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VISION

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To lead and strengthen, in partnership with our stakeholders, innovative, sustainable and exciting development and event initiatives.

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Australia
Cook Islands
Fiji
Guam
Kiribati
Nauru
New Caledonia
New Zealand
Norfolk Island
Northern Marianas
Papua New Guinea
Samoa
Tahiti
Tonga
Tuvalu

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Geraldine Brown (Australia)
Gail Eraio (Cook Islands)
Susan Taylor (Australia)
Sandra Lowe (Guam)

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I present this report with a great sense of achievement and pride. The year has not been without challenges but in the usual no nonsense, get on with it approach of our staff, we have overcome. Change is always a part of any organisation and we have certainly experienced that, as well as growth in all areas. We have had structural changes, staffing increase, office relocation and ongoing development within our members. Julie has led from the front addressing all challenges and, with great support from Lynne and Nadia I believe we have been both productive and proactive in all areas. This includes addressing the vital area of Para Badminton which will be a focus of our newest staff member Robbie Thackham who was employed in August which coincided with our move to larger, brighter premises.

We are extremely pleased to welcome a new Member Association in Papua New Guinea. The opportunities for growth in the second largest country in our region is enormous and we look forward to developing opportunities with them. We may still be the smallest Confederation by membership but we certainly gain recognition for our commitment, professionalism and results.

The year began with the Oceania Team Championships hosted by New Zealand at North Harbour in February. This well run and successful event set the tone for the year with a series of firsts. We had a team from Guam for the first time, we conducted a training camp for the Island Nations, and held a very successful Women in Badminton seminar which focused on the Team Managers role. Australia won the Oceania Mixed Team Championship, the excitement of the finals session was the thrilling win by Tahiti over New Caledonia for third position. Australia also won the Women's Team competition with New Zealand taking the Men's team event. Both teams subsequently attended the Thomas and Uber Cup finals held in China and were excellent ambassadors for our Oceania region.

It was very pleasing that our first President Heather Robson, was available to present trophies for the Men's and Women's Team Championships. Heather also announced the recipient of the biannual Presidents Oceania Women In Badminton Award - Dr Judith Cousins of Western Australia, who was subsequently nominated by Badminton Australia for the BWF Women in Badminton Award; the winner to be announced at the BWF Gala Dinner in the Gold Coast in May.

Our Oceania AGM was also conducted alongside the Team Championships with two new members appointed to the Executive Committee. I look forward to continued interaction and involvement with the new Executive members - Amanaki Fakakovikaetau from Tonga and Michael Alezrah from Tahiti. We thank Leody Vainokolo (TGA) and Leo Cucuel (TAH) for their participation and commitment during their term. During the year our Deputy President Michelle Hollands resigned, I

thank Michelle for her contribution while an Executive Committee member. Nigel Skelt was subsequently co-opted to the position of Deputy President with Joanna Kou from New Caledonia co-opted to the Executive Committee. We certainly have a good spread of countries and a good gender split on our Executive Committee.

I was pleased to be able to attend the Oceania Championships (individual events) hosted by Tahiti in Papeete where the Organising Committee made an enormous effort to ensure the success of the tournament, both on and off the court, providing wonderful hospitality, an unusual interactive welcome event and local television coverage for the tournament. However, nature conspired against the event with unseasonal storms which created very difficult conditions during some sessions for players, organisers and officials. Julie Carrel's expertise, as the Referee was tested to the limit but eventually with the cooperation of players and team management successful outcomes were achieved.

Tahiti, New Zealand and Australia all staged Level 4 tournaments during the year; the Tahiti event attracted the greatest number of international entries as it was held a week prior to the cut-off for qualification for the Olympic Games. An umpire mentoring programme was introduced at the Tahiti International which followed through into the Oceania Championships the following week, in the same venue. We appreciate the effort and commitment displayed by all these countries who organise and run these events as they are hard work with funding difficult to secure to meet the costs.

The Australian Super Series and the New Zealand Open were once again a credit to our region and I thank the organisers for showcasing our sport and local organisational expertise to the world. Feedback from players to BWF regarding these events has been very positive. As I have previously stated, to have events of this calibre in Oceania is vital for the profile of the sport if we are to continue to grow.

Australian and New Zealand players continue to compete overseas with various levels of success; recently Setyana Mapasa and Gronya Somerville (Aus) won the Dutch Open. Gronya also teamed up with New Zealander Oliver Leyton-Davis to compete in several international tournaments in Europe with some success. Australia was represented at the Rio Olympic Games by five players which was a great achievement, but my hope is to see other Oceania countries at future Games. It is not only our players who gain from tournament experiences, Technical Officials also need exposure to international competition as they progress down their pathway the highest qualifications. We have a good number of world class officials who have participated at all major BWF events this year including the Olympic Games.

The Pan Pacific Under 19 Team Championships were

held prior to the Li-Ning Australian Junior International at Altona Stadium in Victoria. As part of our Player Development programme we entered a team of players from Tahiti, New Caledonia and Guam. This was a great opportunity for these players to play and train against Australia and New Zealand's top junior players. We had players from the Cook Islands and Tonga competing in the New Zealand Aims Games for the first time. What a wonderful experience to be part of a large multi-sport competition.

At the highest level, Australia and New Zealand attended the World Junior Championships in Bilbao Spain, and I was fortunate to watch some of the matches. The teams played well and were good ambassadors for our region, with some very good performances registered in the individual events.

Several of our members travelled to Kunshan, China for the BWF Forum and AGM. As always, it was a great opportunity for us to get together as a group with Julie outlining where we were at, where we are heading and how we will get there. Her favourite and strong encouragement of "get on our bus" if you are going to move forward with us was emphasised several times. There was also good attendance by Oceania representatives at the Women in Badminton meeting where some very interesting statistics were presented, very pleasing to see that Oceania does very well in the WIB area. BWF also announced that they would be looking to support more scholarship programmes; subsequently we successfully applied for funding for leadership scholarships which were awarded to representatives from Australia, Samoa, Tonga and New Zealand.

The Pacific AusAid programme (PSP), primarily in Tonga, continues to be very successful. I thank Nadia and Ben Exton for their work in this area. Badminton Australia is also involved in a PSP programme in Nepal, in conjunction with Badminton Asia. As a Continent, we continue to develop and deliver Shuttle Time programmes throughout the region and have received BWF acknowledgement for the progress being made in development.

As we all know BWF achieved a major breakthrough when badminton was included in the 2020 Paralympic Games. The inclusion of badminton as a Paralympic sport had been the ambition of the BWF for some time. We aim to have representation from Oceania in Tokyo and to that end Julie accessed BWF funds to get the ball rolling in Oceania. John Shearer from BWF conducted a Para-Badminton Workshop in Melbourne in March, which was well attended by Australian States, New Zealand, Cook Islands, Tahiti and Tonga. A successful Australian Para Championship was held in Melbourne in November in conjunction with the Victorian Open and graded Championships, with participants from three Australian States, New Zealand and Tonga. A great start to our campaign, and the enthusiasm

of the participants was wonderful to see. We are currently working towards hosting the first Oceania Championships and another BWF para-badminton sanctioned event in 2018.

It was identified at the 2016 AGM that we needed to update our Constitution and a new constitution will be presented at our upcoming AGM. An application was successfully made to BWF for assistance to update the Strategic Plan which enabled us to contract Talem Waqa from Fiji, to lead the process; initially with the Oceania staff who resulting in a framework and the first draft. A meeting of the Executive Committee, in Auckland NZ, followed, producing a new strategic plan through to 2020. We took this opportunity for the Executive Committee to meet face to face for the second time in the year rather than depending on the regular Skype meetings, which are sometimes challenging due to technology.

It is good to see that we have secured two new sponsors during the year; Bartercard and Victor. Victor will be the naming rights sponsor of our Oceania Championships for the next two years. We thank these sponsors for their confidence in us and hope that this will be the start of long and beneficial relationships.

I appreciate the dedication and efforts of our staff; Julie, Lynne, Nadia and Robbie. We have increased communication between the office and our members which is good as there is a lot happening. Participation and development programmes are the key to growing our sport in all Confederations and we in Oceania are no exception. We are all "on the bus" together.

I extend my personal thanks to all our staff, they really go above and beyond the call of duty. I really appreciate the enthusiasm and personal dedication to not only Oceania but the sport as we continue to take our sport forward. It is testament to your efforts that we are in an excellent position as we continue on our journey. Well done and thank you.

I look forward to a successful 2017 and thank my Deputy President Nigel, and Executive Committee members Amanaki, Gail, Johanna, Loke Poh, and Michael for their efforts during 2016.



GERALDINE BROWN
President

SECRETARY GENERALS REPORT

2016 was a year of increased activity for Badminton Oceania; expanding on existing programmes and the start of several new initiatives

The Oceania region was represented at the Olympic Games in Rio by players, support staff and technical officials:

- Hsuan-Yu Wendy Chen (AUS) – Women’s Singles
- Matthew Chau and Sawan Serasinghe (AUS) – Men’s Doubles
- Robin Middleton and Leanne Choo (AUS) – Mixed Doubles
- Lasse Budgaard and Glenn Warfe (AUS) – Support Staff
- Jane Wheatley (AUS) - Deputy Referee
- Kelly Hoare (AUS) and Trish Gubb (NZ) – Umpires
- Sandra David (AUS) and Greg Busch (NZ) - Line-judges.

A summary of activity and achievements by priority areas:

GOVERNANCE, MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

- Creation of a new role: Coaching and Development Manager – Robbie Thackham
- Shift of office into larger premises
- New strategic plan developed and agreed
- Two new Executive Committee members
- Development of a new constitution

MEMBERSHIP AND CAPACITY BUILDING

- Improved connection with all members through regular e-newsletters
- Papua New Guinea confirmed as a new member of the BWF and Badminton Oceania
- Samoa reactivated with a committee formed and activity started
- 7 Member Countries attended the BWF Forum and Annual General Meeting in China
- Member Agreements in place with 8 Countries
- Increased delivery capability in several countries through OSEP education of staff and volunteers

SHUTTLE TIME – BWF SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

Our Shuttle Time workforce continues to grow, and with that participation rates grow exponentially – our Oceania workforce doubled in 12 months from the end of 2015 to the end of 2016 with 567 Tutors or Teachers trained and over 63,000 children experiencing badminton

BADMINTON OCEANIA SHUTTLE TIME STATISTICS 2016

Country	No. Tutor courses	No. Tutors trained	No. Teacher courses	No. Teachers trained	No. participants	% female participants
Australia	1	16	12	94	20,000	no data
Cook Islands	1	6	2	27	1,094	52%
Fiji	1	6	5	150	1,000	52%
Guam	0	0	1	23	458	51%
New Zealand	2	15	6	91	35,280	48%
Tahiti	0	0	1	13	797	48%
Tonga	0	0	6	134	4,535	51%
TOTAL	5	43	33	534	63,164	

PACIFIC SPORTS PARTNERSHIP (PSP)

Badminton Australia and Badminton Oceania are supported through PSP to build the capacity of badminton federations in the Pacific to conduct quality sport for development programs.

