

MINUTES
of the
BADMINTON OCEANIA
TECHNICAL OFFICIALS MEETING
held at Sydney Olympic Park
09:30am on Friday 18th November 2022

Present: Julie Carrel (JC), Peter Cocker (PC), David Turner (DT), Jean-Philippe Berges (JP), Trish Gubb (TG), Lynne Nixey (LN)

Apologies: Greg Vellacott, Loke Poh Wong (President)

Meeting commenced at 09:33am

Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Secretary General Report

Report Received

PC thanked everyone involved in online courses and assessments at the Pacific Mini Games. Susan Taylor and Ravi Nandan were commended on their excellent job in training umpires and line judges respectively.

There are some ongoing internal issues with Solomon Islands, therefore we are currently unable to do anything further with our new Pacific qualified Umpire from Solomon Islands until the situation changes

Junior Umpire Award – This program has been delivered in Tahiti, Northern Marianas and Solomon Islands. This program is being overseen by Susan Taylor

BWF Line Judge appointments for the next cycle have been made and it is encouraging to note that we have two from outside of NZL and AUS – one from Tahiti and one from Northern Marianas.

Plans for 2023 need to be to the BWF by the end of November.

Stephanie Ho is currently un-vaccinated and has no plans to change this. She is only available to officiate during her school holidays. A decision has been made that BOC will not be recommending her to go forward as a BWF candidate in 2025 but we will continue to support her on the BOC Referee pathway.

Report on BWF TOC Meeting

PC attended the BWF TOC meeting in France on behalf of BOTO. Copies of the minutes will be forwarded to BOTO once BWF have advised these are able to be distributed.



- *Line Judges*
- BWF numbers have been reduced – but not in Oceania. Unsure what will happen for next cycle.
- BWF TOC recommended to Council that BWF provide subsidies for Line Judges – outcome unknown at this stage.
- BWF to ask CC's to advise the time frame they require for invitations for appointments for the following year.

- *Umpires*
- BWF Master Class to commence in 2024
- Future plans show only one BWF assessment opportunity per year so we will have to carefully consider our plans if this happens.
- BWF will hold 1 x virtual workshops for Umpires per year
- SP numbers for next cycle to remain at 7 with 7 appointments per year

- *Referees*
- SP numbers for next cycle to remain at 8 with 6 appointments per year
- No BWF Master Class for 2023
- BWF intends to hold a CC Referee Assessor workshop similar to the Umpire Assessor workshop held this year

- *General*
- New BWF TO's to receive recognition at their first assignment
- TOC recommended all TO Grants are increased, only the National TO grant increase was approved increasing from USD20,000 to 25,000 per year which will be well utilised by us
- 2022 Records of Work will not be scrutinised however they will be from 2023 onwards

Assessors Panel Report

Report Received

Discussion about the procedure for producing presentations for meetings that are attended. These must be on BOC presentation documents and should go through the office to ensure they are in the correct format and contain correct information.

The BOC Office does not always receive all the information regarding meetings for the Assessment Panel. Any agenda, information or minutes received should be sent to the BOC office to ensure they have a copy.

It is essential that any information gained from meetings/workshops is passed on to others who did not attend. Recommendation that after attending workshops, that an online meeting is held where the information is passed on.

Thanks were passed on to the Assessment Panel for the work they have done during the year.

Recommended that in 2023 there are two online umpire workshops held. First is to be in February (one hour) to include expectations regarding assessments, information about the 360 degree appraisal/assessment system and improving soft skills. Second workshop to be held later in the year and should include any issues that may have happened during the year and how officials should address these. Could potentially also include a Para component.



DT is to put together suggestions for appraisal process and create a potential roster for appraisals. This to be sent to BOTOC for consideration.

Discussion was held regarding the issues at Hylo Open where Sidney Galos was Service Judge. Both Trish and Kelvin have been in touch with Sidney to ensure he is okay. It is important that we continue to support any of our officials who may have been involved in issues where social media continues to create controversy.

Nominations for 2023 assessment.

Agreed that the following nominees be accepted for assessment in 2023.

