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Derbyshire Disability Sport E-Newsletter Issue Seven

Welcome to the seventh edition of the Derbyshire Disability Sport e-newsletter

Welcome to the seventh edition of the Derbyshire Disability Sport e-newsletter, which gives a round-up of what is currently happening within the county as well as sharing information and good practice and celebrating the successes within disability sport.

This edition is split into the following sections:

- District news
- County news
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The next edition is planned for October 2010, and future articles are welcomed.



District news

Amber Valley

Inclusive Games Day

Amber Valley Active held an Inclusive Games Day at Alfreton Leisure Centre.

Activities included Boccia, New Age Kurling, Floor Lacrosse, Polybat, Table Cricket, Table Hockey and T-ball.

The day started with a refresher to the games, with tips and techniques from the tutors, and participants then took part in a variety of team games.

The event was organised by Amber Valley Active and funded through a Community Investment Fund grant from Sport England to encourage more people to participate in physical activity.

Bolsover

Personal Challenge Day

Pupils from Stubbin Wood School, Shirebrook Community School and Heritage School, Clowne have taken part in a Personal Challenge Day at Shirebrook's Kissingate Sport Centre.

The aim of the day was to introduce the pupils to sport and physical challenges they may not have experienced before, to learn to work together and have fun. The pupils were supported during the day by year 11 Sport Leaders from Stubbin Wood School, Shane Turner from Bolsover Sport Development, Diane Sheppard from Stubbin Wood School and Nicky Dean from Shirebrook School.

The pupils played parachute games to warm up then took part in team challenges organised by Shane Turner. The pupils were then introduced to Poly Bat, New Age Kurling and Boccia before sharing a buffet lunch. After lunch it was more of the same followed by the Brain Drain Challenge and a cool down.

Bolsover's Jon Hall part of winning GB squad

Wheelchair basketball player Jon Hall, from Bolsover, was part of the Great Britain squad which won Gold at the Paralympic World Cup. The team faced Canada in the final, winning 53 – 42. Jon will also be part of the GB squad which will compete at the World Wheelchair Basketball Championships in Birmingham later this month.

Chesterfield and North East Derbyshire

Boccia group under media spotlight

The boccia group based at Brookfield Community School in Chesterfield recently came under the media spotlight, with interest from local news show BBC Look North and BBC Radio Sheffield.

The group is part of the 'Go Boccia!' project which has been granted the Inspire Mark – the badge of the London 2012 Inspire Programme – and news of this honour prompted interest in the Chesterfield group from local media.

Gill Hawketts from the Chesterfield School Sport Partnership was interviewed by BBC Radio Sheffield, and a camera crew from BBC Look North also visited the group and spoke to staff and students.

Active Ability

The Active Ability scheme, designed to give disabled people easier access to local leisure facilities, is continuing, with activities held across Chesterfield Borough and North East Derbyshire's leisure facilities. Activities include football, chair based exercise, badminton and boccia. A full timetable is below.

For more information contact Kelly Massey, Health and Wellbeing Development Officer at North East Derbyshire District Council, on 01246 217219 or Kelly.massey@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk

The project is funded and supported by NEDDC and Chesterfield Borough Council, Sport England, Derbyshire County PCT and Derbyshire Sport.

Success for Dronfield's Alex at National Championships

Alex Jewitt from Dronfield won the men's main draw singles at the 2010 National Wheelchair Tennis Championships in Gloucester.

Alex, who was part of the eight-strong GB wheelchair tennis team which competed at the Paralympics in 2008, dropped just the first game of both the first and second sets to win 6-1, 6-1 against Somerset's Shaun Regan.

Alex, who was playing just his second tournament after returning from eight months out with an injury, also won the men's main draw doubles final, partnered by Hampshire's Andrew McErlean.

Derby

Disability football team win East Midlands League

30 Derby College students with various disabilities have played throughout the season in the Ability Counts East Midlands league.

The students competed in four events and at each event several matches were played, all contributing to the league results. Derby College hosted three of the four events this year and its 'A' and 'B' teams both enjoyed success, with Derby B finishing at the top of the table and Derby A finishing in third place.

The commitment and enthusiasm of both students and staff has helped contribute to a successful year of disability football and the league has gone from strength to strength with ten teams competing this year from seven different colleges.

Derby Wheelblazers hosts event in memory of former team member

Derby Wheelblazers will be hosting an action-packed weekend of wheelchair basketball in memory of one of the members of its junior team, who died a couple of years ago.

The Josh Ginns Memorial Weekend charity fundraiser will be held at Moorways Sport centre in Derby, on Saturday, August 7 and Sunday, August 8.

Saturday will see teams from businesses and other disabled clubs across the county go head to head in a round robin tournament, while on the Sunday, 12 teams from the Great Britain Wheelchair Basketball League will compete in a round robin competition.

The event is organised in memory of Josh Ginns, one of the founding members of the Wheelblazers Youth Team, who was just ten years old when he died.

Schools festivals

A swimming festival was held on March 23 at Queens Leisure Centre in Derby, with 84 young disabled people from across schools in Derbyshire taking part.