Ben Exton, who was based in Tonga but now back in Australia, over-see this project for us

Tonga has been a key focus for this project with the following achievements:

- Engaging over 5,000 Tongans in regular badminton through school and community based Shuttle Time programs.
- Increased Tonga Badminton staff and volunteers due to OSEP training
- 272 Shuttle Time Teacher/Coaches trained since June 2013
- Delivering in the three major outer islands – a first for PSP sports
- Strong partnerships developed with government agencies and local disabled organisations

Through PSP we have been a part of two other projects:

- Disability research in conjunction with Table Tennis Australia and Oceania Paralympic Committee to research – “can sports change attitudes towards children with disabilities”
- ABC media and communications training for staff in Tonga, Fiji and Papua New Guinea

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

All player development activations included both players and their coach from countries other than New Zealand or Australia

- 48 players from 5 countries participated in the programme
- 4 players from Tahiti were part of the New Zealand U19 Performance Camp – 7 days
- 4 players from Tahiti and New Caledonia were members of NZ Association teams in the New Zealand Junior Team Championships (U19)
- 12 players (years 7 & 8) from Tonga and the Cook Islands participated in AIMS Games, NZ
- Oceania team (8 players) in Pac Pacific Junior Team Championships – Australia
- 8 players at the Australian Junior International tournament
- In country training camp – Tahiti – 12 players
- Pacific training camp pre-Oceania Championships – New Zealand
- IOC Athlete Career and Voices of the Athletes programme delivered to 35 participants

COACH EDUCATION

We continue to deliver the BWF Coaching frame-work with a significant number of coaches in our region now qualified

A highlight of 2016 was sending five coaches from New Zealand to Kuala Lumpur to gain their BWF Level 1 Tutor and BWF Level 2 Coaching qualifications

Oceania BWF Qualified Coaches

	<i>BWF Level 1 Coach</i>	<i>BWF Level 1 Tutor</i>	<i>BWF Level 2 Coach</i>
Cook Islands	1		
New Caledonia	1		
New Zealand	33	5	5
Tahiti	2		
Tonga	2		

PARA BADMINTON

- 22 people from 6 countries attend the first Oceania para-badminton workshop, held in Melbourne
- Australian Para-badminton Championships held November - Melbourne, 26 players, 3 countries, 4 classifications
- Increased para-badminton activity and awareness across the region

WOMEN IN BADMINTON

- Team Managers workshop held prior to Oceania Championships. 16 participants from 4 countries
- You-tube interviews with women from throughout the region who have significantly contributed to badminton. We will continue to add to these profiles in 2017. Published on the Badminton Oceania website
- 5 x Women in Badminton leadership scholarships awarded: Donna Trow (NZ), Marianne Low (AUS), Nynette Sass (SAM), Peti Tupouniua (TGA), Tonga Badminton
- Dr Judith Cousins (AUS) awarded Oceania Women in Badminton award

MARKETING

- Regular e-updates to all stakeholders
- Significantly increased social media engagement
- Players profiled on Badminton Oceania website
- Increased visits to the Badminton Oceania website – 155,000 visits – average 425 per day

EVENTS

- Oceania Mixed Team Championships – North Harbour, New Zealand
- Oceania Men's and Women's Team Championships – North Harbour, New Zealand
- Oceania Championships (individual competition) – Tahiti
- TAHITI PHONE International Challenge – Level 4 International Challenge, Tahiti
- MAURICE'S POOLS AND SPAS Waikato International – Level 4 Future Series, Hamilton, New Zealand
- SKYCITY New Zealand Open – Grand Prix Gold – Auckland, New Zealand
- XIAMEN AIR Australian Open – Super Series – Sydney, Australia
- LI-NING Sydney International – Level 4 International Series – Sydney, Australia
- LI-NING Australian Junior International – Future Series – Melbourne, Australia

TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

- Training and qualification frame-work and pathways revised; includes line-judges, umpires and referees from National/Pacific level through to BWF
- Oceania was represented by our Technical Officials at several major world events including the Olympic Games, Thomas & Uber Cup finals, World Super-series Finals, Super-series events and World Junior Championships as well as at numerous other events all over the world

As with any organisation, we are only as successful as the people who are on the ground making it happen. Thank you to our staff, executive members and people from all of our members; it is a pleasure to work with so many dedicated and passionate people towards common goals



JULIE CARREL
Secretary General

OCEANIA TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

	Australia	New Caledonia	New Zealand
BWF REFEREE	2		2
BWF UMPIRE	3		2
BWF LINE JUDGE	5		2
OCEANIA REFEREE	1		1
OCEANIA UMPIRE	5	2	5
OCEANIA LINE JUDGE	3		2



DEVELOPMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

2016 proved to be another exciting year of growth in the development area. The number of programmes Badminton Oceania deliver has continued to grow so it was a massive step for us to have the ability to split the role during the year and have Robbie join our team. This has allowed me to give increased time and attention on two specific areas – building capacity of our Member countries and growing participation through the BWF Shuttle Time programme.

MEMBER CAPACITY

Building capacity is about developing plans and frameworks to grow our sport through increased workforce and partnerships – governance and administration – and ensure we have these plans in place to deliver activities

In 2017 our key achievement was to put Member Agreements in place with 8 countries (Australia, New Zealand, Tonga, Cook Islands, Tahiti, Guam, Fiji and New Caledonia). With these agreements in place more regular communication took place to follow up and report on progress.

Notable achievements in 2016 include:

- Papua New Guinea confirmed as new BWF member November 2016, huge thanks to interim President Kinivanagi Karo and team for their efforts to ensure this was finalised so development can begin
- Samoa reactivated late 2016 with huge thanks to Nynette Sass for leading the revival
- Increased capacity in Tonga with staffing increases and educational opportunities
- Peti Tupouniua FT Shuttle Time Coordinator, Ilisoni Niukapu PT Inclusion Officer joining Lauti Na'aniamotu FT Development Officer during 2016
- educational opportunities for staff and volunteers through OSEP (Oceania Sport Education Programme) coaching and administration, and ABC media and communications both made possible through PSP (Pacific Sport Partnership)

SHUTTLE TIME

Our Shuttle Time workforce continues to grow, and with that participation rates grow exponentially – in 2016 our Oceania workforce doubled!

The launch of BWF's new Shuttle Time website

www.bwfsuttletime.com and mobile application has had a significant impact on our delivery. Access to resources is much improved for both Tutors and Teachers/Coaches, and we have also assisted further with tablet devices for our Coordinators and Tutors to use in delivery, and sharing of information and photos via social media.

2016 also saw new planning templates designed in conjunction with BWF and 10 of our National Shuttle Time Coordinators have utilised these resources to put National Shuttle Time plans in place for 2017 (Australia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Guam, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tahiti, Tonga, Tuvalu).

Our major challenge in 2017 is for our Coordinators and Tutors to increase the number of Teachers/Coaches trained & delivering. Regular communication, support and incentives for our workforce are essential to ensure we obtain more accurate participation data.

Notable achievements in 2016 include:

- Tonga – continued growth through PSP assistance, engaging large participation numbers in schools and in communities through partnerships with education and health programmes. 2016 saw increased activity in outer islands and more development in the inclusive space.
- Cook Islands – six new tutors trained, increased engagement in schools and community activity due to vibrant energetic delivery team led by Coordinator Thomas Mereana-Ngauru. A team of 12 athletes took part in AIMS Games in New Zealand showcasing their Shuttle Time badminton experience with impressive performances on court.
- Fiji – six new tutors trained, positive relationship with Katarina Ruru at Fiji National University (FNU) to run University course and train a large number of student teachers. Huge potential to develop with positive links to government agencies (Ministry of Education, Fiji National Sports Commission). Youth Leadership Award in conjunction with International School Suva. Inclusive delivery through Tutor Mataiasi Nabitu in Western division and story captured by ABC.
- New Zealand – Coordinator Donna Trow led increased commitment to Shuttle Time, held the first Shuttle Time conference in our region which was also attended by Australian and Tongan

representatives

- Australia – the Sporting Schools program (through the Australian Sports Commission) endorses Shuttle Time and provides Badminton Australia an auditable and closest account of Shuttle Time participants. Shuttle Time has been widely promoted through the efforts of Coordinator Marianne Loh.

PACIFIC SPORTS PARTNERSHIP (PSP)

The Pacific Sports Partnerships (PSP) is an Australian Government program funded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade through the Australian Aid program and managed by GHD. Badminton Australia and Badminton Oceania are supported through PSP to build the capacity of badminton federations in the Pacific to conduct quality sport for development programs.

PSP project goals:

- Increased levels of regular participation of Pacific Islanders, including people with a disability, in quality sport activities
- Improved health-related behaviours of Pacific Islanders which impact on NCD (non-communicable disease) risk factors, focusing on increasing levels of physical activity
- Improved attitudes towards and increased inclusion of people with disability in Pacific communities

Badminton PSP Program manager Ben Exton was

based in Tonga from June 2014 until September 2016 and gained insights into the challenges of running these programs in the Pacific and the appropriate ways to structure the program to ensure sustainability.

Tonga project objectives:

1. Increased opportunities for participation in physical activity
2. Improved governance and effectiveness of Tonga National Badminton Association
3. Effective and sustainable partnerships for sport and health promotion
4. Social Inclusion

Key achievements in Tonga to date:

1. Engaging over 5,000 Tongans in regular badminton (population approx. 100,000). Anecdotally we would have the highest number of participants compared to other sports in Tonga. Badminton is very appealing to the Tongan people as all genders, ages and abilities can play the game. This achieved through school and community based shuttle time programs.
2. Tonga Badminton staff are high capacity and high functioning due to investments from Badminton Oceania staff and training provided by the PSP Program. They now show high degrees of initiative and need less management oversight.
 - a. Peti Tupouniua, FT Shuttle Time Coordinator and Ilisoni Niukapu, PT Inclusion Officer joined FT Development Officer, Lauti





Na'aniumotu during 2016

- b. Undertaken OSEP (Oceania Sport Education Program) training in conjunction with Tonga Ministry of Internal Affairs – 3 Community Educators qualified (TNBA staff and one board member) and delivered both Community Coach Official & Community Administrator courses to community, with approximately 10 badminton volunteers trained in each course, including those from outer islands.
3. 272 Shuttle Time Teacher/Coaches trained over 12 Teacher/Coach courses during PSP (since June 2013) a total of 372 Teacher/Coaches and 5 Shuttle Time Tutors trained in Tonga since Shuttle Time implemented in 2011.
4. Receiving high demand from schools and communities to run shuttle time training and activities. As well we are the only sport operating in the three major outer islands. No other PSP sports have achieved this yet.
5. In the last few months we have commenced inclusive badminton activities with up to 25 participants which is a large number in Tonga.
6. Good recognition from the Australian Government on our ability to engage Tongans in regular physical activity and people with disability as well as promote the Australian Government assistance through Sports Diplomacy activities.
7. We have developed strong partnerships with government agencies (Ministry of Internal Affairs - Sport, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education) and local disabled people's organisations which is contributing to the effectiveness and sustainability of our programs.

During 2016 the Kiribati program was withdrawn due to inability of Kiribati board to fulfil obligations with funding re-allocated to Tonga.

Tonga continues to go from strength to strength and can really solidify its activities over the next 4 years with the appropriate level of funding from the PSP. The insights and lessons learned from Tonga have us well placed to be effective in Fiji and PNG should we be funded under PSP phase 3.

