

# BADMINTON VICTORIA 'AROUND THE COURTS'



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## Upcoming Badminton Events in 2011

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## From The BV Office

2011 Yonex Australian Open Grand Prix Gold

While the dust is still settling around the BV office it's time to say a very big thank you to all those involved in making this year's Yonex Australian Open the success it was, and while we can all take some credit for a fantastic week of Badminton there are always things we can do better. I would welcome your comments and feedback on these matters.

We had some extremely long days (and nights) during the event, and without our dedicated army of umpires, line judges, referees, volunteers and staff we simply could not run an event of this size.

### **Thank you all!**

I would like to make mention of the assistance and cooperation we received from MSAC in the lead up to, and during the event, in particular the MSAC venue operations supervisors. Despite our many requests for changes to our original plans and requests for extra equipment and supplies they delivered, and did so in a timely, professional manner and with a good sense of humour.

The level of Badminton seen was the best since the Sydney Olympics; we had top 10 players in all 5 disciplines. As can happen, perhaps the semi final matches were the highlight, with many matches going to 3 long games and the competition was very competitive between countries. Through our online survey the match enjoyed most was the last match on the final day, Men's Singles between Sho Sasaki (Japan) and Wong Choon Hann (Malaysia). Sho Sasaki was victorious in 3 hard fought games.

Japan had a fantastic tournament winning the Men's Singles, Men's Doubles and Women's Doubles. They sent their "A" team to Melbourne despite the obvious issues affecting their country and were well rewarded for their effort. China took out the women's singles, with Thailand taking out the Mixed Doubles. One thing that completely surprised me was after the medal ceremony, behind the victory podium, there were dozens of people queuing behind a small barrier waiting for an autograph or photograph with the winner or runner up. All players generously gave their time and signed posters and books and had their photo taken with many, many people. What a pleasure and surprise to see this happen in Australia.

Without our major sponsor Yonex we could not have attracted this star studded field to Melbourne, no doubt the extra prize money on offer was the major reason some of the world's best players came to Melbourne. Thank you to Yonex for their support over the past 3 years of the sponsorship and we hope to be able to work with Yonex in future years. The State Government and China Bar were partners for the event and we thank them for their support.

Finally to the badminton public, we thank you for your support of the event. Each year we have attracted larger crowds during the week and in the final 2 days, we would love to grow the event in future years. If you enjoyed the event, tell your friends, if you didn't enjoy something about the event tell us. We have an online survey that can be completed anonymously, go to [www.australianbadmintonopen.com.au](http://www.australianbadmintonopen.com.au) and complete the spectator survey.

2012?? Who knows what will happen next year!!! You will be able to find out in our Around the Courts newsletter and on our website [www.badmintonvic.com.au](http://www.badmintonvic.com.au)

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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open

### TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

The YONEX Australian Open Grand Prix Gold was a fantastic badminton spectacle, with very good entries from all over the world including powerhouses China, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Japan. Over 300 entrants from 25 countries entered the event which is a BWF sanctioned "Grand Prix Gold" tournament with US\$120,000 prize-money.

Countries entered were:

Australia, Belgium, Brazil, China, Czech Republic, France, Hong Kong, Indonesia, India, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Norway, New Zealand, Peru, Philippines, Scotland, Singapore, Switzerland, Thailand, Chinese Taipei, USA and Vietnam.

The men's singles was the strongest event with 111 entries. Boonsak Ponsana from Thailand & Tien Minh Nguyen from Vietnam heads the field, currently ranked 7 and 9 respectively in the world. Both have been in sparkling form in 2011, with Boonsak recently reaching the semi-final's in the 2011 Yonex German Open.

Other notable entries in the Men's Singles included former All-England Champion Hafiz Hashim and former Commonwealth Gold medalist Wong Choong Hann who carried the Malaysian hopes into this event. Hong Kong's Yun Hu and Chan Yan Kit, Japan's Sho Sasaki and Kazushi Tamada are a few more who left their mark in this tournament. Heading the Australian contingent were Jeff Tho, Luke Chong, Joel Findlay and Nelson Oon.

In the Women's Singles we had the reigning World Champion from China Wang Lin competing and eyeing her first Australian title. The field also included World No. 9 Pui Yin Yip from Hong Kong, Xin Liu from China, Ai Goto from Japan, Salakjit Ponsana and double world junior champion Inthanon Ratchanok from Thailand battling out for the WS title. In total there were 76 entrants in the women's singles draw resulting in qualifying rounds being required for players to get to the main draw.

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In the Men's Doubles 59 pairs entered, the highest ranked pair was Indonesian's World No.10 Yulianto Chandra and Aprida Gunawan. Japan's top pairing of Niriyasu Hirata and Hirokatsu Hashimoto and last year's Australian Open winners Kenichi Hayakawa and Hiroyaki Endo, crowd favourite Gan Tek Chai/Tan Bin Shen and Chan Chong Meng/Lee Wan Wah of Malaysia, Singapore's Kurniawan Saputra/Chayut Triyachart are a few who had their sights on the Men's Doubles title. Australia was headed by our top pairing of Glenn Warfe and Ross Smith who played in the Beijing Olympics.

The Women's Doubles had 32 pairs with World No. 6 Thailand's Duangnong Aroonkesorn and Kunchala Voravichitchaikul leading the field. At No.10 in the world, Singapore's Lei Yao and Shinta Mulia Sari formed the 2<sup>nd</sup> seed for this event. Former World No. 1 pairing from Malaysia of Wong Pei Tty and Chin Eei Hui made a comeback following an injury sustained by Eei Hui. Australian highest ranked pairing of Renuga Veeran and Leanne Choo no doubt had the crowd on their side.

The Mixed Doubles had 52 pairs competing. Qualifying rounds again were required to get to the main draw. Two top 10 world pairings from Thailand headed the field. Sudet Prapakamol/Saralee Thongthongkam at World No.4 and Songphon Anugritayawon/Kunchala Voravichitchaikul at World No.9. Some notable mixed pairings were Japan's Shintaro Ikeda/ Reiko Shiota who were runners up at the recent German Open, and Hong Kong's Wong Wai Hong and Chau Hoi Wah. Australian best mixed doubles were our own brother and sister combination of Raj and Renuga Veeran.

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# 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Qualifying

There was an action packed day in the qualifying rounds at the 2011 Yonex Australian Open Grand Prix Gold in Melbourne with over 100 matches being played in Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles.

With the future talent of badminton on display, we witnessed quality close matches being fought out to secure a berth into the main draw commencing Wednesday.

While most matches played out as expected, the biggest name casualty in the strong women's singles was second qualifying seed Claudia Rivero of Peru after being beaten by Yu Po Pai of Chinese Taipei. In the men's it was the Czech Republic's Jan Frohlich who knocked out Australian fifth seed Tin Pham.

### Aussie Watch

While there were plenty of Aussies in action across all events, many of our junior talent gave their best effort for this big International event and gained invaluable experience.

Although no Aussie women qualified for the women's singles, Under 17 Victorian representatives Joy Lai and Vinning Mak made the most of their International experience with a win in the first round. After a comfortable first round win against compatriot Geordie Jennings, Vinning Mak lost a tough match against third qualifying seed Ying Suet Tse of Hong Kong. Joy Lai had it a little tougher winning her first round match in three sets then lost to second seed Caludio Rivero of Peru.

### Other News

It was unfortunate to see the withdrawal of Men's Singles twelfth seed Sony Dwi Kuncoro of Indonesia, who upon arrival to Melbourne, received an urgent phone call that his wife is about to give birth! Good luck Sony and we send you and your wife many blessing and perhaps we will see your little one competing here in the future.

# 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Two

Second women's seed Yip Pui Yin, was defeated by reigning world champion Wang Lin in straight sets was the biggest match of the tournament thus far.

