



The Badminton Bulletin - Mar 2026

Spring is just around the corner, and the courts are buzzing! Whether you're working on your game, competing in tournaments, or just playing for fun, we're excited to keep the season going with our incredible badminton community. Let's keep the rallies strong and the energy high!

Kari Turner
Director Community Engagement & Member Services

Upcoming BNS Tournaments

What a season it's been so far! 🎉 There's just one more BNS tournament left before the Provincial Championships in April. 🏆

Stay tuned to our social media for registration links, event updates, and upcoming deadlines so you don't miss out. Make sure you join the fun — we can't wait to see you there!

Registration Deadline - March 15, 2026



2026 BNS Scotia Series #4

📍 Badminton Nova Scotia | Hammonds Plains

📅 2026-03-20 to 2026-03-21

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OPEN A U13 U15 U17 U19 35+

📝 ONLINE ENTRY 10d

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
Scotia Series A #4	March 20-21, 2026	Halifax, JBTC Badminton Club
Provincial Championships	April 3-5, 2026	Truro, DAL Athletics Centre
Atlantic Championships	June 5-7, 2026	NB, University of New Brunswick

2027 Canada Winter Games - Nova Scotia Badminton Team Coach Selection

The 2027 Canada Games will welcome 3,500 high-calibre athletes and coaches in 22 sports. Bringing people together and inspiring communities through the power of sport.



**QUÉBEC
2027
JEUX DU
CANADA
GAMES**

Badminton Nova Scotia is excited to announce the recently appointed **Nova Scotia Badminton Team Head Coach & Assistant Coach/Manager** for the 2027 Canada Winter Games.

Head Coach - Patrick Thompson



Assistant Coach/Manager - Ruiwen (Katherine) Zhu



Their years of coaching, on-court experience, and leadership will be instrumental in helping our badminton athletes perform at their best and contribute to the team's overall success.

Over the next few months Pat & Katherine will be strategically planning, with athlete selection taking place this fall.

Celebrating Women & Girls in Badminton

March 8 is International Women's Day!

Badminton Nova Scotia is proud to celebrate the incredible women and girls who make our badminton community stronger every day — from athletes and coaches to officials and volunteers.



Your passion, leadership, and dedication continue to inspire the next generation of players across our province. Thank you for everything you do for sport!



Ritu Shah Named CCAA Women's Badminton Player of The Year

Ritu Shah of the UKC Blue Devils is the 2026 Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) Women's Badminton Player of the Year.

If you've ever had the chance to watch Ritu play, you know her impact on the sport goes far beyond statistics. This season, she posted a perfect 11-0 record in women's singles, with no opponent scoring more than eight points in a single set.

Ritu has also represented Team Canada at the FISU World University Games and built an extraordinary collegiate career that includes three consecutive CCAA Women's Singles Gold Medals (2023-2025) and four ACAA Player of the Year honours. This marks the second time she has been named CCAA National Player of the Year, after first earning the honour in 2023.

Off the court, Ritu is equally committed to growing the sport, mentoring young athletes ages 9-16 through her work with the Junior Badminton Training Centre.

Her calm demeanour, sportsmanship, and dedication continue to inspire the next generation of badminton players.



Congratulations Ritu! The Badminton Nova Scotia community celebrates your outstanding achievements and the leadership you continue to show both on and off the court.



Photo of The Month

Send us your favorite badminton action shots or team selfies!
We will randomly choose to be featured in our next newsletter.

Send to engagement@badmintonns.ca



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