



# the STBA Monthly

## Newsletter name change

Thank you to the overwhelming response to the newsletter naming competition! Here is the list of the finalists;

- Badminton Basher
- Shuttle Express
- STBA Smasher
- The Shuttle Feed

Please join the online poll on our Facebook group (search Southern Tasmanian Badminton Association), to vote for the name you like. All participants will receive a one-off \$5 discount to your next Sunday Public session fee.

## Welcome to The Southern Tasmanian Badminton Association's Newsletter.

I hope you enjoyed our 1<sup>st</sup> edition, and gained some information as to what is happening in your club. Your support and feedback are greatly appreciated.

We have commenced work on our Participation Program with Rowan Henderson and Pauline Dobson attending Shuttle Time training sessions which will enable us to get badminton basics into Primary Schools. We will be conducting a junior coaching weekend on the 19<sup>th</sup> /20<sup>th</sup> March and a junior tournament on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Please keep these dates free as increasing our junior membership is a key objective of this Program!

Robert Brockman, President

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## Tasmanian Team who competed in the 2016 Ede Clendinnen Shield



Brent Munday, David Jones, Bradley McCann, David Turner (Umpire), Andrew Gardner, Leesha Sandy, Pauline Dobson (Manager), Meg Graham, Amelia Brackman, Will Ponsonby (C), June Watkins, Marnie Shelverton.

## **ROSTER ROUNDUP – Monday to Thursday, 7:30pm onwards**

**Division 1 (Wed):** In last Wednesday's semis, **Journey** continued their journey by defeating (a depleted) table topper **ACDC**, while **Queen** forced **Cold Chisel** to bite the dust (they'll be breaking free in their mad Monday event). ACDC go head to head with **Queen** in Monday's prelim, who will make it back (in black?) to the GF? Time will only tell who takes on **Journey** next Thursday, and who prevails!

**Division 2 (Thurs):** In the big 'cheese off', Team **Feta** (Steve Jeffrey, Mark Johnson, Dylan Monks, Les Hay, Alieta Eyles, Rebekah Thomas, Laura Dennison) is currently first place (29 points) followed closely by **Mozzarella** (2), **Swiss** (3) and **Parmesan** (3) - all on 26 points. We wish **Gaylene Ford** for a speedy recovery from her calf injury. As we start the final week, may the best cheese rise to the top!

**Division 3 (Mon):** Amongst our favorite dairy brands, **Devondale** has gone straight into the grand final with a dominating win of 55 points against **Pura**. **Pura** will take on **Pauls** in the prelim. Who will be the grinner on Monday night, then the grand final night? Stay tuned.

**Division 4 (Tues):** With a Win to **Best and Less** on Monday, they now have direct entry in to the grand final. This means that **Harvey Norman** now have to play **Target** on Monday, winner to go through to the grand final. Will **Harvey Norman** make the most of their second chance?

**Division 5 (Wed):** Division 5 has now finished for this season, our female champion is **Michaelie Witte** and our male champion is **James Hout**. Champions were determined by number of games won over the roster. The STBA would like to especially thank **Christine Dennison** for organizing the round robin division 5 games!

**GRAND FINAL THIS THURSDAY (24<sup>th</sup>) - COME ALONG FOR SOME GREAT BADMINTON FOLLOWED BY SUPPER AND PRESENTATIONS!**

### **RACQUET RACKET**

#### **Pro Kennex Destiny Contol**

This is a good intermediate racquet suitable for any player who is playing regularly. The full carbon frame is light with a medium flexible shaft for easy hitting. The weight is distributed towards to head of the racquet enabling for more power on the smash. However, it is not too head heavy allowing for easy manoeuvrability and comfortable shot making.

This is a great racquet for school students or beginner players who are enjoying the game and looking to play/train more regularly. Typical of the Pro Kennex range, this is a very reasonably priced and good value racquet at \$95. It is one of the stronger frames priced between \$70 - \$110 and should last for many rosters if not mistreated.

Please feel free to ask us in store or email [offcourt101@gmail.com](mailto:offcourt101@gmail.com) for any badminton inquires. With 40 years combined badminton experience, Will and Rowan will be happy to assist in any way they can!



## Ede Clendinnen Shield and Australian National Championships - Summary

Earlier this month Tasmania (represented by 7 STBA players) competed against the countries top players in the 2016 Ede Clendinnen shield and Australian Championships, the latter of which is this year an Olympic selection event.

