

DEVELOPMENT REPORT BPAC AGM 2024

I. SHUTTLE TIME

1. Shuttle Time - National Coordinator Online Panel:

Different ST National Coordinators presented best practices on how Shuttle Time being used in their country. MA's which participated were COL, GUY, BAR, JAM, URU, PER, BOL and CHI. Also participated lectures from Special Olympics International and Special Olympics Guatemala. Videos available in French, Spanish, and English in BPAC YouTube channel and shared with BWF and each Coordinator from the region.

2. BPAC Shuttle Time Tutor Wave and BPAC Coordinator Report Incentive

Through this BPAC Grant Programme for ST Tutors and National Coordinators, facilitated the certification in 2023 of 499 new ST Teachers, 114 new ST University Teachers were certified, and 10 new ST Tutors were certified. 11 Member Associations received this Grant: BOL, BAR, ECU, CHI, COL, GUA, GUY, ARU, PER, MEX, VEN.

ST National Coordinators reported a significant impact, with over 37,948 children benefiting from badminton initiatives.

3. BWF Shuttle Time Youth Leadership Workshop – BOL

Developed by BWF, this program aimed to provide 16–18-year-old school students with the chance to acquire sports leadership skills and explore the world of badminton through Shuttle Time. The initiative resulted in 55 new beneficiaries in Bolivia, reached through three (3) courses conducted across five (5) schools. Notably, this marked the inaugural workshop delivered in the region.

4. Shuttle Time Teachers and Tutor Course - BAR

With the support of BPAC and BWF 11 new ST Teachers (5 female - 6 males) were certified, and 2 new ST Tutors (2 females) in Barbados. Course delivered by BWF Trainer Gregory Wong (JAM).

5. Time Teachers and Tutors Course - LCA

As a part of our strategy to build local capacity within each Member Association for the sustainable growth of the BWF Shuttle Time programme, BPAC assisted LCA by sending a BWF Certified Trainer to conduct a BWF Shuttle Time Tutor and Teacher course.

II. AIRBADMINTON

1. AirBadminton National Competition Support – PER & ECU

With the intention to help MA's to prepare locally for the AirBadminton qualification event, BPAC launch a programme to held National Competitions of AirBadminton. PER did 3 exhibitions in sand - triples - in Lima; and ECU performed 2 exhibitions in tripes – sand surface.

2. AirBadminton Qualification Event - World Beach Games - JAM

As AirBadminton was included into the ANOC Beach Games 2023, a Qualification Event was held in Kingston, Jamaica to select the triples (males and females) who represent Pan Am in the World Games. The participating countries were Brazil, Canada, Dominican Republic, hosts Jamaica, Mexico, Peru, and Venezuela. Mixed Team Relay and the Men's Triples and Women's Triples events



also were part of the programme. Winners of each Triples event was invited to the ANOC World Beach Games (cancelled months later by the Local Organizing Committee).

3. ISF U15 Gymnasiade 2023 - Rio, BRA

In conjunction with *ISF U15 Gymnasiade* 2023, BWF, in partnership with BPAC, was involved in the ISF Fun & Skills zone where AirBadminton – Come & Try activation which will be delivered at the Olympic Park in Rio, Brazil. This is an opportunity for athletes, coaches, and the public to try AirBadminton, the outdoor badminton which can be played anywhere and anytime. At the same time, we will also integrate the Shuttle Time Activity demonstration and 3 vs 3 challenge initiatives.

III. COACH EDUCATION

1. BPAC Coach Corner

We finished our VIII, IX, and X Season. These informative sessions have proven invaluable to participating coaches, resonating across the globe. Our global reach is evident in the impressive numbers, with a total of 9,599 attendees across all seasons on Zoom Webinars and a remarkable 42,687 views on our YouTube channel. Videos available in 3 languages (English, Spanish, French). http://www.badmintonpanam.org/bpac-coach-corner-2/

BPAC Coach Experience I (PASO) – JAM

Prior the XXVI Yonex Pan Am Individual Championship, we had a Coach Experience in which 16 Coaches from MEX, GUA, ESA, CRC, PAN, BRA, PER, JAM (2), ARU, DOM, COL, SUR, PAR, PUR, and CUB participated from April 16 to 24 under the direction of the Head coaches: Martijn Van Dooremalen (NED), Claus Poulsen (DEN), participants undergo 2 sessions per day + 2 workshops in the afternoon for 9 days. A BWF Player Education & Dual Career Programme online session was delivered with participation from Tracy Tan, Sharon Springer, and Erika Khoo (BWF).

3. BWF CE1 and Tutor CE1 Course - BAR

12 new BWF CE 1 were certified in Barbados. 6 females - 6 male. 1 new BWF CE 1 Tutor (female) was certified. Courses delivered by BWF Trainer Gregory Wong (JAM). **BWF CE 2 – GUA:** Following an intensive 6-day course, a cohort of 12 new BWF CE 2 certified coaches emerged from the region. This diverse group consisted of 3 females and 9 males hailing from COL, BOL, GUA, MEX, and ESA.