Through PSP we were a part of two additionally funded projects:

- Disability research in conjunction with Christian Holtz of Table Tennis Australia and their 'Smash Down Barriers' Program and Oceania Paralympic Committee to research – can sports change attitudes towards children with disabilities?
- ABC media and communications training with Aaron Kearney for staff alongside other PSP sports – badminton was able to be involved in this training in Tonga, Fiji and Papua New Guinea



NADIA BLEAKEN
Development Manager

COACHING DEVELOPMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

COACH EDUCATION

The BWF Coach Education courses kicked off in 2016 moving into the 3rd year of Level 1 coach delivery in New Zealand. The New Zealand course was run over two weekends in May and August in the Auckland region. There were a total of 20 participants and involved coaches from New Zealand, Tonga, Cook Islands and New Caledonia. This course has resulted in 15 qualified BWF Level 1 coaches and 3 coach's still working towards qualification through provisional passes.

Expanding from New Zealand, the first Level 1 course was held in the Pacific in April. Tahiti was host to the BWF Level 1 coach course in April and December of 2016. There were a total of 17 participants who took part in this course. In an initiative to help further develop coaches and ensure the skill level is adequate this course was a pilot level 1 project that will run over 3 weekends rather than 2 and will have mentored development between the course weekends.

In May Oceania sent through 5 coaches to participate in the BWF Level 2 Coach course in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. These coaches attended alongside a number of coaches from across Asia. All coaches have passed and are now accredited with the BWF Level 2 Coach certificate.

As well as completing the BWF Level 2 Coach course all 5 coaches also completed the BWF Level 1 Tutor course. This means we now have 5 Tutor's available who are capable of presenting or assisting in the delivery of the BWF Level 1 coach course.

The year has come to a close with New Zealand hosting a coaching conference in Wellington. This conference has a dedicated day devoted towards Shuttle Time, this has been attended by all of the regional development officers from New Zealand as well as three participants from Australia and one from Tonga. The remainder of the conference has covered a number of topics including the BWF coach education framework. There were a total of 33 participants who attended this conference.

2016 ends with a total of 42 qualified BWF Level 1 Coaches, 4 BWF Level 1 Tutor's, 5 BWF Level 2 Coaches and 5 BWF Level 1 coaches still completing the course through a provisional pass.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

In 2016 there were a number of events and training camps that contributed to the player development programme. The first of these camps was the New Zealand High performance camp held in Napier in January. Four players from Tahiti attended this camp along with the National coach Leo Cucuel. The camp combines on-court specialised

training with off court sessions such as mental preparation and nutrition. The players and coaches stayed on-site for 7 days and were put through a number of challenging training sessions.

A Pacific player development camp took place over the weekend leading up to the Oceania Championships in North Harbour, Auckland in February. Athletes from Guam, New Caledonia, Tahiti and Tonga were put through a series of fitness tests and training courtesy of New Zealand national team coaches Tracy Hallam and Peter Jensen.

The following day all participating teams took part in the IOC Athlete Career Programme "Excellence for Life" and ONOC "Voices of the Athletes" delivered by former NZ Olympian Sarah Cowley and Ryley Webster. Athletes were inspired by the Olympic values and gained confidence to open up and express their goals and dreams. They undertook activities to learn about their skills and how these can relate to future employment and the importance of being a leader in their communities.

Four athletes were selected to attend the NZJTC held in Manawatu. Two players from New Caledonia and two from Tahiti were selected to join a regional team. They were hosted by Bay of Plenty Badminton Association and were fully integrated into the team environment. These players were also accompanied to New Zealand by their National coaches who also got to experience the team event and get a better understanding of the logistics of an event of this size. Prior to the tournament the players trained in Auckland with Robbie Thackham in a pre-tournament training programme.

Oceania entered a team in the Pan Pacific invitational tournament hosted in Altona, Australia in August. The team consisted of 8 players from Tahiti, New Caledonia and Guam and was coached by Leo Cucuel from Tahiti. The team competed against teams from Australia and New Zealand. The team finished in 5th place but was competitive in all of their matches and put a lot of pressure on some strong international combinations.

The Pan Pac's team event was followed by the Australian



Junior international. The Oceania players at this event performed well and by the conclusion The Tahitian pair of Hugo Sautereau and Quentin Bernaix finished as semi-finalists. Prior to and throughout the tournaments training sessions were run by Robbie Thackham and Leo Cucuel.

During September Teams from Tonga and the Cook Islands descended on Tauranga, New Zealand for the AIMS Games (Association of Intermediate and Middle Schools). The tournament accommodates more than 9000 participants across a range of sports from Australasia. Tonga was represented by 4 players along with their coach Lauti and a team manager. Cook Islands was represented by 8 players along with their coach Ngaoa Ranginui, Manager Thomas Mereana-Ngauru and a number of supporters and helpers. The players began their tournament with a training session at Tauranga Intermediate led by Robbie Thackham. Throughout the tournament the players competed at a high standard with all players finishing in the top 3 divisions. A notable result was Jadore Fotu and Viliami Fotu of Liahona School in Tonga finishing in 3rd place in the top division of boys doubles.

2016 came to an end with the four day Player development camp held in Tahiti in December. The training camp was run by Robbie Thackham and had 20 players from both the Tahiti National squad and Development squad. At this camp BOC has started the process of profiling Junior national players. This will allow us to keep track of the athletes in our Player Development programme and monitor progress made over a period of time.

PARA BADMINTON

With Badminton being represented for the first time at the Olympic Games in 2020, Badminton Oceania is committed to increasing the number of and standard of our Para competitors in the region with an aim towards having Oceania represented.

A workshop was held in Melbourne in April with 22 participants attending from 6 Oceania countries.

The inaugural Australian Para-Badminton Championships took place in Melbourne in November. A training camp was also aligned with the tournament with over 40 people (including carers, coaches, players and officials) part of the three day event, including representatives from New Zealand and Tonga.



ROBBIE THACKHAM

Coaching and Development Manager



EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT

2016 saw a total of 10 BWF sanctioned events held in the Oceania region as follows:

- 1. Oceania Mixed Team Championships 2016**
16-18 February 2016 North Harbour, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2. Oceania Men's Team Championships 2016**
19-20 February 2016 North Harbour, Auckland, New Zealand
- 3. Oceania Women's Team Championships 2016**
19-20 February 2016 North Harbour, Auckland, New Zealand
- 4. MAURICE'S POOLS & SPAS Waikato International 2016**
17-20 March 2016 Hamilton, New Zealand
89 players, 10 countries
- 5. SKYCITY New Zealand Open 2016**
22-27 March 2016 Auckland, New Zealand
248 players, 27 countries
- 6. Tahiti Phone International Challenge 2016**
21-24 April 2016 Papeete, Tahiti
102 players, 26 countries
- 7. Oceania Individual Championships 2016**
26-28 April 2016 Papeete, Tahiti
41 players, 4 countries
- 8. XIAMENAIR Australian Badminton Open 2016**
07-12 June 2016 Sydney, Australia
240 players, 27 countries
- 9. LI-NING Sydney International 2016**
14-17 September 2016 Sydney, Australia
139 players, 13 countries

- 10. LI-NING Australian Junior International 2016**
23-25 September 2016 Melbourne, Australia
86 players, 7 countries

A full list of results for each event are contained later in the report.

2016 saw the return of the Oceania Men's and Women's Team event, a pre-qualifying team event for the Thomas & Uber Finals held in later in May in Kunshan, China. This was held at North Harbour in February and provided a very successful competition for many of our smaller nations. That same week also saw the Oceania Mixed Team Championships played and this proved an ideal opportunity for additional play. During the Mixed Team competition, a trial was undertaken on a relay system for alternative team competitions on behalf of the BWF.

Australia won the Mixed Team and Women's Team Championships with New Zealand taking the Men's Team Championships. From there the Australian Women's Team qualified to compete in the Uber Cup and the New Zealand's Men's Team to compete in the Thomas Cup competitions.

Oceania's two largest events drew large entries and provided a great spectacle for the public who attended. The SKYCITY New Zealand Open had its best field entered this year as it was one of the last events to be included in the Rio Olympics qualification system and players were fiercely competing for those last crucial points.

The Australian Open had a new Title sponsor in Xiamen Airlines resulting in the most successfully run tournament. This event had the most of the top 10





in advance of these events and provides some stability of dates for the future. The Events Committee also attended a 1 day workshop in September at the BWF office in Kuala Lumpur to ensure they were up to date on future plans.

The Events Committee would like to thank all event organisers for their hard work put into planning and running their respective tournaments.

LOKE POH WONG
Events Committee Chair

players ever registered for an Australian Open, however due to injuries and being the last Superseries before the Olympics we saw a large number of withdrawals before the start of the event. That did not stop the event being well attended and new champions emerging from a great field.

New Zealand, Australia and Tahiti each hosted an International Challenge with the Tahiti event once



again providing some last minute crucial Olympic points. With the increasing prize money to host an International Challenge and lack of suitable sponsors, we were not able to run two of such level events hence we lost the Maribyrnong and Auckland Internationals from our circuit.

The Events Committee worked hard on a new plan for when Oceania Championship events would be held from 2017 – 2021 which was signed off by the BWF. This will enable future planning to be undertaken well

TECHNICAL OFFICIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE

Peter Cocker *Australia* (Chair)

Lynne Nixey *New Zealand*

David Turner *Australia*

Greg Vellacott *Australia*

Trish Gubb *New Zealand*



EVENTS ATTENDED BY OCEANIA OFFICIALS

Jane Wheatley (Aus) BWF Certificated Referee

Thomas & Uber Cup (Deputy Ref)

Rio Olympic Games (Deputy Ref)

Japan Open Super Series (Ref)

French Open Super Series (Ref)

Lynne Nixey (NZ) BWF Accredited Referee

Oceania Team Championships NZ (Ref)

Singapore Open Super Series (Deputy Ref)

Chinese Taipei Grand Prix Gold (Ref)

Denmark Open Super Series (Deputy Ref)

Julie Carrel (NZ) BWF Accredited Referee

Indonesia Masters Grand Prix Gold (Deputy Ref)

Chinese Taipei Grand Prix (Deputy Ref)

Macau Open Grand Prix Gold (Ref)

Oceania Championships Tahiti (Ref)

Tahiti International Challenge (Ref)

Yogen Bhatnagar (Aus) BWF Accredited Referee

Australian Open Super Series (Local Ref)

World Juniors (Deputy Ref)

US Open Grand Prix (Deputy Ref)

Ian Williamson (NZ) Oceania Certificated Referee

Waikato International (Ref)

Oceania Teams NZ (Ref) Don Stockins (Aus)

Oceania Certificated Referee

Sydney International Challenge (Ref)

