2020 Annual Report





President's Report



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I am writing this as 2020 draws to a close. It has been an eventful year and, although we are all hoping that 2021 does not herald as many challenges for us, times will continue to be uncertain and we need to be prepared for whatever may be around the corner. Sports bodies were exposed to reduced funding, declining memberships and cancelled events. We were required to close the stadium because of the threat of coronavirus and we were concerned that our very survival may have been in jeopardy.

Fortunately, we have a great management team who were able to carry on during the lockdowns. Because of the excellent work by Simon and Babette, with support from Nhor and Rhys, members were able to play badminton when other sports were stumbling. The cessation of activities showed us just how necessary sport is in keeping our bodies and souls healthy. We are indebted to the team for working in shifts; setting up the appropriate procedures; maintaining a robust cleaning regime and maximising playing times within the government rules.

A number of Badminton New Zealand events were cancelled and the inter-association competitions were rehashed. However, our calendar remained full and most WN events continued as planned. Activities included the WN Junior Championships; the U13 Open and the WN Open that had a record 74 players and a number of matches that were livestreamed on Facebook Live. We hosted the inaugural Central Region Relay Competition and the Central Region Junior League. Racketlon was launched earlier in the year when we partnered with tennis and squash to provide young players with a triple racket experience of the three sports. The Wellington North (A,B,C,D) Championships was again hugely successful and the Annual Awards were well received.

Having secured sufficient funding we now have a defibrillator in the stadium.

Along with the management team, coaches, team managers and volunteers, I would also like to thank the members of the Executive Committee who have continued to volunteer their services through this difficult season. Lesley, Ian, Leck and Greg have been wonderful allies and we are now starting to work as a board as we continue our transition towards governance.









Executive Committee







Greg White Member



Ian Brown Member



Leck Tham Member



Lesley Gledhill Member

Life Members

1998 Tony Muir
Judy Muir
Doug Muir
Anthony Muir

2000 Valerie Hall
2001 Ian Brown
2002 Lindsay Dahlberg
2005 Gary Smith
Peter Smith
2007 Warren Sloan
2016 Lesley Gledhill

GM's Report



2020 has been a year of history in the making. From the first ever Relay Tournament held in New Zealand modeling the 2018 Youth Olympics; to the unprecedented havoc caused by COVID-19; and the 2020 Wellington North Open, and the first sanctioned event being live-streamed online in New Zealand. 2020 also saw us welcoming Babette McCalman, the latest addition to the team as our Community Development Manager, who has been instrumental for both our recovery and growth efforts.

Like many other sporting bodies nationally, Wellington North Badminton has faced an existential challenge posed by the impacts of COVID-19. The stadium was forced to close over a period, where we saw revenue reduced to nil, and our community was not able to access badminton and other sports. Whilst in lockdown, the team continued to work remotely, planning for our recovery, when it was safe to return to badminton.

I am very proud of the team, Babette, Nhor and Rhys who have shown commitment and flexibility over the period when we were operating under uncertainties and tight restrictions and stayed true to our mission to provide the best badminton experience to our members and communities.

The association was fortunate enough to gain support from multiple generous funders, who have contributed immensely to the survival of association this year. Not to mention the support from our members, players, and communities, who were eager to return to badminton as soon as it was safe to do so. Our efforts in building relationships with

local communities and businesses are also paying dividends, with a large increase in sponsorships support.

Despite COVID, the team continued to deliver results, and the benefits that badminton brings to our communities. The team has provided badminton opportunities to over 1400 Tamariki and Rangatahi through our Shuttle Time Programmes in 14 schools. This equates to over 12,000 participation opportunities. A valiant effort, and just imagine how much more we could have achieved if it were not for COVID? The Porirua Sport Festival Day, organised by the Porirua Primary Schools Sports Association, continued to be a highlight on our delivery calendar where we saw over 300 Tamariki giving badminton a go.

The team has continued to deliver first class events, and this was evidenced by the feedback we have received from players, parents, and supporters alike. The first ever Relay Tournament saw over 90 junior players from across the Central Region, competing at a participation-based event modeled on the 2018 Youth Olympics.