More than 180 young disabled people also took part in an Athletics Festival at Moorways Sports Centre on June 24, with pupils aged 5 to 18 years taking part from 13 schools across Derby.

Derbyshire Dales

Sailability Fun Day

A Sailability Fun Day and BBQ is to be held at Carsington Sailing Club on Saturday, July 10. The event will include team racing and blind sailing. For

more details go to www.carsingtonsc.co.uk or e-mail lyn@carsingtonsc.co.uk

Erewash

Launch of disability football sessions

Riverside FC, in partnership with Derbyshire County FA, Derby County in the Community and Erewash Disability Sports Group, has launched disability football sessions for players aged 6+.

The first session was held on Thursday, June 24 and free sessions will now run for a trial period until September, meeting at Wilsthorpe School every Thursday from 6pm to 7pm.

The sessions are designed to cater for individual needs and will be adapted to ensure players are reaching their full football potential. All coaches are FA Qualified, have enhanced CRB checks and hold the relevant Emergency Aid and Child Protection qualifications.

For more information contact Sam Panzera, Riverside FC Disability Coach, on 07808 928999 or e-mail info@rjfc.com.

New boccia group

A new boccia group has been launched at West Park Leisure Centre.

Free sessions open to all are being held on Sunday afternoons, 1pm till 3pm. The next sessions will be held on July 11 and 18, and August 1, 8 and 22.

There will be a coach present at the sessions to help out anyone new to the game.

High Peak

Success for High Peak Sharks

Ten swimmers from High Peak Sharks disability swim team took part in the recent British Long Distance Swimming Association one-hour postal swim, with winning times from Alan Bamber, Rebecca Sheldon, Ellie Bamber, Emma Dawson, James Moss and Amy Fennell.

A total of 13 swimmers will compete at the North West regional DSE Championships in Liverpool on July 11 and five swimmers have already achieved the qualifying times for the Swim Wales competition in Llandudno on July 17.

The team has also turned its hand to boccia and has completed its first year in the National Pan Disability Boccia League.

South Derbyshire

Hilton Harriers FC's disability section

Hilton Harriers FC's disability section is going from strength to strength. Sessions for the summer term are being held at the Mease Pavilion in Hilton on Thursday evenings from 5.30pm to 6pm for children aged 6 to 16 years. In September sessions will move to Etwall Leisure Centre and be held on

Thursday nights from 6pm till 7pm. See www.hiltonharriers.org.uk

Guide to disability opportunities

A guide to disability opportunities in South Derbyshire is currently being put together in conjunction with the Swadlincote Parents Forum.

To submit details for inclusion email Vicky Smyth, Healthy Lifestyles Officer, at vicky.smyth@south-derbys.gov.uk It is hoped that the guide will be available in September.



County news

County and regional boccia festivals

The Derbyshire Boccia Festival will take place at Alfreton Leisure Centre on July 14.

The festival will consist of coaching and informal games. From the event, five young people with physical disabilities and five young people with sensory or learning disabilities will be selected to represent Derbyshire at the Regional Boccia Festival.

This year the Regional Boccia Festival will take place on October 24 at Lea Green Development and Conference Centre.

New Disability Sport Officer appointed

James Cook has been appointed as the new Disability Sport Officer for Derbyshire Sport.

James will start work on August 9, and will succeed Catherine Slater who left earlier this year.

Derby goalkeeper stars in celebrity football match at Paralympic World Cup

Derby goalkeeper Leon Taylor had the opportunity to mix with ex-footballers, soap stars and media when he took part in a celebrity football match during the Paralympic World Cup held at the Manchester Regional Arena. [Read more](#)

Derbyshire Disabled Cricket Club coach receives Unsung Sporting Hero Award

Derbyshire Disabled Cricket Club coach Paul Roe has received the Unsung Sporting Hero Award at this year's Community Champions Awards. [Read more](#)

Playground to Podium County Athlete Assessment Day

Young people from Derby City and Chesterfield School Sport Partnerships have taken part in a county athlete assessment day as part of the national Playground to Podium programme. [Read more](#)

New participation fact sheets available from EFDS

The English Federation of Disability Sport (EFDS) has created a series of fact sheets giving an in-depth look at the current activity of disabled people in sport.

They look at the participation of disabled people in sport for each County Sport

Partnership (CSP) in England and have been compiled using data from Sport England's Active People Surveys 1, 2 and 3. More information can be found on the [EFDS website](#).

Nominate your sporting hero for the Derbyshire Sports Awards

Entries for the 2010 Derbyshire Sports Awards are now being accepted. Categories include Disabled Sportsperson of the Year and Junior Disabled Sportsperson of the Year. [Read more](#)

Derbyshire Sport Club Directory

The Derbyshire Sport Club Directory is now live on the Derbyshire Sport website and provides a great way for clubs to promote themselves to potential new members and volunteers. [Read more](#)

Duke of Devonshire Trophy Regatta

The annual Duke of Devonshire Trophy Regatta has been held at Carsington Water.

Hosted by Carsington Sailability, 21 boats took part from all over the country including clubs and sailability groups such as Tideway from London, Rutland, The New Forest and Northampton.