The remaining matches of today's program saw several women's seeds knocked out. The first upset was third women's seed Salakjit Ponsana of Thailand went down after a tough three setter and was eventually over powered by her opponent Tsz Ka Chan of China in just under an hour.

The next casualty also came in the women's singles with Ai Goto of Japan going down in straight sets to Adrianti Firdasari of Indonesia.

In one of the most entertaining and gritty women's matches on day two, eighth seed Sayaka Sato of Japan fought hard to keep in the tournament with a three set win over Ying Suet Tse of Hong Kong. Hafiz Hashim came out firing in his second round match but had to fight off a tough Andre Kurniawan Tedjono of Indonesia to win in three sets.



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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Two

### Match's Wrap Up

#### Boonsak Ponsana (1) Vs Yuhan Tan

Ponsana's bounced back in his second round match with a cruisy straight sets victory against Yuhan Tan of Belgium. Ponsana was much more settled, controlled and patient being able to find the four corners of the court and dominate to take the first set 21-9. Ponsana was everywhere in the second set with an impressive flawless display of class to take the set 21-7.

#### Tien Minh Nguyen (2) Vs Yu Jul Lin

Nguyen took off like a rocket in his second round of single's with an aggressive and confident display to win in straight sets over Yu Jul Lin of Chinese Taipei. Setting his intentions early, Nguyen made his intentions clear with a precise and aggressive first set, overpowering Lin to take it 21-8. The second set didn't go all Nguyen's way with Lin strategically reducing Nguyen's attacking game allowing him to settle into the match. The match evened up with significantly but it was Nguyen's patience under pressure that enabled him to take the second set 21-16.

#### Xin Liu (1) Vs Kaori Imabeppu

It took three sets for top seed Xin Liu of China to defeat Kaori Imabeppu of Japan in the first round of the women's singles. The first set was a tight battle with lengthy rallies and little was separating the two. Cracks started to emerge towards the end of the first set for Liu with some unforced errors followed by a clumsy foot fault allowing Imabeppu to runaway with the first set 21-17. The second set started out the same but this time it was Imabeppu who started making unforced errors bringing Liu back into the match. A confident Liu kept patient and eventually won the second 21-16. Liu dominated the third set early, taking a commanding lead with a combination of precision and patience forcing Imabeppu to make errors. However, a gutsy display from Imabeppu and a string of unforced errors from Liu her back into the match for an exciting finish Lui eventually winning the third 21-18.

#### Yip Pui Yin (2) Vs Wang Lin

The long awaited match between reigning world champion Wang Lin of China and number two seed Yip Pui Yin of Hong Kong saw the first major upset of the tournament with Wang winning comfortably in straight sets. In only her third tournament since being crowned world champion last August, Wang took an early lead over Yin with some solid smashing. Yin kept in the set by moving Wang around, who looked cautious at times, after spending time off the game recovering from a left knee injury. However, continuing on the attack, Wang eventually took out the set 21-19. Yin looked reactive in the second set, with Wang applying pressure, forcing Yin into making unforced errors. Wang kept her intensity and comfortably took the second set 21-9.

### Aussie Watch

Local crowd favourites Glenn Warfe and Eugenia Tanaka fought hard against their more fancied opponents, eighth seed's Hock Lai Lee and Pricilla Lun of Malaysia but went down in three close sets in the first round of the mixed doubles. No luck for mixed pair Kate Wilson-Smith and Ross Smith either, who went down in straight sets to Malaysia's Teik Chai Gan and Hui Lin Ng.



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# 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Three

The first casualty was men's singles was eleventh seed Wing Ki Wong of Hong Kong, who went down to 157<sup>th</sup> world ranked Poodchalat Pisit of Thailand in three tight sets in just under an hour.

In another tightly contested match, sixth seeded men's doubles pair Songphon Anugritayawon and Sudket Prapakamol of Thailand, were bundled out by Jui Wei Liang and Kuan Hao Liao of Chinese Taipei.

There was a big first round women's doubles upset with second seeds Duanganong Aroonkesorn and Kunchala of Thailand going down in a thrilling three setter to Chinese pair Dongni Ou and Rui Xiong.

### Key Match's Wrap Up

#### Wang Lin Vs Ayane Kurihara

Wang Lin was simply too good in her second round match against Ayane Kurihara of Japan, breezing through with a straight sets victory.

Kurihara looked nervous in the first set, playing with caution and making undisciplined unforced errors. Wang sat patient for most of the first set, precisely moving the shuttle around the court and waiting for her opponent to make the error. Wang took the first 21-12.

Kurihara started to settle in the second but Wang started to attack, giving her an early lead. However, Wang played a string of loose points, which put Kurihara back into the set. Kurihara started to move the shuttle around, which didn't favour Wang who started to produce errors. However, Wang stepped up her intensity to close out the set 21-17.

#### Choong Hann Wong (8) Vs Mathieu Lo Ying Ping (14)

In what was an entertaining and crowd pleasing match here at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, Eighth seed Choong Hann Wong of Malaysia defeated 14<sup>th</sup> seed Mathieu Lo Ying Ping of France in three tight sets.

The showy Frenchman played a solid first set taking it out 21-13.

Wong worked his way back into the match during the second and settling into his own style of play. In what unfolded as a tightly contested contest coupled with close line calls, Wong eventually took the second 21-18.

The third set went point for point before the change of ends before Wong started to run away with aggressive play. Lo Ying Ping kept scrambling and was at times caught out of position but Wong out powered him to take the third 21-14.



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# 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Three

## Muhammad Hafiz Hashim (10) Vs Sho Sasaki (6)

This highly anticipated third round match between tenth seed Muhammad Hafiz Hashim of Malaysia and sixth seed Sho Sasaki of Japan displayed badminton at its best in the first set, however, the intensity dropped in the second, with Sasaki winning in straight sets.

Intensity was on from the opening moment with a point-by-point battle and the players evenly matched. With both players show-casing their precision, fluid movement and attack, the set could have gone either way. Hashim was desperate to get the upper hand and aimed close to the lines but closely missing on critical points. However, it was Sasaki who used his power at the right time, earning him the first set 21-17.

Hashim slowed up play early in the second set with immediate results by reducing Sasaki's attacking influence. However, Hashim's unforced errors kept Sasaki on top, comfortably taking the second set 21-11.

## Tien Minh Nguyen (2) Vs Yi Lu

Tien Minh Nguyen survived a third round scare in a thrilling three set match against Yi Lu of China.

The first set was a tight contest, with the 132<sup>nd</sup> ranked Lu matching Nguyen and showing no signs of letting up. Lu remained cool under pressure and confidently set up a smash to win the first 21-16.

Both players continued fighting in the second, with the balance of power even. Towards the end of the set, Nguyen looking sharper and Lu showed signs of fatigue making critical errors to allow Nguyen to take the set 21-16.

Although Lu was starting to tire in the third, he showed commitment and continued with his attacking play, but an ultra fit Nguyen maintained his movement and shot precision, forcing Lu to error and taking the set 21-10.

## Aussie Watch

A solid effort for women's doubles pair Leanne Choo and Renuga Veeran who won their first round in straight sets against Singapore pair, Yu Yan Vanessa Neo and Ting Ting Thng.

The news was not so fortunate for our remaining men's doubles pairs with both Ben McCarthy and Raj Veeran as well as Bernard Halim and Sean Lim going down in straight sets in the second round.



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### 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Four

It was quarterfinal action here at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre where bumper crowds witnessed the exit of the top two men's seeds. Boonsak Ponsana and defending champion Tien Minh Nguyen were both knocked out in three set thrillers against very hungry opponents.