In the individual event, all players stepped up to the high standard and played some fantastic games. Impressively, Leesa Grundy made the quarter finals of women's singles, falling to eventual runner up Wendy Chen, and Will Ponsonby lost to the Best and Fairest winner Tom Thomas in 3 tight sets in just under an hour!

In the shield, STBA members June Watkins and Brad McCann made their debut appearances for Tasmania and both played outstandingly. All other players fought for every match but Tasmania ended up 7<sup>th</sup>, losing some tight contests against The Territories and Victoria 2.

Brent Munday won the David Turner trophy (for the best and fairest Tasmanian), and Meg Graham and Andrew Gardner took out the Lip Sync battle with a rendition of 'Don't go breaking my heart!' (Although Brad McCann and Leesa Grundy were very disappointed their act of 'We go together' didn't get the top gong!) Finally, David Jones announced his retirement after playing in his 23<sup>rd</sup> consecutive Tasmanian senior team! (See some photos from the week below)



**FUN FACT** - The fastest smash by Guinness World Record is 332km/hr by Fu Haifeng in competition, and 493km/hr by Tan Boon Heong in a Controlled environment, but even more impressively, the fastest backhand smash is 260km/hr by Taufik Hidayat!



## COMING UP in MARCH/APRIL at the STBA

- Come and Try sessions - Tuesdays (7:30pm), Fridays (6:30pm), Sundays (7pm)
- Many regular training sessions throughout the week
- Easter break – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March until Thursday 31<sup>st</sup>
- Australian U17 Championships (Perth) – Starts Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March
- Autumn roster commences – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April
- Divisions 1-5 roster nights Mon-Thurs (free entry – come & watch!)
- Badminton Devil Tournament (Elphin Sports Centre, Launceston) – 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> April
- STBA novice event (everyone welcome!) – 17<sup>th</sup> April (entries close 13<sup>th</sup> April)
- City of Launceston Tournament (Elphin Sports Centre) – 30<sup>th</sup> April

See website or contact the STBA secretary on 0488 788 426 for more details

**Roaring 40s Kayaking** won the 2014 Tasmanian Adventure Tourism Business and offers premium sea-kayaking eco-tours into the spectacular Bathurst Harbour and Port Davey in Tasmania's Wilderness World Heritage Area, as well as shorter tours in the stunning waterways surrounding Hobart.

As locals we know that Hobart has one of the most picturesque harbours in the world, but have you explored our beautiful harbour from the water?

Roaring 40's Kayaking, owned and operated by STBA members Mark and Jenny Grundy, run a 2.5-hour city paddle that will have you marveling at the prestigious homes of Battery Point, gliding past wooden sailing ships, peering at native sea stars and perhaps getting up close to a giant cruise ship! And for your efforts you will be rewarded with fish and chips with the best view in town - straight from your kayak! If you are looking for a challenge, they also operate full-day and multi-day kayaking tours.

For more information go to [www.roaring40skayaking.com.au](http://www.roaring40skayaking.com.au) or pick up at brochure at the hall. 10% discount to STBA members using the code STBA.



Can you guess the STBA member in this background picture?!



EFTPOS facilities have arrived at the STBA hall. Starting from 11<sup>th</sup> April 2016, you will be able to pay your registration fee and tournament entry fees at the STBA office.

### Rules Explained - Common Faults

A fault occurs if the shuttle:

- lands outside the boundaries of the court
- passes through or under the net, or fails to pass over the net
- touches the ceiling or side walls, or a player or clothing of a player
- touches any other object or person outside the court
- is caught and held on the racquet and slung
- is hit twice in succession by the same player
- is hit by a player and the player's partner successively
- touches a player's racquet and doesn't travel towards the opponents court

 <p><b>BILL'S ASIAN &amp; KEBAB HOUSE</b> HOBART</p>	 <p><b>Aussie</b></p>	 <p><b>Sheepskin &amp; Opal World TASMANIA</b></p>	 <p><b>JUN LIN</b> TRADITIONAL MASSAGE / ORIENTAL SPA</p>	 <p><b>MENZIE CONSTRUCTION</b> PAUL MENZIE 0418 122 620 NEW HOMES PAINTING RENOVATIONS EARTH MOVING</p>
 <p><b>GOSEN</b></p>	 <p><b>LJ Hooker</b></p>	 <p><b>ROARING40's KAYAKING</b></p>	 <p><b>B&amp;E</b> Personal banking</p>	 <p><b>DERWENT VALLEY EXCAVATIONS &amp; EARTHMOVING</b> Drains / Footings / Driveways / Cartage FREE QUOTES ALL AREAS GARRY MENZIE 0427 970 990</p>