Kelly Hoare (Aus) BWF Certificated Umpire

Australian Open Super Series

Japan Open Super Series

Rio Olympic Games

Trish Gubb (NZ) BWF Certificated Umpire

New Zealand Open Grand Prix Gold

Australian Open Super Series

Super Series Finals

Rio Olympic Games

Susan Taylor (Aus) BWF Certificated Umpire

Thomas & Uber Cups

Australian Open Super Series

World Junior Championships

New Zealand Open Grand Prix Gold

French Open Super Series

Oceania Championships Tahiti

Tahiti International Challenge

Richard Bramley (NZ) BWF Certificated Umpire

New Zealand Open Grand Prix Gold

Australian Open Super Series

Jiten Bhatt (Aus) Umpire

Thomas and Uber Cups

Singapore Open Super Series

Australian Open Super Series

Indian Open Super Series

Denmark Open Super Series

Jean-Philippe Berges (NC) Oceania Certificated Umpire

Korean Open Super Series

Australian Open Super Series

New Zealand Open Grand Prix Gold

Thailand Open Grand Prix Gold

David Turner (Aus) Oceania Certificated Umpire

Australian Open Super Series

Greg Pilven (Aus) Oceania Accredited Umpire

Australian Open Super Series

Justin Zuo (NZ) Oceania Certificated Umpire

New Zealand Open Grand Prix Gold

Australian Open Super Series

Korean Masters Grand Prix

Macau Open Grand Prix Gold

Oceania Championships Tahiti

Tahiti International Challenge

Sidney Galos (NZ) Oceania Accredited Umpire

Australian Open Super Series
New Zealand Open Grand Prix Gold

Bikash Mukherjee (NZ) Oceania Accredited Umpire

New Zealand Open Grand Prix Gold
Thailand Open Grand Prix Gold

Greg Busch (NZ) BWF Line Judge

New Zealand Open Grand Prix Gold
Australian Open Super Series
Rio Olympic Games

Bruce Napier (Aus) BWF Line Judge

Australian Open Super Series

Sunny Bhatnagar (Aus) BWF Line Judge

Australian Open Super Series
World Junior Championships
Super Series Finals

Sandra David (Aus) BWF Line Judge

Australian Open Super Series
Rio Olympic Games

ASSESSMENTS

Greg Pitcher (NZ) assessed to BOC Accredited Umpire

Laurent de Geoffroy (NC) assessed to BOC Accredited Umpire

TECHNICAL OFFICIALS NUMBERS**Umpires**

BWF Certificated 5
BWF Accredited 0
Oceania Certificated 6
Oceania Accredited 7

Referees

BWF Certificated 1
BWF Accredited 3
Oceania Certificated 2
Oceania Accredited 1

Line Judges

BWF 7
Oceania Certificated 7
Oceania Accredited 2

There is still an ongoing push from BWF to get Technical Officials from outside Australia and New Zealand onto the International panels. In the next few years there will be opportunities for Pacific officials to reach the highest level if they have the will and commitment to achieve this, Badminton Oceania Technical Officials Committee (BOTO) will do all it can to help them reach their goals. The next couple of years are very important for Oceania with the Australian and New Zealand Opens, Sudirman Cup, Commonwealth Games, and many other International events in the region to cater for.

OTHER NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

Greg Vellacott's role on the BWF umpire assessment panel.

Peter Cocker attended BWF TOC meeting in Denmark.

BWF TOC have agree to allow some of development funding to be used for Australian and New Zealand Officials.

BWF training program and materials almost completed and will be a great help to all those running courses.

Pacific level training and assessment documents finalised

My thanks to those who have helped BOTO over the last twelve months, especially Julie and Lynne in the Oceania office for their work and support of the committee, NZ Technical Officials (TOCNZ) and Australian Badminton Court Officials Committee (ABCOC) for their help and support.

PETER COCKER

Chair BOTO

WOMEN IN BADMINTON COMMITTEE REPORT



2016 has continued to be a busy year for the Women in Badminton in the Oceania Region. It is a great credit to Badminton Oceania that we have so many Women involved in the sport as Players, Officials, Coaches and Administrators. The region is certainly held up throughout the world as an example of how Women can be involved at all levels.

We started off the year with a training in New Zealand which focused on the role of the Team Manager. This was attended by 15 people from throughout the region and involved key presentations from different people highlighting what Managers of teams should be aware of.

Oceania was delighted to award the 2016 Badminton Oceania Presidents Womens Award to Judith Cousins from Western Australia. This was in recognition of her outstanding service towards Womens Badminton in Oceania.

With funding gained from the BWF, Oceania was able to award several 'Women in Badminton' scholarships to worthy recipients from throughout the region as follows:

Donna Trow New Zealand
To attend Catapult Leadership Program

Marianne Low Australia
To attend BWF Coaches Conference – Dubai, connecting with Dubai Shuttle Time

Nynette Sass Samoa
Attend Pacific Women's Sports Leadership program
Familiarisation with Badminton Oceania

Peti Tupouniua Tonga
Attend Pacific Women's Sports Leadership program
Attend Shuttle Time Conference in New Zealand

Tonga Badminton OSEP Course costs for 5 women



MEMBER COUNTRY REPORTS

“Bite off more than you can chew, then chew it. Plan more than you can do, then do it.”

That simple quote sums up the 2016 year which was even busier than the previous one. The challenges were many, mostly met although some more so than others, but thankfully many people were available to assist and ease the many burdens. Some organisations back-off pursuing new challenges because of resource limitations and/or want to ‘consolidate’. That is often an excuse for standing still, which is tantamount to going backwards.

Some of the highlights during the year included:

- An even better Australian Open in Sydney thanks to the support from XIAMENAIR, Destination NSW, Yonex, The Star, Loke Poh Wong and his many valuable helpers.
- Ongoing work around building to the Sudirman Cup in May 2017 with considerable ongoing and additional support from Tourism and Events Queensland around Branding, Marketing and Tourism strategies. The countdown is now on.
- Pleasing development with Members around overall participation strategies and membership growth. The ongoing commitment of the Australian Sports Commission in the Participation space is pleasing and welcomed.
- Further work in the Governance area through our Audit/Risk Committee, ongoing work to amend the BA Constitution to move to a Company Limited by Guarantee and to comply fully with ASC Mandatory Governance Principles. Our AGM adopted a New Constitution
- Support from both NSW and Queensland to assist in growing the numbers of technical officials required to sustain the Australian Open but to also meet the quantum leap in numbers for both the Sudirman Cup and the 2018 Commonwealth Games
- Our growing international profile both with Oceania and the BWF. It is fair to say that we are ‘punching above our weight’.
- The ongoing success of our national events, albeit some Members still struggle to field teams. The revised Senior Nationals format in later February worked well thanks to the much appreciated efforts

of Badminton Victoria.

- The success of both international events at Maribyrnong and Sydney
- Improved performances by players as we continue the pursuit of excellence not just the pursuit of medals – a philosophy not fully understood by some.
- Ongoing and appreciated support, from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) for the growth of Shuttle Time in Nepal, and now Bangladesh, under the Asian Sports Program. The role of the BWF has been significant here.

HIGH PERFORMANCE (SENIOR & JUNIOR)

Comprehensive Reports by the National Head Coach and the Junior Manager are in the BA Annual Report which is on the BA website and it shows a good and busy year. That stated the pursuit of excellence is never easy and certainly not helped by a further reduction in funding from the AIS/ASC. We continue to discuss with the AIS/ASC priorities under Winning Edge and will continue to encourage them to recognise the need to assist sports with potential such as ours and not simply focus on the 10 Foundation Sports. The pursuit of medals along is only one part of a comprehensive High Performance Strategy and unrealistic medal targets downplay the enormous efforts of athletes who pursue excellence for excellence sake. The unfair criticism resulting from the RIO Olympics is a result of unrealistic medal targets – athletes should not be judged only on medals.

We were pleased to win the Oceania mixed Championships in a tight struggle with NZ. We were also delighted to qualify for the Uber Cup and we congratulate NZ on qualifying for the Thomas Cup. Both teams represented Oceania well. We had excellent success at the Oceania Individual Championships and congratulate Tahiti on an excellent Event. Training Camps in Denmark and Loughborough went well as did a 5 day Camp at the AIS. An exchange visit to Indonesia with the help of DFAT and the Australian Embassy in Jakarta was well received. A particular highlight was the winning of the Women’s Doubles at the Canada Open.

We were delighted to be represented at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio by 5 players and two coaches ---well done to all. I continue to hope that post Rio that all see the value in talent development as the first



step in the ultimate long term goal of podium finishes. We have continued to expand our Junior Programs again sending teams to the World Juniors and the Singapore International.

PARTICIPATION

The challenges here are many and varied as reflected in the detailed Report by our Participation Manager available on the BA website. We achieved a further \$200000 from the Australian Sports Commission and we were successful in growing Membership numbers. We developed a new Strategic Plan for Participation, further developed our Schools Programs, grew with the support of Oceania our Shuttle Time programs, undertook major initiatives in Nepal and now Bangladesh (funded by DFAT) helped by the BWF, Nepal Badminton, Bangladesh Badminton and Badminton Asia. We are, with help from Oceania looking to expand in the Para Badminton space.

Shuttle Time remains a key focus and we are working closely with Badminton Oceania around a number of issues

MEMBERS AND BADMINTON AUSTRALIA

We continue to make progress in the Membership growth area but will only take that quantum leap which is needed with ongoing teamwork and cooperation. It will be nice to one day exceed the 15,000 registered Members target set by the ASC as it comes with financial benefits.

Communication with Members is good .BA staff are available for discussion all year and all welcome knowing more about what is going on at the State/ Territory level.

BA is committed to enhancing downward communication.

2016 XIAMENAIR AUSTRALIAN BADMINTON OPEN PART OF THE METLIFE BWF WORLD SUPERSERIES

There is a major report by Loke Poh Wong in the BA Report on the BA website. This event is second to none; would not be so successful without DNSW and our key sponsors and depends on a large and capable volunteer base. 2017 is the fourth year of the current cycle.

OTHER EVENTS

Other Events below were all successful and well supported :

- International Events held at Maribyrnong and in Sydney
- The Junior International
- The Senior Nationals held in Melbourne at the end of February
- The U19, U17, U15 Nationals and team events

We thank all who undertook the significant work involved and in particular the hosts.

REPRESENTATION AND INTERNATIONAL ISSUES

Geraldine Brown is Vice President of the BWF, President of Oceania, Vice President of the ACGA; Loke Poh Wong is a Board Member of Oceania and



sits on the BWF Events Committee; the CEO is on the Board of ACGA, and is a delegate to the AOC AGM and Oceania AGM. Loke Poh Wong and the CEO are also delegates to the BWF AGM and Forum.

We continue to work closely with Oceania on the PSP Program and thank Julie Carrel, Lynne Nixey and Nadia Bleaken for all their support.

SUMMARY

- Show strong leadership
- Expand the base of volunteers, coaches and officials
- Work well with States and Territories to grow numbers
- Build our Revenue base

- Encourage all players to represent us with distinction and to strive for excellence
- Work with all parties in Oceania to build our Confederation
- Be open to new ideas and challenges

The challenges in 2017 are many for our Region and we look forward to doing our bit.

“Be not afraid of growing slowly; be afraid only of standing still”.



2016 has proved to be another busy but satisfying year for Cook Islands Badminton Association.

February was the start of the season with the Oceania Badminton AGM in Auckland NZ attended by Cook Islands Badminton Associations (CIBA) representative Ms Gail Eraio & CIBA President Thomas Mereana-Ngauru . We were also very grateful to receive ShuttleTime equipment and resources for our schools programmes courtesy of BWF and Oceania Badminton, Meitaki Maata.