There were also two upsets in the highly contested women's doubles, with top seeds Mizuki Fujii and Reika Kakiwa of Japan going down to Malaysian pair, Eei Hui Chin and Pei Tty Wong in three sets; while third seeds Shinta Mulia and Lei Yao of Singapore lost in straight sets to Hong Kong pair, Lok Yan Poon and Ying Suet Tse.

#### Key Match's Wrap Up

##### **Boonsak Ponsana (1) Vs Tommy Sugiarto (9)**

Top seed Boonsak Ponsana was bundled out by a determined Tommy Sugiarto of Indonesia in three sets.

Ponsana ran away with an early lead in the first, with a foot fault by Sugiarto looking to have upset him as he questioned the umpire. However, it provided the Indonesian with the spark that he needed and began to attack to level the match. Both players fought point by point for the rest of the set. Sugiarto looked to have the upper hand towards the end and a few nervous shots almost cost him but took the set out on a clean winner 21-19.

Ponsana lifted his intensity in the second, having a slight edge over Sugiarto for most of the set. Ponsana appeared a little too relaxed towards the end of the set making a string of unforced errors, but scraped through to take the second 21-19.

Sugiarto took an early lead in the third. Ponsana was taking time between points but Sugiarto kept his cool, keeping patient, choosing his attack and forcing Ponsana to error. A questionable line call against Ponsana half way through the set seemed to upset him, with the remaining of the set going all Sugiarto's way, taking it 21-9.

##### **Sho Sasaki (6) Vs Tien Minh Nguyen (2)**

Sixth seed Sho Sasaki knocked out defending champion, Yien Minh Nguyen in a thrilling three set contest.

The match started out with both players firing, with a display of speed and power at its best with nothing separating the two. Play settled half way through with unforced errors creeping in. Nguyen opened up the court, earning himself some cheap points, but Sasaki settled, able to comeback and even the contest late in the set. Sasaki was relentless with his attack and eventually took the set 21-19.

Nguyen's shots were threading needles in the second set, precisely moving Sasaki around the court and taking out his dynamic playing style. Sasaki looked lost and Nguyen cruised through the second 21-7.

The third set was a thriller. Sasaki bounced back and took control early and started to create opportunities by speeding up play. Nguyen moved well but was not as sharp. Sasaki had the lead at the change of ends but Nguyen stepped it up to create a point-by-point slugfest, but it was Sasaki who had the upper hand, taking out the third 21-18.



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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Four

### **Xin Liu (1) Vs Sayaka Sato (8)**

Number one seed Xin Liu of China defeated eighth seed Sayaka Sato of Japan to secure her first straight sets win of the tournament.

There was great display of defence, attack and fluid movement from both players in the first set. In this tight contest, Liu looked to have had some lapse in concentration at times, with a few loose points but some critical unforced errors by Sato gave Liu the first set 21-19.

Liu came out sharp in the second set, taking an early lead. It took a while for Sato to adapt and not quite hitting the corners, allowing Liu to attack and take the second set 21-10.

### **Pornthip Buranaprasertsuk (6) Vs Tzu Ying Tai (4)**

Sixth seed Pornthip Buranaprasertsuk of Thailand defeated fourth seed Tzu Ying Tai of Chinese Taipei in two sets.

The first set could have gone either way, with neither player being the dominant attacker, saw a dogfight consisting of long rallies. However, it was Buranaprasertsuk who was more persistent taking the first 21-17.

In the second set, Buranaprasertsuk sped up play with sharper shots with immediate results taking an early lead. It took Tai some time to settle, being caught out on several occasions and started to play it short. Tai eventually found her groove and staged a mini come back but Buranaprasertsuk stepped it up to take the second 21-16.

### **Adrianti Firdasari Vs Wang Lin**

Wang notched her third win with a straight sets victory over Adrianti Firdasari of Indonesia.

Wang took an early lead in the first set as a result of Firdasari's unforced errors. Firdasari did settle and started to match Wang, evening up the score half way through the set. However, the Indonesian couldn't maintain the intensity, Wang taking the first set 21-18.

Firdasari came out attacking in the second and taking an early lead. Wang looked reactive at times but it was her ability to play the right shot at critical moments that won her the second set 21-18.

### **Aussie Watch**

The first Aussies to take the court were Leanne Choo and Renuga Veeran, but it wasn't their day going down in straight sets to Japanese fourth seeds Shizuka Matsuo and Mami Naito.

Raj and Renuga Veeran had a tough ask against third seeds Shintaro Ikeda and Reiko Shiota of Japan but lost in straight sets, leaving no Aussies left in the draw.



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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Five

Semi final day witnessed an impressive display of class, power and drama, entertaining a capacity crowd here at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre. With almost every match going to three sets, Japan were the talk of the day managing to secure a finalist in every discipline except the women's singles.

### Key Match's Wrap Up

#### **Porntip Buranaprasen (6) vs Lin Wang**

Women's singles sixth seed Porntip Buranaprasen of Thailand defeated reigning world champion Lin Wang of China in a close three set match.

Wang had the upper hand in the first set. Buranaprasen was moving Wang well and getting her out of position at times, but Wang's ability to play defensive shots to put her immediately into attack is what gave her the first set 21-14.

The second set was close, with Buranaprasen showing more patience while Wang continued with her attacking game. But two lucky net cords deep into the set gave Buranaprasen the opportunity to secure the second 22-20.

Buranaprasen was everywhere in the third set. Her relentless pressure eventually wore down Wang and rewarded her with the third set 21-17.

#### **Xin Liu (1) vs Inthanon Ratchanok (7) Thailand**

Top women's singles seed Xin Liu of China defeated young sensation Inthanon Ratchanok of Thailand, in a drama filled match which saw Liu booed off the court after walking off at the end of the match without shaking her opponents hands.

Liu took an early lead in the first, taking advantage of Ratchanok's slow start but she eventually settled and found her groove. The rest of the set consisted of long rallies with most points won being from unforced errors. However, it was the youngster from Thailand who displayed greater consistency taking the first 21-15.

The second set could have gone either way, both players contesting a point-by-point battle. A frustrated Liu called for the referee towards the end of the set, but was refused by the umpire. This appeared to have distracted Ratchanok, who served the next point into the net. Liu eventually got on top by taking the second 22-20.

Liu took an early lead and was comfortably ahead change of ends. However, a close line call angered Liu, again requesting the referee which was again denied. After refusing to play Liu was disciplined with a yellow card. However, this clearly affected the less experienced Patchanok, who for the remainder of the match made a string of unforced errors to gift the match to Liu.



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### **Yan Kit Chan (15) Vs Sho Sasaki (6)**

Sixth seed Sho Sasaki of Japan continued his dominance in the men's singles by defeating fifteenth seed Yan Kit Chan of Hong Kong in three sets.

Sasaki looked flat in the first set following his tough quarterfinal match yesterday. He was slightly off edge and was just being caught out of position on several occasions. Chan was patient in applying enough pressure to force the Sasaki error and took the first 21-13.

Sasaki was more dynamic in the second, and was able to get on top his shots and having more control. Chan continued to apply pressure but it was Sasaki who took the second 21-16.

The third set saw Chan struggling, with Sasaki taking an 11-1 lead at the change of ends. Much of the set consisted of net play, perhaps to preserve energy and minimize their movement around the court. Chan picked up his intensity and produced some clean winners but Sasaki produced his own winner to take the third 21-11.

### **Tommy Sugiarto (9) Vs Choong Hann Wong (8)**

Eighth men's singles seed Choong Hann Wong of Malaysia defeated ninth seed Tommy Sugiarto of Indonesia in a close straight sets match.

There was little separating the two in the first set, although Sugiarto didn't appear to have the same hunger as he did against Ponsana in the quarters. It was Wong who stepped it up towards the end winning the set off a forced error, 21-16.