A history making Wellington North Open saw one of the biggest sanctioned tournaments being staged in the Central Region, not to mentioned it was the first ever being livestreamed online! We wrapped up the year with our season ending Wellington North Championships, backed by popular demand, where over 100 players entered across 4 grades; and we celebrated the year with a revived Annual Awards, where we said thanks and acknowledged the achievements of our players, coaches, volunteers, and teams.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the guidance and governance provided by our Executive Committee, who have continued to volunteer their time and expertise throughout this challenging year. Let us look forward to a more normal and stable, yet eventful 2021.







Meet the Team



Simon Lin General Manager



Babette McCalman Community Development Manager



Nhor Chan Community Development Officer



Rhys Hopkin Community Development Officer



Maggie Lee Junior Coach (Volunteer)



Tony Lee Performance Coach (Volunteer)



Year in review

2020

More schools are interested to get involved, providing more opportunities for our Tamariki and Rangatahi to experience Badminton.

1473

- 20%

Shuttle Time participation was down, this is largely due to COVID-19 restrictions, resulting in no dlivery in Term 2.

+3

944

+ 13%

Members & registered players

We have almost doubled our investment in community development, resulting in more Tamariki, Rangatahi and the wider community can experience the benefits of badminton.

+93%

Community Development



We delivered badminton to over 1500 primary school students in our region from 7 schools and ran training sessions, grading, and coaching in 7 of the high schools. We also ran community badminton sessions at 2 locations (Bishop Viard College and Aotea College) that were free, open to all, and were well attended.

What a year it was! We had to write off term 2 as we did not run any programmes due to COVID-19 and the nationwide lockdown. This also meant the stadium was closed to all for a period of 6 weeks. Once the lockdown levels were reduced, we reopened the facility but with restrictions on numbers able to attend at any one time. This meant that shuttle time classes, clubs, and training programmes did not recommence until June 2020.

Having said that we were shut for a quarter of the year, we were still able to deliver in stadium Shuttle Time Programmes to almost 200 children and had to introduce extra Bronze classes in Term 3 and 4, as the numbers registered were too high for us to maintain the quality coaching we value. In Term 3 we also began a Gold class for players who had completed all the skills required for Bronze and Silver, this became so successful that we doubled the class size and had both coaches delivering it together. We see the Gold class as a steppingstone on the players pathway towards representative teams. We have developed a Shuttle Time Record Book for all players that shows all skills

learnt and allows players and their parents to track their progress.

Junior club has also flourished over the year with an average of 12 players 6+ and 25 players 12+ attending on Fridays. Parents also attend and play with the younger group which creates a wonderful family friendly atmosphere.

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We continued to collaborate with Tawa Tennis and Tawa Squash in offering Racketlon, the joint holiday programme each school holiday. Children get the opportunity to try out all 3 sports and in October we had to split into 2 groups due to large numbers registered.

We attended the Porirua Primary School Sports Festival Day at Te Rauparaha Arena and had wonderful participation and feedback from both students and teachers. It was a busy but fun day with over 300 children attending and getting a taste of badminton amongst other sports.

Thank you to Rhys Hopkin and Nhor Chan for all the hours that they have put in this year not only in teaching children badminton at our stadium and in schools, but also in stepping up and assisting in our reopening under COVID restrictions.

It is encouraging to see the increase in popularity for all our programmes across the board. We hope that this is the continuing trend for 2021.

Babette McCalman
Community Development Manager





Monday Club



Thank you to our volunteers Warren Sloan, Amarjit Kaur, Fernando Castellanos, Chandran Sinnahiah and other members who have helped us to run the club most Monday nights.

We have had a very successful year despite the challenges of COVID-19 and the rules and restrictions that were imposed due to lockdown levels and social distancing. The Association closed the stadium during the nationwide lockdown, and Monday Club did not resume until Alert Level 2 was reached on 18 May 2020. Players were very keen to get back to play and had missed the game whilst in lockdown. It was great to see people improvising with training at home and we saw some ingenious ideas to maintain fitness and badminton skills from home on video.