March 20th at the Edgewater Resort and Spa saw the first big event of the year the Cook Islands National Sports Awards. This is the first time CIBA has been nominated for an award and in 5 different categories. Against stiff competition from other major sports organisations our President took out the award for Best Sports Administration of the Year. Congratulations Thomas.



April saw a long awaited visit from Nadia Bleaken, Badminton Oceania Development Manager which included Nadia conducting our first ever 'ShuttleTime Tutors course'. Six tutors successfully completed the 2 day course and went on to conduct their first 'ShuttleTime Teachers course' under Nadia's supervision. (PHOTO 2)



Also during this month 3 CIBA members participated in a 3 Day OSEP Training course which was run by Cook Islands Sports & Olympic Committee (CISNOC). Hebrew Tom represented the Cook Islands at the Oceania PARA-Badminton workshop held in Melbourne Australia while Ngaoa Ranginui began the first stage of training to become a level one coach held in Auckland NZ.

May saw the 77th Badminton World Federation AGM held in Kunshan, Shanghai, China which our Cook Island representative on the Oceania Executive Board Gail Eraio attended. Quite an experience! May was also an exciting time for junior development as we began trials to select juniors to compete at the AIMS Games in Tauranga NZ in September. 10 players (4 boys & 6 girls) were selected and commenced training with their coach Ngaoa Ranginui.

June 30th was the date for the 2ND Annual Secondary School Tournament where 2015 Senior champions Titikaveka College defended their title while newcomers Apii Avarua became junior champions for 2016. Among the major sponsors for this Tournament were Cook Island Trading Company and Avarua Bakery who provided 115 much appreciated and very healthy snack packs for the participating players.

A big increase in participant numbers this year created a need for a larger playing venue and CIBA were delighted to be able to use BlueSky Sports Arena for this Tournament. This was a historic first for CIBA to be able to use the Arena and in preparation had marked out eight new courts.

July was the month for our 3rd Annual Business House competition which saw 14 teams registered. The competition was played in Bluesky Sports Arena and scheduled to run over 7 weeks. This was also used to give members of the AIMS Games squad much needed game time.

But August brought a big disruption to the badminton programme. Due to a fire at Tereora College CIBA were forced to find an alternative venue for AIMS Squad training nights and postponement of the Business House Competition. Asbestos had been found in the burnt buildings and the surrounding area was quarantined by the local Fire Service as a safety measure. This meant that CIBA were unable to use our regular venue of Princess Anne hall at Tereora College and also Bluesky Sports Arena as these were

both within the quarantine area.

Despite the disruptions training continued and so did our fundraising efforts with Mufti Days held by each competing school, a badminton Marathon, and the grand finale which was a dinner held at The Islander Hotel. A terrific evening full of fun with great door prizes, wonderful Cook Island dancing including an item and fashion show by our AIMS Games squad. A grand auction completed the evening for a Weekend for 2 in a Luxury Room sponsored by Edgewater Resort. It was also during this time that Coach Ngaoa Ranginui went to NZ to complete the second part of her level one coach's course before taking the team Tauranga.



September was here and after months of preparation and armed with tracksuits kindly sponsored by Bank South and gifts by Island Craft the AIMS Games team were ready for an experience of a lifetime. They were to be the first junior badminton team to ever represent the country and their school outside of the Cook Islands. It was a huge eye opener for our young players with some really encouraging results especially from Kariana Hagai & Francis Terepo. This opportunity has allowed them to see and play against players at a higher level and improving their skills, attitude and ignited a hunger to train and improve further. This was very evident when on their return we completed our last 3 weeks of Business House competition and seniors players were impressed how much stronger they had become. CIBA is grateful to Oceania Badminton for creating this opportunity and your continuous support of our player development.



October saw primary school students and teachers take part in our ShuttleTime programme beginning with a Teachers Course at Papaaroa Hall. 14 teachers participated in the workshop which was conducted by our new ShuttleTime tutors. Then for the next 4 weeks students from year 3 to year 6 got to enjoy and learn some great badminton skills and games. This is the first we have actually gone into primary schools and have found there some very talented and eager players.

November 18th & 19th were set for our Annual CI National Championships and would be the first year for Junior Under 11 & 15 Divisions. Played at the new BlueSky Arena courts we witnessed some fantastic battles especially amongst our juniors. The competition was success with over 40 juniors a huge step towards lifting the profile of badminton, our player development and creating a fixed yearly badminton program. (PHOTO 6)



CIBA sincerely appreciates the support of BWF, Oceania Badminton and our many sponsors and supporters here in the Cook Islands. We look forward to carrying this on and improving in 2017. Meitaki Maata e Kia Manuia

Activities undertaken in 2016 were geared towards the preparation for the inaugural Interscholastic Season in January 2017.

We engaged Coach Ian Piencenaves to conduct summer clinics at the University of Guam's Summer Sports Camp to expose more students to Badminton. Shuttle Time continues to be our signature development program at the schools' level. In October, Coach Ian Gil Piencenaves returned again to Guam for a series of Shuttle Time clinics for teachers and conducted school visits to promote Badminton. We were encouraged by the interest shown from the local Big Brother/Big Sister program coordinator; 12 of its volunteers underwent Shuttle Time training!

2016 was the first year we officially competed as a Guam Team at the 2016 Oceania Team Championships. The experiences gained will help us stage the next upcoming international tournament, the Sudirman Cup.

Here is a recap of our other activities in chronological order:

February – Team Manager's Workshop: attended by our President, Sandra Low.

July – Goodwill Tournament: participation from Saipan and the Philippines

October – First Guam National Championships

Submitted by Sandra Low, GNBF President

SANDRA LOW
GNBF President





OCEANIA TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP / THOMAS & UBER CUP 16-20 FEB

Following physical tests and a 2 day training camp run by Peter and Stacey, the following team was selected to attend the above event:

We sent a team of four women: Johanna KOU, Cecilia MOUSSY, Soizick HO Yagues, Dgéniva MATAUILI and 4 men: Loic MENNESSON Thomas LAHAUT Yohan OF GEOFFROY, Ronan HO Yagues accompanied by two coaches Fabian NADIMIN and Michel KONG SIOU .

Pool play took place from February 16 to 18 and during this we had a victory against Tahiti 3-2. From there we went to play-offs and had to face Tahiti again. Unfortunately this time we lost 0-5 in the match for 3rd place and for the first time, New Caledonia was not on the podium at this event.

From February 19 to 20 the Thomas and Uber Cup competition was held. The men's team lost 1-4 against the Tahitians while the women won 4-1 against Tahitians and ascended to the 3rd step of the podium.

OCEANIA INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP 26-28 APRIL

Four players chose to participate at the Individual Oceania Championships held in Tahiti from 26 to 28 April. They were: Carl N'GUELA, Jérémy LEMAITRE, Damien ESPOSITO, and Glenn Gowet.

SHUTTLE TIME

Badminton Oceania provided us equipment and educational tools to deliver the Shuttle Time program in April. The league was able to organize a session during the school holiday week from 4 to 8 April from 8 am to 11 am at the Magenta Hall. Johanna was assisted by Soizick, Ronan and Stéphanie to mentor 10 novices from 6 to 12 years old.

COACH EDUCATION

Johanna participated in the BWF Coach Level 1 which took place in 2 parts over the weekend of 30 April and 1 May at Epsom Girls Grammar and then on the weekend of 20 and 21 August at Waitakere Badminton Hall in New Zealand. This was under the guidance and direction of Robbie, Fanny and Tracey from New Zealand.

At the end of the final exam, Johanna obtained her certificate BWF Coach Level 1 becoming the first coach in New Caledonia to hold this qualification.

Badminton Oceania then invited Johanna to participate at the NZ Junior Team Championship where she assisted Robbie's training sessions to learn about coaching. As part of a practical experience, she assisted with coaching the Bay of Plenty Blue Team with Vance Shoebridge.

TECHNICAL OFFICAL DEVELOPMENT

During the year, our Officials participated at an International level as follows:

Jean Philippe BERGES	Umpire	SKYCITY NZ Badminton	22 – 27 March
	Umpire	XIAMEN AIR Australian Open	07 – 12 June
	Umpire	VICTOR Korea Open	27 Sep–02 Oct
	Umpire	SCG Thailand Open	04 – 09 Oct
Laurent DE GEOFFROY	Umpire	SKYCITY NZ Badminton	22 - 27 March
	Umpire	TAHITI Phone International Challenge	21 – 24 April
	Umpire	OCEANIA Individual Championships	25 – 27 April
	Umpire	NZ Championships	August
	Umpire	NZ Wisden Cup Team Championships	August
Stephanie HO	Consultant	SKYCITY NZ Badminton	22 – 27 March
	Referee	TAHITI Phone International Challenge	21-24 April

Laurent DE GEOFFROY was upgraded from Pacific Level to Oceania Accredited on the 19th august 2016 becoming the second Oceania qualified Umpire.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

Dgéniva MATAULI and Yohan DE GEOFFROY undertook training session with Robbie Thackham from July 6th to 8th in Auckland Badminton and Lagoon Stadium. Then they participated in the New Zealand Junior Team Championships in Palmerston from 10 to 14 July by joining the Bay of Plenty Team Blue and Yellow.

Dgéniva MATAULI, Ronan HO YAGUES and Yohan DE GEOFFROY participated in the Pan Pacific Trophy by forming an Oceania Team with Tahiti and Guam from the 20th-21th September.

Then they took part to the Li-Ning Australia Junior International the 23th-25th September. Dgéniva was partnered with Aurélie Bouttin (Tahiti) in Doubles and Yohan with Sarah Cai (Guam) in Mixed.

OCEANIA MEETING

Johanna was co-opted onto the Badminton Oceanic Executive Board in July 2016. She attended a Strategic Plan Meeting that was held in the Conference Room at the Ellerslie International Motor on 24th July and participated in an executive meeting via SKYPE on the 19th November.

Julie Carrel from Badminton Oceania visited New Caledonia from 4 to 6 November to visit the accommodation for the officials and players and discuss the organization of the tournaments in 2017. On this

occasion, she met Pierre Forest Director of the DJS.

Then they took part to the Li-Ning Australia Junior International the 23th-25th September. Dgéniva was partnered with Aurélie Bouttin (Tahiti) in Doubles and Yohan with Sarah Cai (Guam) in Mixed.



Badminton New Zealand is excited to report on a fantastic 2016 that saw many new achievements for badminton in our country. From participation to performance, administration to coaching, Badminton New Zealand has strived to deliver enhanced value back to the New Zealand badminton community through a range of initiatives.

Although 2016 has seen significant progress across a number of areas, continued work is required to build capacity and capability at all levels. Badminton New Zealand would like to recognize the work and contribution of our key stakeholders, especially our member associations, our sponsors, or funders, Badminton Oceania, the Badminton World Federation and Sport New Zealand.