The second set was a repeat of the first and it again it was Wong who stepped it up towards the end with some aggressive power play. Sugiarto made an effort to come back but Wong played a brilliant match point to take the second 21-19.

### **Sudket Prapakamol/ Saralee Thongthongkam (1) Vs Hirokatsu Hashimoto/ Mizuki Fujii (5)**

The fifth mixed doubles seeds of Japan, Hirokatsu Hashimoto/ Mizuki Fujii defeated top seeds Sudket Prapakamol/ Saralee Thongthongkam of Thailand in three sets.

The number one seeds took the first set comfortably, 21-10.

The match evened up in the second, with Prapakamol/ Thongthongkam having the upper hand for most of the set. However, the persistent Japanese pair kept patience and eventually won a tight second 21-19 following an unforced error from the Thailand pair.

Hashimoto/ Fujii come out firing in the third earning them a convincing lead at the change of ends. For the rest of the match, they out played their more fancied opponents, who looked to have lost confidence, taking the third 21-12.



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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Six

Finals day attracted a capacity crowd at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, with Japan claiming three titles. No doubt the best was left for last as the men's singles provided a thriller in the only three set match for the day.

Matches were broadcast thanks to IMG sport, which could be seen throughout certain parts of Asia. With the tournament being Australia's inaugural Grand Prix Gold, there are promising signs of rapid growth in this event in the future.

### Key Match's Wrap Up

#### **Pornthip Buranaprasen (6) Vs Xin Liu (1)**

Top seed Xin Liu of China won the women's singles against Pornthip Buranaprasen of Thailand in straight sets in her shortest match of the tournament.

Liu came out firing in the first to take an early lead, the first we have witnessed urgency from the start in any of her matches. Although rallies were close, it was Liu who had the edge taking the first 21-14.

Liu dominated the second; she was simply better than her opponent on the day with better movement, precision and attack, taking the second 21-9.

#### **Sho Sasaki (6) Vs Choong Hann Wong (8)**

Sho Sasaki of Japan defeated Choong Hann Wong of Malaysia in a thriller to claim the men's singles title.

Sasaki took an early lead of 12-4 in a match, which started out with long rallies and minimal attack. Wong appeared to be fighting nerves with a lot of net play and was making easy unforced errors. Sasaki was patient and set up a clean winner to take the first set 21-11.

Wong came out firing in the second and took an early lead 4-0. He was a completely different player and dominated most of the set, simply outclassing Sasaki. Sasaki started to make a come back late in the set but it was too late, Wong 21-12.

The third set was a point-by-point dogfight. By the change of ends it was only a point separating the two with Sasaki having the slight edge. With both players desperate to win it was Sasaki who powered home to take the third 21-19.

#### **Hirokatsu Hashimoto/ Mizuki Fujii (5) Vs Songphon Anugritayawon/ Kunchala Voracichitchaikul (2)**

Thailand pair Songphon Anugritayawon and Kunchala Voracichitchaikul won the mixed doubles defeating Hirokatsu Hashimoto and Mizuki Fujii of Japan in an entertaining straight victory.

It was a closely contested hit out for much of the first set but it was the Thailand pair with the greater fire power towards the end of the set taking it 21-15.

Thailand continued to dominate, having most of the attack. Some relentless smashing from crowd pleaser Songphon Anugritayawon helped secured Thailand the second set 21-9.



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# 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Day Six

## Naoki Kawamae/ Shoji Sato (4) Vs Hiroyuki Endo/ Kenichi Hayakawa (5)

In an all Japan final, it was Hiroyuki Endo and Kenichi Hayakawa who came out victorious in the men's doubles defeating Naoki Kawamae and Shoji Sato in straight sets.

In a close first set, it was the Endo/ Hayakawa combination that had the upper hand towards the end of the set taking it 21-17.

The second set was similar to the first; however, Endo and Hayakawa were the sharper of the two pairs and stepping up on the big points to take the second 21-18.

## Shizuka Matsuo/ Mami Naito (4) Vs Eei Hui Chin/ Pei Tty Wong

Japanese pair Shizuka Matsuo and Mami Naito take-out the women's doubles against former world number one pair Eei Hui Chin and Pei Tty Wong from Malaysia in straight sets.

Japan ran away with an early lead. Even though the pair were predominantly on the defence, it was mistakes from the Malaysian pair that assisted them with an 8-1 lead. The Malaysian pair soon settled to make a comeback, where we witnessed an attacking Malaysian pair against the defensive Japanese pair. However, Matsuo and Naito added some firepower to take the first set 21-18.

The beginning of the second set started close, with a string of 40+ shot rallies. But it was Japan stepping up their intensity that won then the second, 21-11.

# 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Spectator Survey

Did you attend the 2011 Yonex Australian Open Grand Prix Gold??? If so we want to hear your thoughts!

With thousands of fans attending over the six days, many of you may have been asked to fill out a survey in the stadium. If you missed out or didn't have the time, now is your chance to give us your thoughts on the tournament! Was the event well run? Was the parking inadequate? Was the music of poor taste and out-dated? Give us your thoughts!

Head to [http://www.kwiksurveys.com/?s=ILNENJ\\_f1ffe56f](http://www.kwiksurveys.com/?s=ILNENJ_f1ffe56f) and fill out the survey to help us produce an even better 2012 Australian Open!

# 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Pictures

For more photos than you can poke a stick at of the 2011 Yonex Australian Open days one to six, go to our Facebook page and don't forget to 'like' the page while your there!

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/2011-Yonex-Australian-Open-Grand-Prix-Gold/170250776326011?sk=photos>



# BADMINTON VICTORIA 'Around the Courts'



## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Pictures



Tommy Sugiarto is the son of former champion, Icuk, that was yet to reach the heights of his famous father! At the 2011 Yonex Australian Open he had his breakthrough win against Boonsak Ponsana, as Australian crowds witness the arrival of a future top 5 player and possible world champion! With superior stamina he disposed of the number 1 seed, Boonsak, in a 3 set epic 21-19, 19-21, 21-9.



A picture that says it all! Crowd favourite and humble champion Tien Minh Nguyen, just did not have the answers against the powerful Sho Sasaki! Sho celebrates, as Nguyen wonders how he can get back into the game!



If there was an award for the most hospitable and friendly team on tour it would be won by the Thai team! Two local fans wanted a picture with Pornpip and the coach standing next to her overheard this, he then told the entire team to come over for a photo! During the event the team would turn up every day to watch their fellow players, even after being eliminated early on World Number 6 Boonsak attended everyday of the tournament!



Would you have ever thought that we would see fans fighting to get a picture or an autograph of the players here in Australia? This picture taken on the final day shows the fans lining up 7-8 deep just to get the chance to have a moment with the Women's Champion Xin Liu! Badminton has come a long way, in a short time!



# BADMINTON VICTORIA 'Around the Courts'



## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Pictures



To be honest I don't think anyone could have expected the amount of attention that would be created around Wang Lin! The current World Champion played her first tournament coming back from injury and the world was watching to see how she would go! Did she turn it on for Aussie crowds, defeating world number 9 Pui Yin Yip in her opening game, striking fear in the rest of the competition both here and across the world! She is a graceful champion, who is both friendly and intimidating due to her height and solid frame and the constant attention she gets as she wanders around the courts!



Before the tournament no one really gave 'uncle' Wong a chance! Did he prove everyone 'wong'! Choong Hann Wong produced the form of yesterday that made him a dominate force on the tour! The sound of the Malaysian 'boleh' ringed through the stadium during the finals, producing a atmosphere that had never been heard in Australia! Unfortunately uncle Wong went down in the final to Sho in a 3 set battle 21-11, 12-21, 21-19.