Membership of the club has continued to rise, perhaps, as a result of people being forced to remain in New Zealand and support 'local'. Badminton has reaped the rewards of being a noncontact sport that can be played in all weather and all year long. Monday Club has had an average

attendance of 33 players each week and has even got to over 40 on several occasions! We may need to limit the number of guest players each evening and start a waiting list if this continues to be a trend so that club members do not miss out on games. Being popular is a good problem to have!

The game software on the computer works well with players able to sign themselves in and out easily and smoothly. Games are made up by the system and seem to be reasonably fair and evenly balanced.

Membership fees for both seasons were maintained from 2019 and after the financial results for 2020 have been finalised and budget prepared, fees will be set for 2021.

Babette McCalman Club Captain

Saturday Club

The Saturday Club is in its ttwelfth year of operation having started in March 2009. Saturday Senior Club operates on Saturday from 3.00pm to 5.30pm. It caters for senior players — "senior" meaning adult or tertiary students.

The 2020 Winter Season commenced on 7th March and finished on 26th September. Covid-19 has put a temporary halt on club activities at different levels of lock down. The club continued to run in the Summer Season from 3rd October.

Even with Covid-19, players continued to support the club, thank you for this. Your membership and support helps the club to function effectively. As usual shuttles have been our biggest cost and we have trialed different shuttles but didn't get approval from players. We ask that players please be prudent and extend the life of the shuttles before exchanging for a new one.

The Club operates on 2 games to 21 points with members making up their own games based on their skill level. After the completion of the 2 games, the courts are used by other members who haven't played or are waiting for a game. If there are sufficient courts, members can fill in even though they have just completed their 2 games if everyone has a fair share of games.

We are in constant need of volunteers to help look after the club, so if anyone can lend a hand, please let us know. We would like to thank Tyrone Chin and Nhor Chan for helping look after the club in our occasional absences. Also thank you everyone for helping out whenever required.

Siew-Kin & JC Chin Club Captain/Manager



Junior Development



The season was disrupted due to Covid 19, however we still had a successful year.

We had a squad of about 40 players in our Junior programme in 2020.

The year started with a friendly competition in February against the Zhu Academy from Christchurch. It was a great start to the year and an opportunity to play against South Island players. Our team was made up of players from the u15, u17 and u19 age groups and we had some great

Our new under 13 players played in a friendly novice competition in early March against teams from Wellington and the Hutt Valley. This was a good introduction to competition badminton.

The U15 novice competition was cancelled the day before COVID-19 lockdown. All Central Region Junior Competitions and the National Junior Team Championships were also cancelled.

Once badminton resumed, we had a good turn out and welcomed back all of our players.

A Capital Junior Teams Competition was held between Hutt Valley, Wellington and Wellington North and was divided into 2 age groups u13/15 and u17/19.

Thanks to Simon for organising the junior relay event which saw over 90 entries from around the Central Region. The players loved this event and hope it continues next year.

A big THANK YOU to Nhor for all his help throughout the season. We can't manage without you.

Maggie Lee Junior Coach/Convener





Junior U13

Annika Tharshan	Oskar Li
Anvi Sankrit	Paul Yong
Chhungli Lim	Seth Wong
Hayley Shum	
Mia Harada	
Sherlyn Andrews	

Junior U15

Julioi 015	
Ashlee Shum	Arjun Chandran
Jedh Racho	Brandon Law
Neha Ramanathan	Hiruna Widanelage
Sophia Wong	Marcus Gonzales
	Navin Tharshan
	Tony Chap
	Victor Esguerra

Junior U17

Ayesha Mina	Aravind Chandra
Ella Pan	Oarkhong Lim
Gabrielle Esguerra	Perry Xie
Hayley Chung	Sam Navarra
Margaret Gonzales	Sartaj Sidhu
Sophia Balane	

Junior U19

Emma Chung	Ethan Pan
Jessica Tsai	Henry Chap
Serene Tan	Jeremy Tan
	Kevin Wong
	Steven Phang
	Zi Xuan Tee