Key highlights in 2016 include:

- More than 35,000 kiwi kids participated in the Shuttle Time programme this year. This is a fantastic initiative that provides the base for learning badminton and it is exciting to see more and more associations and schools delivering this programme.
- More than 100 Shuttle Time Teachers and Coaches were trained through 7 professional development opportunities delivered in partnership with Badminton Oceania.
- More than 30 people became Shuttle Time Tutors. This culminated with New Zealand's first Shuttle Time Conference which provided a great opportunity for further development and best practice sharing with those leading Shuttle Time in their region.
- Through the support of Badminton Oceania, 5 New Zealand Coaches have achieved their BWF Level II qualification and the BWF Level I Tutor qualification, following an intensive week of training in Kuala Lumpur. These coaches are now qualified to deliver BWF Level I courses with the aim being to increase the skills of our coaches throughout the country.
- 20 participants registered and undertook the BWF Level I Coach qualification across two weekends in 2016.



- 33 coaches from 14 associations attended the Badminton New Zealand Coaches Conference in December. Supported by Badminton Oceania, this two-day conference also included participants from Australia and Tonga.
- Badminton NZ partnered with Badminton Oceania to deliver performance camps, programmes and coach development for pacific island players and coaches.
- New Zealand had four representatives from four different associations at the Badminton Oceania Para Badminton Workshop in Melbourne in April 2016. Six New Zealanders took part in the Badminton Oceania Managers Workshop in February 2016.
- The SKYCITY New Zealand Badminton Open was successfully delivered with 248 players from 26 countries. The semi-finals and finals were televised live in NZ and into key target markets in Asia, with a reach of 108 million households. This included 406 broadcast hours and was a 235% increase in household reach to China from last year.
- Supported Badminton Waikato in the delivery of the Maurice's Pools and Spas Waikato International, a Future Series event that featured 95 players from 10 countries.
- New Zealand hosted the Thomas and Uber Cup qualifying event, the Oceania Men's and Women's Team Championships and the Oceania Mixed Teams Championships at North Harbour in February 2016.
- Completed the contract and agreement to partner with New Zealand Major Events for the SKYCITY New Zealand Badminton Open.
- Delivery of 10 National Championship Events and supported 47 Badminton New Zealand Sanctioned Events. These events took place around the country and included thousands of competitors from under the age of 13 to over the age of 80.
- The Badminton New Zealand Inter Association Competition included 48 teams in Divisions 1 – 5, 46 teams in the North Island Masters, 17 teams in the South Island Masters, 40 teams in the North Island Veterans and 15 teams in the North Island Super Veterans.
- Corrie Robinson won the SL3/4 Singles Title at the 2016 Australian Para-Badminton Championships in Melbourne.
- The New Zealand Men's Team won the 2016 Oceania Men's Team Championships and qualified for the Thomas Cup in China where they went on to beat South Africa in pool play.
- Kevin Dennerly-Minturn and Susannah Leydon-Davis



won the Mixed Doubles at the 2016 Maurice's Pools and Spas Waikato International.

- Dacmen Vong and Erena Calder-Hawkins won the Mixed Doubles at the 2016 Li-Ning Australian Junior International.
- Oliver Leydon-Davis partnered with Danish player Lasse Molhede to win the Men's Doubles title at the 2016 Norwegian International.
- The New Zealand Junior Team competed at the BWF World Junior Championships in Spain beating South Africa, Macau China and Portugal to finish 27th overall.
- Delivery of two Badminton New Zealand Association Conferences in April and November to bring member associations together to discuss opportunities to grow and develop badminton.
- Badminton New Zealand Programme Manager Donna Trow was awarded an Oceania Women in Badminton Scholarship to support leadership development.
- The Badminton New Zealand Performance Programme supported more than 80 performance players in 2016. This important programme continues to grow and develop thanks to the work of the NZ National Team, NZ Junior team, NZU19 and NZU15 coaches.
- Badminton New Zealand Technical Officials continue to be well represented nationally and internationally. This included:
 - Julie Carrel, Referee – Tahiti International, Oceania Championships, Macau Grand Prix Gold. Deputy Referee – Indonesia Grand Prix Gold, Taiwan Grand Prix
 - Lynne Nixey, Referee – Oceania Team Champs, Chinese Taipei Grand Prix Gold. Deputy Referee – Singapore Open Superseries, Denmark Open Superseries
 - Trish Gubb, Umpire – NZ Grand Prix Gold, Australian Superseries, Olympic Games, Dubai Superseries Finals
 - Richard Bramley, Umpire – NZ Grand Prix Gold, Australian Superseries
 - Bikash Mukherje, Umpire – Thailand Grand Prix

- Sidney Galos, Umpire – Australian Open Superseries
- Justin Zuo, Umpire – Macau Open Grand Prix Gold, Korea Open Grand Prix, Australian Open Superseries, Chinese Taipei Open Grand Prix
- Greg Busch (Line Judge) and Trish Gubb (Umpire) officiated at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games.
- Sidney Galos (New Zealand) upgraded from Oceania Accredited to Oceania Certificated. Greg Pitcher (New Zealand) upgraded from NZ National Level to Oceania Accredited.
- Successful in accessing NZOC Olympic Solidarity Funding in 2016 that will see continued support for coach development.
- Continued work on the new constitution for Badminton New Zealand in partnership with associations. This exciting piece of work will see an updated and improved constitution presented to associations to vote on in 2017.

A tremendous amount of work goes into achieving these key results and it is important to recognise the Board of Badminton New Zealand, the staff of Badminton New Zealand, our key volunteers and convenors, our 25 member associations, our sponsors, our funders, and the wider badminton community.

Badminton New Zealand would especially like to thank and recognize the support from Badminton Oceania in 2016 that has enabled a number of positive initiatives to be delivered. This partnership has grown substantially and has provided a great deal of expertise and value that greatly enhances the work of Badminton New Zealand.

As we head into another busy year in 2017 we look forward to working with our stakeholders and partners to continue to grow and develop badminton in New Zealand.



After several years of inactivity, Samoa Badminton has re-activated itself this year and is looking forward to the future. There will be a process of revival for the association and it is hoped that in the future we will fully participate in all aspects of Badminton within Oceania.

We are excited about the opportunity to play Badminton again in Samoa and start to build up a team both of Juniors and Seniors including Masters for both local and international Competitions.

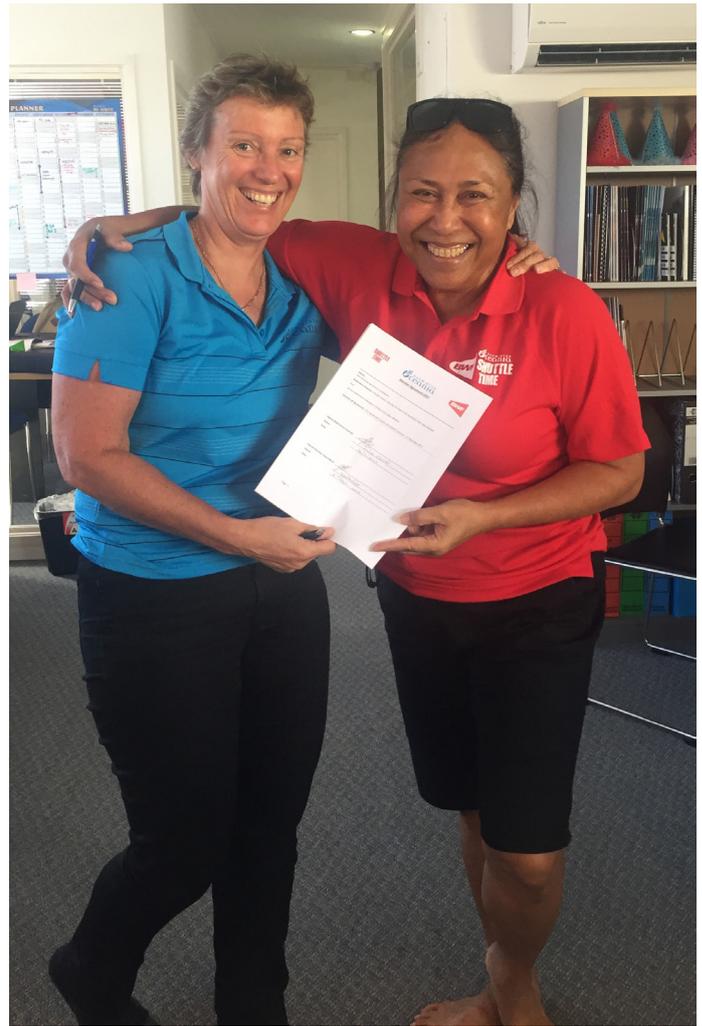
We have identified some of the schools that we will roll out our Shuttle Time programme with initially and then gradually will build the sport up. Our first pallet of 20 Shuttle Time kits has arrived on the island and we are in the process of allocating these out – a very exciting time for all who receive the kits.

There has been a lot of discussions held with many people regarding Badminton and the role it will play within Samoa. The Minister of Education and Sports has been approved seeking his support for the introduction of Badminton into the Government School as per protocol. It is hoped that some of those PE teachers will then be identified with other approved schools to attend trainings during 2017.

In addition to this, Samoa Badminton has been in discussion with a group of graduates from the National University who completed their Sports Diplomas last year and have expressed eagerness and interest to learn about badminton and the opportunity to become coaches. It is hoped that we will be able to engage with them fully during 2017.

Planning is also underway for ‘Come & Try’ opportunities for smaller groups in selected villages and schools throughout the year.

We are planning our 2017 AGM end of January which we hope to approve our new updated Constitution then and then launch our Shuttle time programme with “Come & Try” days and in March is the training for Coaches and tutors.



2016 was another very busy year for Tahiti Badminton. There was a lot of development happening on the local plan and also many good results on the international stage.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT :

First of all, Tahiti Badminton is very enthusiastic with the number of members who keeps growing every year. As an example, Papara badminton club has doubled their membership and now have more than 110 members !!! The other clubs of the island are also on the same dynamic, and 4 clubs are now structured with lessons for kids and a minimum of 1 certified coach.

Tahiti Badminton now also has access to a new hall to hold schools holiday training camps, national squad trainings and coaching courses which is a very big step ahead for us.

In association with different partners, several promotional activities took place through the year such as free trial days or free holiday camps, where 500 kids in total had the opportunity to try badminton for free.

We also kept going to primary schools to deliver Shuttle Time, and thanks to BWF and Oceania Badminton, these schools now have the chance to get a Shuttle Time set and keep delivering badminton sessions themselves.

We also had the opportunity to host Peter Jensen and Robbie Thackham from Badminton NZ and Badminton Oceania for 2 coaching course and training camps. The first one took place in April with about 20 participants who had a taste of the BWF LEVEL 1 Coaching course, and was followed the week after by a 3 day training camp with players from Tahiti, New-Caledonia and Australia.

The second one was in december, and 12 coaches were certified as Shuttle Time Teachers. A 4 day training camp with a total of 25 players from the national and development squads happened the following week.

Tahiti Badminton also targeted Para-Badminton this year, with many sessions with kids with a handicap, and we are looking forward to reinforce these actions in 2017 and try to include the kids in clubs sessions.

A big step forward for us this year was also the hiring of the first paid staff of Tahiti Badminton which will be very helpful to see our sport growing bigger in Tahiti. We would like to say a big thank you to the Oceania

Badminton team for their help.

Local tournaments are also held every month as usual. The level of the elite players keep improving, especially the juniors. Thanks to Oceania Badminton, junior players had the opportunity to take part in many high performance training camps and tournaments in New Zealand and Australia this year, and we can already see the huge impact of these on their level.