She is the 'it' girl on tour, with model looks and the ability to go with it! Reiko Shiota is a star on the tour and back home in Japan and her partner Shintaro Ikeda is just as entertaining! Together they kept the crowd entertained both on and off the court!



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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Court Officials



*We would like to thank our many volunteers who gave up countless number of hours to help make the 2011 Yonex Australian Open such a great success!*

Sandra Goodwin, Eliza Wu, Vincent Chan, Rochelle Liyanage, Krishna Patil, David Pang, Carole Amiot, Gloria Jones, Pauline Martin, Karen Audley, David Matthews, Barbara Davie, Bruce Napier, Gary Grierson, Carol Perez, Wendy Gemmell, Janet Tyrell, Janet Geyer, Theda Faulwetter, Nawan Banks, Graham Peverell, James Chew, Colin Harris, Ray Prescott, Jola Jacobsen, Dianne Carter, Daphne Kern, Greg Pilven, Daniel Lee, Barbara Hall, Alan Hall, Margaret Anderson, Matt Margerejo, Michael Tee, Arthur Seah, Mary Jones, Anneli Thuringer, John Stephens, Pauline Bunker, Sue Bailey, Glenda Mitchell, Aileen Ramly, Joel Smith, Sandra David, Margaret Beakley, Kathryn Blencowe, Kevin Phillips, Fred Stanlake, David Cromie, Margaret Lee, Lynne Fairbrother, Gail Davison, Bettina Williams, Margaret Galley, Yen Tien Ng, Ru Wen Clarnette, Greg Bush, Eunice Tse, just to name a few!

*Photo: Andrew Greenway*



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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Winners



Our wonderful winners accepting their medals & trophies!  
 MS: Sho Sasaki  
 WS: Xin Liu  
 MD: Hiroyuki End & Kenichi Hayakawa  
 WD: Shizuka Matsuo & Mami Naito  
 XD: Songphon Anugritayawon & Kunchala Voravichitchaikul



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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Pictures



While the Aussies were not a prominent feature of this years Open, one pairing were, Raj & Renuga! Making the quarter finals of the tournament, they had the honour of playing the final game of the day on the blockbuster Friday night session against glamour pairing Shiota & Ikeda! They put up a strong fight against one of the worlds strongest pairings and were cheered on by a patriotic crowd! If more Australians had the drive and dedication of these two, we might get some results in the other forms of the game!

If you were a betting person you would have had money on one of these two, Boonsak & Nguyen, winning the tournament! Both went out on a dramatic Friday night session that saw a new wave of tallent overcome the two highest ranked players in the tournament. Seeing these two side by side on the Opening day warmed the heart of many fans in Australia who realised we can attract world class players to Australia!



There were some remarkable shots made during the tournament! Many players flying high to get that extra power into the vital point winning smash!



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## 2011 Yonex Australian Open - Pictures



Pictures courtesy of Andrew Greenway & Allan Boyle



## BADMINTON VICTORIA 'Around the Courts'



### 2011 Australia Junior International

The 2011 Australian Junior International is fast approaching and entries close soon! The tournament will be held at Ken Kay Badminton Stadium, Wendouree, Ballarat, Victoria, Australia and will be hosted by the Ballarat Badminton Association. Tournament dates are now set for the 13th May until the 15th May 2011.

The tournament will be the first ever ranked junior international tournament to be held in Australia.

The field is expected to attract top entrants from around Asia, with already top internationals from Badminton powerhouses Indonesia and neighbouring Philippines entering.

Entries close TUESDAY, 19th APRIL, 2011.

Entry forms are available from the BV website, [www.badmintonvic.com.au](http://www.badmintonvic.com.au)

If you have further questions regarding the tournament please direct them to the tournament director Kristine Thomas or Badminton Australia.

### 2011 Li-Ning New Zealand Open



The 2011 Li-Ning New Zealand Open was held the week before the 2011 Yonex Australian Open and was a quality warm up tournament for many of the players heading to Australia.

It was the Japanese who dominated the tournament, as they did in Australia, taking home three of the titles via Riichi Takeshita (Men's Singles), Sayaka Sato (Women's Singles) and Yuriko Miki and Koharu Yonemoto (WD)

The other titles were won by Danny Chrisnanta & Hendra Wijaya (Men's Doubles) and Danny Chrisnanta (Again) & Yu Yan Neo (Mixed Doubles).

The main highlight from the Australian perspective was the scintillating performance of Aussie pair Leanne Choo and Renuga Veeran, who made into the Semi-Finals! This is a massive result for Australian badminton and we would like to congratulate Leanne and Renuga for their amazing effort. Well done girls!



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## Working With Children Checks

### Working With Children Checks

Cardholders who applied for their WWC Check in 2006 will need to renew their card this year if they wish to continue to do 'child-related work' - does this include any of your staff and volunteers?

As an employer it is your responsibility to ensure that all your staff and volunteers who engage in 'child-related work' always have a valid and current Check.

### New laws for cardholders

Cardholders will be committing an offence incurring financial penalties if they fail to notify the Department of Justice within 21 days if they change employer or voluntary organisation.

It is vital that your employees and volunteers keep their work details up-to-date with the Department of Justice. It means you can be contacted you if there are any changes to the status of their card, for example if they receive a Negative Notice.

It is recommend you remind cardholders to update any change of details with the department, this also includes their postal address and phone number. We have developed a range of promotional items to help you communicate this information to employees, volunteers and stakeholders. This includes flyers, articles for newsletters, and an online graphic to direct people to our Online Change of Details site where they can update their details.

## 2011 Li-Ning Sunlight Altona International

The 2011 Li-Ning Sunlight Altona International is to be held in Altona North, Melbourne, Victoria Australian from Thursday 9th June 2011 to Sunday 12th June 2011.

The tournament is a BWF 'International Series' sanctioned event and entries close Tuesday 17th May 2011.

Entry forms and the tournament prospectus are available from the BV website, [www.badmintonvic.com.au](http://www.badmintonvic.com.au) or the Western Suburbs Badminton Association website, [www.wsbaonline.com](http://www.wsbaonline.com).

Should you have any further queries please contact the Event Directors (Pat Daw or Ron Gray) or Badminton Australia.



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### Women In Sport

The Australian Sports Commission has identified the promotion of women in leadership roles in sport as a key priority. The provision of funding through the Sport Leadership Grants and Scholarships for Women program has provided educational and development opportunities for over 16,000 women since 2002.

To complement the education and development of female leaders, the ASC is establishing the **Women in Sport Leadership Register to assist the placement of women on boards and in executive positions where they can apply their training and experience to benefit Australia's sporting system.**

There are many qualified, talented and experienced Australian women with the ability to positively contribute to the governance of organisations. However, these women may have had limited opportunity to be considered for a senior position or a directorship. Sports organisations have also reported that they would like assistance in sourcing talented females for consideration for leadership positions.

This register is aimed at improving the number of women on Australia's sporting boards and to help promote inclusive cultures that support women in sport. The representation of women on the boards of government funded national sporting organisations was recorded as 23 per cent in 2010.

The ASC will also record the gender composition of government NSO boards annually to track the progress of this initiative. Noting that this information is generally freely available on NSO websites and in annual reports, the ASC will publish the results of the survey on its website.

This information will contribute to, and will track Australia's progress against other countries through the International Working Group on Women and Sport 2010 Conference Legacy the Sydney Scoreboard, a web based database for the recording of the gender composition of the boards of NSOs.

The Sport Leadership Grants and Scholarships for Women program and the Women in Sport Leadership Register opened last week. Additional information about how to apply for the leadership register, grants and scholarships can be found at;

<http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/women>

[http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/women/get\\_involved/sport\\_leadership](http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/women/get_involved/sport_leadership)



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### Western Suburbs Badminton Association

Sunday 27 February saw WSBA launch its commemorative booklet and get-together to celebrate two major milestones.