Performance



Senior Divisions 1 & 3

Competition structure and format were changed in 2020 by Badminton NZ due to the impact of COVID-19. As a result, a number of our high performance players were nominated to form part of a Central Region team to play in the revised Northern Region (NR) Competiton. The players who were selected by the Central Region selectors to play in the NR Competition were: Caragh Alley, Luke Falvey, Rhys Hopkin, and Serene Tan. The NR Competition was subsequently cancelled, as Auckland had an upsurge of COVID-19 cases, and Auckland went back to Level 3 from 12-30 Aug 2020

The Wellington North 1 team competed in the revised Central Region Division 1 Competitions The team was primiarly made up of our (previously known as) Division 3 players.

4 teams from 4 Associations competed in the Badminton NZ Central Region (CR) Division 1 Inter-Association Competition. The Competition

was held over 2 weekends (15 Aug, & 12-13 Sept). Stage 1 of the Competition was a round robin to decide placings 1-4. Stage 2 was a cross-over Playoff to decide the finalists and 3rd/4th placings.

The Team performed well, through the competition, and continued their improvement from the round robin stage through the playoffs to the Finals to finish second in Central Region Division 1.

The Juniors continued to show improvement through the Competition, whilst the Senior players provided the experience and the stability needed for the team to do well.

Tony Lee Coach

Senior National Division 1

Chris Lee Caragh Alley
Kris Singh Emily Beard
Luke Falvey Serene Tan
Rhys Hopkins

Senior Central Division 1

Emma Chung Ethan Pan

Gioleilee Cecilio Eugene Teo

Jessica Tsai Sam Navarra

Joanna Sunga Scott Rademaker

Mei Khoo Simon Lin

Sophia Balane Zi Xuan Tee



Senior Divisions 5

We entered a division 5 team again in 2020, with many of players returning from 2019, along with a few new faces. It was pleasing to see a number of juniors make the move up into senior competition for the first time to gain further experience. Trainings were cut short with the lockdowns, but when they were lifted, all players were enthusiastic to get back onto court and train.

As with other senior competitions Division 5 was also impacted and was condensed into a Central Region tournament which effectively had a mix of Division 4 and 5 teams, played over 2 weekends. The team had tough matches, as they were essentially playing "up" a level, but gained some valuable playing experience. The team put up good fights in all 4 ties, but ultimately did not come away with a

Despite the results, it was again pleasing to see the progress made by all the players throughout the season and the passion they display for the game. It was great to have a number of juniors in the team as well, not only to give them exposure to a higher level, but to also push the senior players in the team as. They all look forward to building on these experiences in 2021.

Leck Tham & Rhys Hopkin Coaches





Senior Central Division 2

Anna Canencia	Daniel Fearn
Ashlee Shum	Dwayne Teo
Gabrielle Esguerra	Ivan Perez
Jaime Swale	Ming Ghee Fong
Margaret Gonzales	Tony Racho

Senior Central Division 3

Ayesha Mina	Aravind Chandran
Ella Pan	Oarkhong Lim
Hayley Chung	Perry Xie
Sophia Wong	Sartaj Sidhu
	Steven Phang
	Vengchy Lim



Veteran Division 2

We were fortunate the competition was split into Northern and Central Region. This mean we could play our matches as scheduled, Auckland teams could not because of their second lockdown. There were 7 teams in the grade, a mixture of div 1 and div 2 teams so matches were tough. Overall the team finished 4th. It was great to have Miranda back playing from her injury a few years ago. Thanks to Tony Phang who agreed to help out and play after indicating he would not be available. Grateful also to Dave, Tony, Duncan and Liang Liem Hok who all filled in for various ties.

Super-Vets Division 2

We had been looking forward to our first year in div 1 but due to Covid we played in a Central Region div 1 made up on only 4 teams. Nivi (from Auckland) had asked to play in our team as Auckland are not in division 1, but because of Covid she was not able to join us for any of the matches. Grateful to Leona for helping out for the final ties. Sadly Dave was injured so not able to play. We welcomed Duncan into the team, his first time playing for a rep team.