- New Zealand
 - Oceania Line Judge Stephen Bowden
 - Oceania Accredited Umpire Holly Cho & Vic Kim

- Australia
 - Oceania Accredited Umpire Vicky Zhang (dependent on her being ready – BATOC to
 - Oceania Certificated Umpire Sheehan Lim
 - Oceania Accredited Referee Eugene Glazman
 - Oceania Certificated Referee Sandra David (Finalise)
 - Oceania Line Judge Brideen Allen / Rajeev Nair / Jie Liu /
Mahesh Muddugangaiah / Jennifer Cui / Gino Liu
Suhas Shikhare / Benson Yi / Christopher Milne /
Jimmy Ti / Daryl Chung

With the large number of assessments for Line Judge, a dedicated Line Judge assessor will be required where there is a large group to be assessed at the same tournament.

Countries to be advised of the acceptance of their nominations. Confirmation of where the assessments will take place will be made after finalisation of the BOC Calendar. JC and LN to look at Pacific Officials to see if any of them should be added to assessments for 2023. This would need to be ratified by BOTOC.

Referee Assessments need to be undertaken at a Grade 3 tournaments where there is the requirement to deal with M & Q's and withdrawal processes.

2023 Plans

Oceania Championships is a big event with big costs for 2023 as it includes juniors and open, team and individuals

There will be no nominations from BOC for BWF Umpire assessment in 2023, however we are likely to have two ready in 2024. If BWF only offer one position, then the assistance of the Assessment panel will be required to assist with nominations.

2023 Calendar

2023 is an Olympic qualifying year. Currently the BOC calendar is not confirmed, however the following are being considered:

- New Zealand
- WT Super 300 (confirmed)
- 1 x International Challenge (North Harbour)
- 2 x International Series (Waikato and Manawatu)



Australia

WT Super 500 (confirmed)

2 x Grade 3's (levels to be determined) – Sydney and Bendigo

Oceania Para Championships (Perth) / Perth Para International (both confirmed)

Northern Marianas

2 x International Challenge tournaments

Sanction information is due to BOC by end of November. After that the BOC calendar will be able to be finalised.

Oceania Umpires Report Template

TG has produced a suggested template. This is to be given to any BOC official who is offered a subsidy (whether they utilise it or not) when travelling to a tournament. The report to be returned to the BOC office within 2 weeks of the completion of the tournament.

LN to send suggested template to committee by Sunday 20th November 2022.

Consultation of/informing assessment panel of nominations for BWF

There is already an established process in place for this which was followed for Kelvin Tsui.

BOTOC 2023-2024

These are due to BOC by 30th November. If current members of the BOTOC wish to stay on the committee, they must ensure their MA nominates them through the correct process.

Peter Cocker is to remain as Chair of BOTOC for the 2023-2024 period.

Assessment Panel is to nominate a member to BOTOC who is a current BWF Assessor.

BOTOC Composition and Functionality

Discussion held if the Chair of NZTO and the Chair of BATOC should be a member of BOTOC as of right. Suggested BOC to contact BATOC and NZTO to get their opinions on this. This is something to consider for the future. If the Chair's of BATOC and NZTO come back and advise they wish to be on BOTOC, then they could be co-opted if required until next election for 2025-2026 period.

Olympic Process

Numbers and criteria for Olympic selection have been agreed to by the BWF. Selection will be based on Performance, Volunteer/Semi-Professional split / Regional Representation and maximising Female representation.

BOC Umpire Toss Coin

BOC Office to investigate costs for this and produce.

Fixed Height Service Device – measuring equipment

BOC has ordered 20 sets of the FHSD measuring device from Singapore. They will then be distributed to Referees.

Meeting concluded: 11:00am

Next Meeting: Post Oceania Champs (March) via Zoom platform



Action Item	Who to Action	By
Online Umpires Workshop	Assessment Panel	End Feb 2023
Online Umpires Workshop	Assessment Panel	2 nd half of year
Appraisal process suggestions	David Turner	January 2023
2023 Assessments – Advise countries	BOC Office	End November
2023 Assessments – Pacific Island Officials	BOC Office	End November
Report Template to be sent to all BOTOC	Lynne Nixey	20 th November 22
BOTOC Nominations – due to BOC	Committee	30 th November 22
BOTOC composition – check re NZTO and BATOC	BOC Office	15 December 22
BOC Umpire Toss Coin	BOC Office	When able
FHSD Equipment to distribute	BOC Office	When received