The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Association, and  
The 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the opening of the Altona Badminton Centre.

Our association held its first meeting on the 30 August 1935 calling itself the Footscray Churches Badminton Association, with competition matches commencing on 20 September 1935. The first season consisted of six matches. Interest in the association quickly spread and the following year it was resolved to change the name of the association to the Footscray and District Badminton Association. In 1938 the association affiliated with the Victorian Badminton Association, at a cost of fifteen shilling plus five shillings per registered club.

The outbreak of the World War II, considerably disrupted the association's activities, with many clubs finding it difficult to get sufficient players. Fewer teams played and the team size was reduced from eight to six players. Following the war, numbers again grew and the association entered a team in the Victorian Badminton Association pennant competition for the first time.

The 1950's saw many WSBA players represent Victoria and take out Victorian and Australian titles. In 1957, Ray Weisheit retired as president of the association after heading it for fifteen years and seeing strong growth in the number of clubs and teams. (Ray's daughter, Pat Daw is our current president – a position she has held since 1989! Ray's son John, is president of Central Badminton Association.

In the Sixties, nylon shuttles were introduced into the summer competition due to a shortage of feather shuttles. In 1967, WSBA players held a meeting and formed the Umpire's Association.

In the Seventies, the association introduced a building fund levy of five cents per player per match night, in the hope that the association may be able to build its own stadium in the future.

In 1982, negotiations commenced with the Altona City Council regarding the construction of a badminton stadium. After visiting centres at Geelong, Werribee and Ballarat, plans were prepared and in 1984, the Altona City Council signed the building contract for the Altona Badminton Stadium. The new centre was opened the following year and shortly after the association hosted the 1985 Silver Bowl Invitational Tournament (June), followed by the Victorian Championships (July) and the Australian Championships (August, 1985).



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### Western Suburbs Badminton Association



Since then, the association has hosted many events, including the Thomas and Uber Cup tournament in 1988. Many more state and national events have been held here, along with major international events such as the World Police and Fire Games and training for the 2006 Commonwealth Games. Regular competition has been the backbone of the court hire for the stadium and over the years we have seen the phenomenal growth of casual court hire.

In 2003 WSBA began its Development Squad of young players from the association and primary schools in the region. This youth programme continues to be the focus for the association and since its conception hundreds of juniors have come through – many who have gone on to represent the association and the state.

It was wonderful to see so many faces from past years, including Max Burnham, who was President from 1966 - 1972, Kath Hindson, who won a Victorian Singles Title in 1960 and John Berry and Peter Daw (who were signatories on the WSBA Building Fund Account, Natalie Cronin, who has been a Committee Member since 1984 and is currently Vice-President and Alan Walsh, who relentlessly lobbied the Council to get our Stadium built!

Part of this informal celebration, included the opportunity to watch our WSBA Junior Squad train, many older WSBA members were amazed at how times had changed, as coaching back in the 30s, 40s and 50s was what the team learned from the older players in that team.....

President, Pat Daw spoke briefly and thanked Philip McNally for the wonderful research he did into our History of the last 25 years and the setting up of our "75 Years of Feathers" publication. She also went on to thank Ron Gray for his commitment over the last 28 years, as a Committee Member, Treasurer and now Manager.

Councillor Peter Hemphill welcomed all the guests back to the stadium and thanked the dedication of the president, Pat Daw for all her years of service to the badminton community.

WSBA continues to grow from strength to strength because of the ongoing commitment of many dedicated people.



# BADMINTON VICTORIA

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## Recent Results

**2011 Altona Junior Open - Altona Badminton Centre**  
**Sunday 3rd April 2011**

A very successful tournament was staged at Altona, with 111 players competing across the three age categories.

Players who excelled in their age bracket were:

**Under 19's:** Vinning Mak who won the girls singles, mixed doubles and was runner up in the girls doubles.

**Under 15's:** Alice Lorincz won the girls singles and was runner up in the girls doubles.  
 Andre Zopf, who won the boys doubles the mixed doubles and was runner up boys singles.  
 Darshand Gobinathan, who won the boys singles and boys doubles.

**Under 11's** Nalini Kuhanandha, who won the girls singles, doubles and mixed.  
 Ryan Venpin, who won the boys doubles, mixed doubles and was runner up in the boys singles.  
 Ross Audley, who won the boys singles, and was runner up in the boys doubles and mixed doubles.

Western Suburbs really appreciate the participation of players who attended the tournament. The day ran very smoothly thanks to their support and the hard work and dedication of our umpires and tournament referee, Myrna Stanlake. WSBA extends a big thank-you to all who helped out on the day.

The next Altona event is the 2011 Li-Ning Sunlight International Series and Altona Graded Tournaments. The International Series with prize money totalling A\$5,000.00, will be run over four days from Thursday 9 June – Sunday 12 June, 2011. Players will be coming from overseas as there are world ranking points available for this event.

The Altona Graded tournament will be held on the Saturday (A Grade), Sunday (B & C Grades) and Monday (D Grade), entries permitting. Entries close soon.

Entry forms for both events, can be downloaded from the tournament page of our website [www.wsbaonline.com](http://www.wsbaonline.com).



# BADMINTON VICTORIA

## 'Around the Courts'



## Recent Results

**2011 Altona Junior Open - Altona Badminton Centre**  
**Sunday 3rd April 2011**

### Under 11

Boys Singles

Winner – Ross Audley

Runner Up – Ryan Venpin

Girls Singles

Winner – Nalini Kuhanandha

Runner Up – Irene Chau

Boys Doubles

Winner – Yash Pednekar / Ryan Venpin

Runner Up – Ross Audley / Alex Milanese

Girls Doubles

Winner – Irene Chau / Nalini Kuhanandha

Runner Up – Sabrina Chung / Angela Yu

Mixed Doubles

Winner - Ryan Venpin / Nalini Kuhanandha

Runner Up - Ross Audley / Tiann Young

### Under 15

Boys Singles

Winner – Darshand Gobinathan

Runner Up – Andre Zopf

Girls Singles

Winner – Alice Lorincz

Runner Up – Adriana Phan

Boys Doubles

Winner – Darshand Gobinathan / Andre Zopf

Runner Up – Calvin Hua-Ching / Ernest Yam

Girls Doubles

Winner – Janice Au / Adriana Phan

Runner Up – Alice Lorincz / Lily Rigg

Mixed Doubles

Winner - Andre Zopf / Janice Au

Runner Up - Eric Qi / Adriana Phan

### Under 19

Boys Singles

Winner – Anthony Joe

Runner Up – Athi Selladurai

Girls Singles

Winner – Vinning Mak

Runner Up – Jacqueline Guan

Boys Doubles

Winner – Hu-Wen Chew / Sawan Serasinghe

Runner Up – Brayden Allan / Brendan Tang

Girls Doubles

Winner – Jacqueline Guan / Gronya Somerville

Runner Up – Vinning Mak / Natasha Sharp

Mixed Doubles

Winner - Brayden Allan / Vinning Mak

Runner Up - James Dahni / Isabella Hohauser



# BADMINTON VICTORIA

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## Coaches Corner

### BV COACHING CALENDAR 2011

*Below are courses currently being advertised*

May 22nd	Level 1 & 1A Refresher Course	Terang
	Level 1 Course & Refresher Course	Altona
	Level 1 & 1A Refresher Course	Altona
	Level 1 & 1A Refresher Course	Ballarat
July 16th	Level 1 Course & Refresher	SEBA
	Level 1 & 1A Refresher Course	SEBA
July 17th	Level 1 & 1A Refresher Course	TBA
August 20th & 21st	Level 1 Advanced Course	MSAC

Level 1 coaches looking to further develop their coaching skills should consider completing the Level 1 Advanced Course.

