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Workmates invited to join the Championing Derbyshire Corporate Team Challenge

Workmates who want to get fit and tackle a challenge as a team, whilst raising money for a Derbyshire charity at the same time, are being sought to take part in this year's Championing Derbyshire Corporate Team Challenge.

The event is part of the Derbyshire Building Society 10k run, and will see workplaces in the county battle it out over a 10k Derby city centre route on Sunday, April 19.

The event was officially launched at the Derbyshire Building Society's Pride Park branch on February 11, with the help of Nigel Clough, manager of Derby County Football Club.

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Derbyshire Talented Athlete Fund supports local sporting talent for second year

Some of Derbyshire's Olympic hopefuls have been given a boost in their quest for glory, with a bursary from the Derbyshire Talented Athlete Fund.

A total of 108 promising sports performers have received £300 to help them with training costs such as coaching fees, travel and equipment.

Now in its second year, the Derbyshire Talented Athlete Fund is supported by all the local authorities in Derbyshire as well as a number of local businesses and organisations, all of which are keen to back local sporting talent.

This month cheque presentations have also been held for athletes living in [Bolsover](#) and [Erewash](#).

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East Midlands Airport Derbyshire Schools Cross Country Championships

Derby triathlete Tom Bishop retained his Senior Boys title at the East Midlands Airport Derbyshire Schools' Cross Country Championships, during a busy afternoon of racing at Mount St Mary's College in Spinkhill, North Derbyshire.

Tom, representing Derby West, finished ahead of Rob Nicholl from High Peak and Chesterfield's Josh Moody, who were placed second and third respectively.

Meanwhile in the girls' senior race, Tamara Armoush from Amber Valley took first place, with Abbie Vernon from Chesterfield in second and Joanne Reets from Erewash third.

The event saw around 500 Derbyshire school pupils competing for glory, racing over various distances over fields at Mount St Mary's College on Tuesday, February 24.

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Active Derbyshire Plan 2009-2012

We are in the process of updating the Physical Activity Plan for Derbyshire 2006-2009. The updated plan will be called the Active Derbyshire Plan 2009-2012.

Active Derbyshire is a new campaign to encourage Derbyshire residents to become more active by promoting the benefits of more physical activity and making it easier to identify opportunities of interest to them.

We are keen to receive feedback on the draft plan, and the consultation period will run until Friday 1 May 2009.

The government has just issued 'Be active, be healthy: A plan for getting the nation moving'.

The plan, focusing primarily on adults, provides a [new framework](#) for the delivery of physical activity aligned with sport for the period leading up to the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games and beyond.

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Jog Derbyshire is up and jogging!

After several months of planning, Jog Derbyshire is up and jogging!

All eight districts around Derbyshire have now established or are planning to launch Jog Derbyshire groups from their leisure centres and other local meeting points

The first group was launched at Belper Leisure Centre on February 9, with 27 people signing up to the ten-week programme.

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Winners crowned at Derby Sportshall Athletics Championships

Teams from Chellaston School and Woodlands School came out on top at the year seven Derby City Sportshall Athletics Championships.

Teams of budding athletes from across the City took part in a range of indoor track and field events.

The event is one of a series of Sportshall Athletics competitions held across Derbyshire which are sponsored by East Midlands Airport.

It also followed a Derby City Sportshall Athletics Championships for year five and six pupils, which was won by teams from Springfield Primary School and Gayton Primary School.

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Game on for Chesterfields new 3G football pitch

A new 3G football pitch at Queen's Park Sports Centre in Chesterfield has been officially opened by Chesterfield Borough Council.

The new facility replaces the outdoor multi-use games area that closed in 2007.

The facility includes a 3G artificial grass surface, filled with rubber crumb, which cushions joints and is the closest surface to actually playing on grass, new fencing, spectator area, upgraded floodlighting and new goal posts.

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Victory for Brookfield team in Futsal first

A team from Chesterfield's Brookfield Community School have won the first county futsal competition for girls.

The team took first place on penalties after a tough match against Erewash's Kirk Hallam School.

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Active Ability breaks down barriers to sport

Disabled people in North East Derbyshire and Chesterfield are being encouraged to get involved in sport as part of a new leisure scheme.

Sports coaches are leading a new programme of activities – including table tennis, badminton, swimming and chair-based exercises – at leisure centres across the area as part of the newly-launched Active Ability project.

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Top award for Derbyshire hockey player Alice

Derbyshire hockey player Alice Sharp has been chosen as the winner of the Higgins Group UK Youth Award for 2008 by the Hockey Writers' Club.

The award is for the outstanding Under 18 player in Youth Hockey in Great Britain, and Alice was selected as the most deserving of the award from a number of high profile candidates.

16-year-old Alice is a midfielder with Belper Hockey Club, and started her hockey career in 1999.

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New look for Derbyshire Sport website

The Derbyshire Sport website has recently been given a new look.

We hope you agree that the website is now fresher, brighter and easier to use. If you have already seen it, why not take a look now www.derbyshiresport.co.uk

Useful information for coaches

Please note that there have been changes to the web links to the following:

Derbyshire Sport Coach Bursary

http://www.derbyshiresport.co.uk/workforce_development/coaching/bursary/default.asp

Derbyshire Course Search

<http://www.derbyshiresportcoursesearch.co.uk>

Derbyshire Coach Mark

http://www.derbyshiresport.co.uk/workforce_development/coaching/coach_mark/default.asp

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Focus on Funding

Derbyshire Community Foundation grant programmes

Derbyshire Community Foundation, based in Ripley, is an independent local charity which makes grants to voluntary and community groups, to tackle disadvantage and improve the quality of life for people throughout the County.

The Foundation provides grant funding of between £100 and £5,000, to voluntary not for profit groups, and in some cases to individuals across Derbyshire. There are several different funds, each offering funding for a maximum of 12 months and each with a specific focus or set of criteria. Funding could support equipment, running costs, one off events and projects, and projects could include volunteering, training, networking and partnership working, cultural activities, tourism, leisure activities, health, young people, community life and sports.

Applicants should have a governing document and bank account set up as a minimum requirement. For more information telephone 01773 514850 or visit the website at www.derbyshirecommunityfoundation.co.uk

New bocchia club in Amber Valley

A new bocchia club has been set up in Amber Valley.

Sessions will be held every Monday from 6pm to 7pm at Swanwick School and Sports College, and cost £1.

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Also on the Derbyshire Sport website

We currently have a number of job vacancies advertised on our website, including Competition Manager, Volunteer Activator and Assistant Communications Officer. For more details go to

http://www.derbyshiresport.co.uk/job_vacancies/default.asp

Our events section has also been updated, with news of a cycling event coming to the East Midlands, Basketball's Men's National Trophy and Patron's Cup Final, and a series of IFI seminars. To find out more go to http://www.derbyshiresport.co.uk/news_events/events/default.asp

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