

HAMPSHIRE YOUTH BADMINTON TRUST

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR APRIL 2008 TO MARCH 2009

OBJECTIVES

To encourage and facilitate the playing of sports, and in particular the sport of badminton, by the young people of Hampshire.

TRUSTEES

The trustees are appointed for three-year terms by the Management Committee of the Hampshire Badminton Association, whose chairman also acts as chairman of the Trust. The trustees throughout the reporting period are:

Mrs Diana R Troke, Chairman
Mr A John Roskell, Secretary and Treasurer
Mrs Jill M Robertson
Mrs Shirley J Baker
Mr Colin S Byford
Mr John W Parker.

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REPORT

The Trust continues with a low level of activity, typically requiring the trustees to meet just once a year.

Since inception, our two main types of expenditure have been:

- (a) Grants to individuals whose families are having difficulties in financing badminton to the levels of which the individuals are capable.

The costs to parents of keeping their children involved in sports continue to increase. Although badminton is now seeing some funding from the Lottery, very little of this is reaching young people and then only at the very highest levels of performance. Our objectives are to support participation at all levels of the sport, but we are increasingly finding that applications are for support of children playing at the representative levels (say, junior county and above) where expenses are particularly high.

- (b) The organisation and sponsorship of courses for leaders and coaches recommended by junior groups and clubs. We have made no grants of this type in recent years.

Income

Our usual income consists of donations from a few individuals and organisations connected with badminton, plus the interest on our capital.

Grants and Sponsorship

Other than a small charge for postage, in recent years our total expenditure has been on grants to individuals. We are a reactive organisation, and this year we received no requests for grants, and therefore made no grants. Given the present financial situation in the United Kingdom, we do not expect this situation to continue, and in fact at the time of writing we are already processing requests for 2009-2010.

Notes on the Accounts

1. Our accounts run from April 1st to March 31st but requests for grants do not necessarily coincide with the financial year.
2. In order to reduce the effort at the end of the year, the tax reclaimed via Gift Aid for a particular year is included in the accounts for the following year, and the trust's expenses for the financial year are also normally paid at the beginning of the following. In recent years the trustees have been so low that they have been accumulated for the last three years and are shown as a liability for next year.
3. We bank with the Charities Aid Foundation, which no longer makes a charge per cheque, so there is no longer a "bank charges" item in the accounts.

Summary

Once again, we are very grateful to our generous benefactors, who have enabled us to encourage the young people of Hampshire to participate or continue to participate in our sport. We continue to ask for your support; in particular in longer-term financing (for example, by covenanted donations), by donating by Gift Aid, and by bringing to our attention individuals and projects worthy of assistance.

A John Roskell, June 2009
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Approved for distribution by a meeting of the trustees:

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Date: 1st July 2009