

Hertfordshire Badminton Association AGM

Coaching Co-ordinator's Report June 2019 to May 2020

I have only had two requests for coaches this year – candidates were found for both. I think most coaches are sourced through the Badminton England 'Find a Coach' option.

We ran the pilot for the new Badminton England foundation coaching course in October 2019 at Gosling Sports Park. This replaces the UKCC level 1 course and has more badminton-specific content. It comprises two days of tuition followed by an on-line assessment. All thirteen candidates who took part thoroughly enjoyed the course and were successful.

A second foundation coaching course was run in February 2020 in Hemel Hempstead. This course produced another ten foundation coaches.

I have enough on my waiting list for a coaching award course. This is the Badminton England course that replaces the UKCC level 2 qualification. Aleisha was in the process of finding a venue to run the course when she was furloughed. We will run the course when restrictions allow. This course consists of four days of tuition with assessment on the fifth day which involves coaching some young players. There are two options associated with the course; on days three and four, the candidates take either the club or talent modules. The first two days are common to both specialisms.

More information concerning both the foundation and coaching award courses is available on the Badminton England website (<https://www.badmintonengland.co.uk/coach/coaching-pathway/>).

I have been monitoring and posting information on the Herts Badminton Coaches Facebook Page through the year and will continue to do so.