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5. Technological support / Dartfish License

With the aim of providing an additional tool to enhance the training process and coaching competencies, we provided one annual My DF Pro S license to benefit two MA's: Argentina and Guatemala. Four National Level coaches were involved in this initiative.

6. BPAC Tutor L1 and L2 Wave

This economic incentive program for BWF Tutors in the region served as a motivating force for the facilitation of BWF CE 1 and C2 courses in Guatemala, Argentina, Mexico, Paraguay, and Colombia. Consequently, it led to the certification of a greater number of new BWF coach level 1 and level 2 coaches in the region.



IV. PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

1. Player Camp – JAM

In conjunction with Pan Am Sports (PASO), a player Camp was delivered by 9 days in Kingston, Jamaica, prior the XXVI Yonex Pan Am Individual Championship. 35 athletes took part from 17 MA´s: MEX, GUA, ESA, COL, PER, BRA, PAR, CHI, JAM, DOM, CUB, PUR, GUY, ARU, SUR, ARG, ECU. 17 males - 18 females.

2. BPAC Jr. Academy PER

Following the conclusion of the XXXI Yonex Pan Am Jr. Championship, we embarked on a dynamic Coach Experience. This immersive event engaged 12 coaches representing 9 Member Associations. Concurrently, we organized a rigorous Training Camp for 24 Jr. athletes from 12 MAs, spanning 5 intensive days of dedicated effort. The camp was skillfully guided by BWF FastTrack alumni and esteemed head coaches, Rodolfo Ramirez (GUA) and Fabiana Silva (BRA). Each participant experienced two daily sessions along with two enriching workshops in the afternoon. A BWF Player Education & Dual Career Programme online session was delivered with participation from Tracy Tan, and Erika Khoo (BWF).

3. Local Camp Support

In our ongoing commitment to enhance the performance of talented athletes, we have extended a unique opportunity to 3 MAs (TTO, COL, and MEX) to hosting a local camp, furthering the education of coaches. This endeavor is supported by the distinguished coaches Martin Trejo – ARG and Lino Muñoz - MEX appointed as the head coach for the Camp. 35 players and 15 local coaches were benefited from the Training Camps.

4. BPAC Travel Grant

As an integral component of our 2023 Player Development Program, and with a strong commitment to facilitating athlete participation in key events, Badminton Pan Am provided to 25 select athletes from 15 MA's with financial support. This support enabled them to actively engage in the 2023 Pan Am circuit events, reinforcing our unwavering support for their growth and success.

5. Center of Excellence Scholarship – DEN

BPAC provided six (6) - 14 days scholarships to outstanding athletes from USA, JAM, CAN, COL, and ESA, aiding their training endeavors for the upcoming Paris 2024 Games and LA 2028.

V. PARA BADMINTON

1. Para badminton Player and Coach Training Camp – BRA

Held at the Paralympic Center in Sao Paulo, Brazil, 8 MA's took part in the Training Camp under the guidance of the head Coaches Enrico Galeani (ITA) and Kaity Hall (SCO). This activity took place from January 15 to 21, 2023 with participation of 20 Para badminton players from the region and 8 guest coaches. MA's: PER, BRA, CUB, MEX, CHI, ARG, COL, ITA. 60% male - 40% female

2. Local Camp Support

In our ongoing commitment to enhance the performance of talented athletes, we have extended a unique opportunity to 1 MA (COL). This opportunity involves hosting a local camp, furthering the education of coaches. This endeavor is supported by a distinguished BWF FastTrack alumni from the region (Italo Hauer - BRA), appointed as the head coach for the Camp.



3. Para Badminton Workshop - PUR

As a part of our strategy to re-engage our Member Associations (MA's), we partner with Puerto Rico to host a Para Badminton workshop. This event had the participation of over 150 Physical Education teachers who received training to facilitate inclusive Physical Education sessions.

VI. CAPACITY BUILDING

1. BWF / WAoS National Administration Course

BPAC organized a BWF National Administrators Course, with participation of 12 Pan Am countries looking for strengthen the Member Associations in the development of their organizations. The BWF National Administrators Course is part of a process that begins with virtual training and then continues with an in-person course which was developed at the BPAC offices facilities. With the results of this training, Member Associations can continue to strengthen their internal structures and consolidate projects to benefit the development of badminton in their countries. The course had the participation of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico and Panama.

VII. SPECIAL PROJECTS

1. University Specialist in High Performance Badminton Training

BPAC and Galileo University of Guatemala successfully concluded the in-person phase of the High-Performance Badminton Training Postgraduate Degree, bringing together 7 students from COL, MEX, and PER. This included a BWF CE L1 course certifying 4 new tutors and a BWF CE Tutor L1 course for 3 new coaches.