

## Badminton Information

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The MBA's purpose is to extend the growth and performance of badminton in our region.

- We run Primary, Intermediate and Secondary schools competitions
- We run schools development programmes to increase participation of badminton through KiwiSport
- We have a Junior Development Programme in operation which provides training and opportunities to represent Manawatu in regional, national & international competitions.
- We run our Superleague team competition.
- We have representative teams taking part in Senior team competitions, Veterans and Masters Competitions
- We facilitate and encourage coaching courses, umpires development and volunteer recruitment

### **Badminton Clubs:**

- Palmerston North Junior Club – Mondays 6pm (starts in March annually) Boys High Gym [www.pnbc.org.nz](http://www.pnbc.org.nz); and PNBC Senior Club – Tuesdays 7.30pm B&M Centre
- Monrad Badminton Club – 7pm-9.30pm (starts March annually), St.Peter's College [monradbaddo@gmail.com](mailto:monradbaddo@gmail.com)
- Rainbow Badminton Club – Thursdays 6pm (starts March annually), B&M Centre Wendy 0274037393 [sleepy\\_hollowers@hotmail.com](mailto:sleepy_hollowers@hotmail.com)
- Masters Badminton Club – Tuesdays 7pm-9.30pm, PNINS starts March annually

### **Junior Representative Training Squads:**

- Every year trials take place for any juniors interested in progressing with their badminton. If selected the player gets to take part in a weekly training session with the MBA badminton coaches at U13, U15 or U17 age groups. The players then also get the opportunity to be selected to represent Manawatu BA in badminton team competitions such as the Central Regions and Hawkes Bay Cup. The coaching sessions are a great way to improve and the coaches are very committed and expect a commitment from their players. See our website

### **Fun Team Competition: THURSDAY NIGHT BADMINTON LEAGUE**

- The MBA runs a badminton league competition every Thursday from end of January until December annually. The league is a 4-person team league and is run in 5 or 6 week blocks. The teams are divided into grades and play within that grade for the 5/6 week block. We have players taking part from the age of 10 all the way to 60+!!! If you want to enter a team you must get the team together and ensure that they are committed for the full block. More information - <http://www.manawatubadminton.org.nz/content/comps/superleague>

### **Important dates:**

- Clubs normally start back in Feb/March and finish in Oct/Nov Annually
- All Clubs are listed on our website
- Primary Schools Competition – Term 1 & 3 annually
- Secondary Schools Competition – Term 2 annually
- Intermediate Schools Competition – Now Term 1 and Term 4 annually

! KEEP PLAYING, KEEP ENJOYING !