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## Derbyshire Sport E-newsletter September 2009



### Derbyshire School Sports Awards celebrate pupils achievements

The sporting accomplishments of school pupils from across Derbyshire have been celebrated at the annual Derbyshire School Sports Awards.

The event is organised by the Derbyshire Schools' Sports Association (DSSA), and was hosted by the University of Derby at The Dome in Buxton.

More than 150 guests, including teachers, pupils and their families, gathered to see awards presented for individual and team achievements in a wide variety of sports, including athletics, hockey, badminton, football, snooker and ice skating.

The valuable contribution made by student and adult volunteers was also recognised, and several young promising stars received John Bainbridge Award Grants of £50 each.

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### Derbyshire Talented Athlete Fund open for nominations

Talented sports performers who live in or compete for Derbyshire can now apply for a cash bursary from the Derbyshire Talented Athlete Fund.

The Fund offers financial help to Derbyshire athletes who have competed for England or Great Britain or have the potential to do so within 18 months, and successful applicants will receive a bursary to help meet training costs.

Applications must be received by October 31, 2009.

A new report has also been produced which highlights the sporting achievements of this year's Derbyshire Talented Athlete Fund bursary recipients. [Read the report here.](#)

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### New club launched in drive to get more people playing badminton

South Derbyshire could soon be home to the badminton stars of the future, with the launch of a new club at Etwall Leisure Centre.

The leisure centre, recently officially opened by world-class badminton player Donna Kellogg, will be home to the South Derbyshire Badminton Club – which will provide sporting opportunities for a variety of ages and abilities all under one roof.

The launch of the club is part of the work to drive forward the badminton opportunities in the district, and a variety of sessions will be held for those aged from seven upwards, all on the same night.

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### Cricket volunteers recognised at Derbyshire OSCAs

Some of Derbyshire's most dedicated volunteers have been recognised for their contribution to cricket.

Derbyshire Cricket Board held its annual OSCAs (Outstanding Service to Cricket Awards) on Friday 11 September, with volunteers rewarded in seven categories.

The winners were invited to watch a NatWest Pro40 floodlit game against Leicestershire at the County Ground, with the OSCAs presented during the interval between innings by Derbyshire Cricket Board Chairman Jon Salisbury.

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### Nominate a BBC Sports Unsung Hero for the East Midlands

Nominations are being sought for the BBC Sports Unsung Hero Award 2009, which will honour individuals from grassroots sport.

Last year's East Midlands winner was Bill Halstead from Wirksworth, who was recognised for his dedication to coaching junior rugby for more than the 30 years, and the BBC is once again inviting nominations for people who have made a difference to their community through sport.

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### Staff changes at Derbyshire Sport

Derbyshire Sport has undergone a small staffing restructure to ensure it is well placed to address the different challenges of the next four years.

As part of the restructure Margaret Blount has been appointed to the newly-created role of Deputy Director and Andrea Stone has been appointed to the newly-created post of Sports Development Manager.

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### Sports Volunteer Award on offer for young people with an interest in sports coaching

Young people with an interest in sports coaching are being invited to apply for a Sports Volunteer Award to help them gain qualifications to enable them to work towards being a sports coach.

The Sports Volunteer Award is funded through Derbyshire Youth Service and managed by Derbyshire Sport, and is aimed at young people aged 16 – 19 (25 if they have a learning or physical disability) who are currently involved in participating in youth provision.

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### Derbyshire 2012 co-ordinator appointed

Rory Slater has been appointed as a part-time 2012 co-ordinator in the county, for 40 days prior to the end of March 2010.

This consultancy contract has been offered through Derbyshire Sport, but funded by EMDA and partners involved in the Derbyshire Management Group for the 2012 Games.

In his new role Rory will provide co-ordination with EMDA and stimulate activity in each of the key theme areas – sport, volunteering, business, tourism and culture.



## Jog Derbyshire online shop goes live

Jog Derbyshire has been working with Prodirectrunning.com to create a range of performance and leisure clothing for Jog Derbyshire members. The online store is now live, with a range of Jog Derbyshire branded jackets, hoodies, t-shirts and running accessories available.

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## Nominations invited for Derbyshire Young Achiever Awards

Nominations are being invited for the Derbyshire Young Achiever Awards 2009.

The awards recognise young people who have shown bravery or kindness, sporting, musical, artistic or academic success or a commitment to improving their school, community or local environment.

Last year several young people were rewarded at the event for their sporting successes, including table tennis player Liam Pitchford, hockey player Alice Sharp and wheelchair basketball player Madeliene Thompson (pictured).

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## Player of the Season accolades for Belper's Louisa and Nick

Two players from Belper Hockey Club, Nick Morris and Louisa Boddy, have been voted player of the season in their respective divisions.

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## Active People factsheets now available

Local Authority, County Council, CSP region and East Midlands factsheets regarding Active People 1, 2, 3x30 Sport, NI8 and individual sport participation are now available to view on the Derbyshire Sport website.

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## Focus on Funding

Sportsmatch

Sportsmatch is an ongoing fund to help sports clubs attract external sponsorship and double any investments made. Sportsmatch can match between £1,000 and £100,000 that a club can generate from a single external source or donations from up to five individuals on a pound for pound basis.

The funding available is primarily for revenue costs (maximum grant £100,000) although capital awards of up to £25,000 can be made through the scheme. This can include non personal sports equipment such as outdoor basketball nets; kwik cricket surfaces; boats; sports; wheelchairs, etc. The scheme is open to community based sports projects, in particular those that benefit young people, disability groups, black and minority ethnic groups and/or women and girls.

For more information see <http://funding.sportengland.org>

## Get Moving Week

Get involved with Time to Change's Get Moving Week 2009, from 3 to 11 October 2009, and get active to fight the discrimination around mental health problems.

For more details and information on more upcoming events, including a free workplace health exhibition for Derbyshire businesses, visit our events page.

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## Register your activities on the Active Derbyshire website

Clubs and organisations are being encouraged to register their activities or club details on the Active Derbyshire website as part of the county-wide campaign to

get people more active.

The Active Derbyshire website, [www.activederbyshire.co.uk](http://www.activederbyshire.co.uk), includes a searchable database of local activities covering a wide range of sports and physical activity, and registering a club is free.

If your club or organisation would like help in promoting an activity or session by appearing on the website visit <http://www.activederbyshire.co.uk/club-entry> or call 01773 571 225.

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