INTERNATIONAL STAGE:

This year was the return of the Tahiti International Challenge, the first time since 2013. The event was a big success (even if there was some weather issues) with about 80 international players from all five continents and more than 20 different countries battling for their spot to Rio Olympics.

During this event there was a very good media exposure with many TV interviews, newspaper articles, but also live streaming and even live TV.

We also hosted the Individual Oceania Championships where players from Australia, New Caledonia, New Zealand and Tahiti competed for the continental titles.

Tahiti Badminton would also like to thank once again Oceania Badminton for their assistance in running these events, but also all the wonderful volunteers from Tahiti who gave their time without counting to make this possible.

And at last, this year was also the most successful year in term of international results. Tahiti Badminton is very proud to have won the first ever medal in Oceania Team Championships by beating New Caledonia for the first time in the 3rd place match.



Tahiti also reached the finals of the Oceania Individual Championships for the first time in Men's Singles and Men's Doubles, claiming 2 silver medals, and also reached the semi finals for the first time in Mixed Doubles.

And the last noticeable result of the year is that Tahiti reached the semi finals of the men's doubles at the Australian Junior International in Melbourne in September.

In conclusion, we are very satisfied and enthusiastic with all the good results, numbers and outcomes of this busy year, and we are looking forward to 2017, as we are willing to do more and meet new targets and are excited about new projects.

Again, a huge thank you to everyone who helped us achieve so much this year.



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SUMMARY OF MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND EVENTS FOR THE YEAR 2016.

1. Continued implementation of the Australian Pacific Sports

Partnership Program (PSP) with Badminton Oceania.

The highlight this year was the appointment of the new Coordinator, Mrs. Peti Tupouniua and the implementation of the National ShuttleTime Teacher's training throughout the major islands of Tongatapu, Vava'u, Ha'apai, and Eua. These trainings were accompanied with the distribution of the ShuttleTime Badminton Packs which includes sets of Badminton rackets, shuttlecocks and nets for all participating schools, represented by Teachers trained.



2. Participation to Oceania Mixed Team Championship held at North Harbour, New Zealand in February 2016.

- Participation by 4 Tongan Athletes (Litea, Lusua, Metui and Lauti) with Team Manager, Amanaki to Oceania Mixed Team Championships which was held on 16-17 February 2016. This year's participation was a great improvement from the past with recorded wins for XD event by Lauti and Litea against Tahiti and Guam and wins for MS event by Metui against Guam and New Caledonia.
- Participation to Athlete/Coach Pacific Player Development Camp on 13-14 February and Athlete Career Program for Pacific Athletes, Coaches and Team. These were held on 13-14 Feb and 15 February respectively. These were great opportunities for Tongan Athletes and Officials to learn as much from the series of on-going Pacific Player Development Program and the Athletes Career Program, funded by BWF and organized by BOC.

3. Participation to the Australian Para-badminton Championship held on 16 November (Melbourne, Australia) and Training Camp, held after the Game in Melbourne and training in Auckland NZ on 29-30 November.

This is the first time for TNBA to participate in Para-badminton and pleased for the good results obtained by our Athlete, Ilisoni, Nuikapu, who was accompanied by the PSP National Coordinator, Mrs. Peti Tupouniua. Ilisoni won 4 out of the 5 matches he played and also won the top trophy for WH1/2 Men's Doubles with Richard Engles of NSW, Australia.



4. Participation to AIMS Games held in Tauranga, New Zealand on 6-9 September 2016.

Two young Athletes, (Jadore Fotu and Viliami Fotu, both under 12 years old) and a Coach (Lauti Naaniumotu) participated at the AIMS Games with good results. Viliami Fotu emerged as the champion for MS under his Division 2 Category (winning 7 out of the 8 games he played) while Jadore Fotu was the second runner up, winning 5 out of 8 games he played. This is a very encouraging results from our young athletes and look forward to send more young players in the future.

5. National Open Badminton Tournament and ShuttleTime Inter-School/Club Competition held on 15-16 December 2016 at Atele Indoor Stadium.

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athletes and look forward to send more young players in the future.

6. Participation to Pacific Women's Sports Leadership Program

by PSP Coordinator, Peti Tupouniua which was held in Papua New Guinea on 5-9 December 2016. This is a great opportunity to further sports for Women in Tonga with experience and lessons learned by Peti.

7. Other events

TNBA representatives, Leody Vainikolo and Amanaki Fakakovikaetau attended the BOC AGM held in Auckland, NZ, on 21 February 2016, with Amanaki nominated and now a member of the Oceania Board for 2 years. TNBA was also represented in the BWF AGM by the TNBA Secretary, Marcos Sionosa which was held on 21 May 2016 at Kunshan, China.

8. Acknowledgement

- Tonga Badminton would like to acknowledge the continuing support from Badminton Oceania and other development partners – BWF, Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) and Ministry of Education and Training (MET), Toga, Tonga National Sports Association (TASA), the Local School and Community Clubs, Local Volunteers, Parents and Donors.
- Special thanks to the Secretary General - Julie Carrel, Nadia Bleaken, Ben Exton, Robbie Thackham and Lynne Nixey from Oceania Badminton.



TOURNAMENT RESULTS



OCEANIA MIXED TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND)

1st	Australia
2nd	New Zealand
3rd	Tahiti
4th	New Caledonia
5th	Tonga
6th	Guam

OCEANIA MEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND)

1st	New Zealand
2nd	Australia
3rd	Tahiti
4th	New Caledonia

OCEANIA WOMEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND)

1st	Australia
2nd	New Zealand
3rd	New Zealand Caledonia
4th	Tahiti
5th	Guam

MAURICE'S POOLS & SPAS WAIKATO INTERNATIONAL (HAMILTON, NEW ZEALAND)

Mens Singles:	Tien Minh Nguyen (VIE)
Women's Singles:	Thi Trang (B) Vu (VIE)
Men's Doubles:	Wei Chen Liu & Po Han Yang (TPE)
Women's Doubles:	Tiffany Ho & Jennifer Tam (AUS)
Mixed Doubles:	Kevin Dennerly-Mintum & Susannah Leydon-Davis (NZ)

SKYCITY NEW ZEALAND OPEN (AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND)

Part of the BWF Grand Prix Gold Series

- Mens Singles:** Yuxiang Huang (CHN)
Women's Singles: Ji Hyun Sung (KOR)
Men's Doubles: Sung Hyun Ko & Baek Cheoi Shin (KOR)
Women's Doubles: Yuki Fukushima & Sayaka Hirota (JPN)
Mixed Doubles: Peng Soon Chan & Liu Ying Goh (MAL)

TAHITI PHONE INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE (PAPEETE, TAHITI)

- Mens Singles:** Indra Bagus Ade Chandra (ITA)
Women's Singles: Moe Araki (JPN)
Men's Doubles: Adam Cwalina & Przemyslaw Wacha (POL)
Women's Doubles: Akane Araki & Ayaka Kawasaki (JPN)
Mixed Doubles: Vitalij Durkin & Nina Vislova (RUS)

OCEANIA INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (PAPEETE, TAHITI)

- Mens Singles:** Ashwant Gobinathan (AUS)
Women's Singles: Hsuan-Yu Wendy Chen (AUS)
Men's Doubles: Matthew Chau & Sawan Serasinghe (AUS)
Women's Doubles: Tiffany Ho & Jennifer Tam (AUS)
Mixed Doubles: Robin Middleton & Leanne Choo (AUS)

XIAMENAIR AUSTRALIAN OPEN (SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA)

Part of the BWF Metlife World Superseries

- Mens Singles:** Hans-Kristian Vittinghus (DEN)
Women's Singles: Saina Nehwal (IND)
Men's Doubles: Marcus Fernaldi Gideon & Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo (INA)
Women's Doubles: Yixin Bao & Qingchen Chen (CHN)
Mixed Doubles: Kai Lu & Yaqiong Huang (CHN)

LI-NING SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL (SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA)

- Mens Singles:** Chia Hung Lu (TPE)
Women's Singles: Shiori Saito (JPN)
Men's Doubles: Fang-Chih Lee & Fang-Jen Lee (TPE)
Women's Doubles: Yuho Imai & Haruka Yonemoto (JPN)
Mixed Doubles: Ming-Tse Yang & Chia Hsin Lee (TPE)

LI-NING AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR INTERNATIONAL (MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA)

- Mens Singles:** Chia Hao Lee (TPE)
Women's Singles: Joy Lai (AUS)
Men's Doubles: Chuan-En Hu & Chia Hao Lee (TPE)
Women's Doubles: Tiffany Ho & Joy Lai (AUS)
Mixed Doubles: Dacmen Vong & Erena Calder-Hawkins (NZ)



**FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2016**

BADMINTON OCEANIA CONFEDERATION INC.

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Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc.

Statement by Members of the Executive

For the Year Ended 31 December 2016

The Executive has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Executive the Financial Statements:

1. Present fairly the financial position of Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc. as at 31 December 2016 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Confederation will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Executive and is signed for and on behalf of the Executive by:



Geraldine Brown
President



Nigel Skelt
Deputy President

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report on page 51

Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc.

Executive's Report

For the Year Ended 31 December 2016

Your Executive members submit the financial accounts of Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc. for the financial year ended 31 December 2016

Executive Members

The names of Executive members at the date of this report are:

Geraldine Brown
Gail Eraio

Nigel Skelt
Loke Poh Wong
Johanna Kou

Michael Alezrah
Dr Amanaki Fakakovikaetau

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Confederation during the financial year were:

- the development / promotion and support of Badminton in the Oceania Region.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The profit/(loss) from ordinary activities amounted to:

Year ended	Year ended
31/12/16	31/12/15
\$21,633	\$42,181

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Executive on:

10/03/2017



Geraldine Brown, President



Nigel Skelt, Deputy President

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Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc.

Statement of Financial Performance For the Year Ended 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016 NZD	2015 NZD
Income			
BWF - Base Level Grant and Programme Funding		253,685	235,596
BWF - Player Development Grant		100,102	98,032
BWF - Marketing Grant		14,805	13,126
BWF - Other Development Grants		104,885	17,530
BWF - Women in Badminton		37,366	12,114
BWF - Events Grant		77,817	27,486
BWF - Other Grants		91,301	14,775
ONOC - Regional Development Programme		21,716	25,801
AUSAID - Pacific Sports Partnership		14,318	88,757
Events		3,558	16,212
Miscellaneous Income		3,843	41,835
Rent Received		14,461	-
Interest Received		6,587	7,405
Total Income		\$744,444	\$598,669

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Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc.

