific 'inspirational' workshop set up after Sept 2011?
Although the actual start date of the 'Inspirational Workshops' is still in doubt would Badminton be interested in having a workshop dedicated to them to recruit volunteers for specific roles? 25 NGBs have now published details for CSPs indicating the type of volunteers they are looking for, unfortunately Badminton as of today are not one of them (Details published on Sport Makers section of Sport England website).

For further details contact Peter Simmons p.j.g.simmons@herts.ac.uk or 01707 281204

HERTS COACHING CONFERENCE

- Scheduled as separate event from Herts Coach Education Week on 13th Nov 2011
- Opportunity for Badminton Coaches to 'piggy-back' the event with their own sessions.
One suggestion is for 3 or 4 Performance coaches to run workshops. Ideas to BJ.

For further details contact Rob Hardwick r.d.hardwick@herts.ac.uk or 01707 281204

COACHMARK – Minimum standards for coaching in schools

- Herts CC Director of Education sending further before end of school year recommending that all sports coaches working in schools should have Coachmark. **There is going to be further encouragement from Herts CC to schools over the remainder of this term to only use Coachmark coaches in their future activities. Although the schools have ultimate responsibility we think there will be greater demand from schools for coaches to have this accreditation**

The Coachmark scheme is run by HSP through the Coaching Herts database at www.coachingherts.org.uk

Coaches working in schools or on HSP programmes must individually register on www.coachingherts.org.uk and provide evidence that they meet minimum standards for deployment (As agreed with Herts CC & sports coach UK and NGBs)

For further details contact Rob Hardwick r.d.hardwick@herts.ac.uk or 01707 281204

The forthcoming events programme (organised or supported by HSP) is detailed below. All take place at Herts Sports Village. Further information will be circulated nearer the individual event date:

- 12 September 2011 Herts Services to Sports Awards
- 13 November 2011 Herts Coaching Conference **(This appears to be a change of date)**
- 11-19 February 2012 Herts Coach Education Week

HSP Workshop Programme 2011

HSP runs a comprehensive workshop programme for local coaches and club volunteers. Safeguarding & Protecting Children, Equity in Your Coaching and First Aid workshops are held every 4 to 6 weeks as they are required for Clubmark accreditation and some coaching awards. Other more developmental workshops such as long-term athlete development, how to coach disabled people in sport, role of the volunteer coordinator and Sport England Small Grants are run less frequently

HSP remains the largest provider of workshops in the region and this year many of the workshops will take place at convenient locations around the county rather than just being held at Hatfield.

For full details of the workshop programme go to: www.sportinherts.org.uk

If you have a query contact: Rob Hardwick r.d.hardwick@herts.ac.uk or 01707 281204

3. Development Report Updates by Jenni Crisp

See below for RO update for BHDC 11 July 2011 (with meeting additions in red)

County Wide

- Westfield Community Centre, **Watford**. NSB sessions started in June. Slow start, looking into advertising over the summer
- Level 1 course is planned at Stevenage Arts & Leisure Centre on 23rd Oct, 30th Oct, 13th Nov. Course Code is L1AC/12/36 and is up on the BE website. I will send round details to all clubs, and details will be put on the HBA website. Please promote, there are 16 places to fill.
- **At this point there was a discussion about our need for more coaches. Current numbers listed are similar to those in 1990's. [ACTION: JC to obtain lists to be compared to see who has dropped off – with a view to contacting if possible]**
- Time to listen Course- 4 hour interactive workshop free for Club Welfare Officers. **FREE!** . **Saturday 26th November @ Hertfordshire Sports Village Hatfield, Herts, AL10 9EU from 9.30am to 1.30pm**

Dacorum / St Albans (CBN area)

- JFK- Management group met in June. There are a number of slots available for Badminton use. **(Thurs/Friday)** School want to apply for Premier School Status, so things moving in the right direction. One member of the PE department (**Jack**) is working hard to facilitate Badminton, but needs some support.
- Roundwood Park School. New 4 court Hall due to be finished end of July, opening in September. School have bought NSB and will have two sessions (Adults- Wednesday 7-9pm and Family- Sunday mornings - **organiser Sabina Ng**). Looking for club use, particularly over the summer.
- Harpenden Leisure Centre have purchased NSB through a national pilot with Leisure Connection, they will be one of 11 sites. Launch is planned for September.
- Urgent need to get CBN Steering group together.