Events

2010 British Learning Disability Swimming Championships

Ponds Forge, Sheffield. July 10, 2010.

www.efds.co.uk

UK Wheelchair Challenge

Tudor Grange Park, Birmingham. Sunday, September 19, 2010.

www.ukwheelchairchallenge.com

Disability Talent Identification Days for Adults

Corby East Midlands International Pool. July 25, 2010.

Hosted by British Swimming, suitable for disabled swimmers over the age 14, who have either a physical impairment, intellectual impairment, or visual impairment.

Josh Ginns Memorial Weekend charity fundraiser

Moorways Sport centre, Derby. Saturday, August 7 and Sunday, August 8.

www.derbywheelblazers.com/josh/

CP Sport National Athletics Championships

Harvey Hadden, Nottingham. September 18 and 19.

www.cpsport.org/athletics/nationals.shtml

FA Coaching Disabled Footballers Course

Saturday, July 17 at Lees Brook Sports College, Chaddesden, Derby. The only pre requisite of this seven-hour course is that you hold the FA Level 1 in Coaching Football qualification. The cost of the course is £40 and is a great introduction to working with players with disabilities in football. Email

Philippa.bass@derbyshirefa.com or call 01332 361422.



Funding opportunities

Comic Relief UK Grant Programme

Applications for funding can be made for projects which meet the criteria for one of the following programmes:

- Mental Health
- Domestic and Sexual Abuse
- Refugee and Asylum Seeking Women
- Sport for Change
- Local Communities
- Older People

www.comicrelief.com/apply_for_a_grant/uk

RBS Derbyshire Charitable Fund

The RBS Derbyshire Charitable Fund offers grants of between £50 and £1,000 to community and voluntary groups who are working hard to address the needs within their local area around the themes of health - including physical and mental health and sports, young people and community life. Groups in Derby City, South Derbyshire, Erewash and parts of Amber Valley and the Derbyshire Dales are eligible to apply. [Read more](#)

Loan scheme

The improved Loan Scheme is now up and running with over 110 disabled people in Derby using the equipment. The new equipment is provided from Aiming Higher Funding. It is available for individuals and groups. A full list is available. For more details contact Mark Dolman on 01332 641236 or mark.dolman@derby.gov.uk



Clubs

New Boccia Group for People with Disabilities

West Park Leisure Centre, Long Eaton

1pm - 3pm

Next session dates are July 11, 18 and August 1, 8, 22.

Riverside FC Disability Football Sessions

Wilsthorpe School (Outdoor AstroTurf Pitch)

6pm - 7pm

6 years of age upwards (male and female)

Free of charge until September

Contact Sam Panzera on 07808 928999 or info@rjfc.com

Active Ability

Activities include:

Football - Monday, 1.30pm-2.30pm, Sharley Park Leisure Centre

Chair Based Exercise - Monday, 2.30pm-3.30pm, Killamarsh Sports Centre

Badminton, Boccia, Tenpin Bowling - Tuesday, 10.30am-11.30am, Sharley Park Leisure Centre

Swimming and Chair Based Exercise - Tuesday, 12pm-2pm, Sharley Park Leisure Centre

Short Mat Bowls, Badminton, Basketball - Wednesday, 2pm-3pm, Dronfield Sports Centre

Table Tennis and Badminton - Thursday, 1pm-2pm, Queens Park Sports Centre

Gym/Fitness Session - Friday, 10am-11am, Eckington Swimming Pool

Swimming - Friday, 2pm-3pm, Healthy Living Centre, Staveley

Email: Kelly.massey@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk

Hilton Harriers

The Hilton Harriers disability section currently meets at the Mease Pavilion Hilton on Thursday evenings from 5.30pm to 6pm for children aged 6 to 16 years. Email Maxine@harlows.org.uk

Midway FC

A disability football session is held at Pingle School on Tuesday's 5.30pm-6.30pm. Email ian@midwayfc.co.uk

**Inclusive Fitness Initiative in Derbyshire**

Derbyshire's accredited IFI sites are:

Alfreton Leisure Centre (Provisional Level)
Tel: 01773 523325

Fitness Centre Derby College Prince Avenue
Tel: 01332 75757

Chesterfield College
Tel: 01246 500579

Buxton Community School
Tel: 01298 23122

William Gregg VC Leisure Centre (Provisional Level)
Tel: 01773 537940

Chesterfield Healthy Living Centre (Provisional Level)
Tel: 01246 345666

Etwall Leisure Centre (Provisional Level)
Tel: 01283 733348

Fitness First Chesterfield (Provisional Level)
Tel: 01246 276644

Queen's Leisure Centre (Provisional Level)
Tel: 01332 641444

Springwood Leisure Centre (Registered Level)
Tel: 01332 664433

Useful contacts

Derby City Council Sport and Physical Activity Equity Officer Mark Dolman - 01332 641236 or mark.dolman@derby.gov.uk

Disability Football Development Officer Pete Collins - 01332 667575 or peter.collins@dcfc.co.uk

If you have anything you would like to see featured in future editions of this e-newsletter please contact Derbyshire Sport Marketing and Communications Assistant Nikki Sargeson on nikki.sargeson@derbyshire.gov.uk