For more information on any of the above or for course guidelines please contact Michelle Rigg Email [coaching@badmintonvic.com.au](mailto:coaching@badmintonvic.com.au)

### **URGENT - Coaching Positions Available - Victorian Teams 2011**

BV is currently seeking coach nominations for the following team/s. Badminton Victoria will pay the travel and accommodation costs for BV Team coaches for the following. All coach nomination forms must include your WWCC ID number.

#### Victorian U19 Teams 2011

BV will enter 2 teams in the U19 Carnival

#### Victorian U15 Teams 2011

BV will enter 2 teams in the Val Nesbitt U15 Carnival

#### Victorian Clendinnen Shield Team 2011

Your Nomination for any of these positions should be submitted by April 30<sup>th</sup> 2011

### **BV Website – Advertise your Coaching Sessions**

Are you delivering coaching sessions? Would you like to have your details listed on the BV Coaches Registry for those looking for coaching sessions to be able to access your contact details?

If so please contact the BV Coach Coordinator Email Michelle Rigg – [coaching@badmintonvic.com.au](mailto:coaching@badmintonvic.com.au)

### **Coaching Course - Level 1 Advanced**

Are you a Level 1 Coach working with developing players and need to further develop your coaching knowledge to further extend your players? If so and you have the required playing ability BV will be offering a Level 1 Advanced Course in August and this would be a great opportunity for you to gain more knowledge in footwork and stroke / skill development as well as greater tactic insight into the three disciplines.

For more information on the Level 1 Advanced Course contact Michelle email [coaching@badmintonvic.com.au](mailto:coaching@badmintonvic.com.au)



# BADMINTON VICTORIA

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## Coaches Corner

### Coaching Course - Level 2

After the Badminton Australia Meeting held at MSAC during the Australian Open last week it has been confirmed a Level 2 Coaching Course will be delivered late this year. This is great news for those Level 1 Advanced Coaches looking to further develop their knowledge and skill.

To be eligible to complete this course you must first have successfully completed the **Intermediate Coaching General Principles** for more details on this course read below. Candidates should also hold a Level 1 Advanced Coaching Certificate in Badminton.

Should you be interested in attending the Level 2 Badminton Coaches Course please contact Rudy Bartholomeusz BA Coach Education email [rbartholomeusz@iprimus.com.au](mailto:rbartholomeusz@iprimus.com.au)

### Intermediate Coaching General Principles

This program is aimed at coaches who have moved beyond the beginner level of coaching and want to improve their skills and knowledge to improve athlete performance. These coaches would typically be operating at club / regional level. This course is a pre requisite for the Level 2 Badminton Coaching Course.

#### **How to enrol**

For more information visit the Australian Sports Commission website  
Please note that completion of the general principles component alone does not provide accreditation.

### Do you have the current BA Coaching Manual?

Should you not have the current Level 1 or Level 1 Advanced BA Coaching Manual and would like to purchase one please read the information below.

#### **BA Level 1 and Level 1 Advanced Manual**

Please access the order forms directly from the BA website under Coaching. The costs of the manuals are \$40.00

#### **Badminton Australia's "Games Book"**

A great resource for the coach that works with beginner junior players. To order visit the BA website or call the BA Office on 03 9397 4722

#### **Hart Sport**

Suppliers of Sports fitness and training aids visit the website for some great coaching aids [www.hartsport.com.au](http://www.hartsport.com.au)



# BADMINTON VICTORIA

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Australian Government  
Australian Sports Commission



## Intermediate Coaching General Principles

# INFORMATION

### What are the Intermediate Coaching General Principles?

The Intermediate Coaching General Principles are a series of educational modules for coaches who want to improve their skills and knowledge. From 2008, the Intermediate Coaching General Principles program replaces the former Level 2 Coaching General Principles.

### Who is the program aimed at?

The program is aimed at coaches who have moved beyond the beginner level, and are looking to improve the performance of the athletes they coach. They are typically coaching at club or regional level.

### What is covered in the Intermediate Coaching General Principles?

The Intermediate Coaching General Principles includes a simple introduction to sports science concepts and further information on coaching pedagogy. The 13 modules in the program are:

- 1 The essence of coaching
- 2 Program management
- 3 Planning
- 4 Sports safety
- 5 Coaching processes
- 6 Inclusive coaching
- 7 Skill acquisition
- 8 Introduction to physiology
- 9 Basic anatomy and biomechanics
- 10 Development and maturation
- 11 Nutrition for sport
- 12 Sport psychology
- 13 Anti-doping in sport.

### How do these modules integrate with my sport's coaching accreditation system?

The Intermediate Coaching General Principles are included by many sports within their sport-specific accreditation programs. Check with your sport regarding which modules they require coaches to complete as part of a sport-specific accreditation.

Many sports will also provide updating points towards re-accreditation to coaches completing modules from the Intermediate Coaching General Principles.

### How can I enrol in an Intermediate Coaching General Principles course?

The program is available through state and territory departments of sport and recreation. Some offer face-to-face programs, while others offer the modules via correspondence. Some state and national sporting organisations also deliver the modules as part of their sport-specific accreditation programs.

Contact details for your state or territory department of sport and recreation can be found at the Australian Sports Commission's Coaching and Officiating website ([ausport.gov.au/participating/coaches/further\\_information/state\\_contacts](http://ausport.gov.au/participating/coaches/further_information/state_contacts)). They can advise you when the next course is available.

For more information on coaching, go to [ausport.gov.au/participating/coaches](http://ausport.gov.au/participating/coaches)



## BADMINTON VICTORIA

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## Active Afterschool Coaching Calendar