Looking forward to 2021, where hopefully we are back to normal with matches against Auckland teams. We have new players turning 60 so should be able to field a stronger team.

Lesley Gledhill Team Captain

Master Central Division 2

Anna Canencia Alvin Loo Catherine Cooper Daniel Shum Janet Wong Franco Andrews Siew-Kim Chin Lee Ledesma Sook-Kim Chew Raju Surendra Tony Racho Tyrone Chin

Vets Central Division 1

Lesley Gledhill **David Visser** Maggie Lee Duncan McMillian Miranda Patrick **Greg White** Liang Liem Hok Tony Lee Tony Phang

SuperVets Central Division 1

Diane Knight Dave White Lesley Gledhill **Duncan McMillian** Leona Head **Greg White** Maggie Lee Reobert Lau Tony Lee

Events



Central Region Relay Competition 6 July 2020

In partnership with Central Region Badminton, Wellington North Badminton has hosted the inauqural Relay Competition for junior players across the Central Region (south of Eastland and Taranaki to Wellington). First ever in NZ, it modelled the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games. 90 plyaers from across the region entered this event.

Wellington North Open 1-2 August 2020

Wellington North Bad minton has hosted another successful Wellington North Open over the weekend of 1-2 August. Despite the impacts of COVID-19, this pinnacle event for Wellington North Badminton has made history on two fronts.

The biggest tournament in Central Region for the last 10 years with 74 players entered from all around the country. The event was also livestreamed for the first time ever on Facebook Live, for selected matches of the semi-finals, and all main draw matches of the finals. This has continued to build the profile and audience for badminton both regionally and nationally.

Wellington North Junior Championships 28-29 September 2020

Wellington North Junior Championships 2020 saw the formalisation of the tournament catering for all junior players in the Wellington North region. Whilst most of our Team WN junior players competed in the open grade competition, the launch of the social grade competition has attracted players from local schools and community. Congratulations to all the finalists!

Capital Junior Team League 30 September 2020

The inaugural Capital Region Junior League was launched on 30 September. A initiative headed by the Capital Region Badminton Associations, with the support of Wellington City Council. This event attracted over 100 regional junior players competing and representing their home association. Team WN Junior players have dominated the U19 competition, taking home all medals against teams from Badminton Hutt Valley and Badminton Wellington. Whilst our Team WN U15 Junior players took home the gold from the U15 Division 1 competition, and the silver from the Division 2 competition. Overall great results from our future badminton stars.

Wellington North u13 Open 17 October 2020

Wellington North u13 Open was a sanctioned event for junior players aged 12 or younger. The 2020 edition was a relatively small one. Badminton Hutt Valley dominated the competition, taking home golds across all five events.

Wellington North (ABCD) Championships 30-31 October 2020

The season ending Wellington North Badminton (A, B, C, D) Championships was held with record numbers. A total of 117 players entered, 198 matches played across 16 events.

It was great to see an overall increase in participation numbers despite the impacts of COVID. Congratulations to all the finalists and champions.



