

Sport England Grant Report

In August 2010 BAT's Badminton Club were awarded £8,315 grant from Sport England for the following:

- a) Badminton Equipment
- b) Coaching qualifications
- c) Coaching Equipment

Before the start of the 2010/11 season new posts, nets, cupboards and other equipment was purchased so that the club could start the season with new equipment. A full list can be

In October 2010 the club was able to support one player in gaining their Level 3 Badminton England coaching qualification. The course is ongoing but the player has now completed the internal assessment element of the course with the portfolio and external assessment to be completed.

In February / March 2011 the club was able to support four players, two directly through the Sport England Grant, in following the Level 2 Badminton England Coaching course held at Tavistock College. One player has completed the course with two to complete the portfolio and one the external assessment.

Using equipment purchased through the grant BAT's Badminton Club has been able to broaden its work across the community of West Devon.

- BAT's Badminton Club completed its reassessment for being a Premier Club within Badminton England;
- Working alongside West Devon and Badminton England West Devon became a Community Badminton Network with BAT's Badminton Club being the Premier Club;
- BAT's Badminton Club provide coaches, coaching and the use of equipment to:
 - Horrabridge Badminton Club Juniors - two sessions
 - Tavistock College after school badminton club
 - Tavistock Community Sports Centre evening class
 - Okehampton Community Recreation Association badminton club
 - Two local primary schools
 - Devon Games to Inspire badminton squad

BAT's Badminton Club is also working alongside the West Devon Training Camp committee who are working to bring a country to West Devon in the weeks leading up to the Olympic Games in 2012. West Devon has been identified by LOCOG for four sports; including badminton.

In January 2011 the BAT's Badminton Club website was re-launched with a new front end and more content being added to the site to help and support coaches and coaching. The website has become the main point of contact for the club. The club has also a presence on Facebook which keeps members, current and past, up to date with developments.