East Herts (Start-point CBN)

- Presdales – Wednesday 7-9pm Session has become available.
- Haileybury Hall and Ware Drill Hall- Looking into possibility of expanding sessions
- Wodson Park- New manager starts 11th July. **JC (with Doug Clarke & BJ involved?)** arranging meeting to discuss Badminton's involvement at the centre and looking to develop relationship with the centre.

North Herts (CBN area)

- North Herts College- Friday 6-8pm. Ladies Session started 1st July. Advertised in local newspaper, local community centres.
- NSB potential- Letchworth Tennis Centre & Stevenage Leisure
- Village Hall Project- Reviewing which sessions worked and which didn't and why. Looking to change sessions which were not successful/ re-start sessions.
- North Herts College- Contact has been made with the College. The college want to set up badminton activity for their students, I am working with FESCO to put something in place for September.
- I have also been approached by North Herts College to be involved with the Freshers fair in September. Stand to promote Badminton activity in the area.

Welwyn Hatfield

- Stanborough School- Tuesday slot has been lost. Lack of communication from the school.
- Knebworth- Philip looking to expand and have another all inclusive session in Stevenage. Working to advertise/promote his current session at Birchwood.
- Gosling No Strings- Working with Claire to see if we can get NSB at this centre again. Philip Gray has assisted with finding a coordinator.

- UoH No Strings- Very Successful. Family Session started on 6th June (Mondays 6-7pm). Tuesday & Thursday session 5-6pm very successful but have stopped now until next academic year. Fiona is staying on for another year. She has another role as an 'Activator' for Active Students.
- Comets Senior Club - Approached by Fergus to help with Development Squad on Tuesday nights. Looking into advertising, session expansion options
- University have approached me to find a senior coach to work with and develop the University Badminton team. Steve Willis cannot continue this role in September.

New CBN- Stort Valley

- Leventhorpe school hall, **Sawbridgeworth**, opening in Sept 2011. In process of applying for funding with BG. Need to identify local clubs that may want to use slots. Nuffield Health, who will be running the centre, are very keen for NSB, and other club usage. Open Evening on 28th July, all clubs/organisations are welcome.
- Current Club structure needs to be looked into- May need to create more clubs
- Birchwood High School- New 4 Court Hall

2012

- BE have developed a new section of the website where the latest news will be posted. Simply click onto **HBA links** or <http://www.badmintonengland.co.uk/text.asp?section=2182§ionTitle=The+Road+to+London+2012>.
- Waltham Abbey event on 23rd July- Paul Widdicombe has said he is available to help with this. **(post meeting: GB contacted - his offer was to help JC or other organiser on the day)**

Center Parcs Inter Schools Championships

- CPNSC plans for 2011 in place, with new online entry system and alignment with the School Games. Many challenges due to the significant school sport changes, with potential result in a reduced level of participation next year. Input required from clubs, counties and volunteers to help maintain organisation of competition at a local level.
- 2011-12 - It has been agreed to charge an entry fee of £15 per school. Schools do not have to affiliate to enter CPNSC in 2011-12 so should help to encourage more schools to enter.
- CPNSC- Going to fit in with School Games Structure;
- Level 1- Intra School Competition (Year 5- Bisi) (Year 6- Team Singles/Doubles)
- Level 2- Inter School Competition (Year 7-11) League Format played by the end of December. Replaces SSP round of CPNSC
- Level 3- County Round Competition (Runners up from Level 2) Winners of Level 2 go through to CPNSC
- Level 4- National Multi Sport Residential Event (separate from Level 3)
- Looking for CBA Involvement on County Round of CPNSC, with potentially running the event. A percentage of fees will go to CBA.

Active Universities

University of Hertfordshire were successful and will receive £359k over three years. The programme will provide informal activities with the aim to increase participation in the student body.

Activators (Red Coats!) are being employed at Universities and colleges to get students into sessions. The college programme of the AU is a slower burner and will come on-line over the next 12 months. Each College will have an Activator **for 10 hpw** to offer informal sporting activity. We hope to work with the colleges to offer NSB as the obvious exit route. With the possibility of creating new clubs, or at least competitors to enter BUCS

Sportivate

We are looking at a number of programmes throughout Hertfordshire to act as a catalyst for NSB to be purchased. In the pipeline are: Letchworth Tennis Centre, Wodson Park, Gosling Sports Park, Leventhorpe school. **9k available per SDO: clubs urged to approach them.**

Any Other Business

JC is away 17 August – 5 September. From 18 August she will be known as Jenni Sheehan (JS)!

Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting 7.30 Monday 10 October (or another night the next week if preferred). Venue tba.