Celebrating Successes



Wellington North Open

Jasmanjot VIRK Men's Singles Champion

Caragh Alley Women's Singles Champion

Luke Falvey & Jun Kit Ng Men's Doubles Champions

Caragh Alley & Michelle Au Women's Doubles Champions

Luke Falvey & Caragh Alley Mixed Doubles Champions

Wellington North U13 Open

Aaron Chong Boy's Singles Champion

Sienna Baxter Women's Singles Champion

Aaron Chong & Inniyan Cumarasundaram Men's Doubles Champions

Victoria Au Jong & Sienna Baxter Women's Doubles Champions

Aaron Chong & Sienna Baxter Mixed Doubles Champions

Wellington North Championships

Winson Wong

A-Men's Single Champion

Angela Tuason

A-Women's Single Champion

Alyssa Ponte & Angela Tuason

A-Women's Doubles Champions

Raymond Lo

B-Men's Single Champion

Alice Zheng

B-Women's Single Champion

Aravind Chandran & Vengchy Lim B-Men's Doubles Champions

Athena Cao & Shirley Lau

B-Women's Doubles Champions

Alyssa Ponte & Ivan Perez

B-Mixed Doubles Champions

Leonard Lim

C-Men's Single Champion

Ramesh Ganesan & Alfred Norte

C-Men's Doubles Champions

Dan Wan & Ying Ji Khew

C-Mixed Doubles Champions

Franco Andrews

D-Men's Single Champion

Vajira Pahalawatta & Allan Tan

D-Men's Doubles Champions Molly Goh & Allan Tan

D-Mixed Doubles Champions





Wellington North Junior Championships

Marcus Gonzales U15-Boys' Single Champion

Ashlee Shum U15-Girls' Single Champion

Árjun Chandran & Marcus Gonzales U15-Boys' Doubles Champions

Jedh Racho & Sophia Wong U15-Girls' Doubles Champions

Marcus Gonzales & Ashlee Shum u15-Mixed Doubles Champions

Zi Xuan Tee

U19-Men's Singles Champion

Jessica Tsai

U19-Women's Singles Champion

Samuel Navarra & Zi Xuan Tee U19-Men's Doubles Champions

Ella Pan & Serene Tan U19-Women's Doubles Champions

Zi Xuan Tee & Jessica Tsai U19-Mixed Doubles Champions

Dualana Perera

U19-Social Men's Singles Champion

Harrison Hawkins & Dualana Perera U19-Social Men's Doubles Champions

Wellington North Awards

Maggie Lee

Coach of the Year

Nhor Chan

Volunteer of the Year

Aravind Chandran

Young (<35) Volunteer of the Year

Jessica Tsia & Zi Xuan Tee

Junior MVPs of the Year

Mei Khoo & Simon Lin

MVPs of the Year

Lesley Gledhill & Duncan McMillian Senior (35+) MVPs of the Year

Team WN Central Region 1

Team of the Year

Wellington North Junior Awards

Victor Esguerra

Most Improved (u15) Player

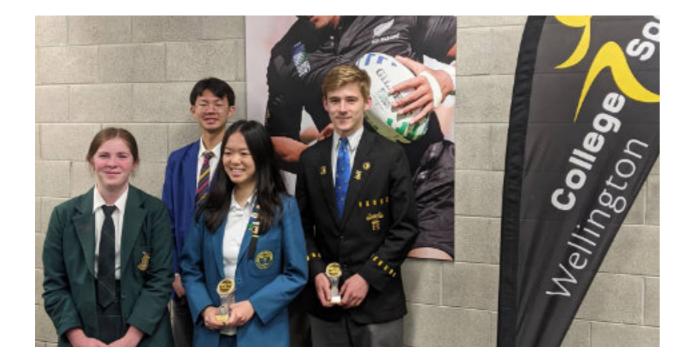
Gabrielle Esguerra

White Trophy (Most Improved Junior Player)