DATE & TIME	MODULES	LOCATION	COURSE ADMINISTRATOR	ENROLMENT DUE DATE
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> April 6:45-10:00pm	1 & 5	<b>Epping Views Primary School</b> Mansfield St Epping Melway:	<b>Trish Bennett</b> Tel: (03) 8401 3791 Mob: 0437 996 066 Fax: (03) 8401 3793 <a href="mailto:trisha.bennett@ausport.gov.au">trisha.bennett@ausport.gov.au</a>	Friday, April 1 <sup>st</sup>
Wednesday, April 13 10 am – 2 pm	2, 3 & 4	<b>Nunawading Basketball Stadium</b> Burwood Highway Nunawading Melway: 62 C8	<b>Damian Hecker</b> Tel: (03) 8698 7702 Mob: 0437 700 322 Fax: (03) 8698 7700 <a href="mailto:damian.hecker@ausport.gov.au">damian.hecker@ausport.gov.au</a>	Friday, April 8
Thursday, April 14 9 am – 4 pm	1 & 5			
Wednesday, April 13 9 am – 4 pm	1 & 5	<b>Footscray YMCA</b> Cnr Market St & Essex St West Footscray Melway: 41 J3	<b>Robyn Muir</b> Tel: (03) 8698 7716 Mob: 0437 700 393 Fax: (03) 8698 7700 <a href="mailto:robyn.muir@ausport.gov.au">robyn.muir@ausport.gov.au</a>	Friday, April 8
Friday April 15 <sup>th</sup> 10am - 2pm	2, 3 & 4			
Friday, April 15 9.30 pm – 4.30 pm	1 & 5	<b>Dandenong Netball Centre</b> Greaves Reserve Bennett St Dandenong Melway: 89 K7	<b>Donna Cullen</b> Tel: (03) 8698 7715 Mob: 0437 700 462 Fax: (03) 8698 7700 <a href="mailto:donna.cullen@ausport.gov.au">donna.cullen@ausport.gov.au</a>	Friday, April 8
Tuesday, April 19 5.30 pm – 9.30 pm	2, 3 & 4			
Saturday, April 16 9.00 am – 4.00 pm	1 & 5	<b>Boroondara Sports Complex</b> 271c Belmore Road North Balwyn Melway: 46 F5	<b>Brett Johnstone</b> Tel: (03) 8698 7710 Mob: 0437 700 389 Fax: (03) 8698 7700 <a href="mailto:brett.johnstone@ausport.gov.au">brett.johnstone@ausport.gov.au</a>	Wednesday, April 13
Monday, April 18 6.30 – 10.00 pm	1 & 5* (part one)	<b>Inner North Melbourne venueTBA</b>  Melway:	<b>Caron Williams</b> Tel: (03) 8698 7706 Mob: 0437 700 381 Fax: (03) 8698 7700 <a href="mailto:caron.williams@ausport.gov.au">caron.williams@ausport.gov.au</a>	Friday, April 15
Wednesday April 20 6.30 – 10.00 pm	1 & 5* (part 2)  *Must attend both nights			
Saturday, April 30 10am – 2 pm	2, 3 & 4	<b>Monash University Clayton Campus</b> Monash Sport, Building 1, Wellington Rd Clayton Melway:	<b>Robyn Tribe</b> Tel: (03) 8698 7705 Mob: 0437 700 386 Fax: (03) 8698 7700 <a href="mailto:Robyn.tribe@ausport.gov.au">Robyn.tribe@ausport.gov.au</a>	Thursday, April 21
Sunday May 1 9.30 am – 4.30 pm	1 & 5			
Saturday, April 30 9.30 am – 4.30 pm	2, 3 & 4	<b>Victoria University</b> Building L, Footscray Campus Ballarat Rd, Footscray Melway: 42 C3	<b>Meredith Kelly</b> Tel: (03) 8698 7717 Mob: 0437 700 395 Fax: (03) 8698 7700 <a href="mailto:meredith.kelly@ausport.gov.au">meredith.kelly@ausport.gov.au</a>	Thursday, April 21
Sunday May 1 10am – 2 pm	1 & 5			



# BADMINTON VICTORIA

## 'Around the Courts'



## Badminton Victoria Court Officials Committee

### New Umpires

The BVCOOC recently ran an umpires course and anyone interested in becoming an umpire can email their details to BVCOOC training supervisor Kay Coady at [kaycoady@bigpond.com](mailto:kaycoady@bigpond.com) or BVCOOC president Sandra David at [sgd@netconnect.com.au](mailto:sgd@netconnect.com.au) and we will let you know when the next course will be held.

## VIS Individual Scholarships

Applications for Individual Athlete Scholarships are invited from Victorian athletes with outstanding performance records at national and/or international level in sports that are currently **not** a VIS Tier 1 Program. The VIS currently has Tier 1 programs in the following sports: Aerial Skiing, Athletics (including AWD athletes), Cycling, Diving, Golf, Gymnastics, Hockey, Netball, Rowing, Sailing, Swimming, Triathlon and Water Polo. (Scholarship applications for each of these sports are available at specific times in the year, based upon seasonal and competition schedules).

Applications are also invited from athletes with a disability with an outstanding record in **any** sport and with potential to succeed at the high performance level.

Scholarships provide assistance with specialist coaching, sport science, sports medicine, physical preparation and education & career development services as well as training & competition expenses.

Application forms and guidelines are available from: **Victorian Institute of Sport**, Olympic Park, Olympic Boulevard, MELBOURNE, VIC 3000; Telephone (03) 9425 0061; fax (03) 9425 0100; Email: [nerissa.byrne@vis.org.au](mailto:nerissa.byrne@vis.org.au) or by internet access at <http://www.vis.org.au>

## 2011 BV FEES & INSURANCE INFO

At the Special General Meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> November the members adopted the BV boards new fee structure for 2011. The BV board received many suggestions from members regarding reforming the affiliation fees for 2011, most of the suggestions were in relation to senior & junior membership fees and a different fee for playing one or two seasons. The new fee structures are:

- \$20 – Seniors playing half year, i.e. one season of competition
- \$30 – Seniors playing full year, i.e. two season competition
- \$15 – Juniors playing half year, i.e. one season of competition
- \$20 – Juniors playing full year, i.e. two season competition

Tournament and team event players are considered to be full season players.

Non-registered player fees for 2011 are: \$3.30/event for junior and senior tournaments and team competitions. \$9.90/weekend for Veteran's events.

### 2011 Insurance Fees

Public Liability/Professional Indemnity Insurance:	\$4.00/player	
Personal Accident Insurance:	\$12.00/player	
Directors & Officers Insurance:	\$200	0-200 players
	\$400	201-400 players
	\$600	401+ players

Please don't hesitate to contact Peter Roberts (State Director) with further questions and for more information.



# BADMINTON VICTORIA

## 'Around the Courts'



## Grants & Funding



### LOCAL SPORTING CHAMPIONS GRANTS

Are you, or do you know, a dedicated young athlete, coach or official participating in a state or national sporting championship? Are you aged 12-18 years old travelling further than 250km return for a state or national championships? If yes, then you or your team could be eligible for a Local Sporting Champions grant to help meet costs such as uniforms, travel, accommodation and equipment.

**Eligibility:** 12-18 participating in a nominated National Sporting Organisation endorsed state or national sporting championships or a School Sport Australia national championships

**Funding range of grant:** \$500 Individual/ \$3000 Team

**Open Dates:** 1 month prior to the commencement of the championship

**Website:** <http://www.ausport.gov.au/champions>

### EMERGENCY SPORTING AND RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT

These grants provide assistance to grassroots sport and active recreation clubs and organisations to replace essential sporting or first aid equipment that has been lost or destroyed as a consequence of fire, flood, significant storm event, theft or criminal damage.

**Eligibility:** Local community-based clubs or organisations delivering sport and active recreation

**Funding range of grant:** Up to \$2,000

**Open Dates:** Up to 3 months after the loss or damage

**Website:** <http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au>

### VICTORIAN VOLUNTEERS SMALL GRANTS

Victorian Volunteer Small Grants are available for Victorian organisations to attract new volunteers from diverse backgrounds, create new volunteering opportunities and strengthen existing volunteering programs as a way of engaging new volunteers.

**Eligibility:** Community not-for-profit organisations that involve volunteers at a local level.

**Funding range of grant:** Up to \$5,000

**Open Dates:** This program is open for applications on an ongoing basis

**Website:** <http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/grants>

### Elite Indigenous Travel and Accommodation Assistance Program (EITAAP)

The EITAAP is an initiative that is jointly managed by the Australian Sports Commission and The Department Of Prime Minister and Cabinet. In order to be eligible to apply for and EITAAP grant, an indigenous sports-person and their sporting organisation must meet a range of criteria.

**Eligibility:** Aboriginal Sportspeople who require funds for travel and accommodation, to attend a national or international sporting event.

**Funding range of grant:** National: Up to \$1,500 - International: \$4,000

**Open Dates:** Up to 2 months after the event

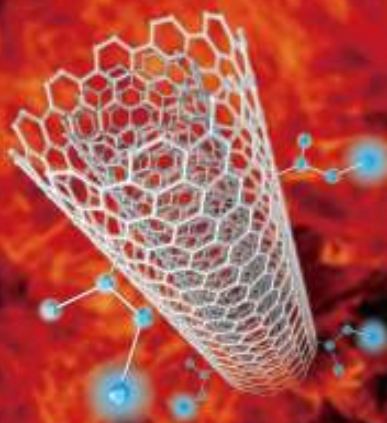
**Website:** [http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/indigenous/get\\_involved/grants\\_and\\_scholarships](http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/indigenous/get_involved/grants_and_scholarships)





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