Statement of Financial Performance For the Year Ended 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016 NZD	2015 NZD
Expenses			
Governance - AGM		11,701	14,118
Governance - Other Meeting Expenses		20,603	3,039
Governance - Other Expenses		1,111	3,690
Office Ops - Employment Expenses		69,718	29,458
Office Ops - Annual Leave		(1,349)	2,082
Office Ops - Office Expenses		37,191	16,513
Office Ops - Finance Expenses		4,325	10,569
Office Ops - Travel Expenses		11,491	5,803
Office Ops - Communication Expenses		5,333	2,506
Office Ops - Depreciation		2,426	1,751
Office Ops - Other Expenses		1,890	1,360
Office Ops - Subscriptions		2,222	3,049
Development Staff / Operations - Employment Expenses		58,763	37,827
Development Staff / Operations - Travel Expenses		3,588	1,136
Development Staff / Operations - RDM Expenses		-	-
Development Staff / Operations - Other Expenses		782	30
Shuttle Time - Course Delivery		37,582	28,689
Shuttle Time - Employment Expenses		13,320	16,412
Shuttle Time - Travel Expenses		7,994	580
Shuttle Time - Equipment		55,625	27,826
Shuttle Time - Other Expenses		889	37
Coach Education - Employment Expenses		10,900	4,686
Coach Education - Travel Expenses		9,707	19,700
Coach Education - Course Expenses		11,444	2,500
Coach Education - Other Expenses		362	1,176
Player Development - Employment Costs		18,401	26,901
Player Development - Training Camps		70,991	33,470
Player Development - Competition Expenses		10,296	41,717
Player Development - Other Expenses		1,756	67
Membership & Capacity Building - Employment Expenses		14,756	7,453
Membership & Capacity Building - Travel Expenses		486	3,890
Membership & Capacity Building - Other Expenses		500	12,241
Other Development - PSP		13,540	88,757
Other Development - Tech Official Grant		25,778	21,872
Marketing & Communications - Expenses		22,914	24,343
Events - Oceania Champs		20,915	23,623
Events - Thomas & Uber Cups		36,667	-
Events - Training & Development		5,146	1,707
Events - Level 4 Events		17,870	18,435
Events - Technical Officials		4,536	7,941
Other Programs - Para Badminton		42,545	2,287
Other Programs - Women in Badminton		38,099	7,249
Total Expenses		\$722,812	\$556,488
Profit from ordinary activities		\$21,633	\$42,181

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Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc.

Statement of Financial Position As at 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016 NZD	2015 NZD
Current Assets			
Cash Assets			
ASB Bank	3	143,889	111,482
ASB Term Deposit	4	120,000	108,364
		\$263,889	\$219,846
Receivables			
Accounts Receivable		-	6,091
Sundry Debtors		11,459	522
Bonds Held		-	870
GST		22,996	16,754
Prepayments		2,279	2,307
		\$300,622	\$246,390
Total Current Assets		\$300,622	\$246,390
Property, Plant & Equipment	6	8,519	7,846
TOTAL ASSETS		\$309,141	\$254,236
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable		24,100	159
Sundry Creditors		12,285	10,102
Annual Leave Accrual		3,040	4,389
Grants Unexpended	5	25,613	17,115
		\$65,038	\$31,765
Total Current Liabilities		\$65,038	\$31,765
Total Liabilities		\$65,038	\$31,765
Net Assets		\$244,104	\$222,471
Members' Funds			
Retained Surplus - Prior Years		222,471	180,290
Plus Net Surplus - Current Year		21,633	42,181
		\$244,104	\$222,471
Total Members' Funds		\$244,104	\$222,471

For and on behalf of:
BADMINTON OCEANIA CONFEDERATION INC.


 _____ 10/03/2017
 Geraldine Brown, President


 _____ 10/03/2017
 Nigel Skelt, Deputy President

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Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc.

Statement of Movements in Equity For the Year Ended 31 December 2016

	2016	2015
Members Funds at Beginning	\$222,471	\$180,290
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	<u>\$21,633</u>	<u>\$42,181</u>
Total Recognised Revenues and Expenses for the Year	\$21,633	\$42,181
Members Funds at the End of the Year	<u><u>\$244,104</u></u>	<u><u>\$222,471</u></u>

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Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc.

Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016	2015
Cash flows from Operating activities:			
<i>Cash was provided from:</i>			
BWF Grants & Subscriptions		\$663,576	\$309,397
ONOC Regional Development		\$21,716	\$25,801
AUSAID - Pacific Sports Partnership		\$32,131	\$88,757
Events		\$3,665	\$16,212
Miscellaneous		\$3,843	\$41,835
		<u>\$724,931</u>	<u>\$482,002</u>
<i>Cash was disbursed to:</i>			
Payments to suppliers & employees		\$688,379	\$561,276
Goods & Services Tax (GST)		\$5,402	\$15,706
		<u>\$693,781</u>	<u>\$576,982</u>
<i>Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities</i>		<u>\$31,150</u>	<u>(\$94,980)</u>
Cash flows from Investing activities:			
<i>Cash was provided from:</i>			
Disposal of Property, Plant & Equipment		-	\$678
Bonds Held		\$870	-
Rent Received		\$14,461	-
Interest Received		\$3,394	\$7,102
		<u>\$18,725</u>	<u>\$7,780</u>
<i>Cash was applied to:</i>			
Bonds Held		-	\$870
Purchase of Property, Plant & Equipment		\$3,525	\$8,732
		<u>\$3,525</u>	<u>\$9,602</u>
<i>Net cash inflow (outflow) from investing activities</i>		<u>\$15,200</u>	<u>(\$1,822)</u>
Cash flows from Financing activities:			
<i>Cash was provided from:</i>			
Members' funds introduced		-	-
<i>Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing activities</i>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		\$46,350	(\$96,802)
Add opening cash brought forward		\$219,846	\$316,648
Ending Cash carried forward		<u>\$266,196</u>	<u>\$219,846</u>

For and on behalf of:
BADMINTON OCEANIA CONFEDERATION INC.



Geraldine Brown, President



Nigel Skelt, Deputy President

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Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2016

1. STATEMENT OF GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY

Badminton Oceania Confederation Inc. is incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 and is subject to the provisions of the Act.

BASIS OF PREPARATION

This financial report is a special purpose report to explain the society's financial performance and financial position to the members of the society. It is based on accounting principles commonly used in New Zealand as detailed below. The report should not be relied on for any other purpose.

HISTORICAL COST

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of financial performance and financial position on a historical cost basis are followed in these financial statements. The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars (NZ\$) and all values are rounded to the nearest NZ\$, except when otherwise indicated.

SPECIFIC ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:-

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Grants

Grants received are recognised in operating revenue, unless specific conditions attach to a grant and repayment of the grant is required where these conditions are not met. In these cases, the grant is treated as a liability until the conditions are met.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable are stated at their estimated realisable value.

Foreign Currency

Transactions in foreign currencies are converted at the appropriate New Zealand rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been calculated to allocate the cost or valuation of assets over their estimated useful lives, at the following rates: -

Computer Equipment	40% Cost
Furniture & Fittings	20% Cost

Income Tax

The Confederation is exempt from income tax in terms of section CW46 of the Income Tax Act 2007, as a body promoting amateur games or sports.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

These statements are prepared on a GST exclusive basis, except for Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable which are inclusive of GST.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report on page 51

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Employee Entitlements

Provision has been made for the Confederation's liability for annual leave. The annual leave provision has been calculated on an actual accumulated entitlement basis at current rates of pay. This equates to the cash amount necessary to settle the obligation as at balance date.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

On 3 December 2013, Royal Assent was given to new legislation outlining the future financial reporting requirements for various types of reporting entities found in New Zealand. The principal act which governs financial reporting is the Financial Reporting Act 2013.

This new act replaced the old Financial Reporting Act 1993, and came into effect for periods beginning on or after 1 April 2015, although early adoption was permitted. As a result, old GAAP was withdrawn from having authoritative support from 1 April 2015, and accordingly cannot be used from that date forward. The society has therefore elected to utilise a special purpose financial reporting framework for members.

There have been no other changes in accounting policies. All other policies have been applied on bases consistent with the prior year.

2. CURRENCY

All amounts are expressed in New Zealand dollars.

3. BANK ACCOUNTS

	2016	2015
ASB Cheque Account	\$22,491	\$8,758
ASB Business Saver	\$101,544	\$102,723
ASB Pacific Sports Partnership Account	\$19,853	-
	<u>\$143,889</u>	<u>\$111,482</u>

4. TERM DEPOSITS	Maturity Interest		2016	2015
	Date	Rate %		
ASB Term Deposit	11th March 2017	3.50%	\$120,000	-
ASB Term Deposit	28th Feb 2016	3.55%	-	\$58,364
ASB Term Deposit	9th March 2016	3.30%	-	\$50,000
			<u>\$120,000</u>	<u>\$108,364</u>

5. GRANTS UNEXPENDED

	2016	2015
BWF - Women in Badminton Grant	\$7,800	\$17,115
AUSAID - Pacific Sports Partnership	\$17,813	-
	<u>\$25,613</u>	<u>\$17,115</u>

Grants Unexpended

Income received has not yet been expended and accordingly, carried forward to the 2017 financial year.

6. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Property, plant & equipment are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation.

	COST	ACUM DEP	DEP EXP	BK VALUE
	2016	2016	2016	2016
Computer Equipment	\$8,855	\$3,905	\$2,231	\$4,950
Office Furniture	\$4,531	\$961	\$620	\$3,569
TOTAL	<u>\$13,385</u>	<u>\$4,866</u>	<u>\$2,851</u>	<u>\$8,519</u>

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6. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (Contd.)

	COST	ACUM DEP	DEP EXP	BK VALUE
	2015	2015	2015	2015
Computer Equipment	\$8,266	\$3,489	\$1,410	\$4,777
Office Furniture	\$3,410	\$341	\$341	\$3,069
Total	<u>\$11,676</u>	<u>\$3,830</u>	<u>\$1,751</u>	<u>\$7,846</u>

7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Credit Risk

The values attached to each financial asset in the Statement of Financial Position represents the maximum risk.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Confederation is exposed to credit risk concentration in that a substantial proportion of grant income is received from the Badminton World Federation (BWF). However, credit risk is considered low.

Fair Value

The carrying amount of bank balances, accounts receivable, investments, and accounts payable, is the fair value for each of these classes of financial instrument.

Currency and Interest Rate Risk

The interest rate on the bank account is variable. The Confederation seeks to obtain the most competitive market rate of interest at all times. The Confederation is exposed to foreign exchange risk resulting from the exchange rate ruling at the transaction date.

8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Operating lease commitments, under non-cancellable operating leases, to which the Confederation is subject, are as follows:-

	2016	2015
Less than 1 year	\$30,014	\$10,440
1 to 2 years	\$30,014	\$4,350
2 to 5 years	\$30,014	-
	<u>\$90,042</u>	<u>\$14,790</u>

The Confederation currently has a property lease until December 2019

No contingent liabilities existed at 31 December 2016 (2015: \$Nil).

9. SEGMENT ACCOUNTING

The Confederation operates within the Oceania Region. It is wholly involved in promoting the amateur sport of Badminton.

10. RELATED PARTIES

During the year the Confederation provided services in exchange for funding at arms-length value to the Badminton World Federation (BWF). No related party debts have been written off or forgiven during the year.

11. POST BALANCE DATE EVENTS

There have been no events occurring subsequent to balance date that would result in an adjustment being required to the amounts currently disclosed in the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Badminton Oceania Confederation Incorporated

REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have audited the financial statements of Badminton Oceania Confederation Incorporated ("The Confederation") on pages 1 to 10, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2015, and the Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Movements in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

EXECUTIVE'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Executive is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, the Confederation.

OPINION

In our opinion, the financial statements on pages 1 to 10 present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Confederation as at 31 December 2015, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required. In our opinion proper accounting records have been kept by the Confederation as far as appears from an examination of those records.



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1st February 2016

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