Sam Navarra

High Performance Junior Player





Capital Region Junior Team League

U13/15 Champion

U19

Champion, Second, Third & Fifth Place

Central Region Inter-Association Competitions

Team WN Senior Division 1 Second Place

Team WN Master Division 2 Fourth Place

Team WN Vet Division 1 Fourth Place

Team WN Super-Vet Division 1 Fourth Place







Financial

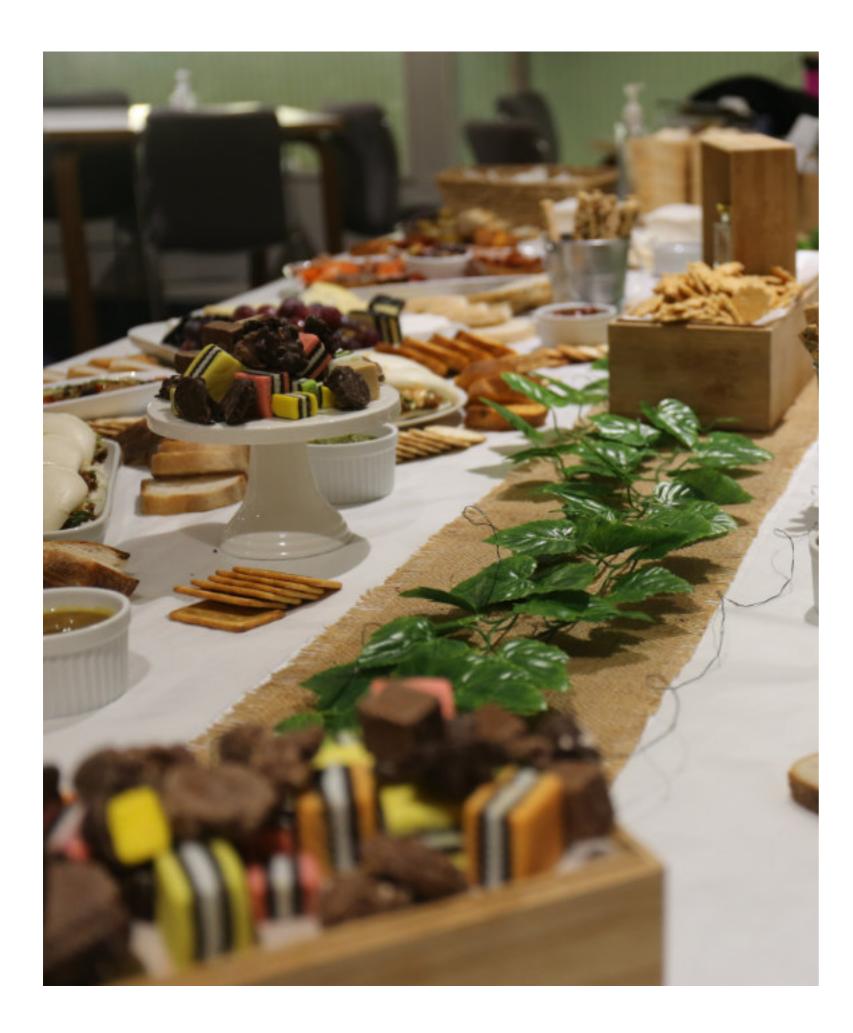
Statement of Financial Performance Wellington North Badminton Association Inc For the year ended 31 December 2020	Note	2020	2019
Revenue			
Donations, Fundraising and Other Similar Revenue	1	95,959	30,094
Fees, Subscriptions and Other Revenue from members	1	71,514	78,512
Revenue from Providing Goods or Services	1	97,522	99,026
Interest, Dividends and Other Investment Revenue	1	2,174	4,886
Other Revenue	1	733	222
Total Revenue		267,902	212,740
Expenses			
Volunteer and Employee Related Costs	2	120,017	96,722
Costs Related to Providing Goods or Service	2	86,099	76,481
Other Expenses	2	27,837	16,108
Total Expenses		233,953	189,310
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year		33,949	23,430

The Executive Committee are pleased to present the approved financial report including the histori-cal financial statements of Wellington North Badminton Association Inc for year ended 31 December 2020. Full financial statements are available on request.

David White President

Simon Lin General Manager

Statement of Financial Position Wellington North Badminton Association Inc As at 31 December 2020	Note	2020	2019
Assets			
Current Assets			
Bank Accounts and Cash	3	65,117	63,410
Debtors and Prepayments	3	2,282	1,763
Inventory	3	10,589	15,080
Investments	3	176,232	127,613
Other Current Assets	3	1,196	30
Total Current Assets	3	255,417	207,896
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant and Equipment	5	521,762	515,616
Total Non-Current Assets		521,762	515,616
Total Assets		777,179	723,512
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Creditors and Accrued Expenses	4	48,144	28,426
Total Current Liabilities		48,144	28,426
Total Liabilities		48,144	28,426
Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets)		729,035	695,086
Accumulated Funds			
Accumulated Surpluses or (Deficits)	7	729,035	695,086
Total Accumulated Funds		729,035	695,086



Thank you

A special thank you to the generosity of our funders and partners. Your support continues to help us realise our vision to provide the best badminton experience to our community.















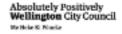


















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