

# SPORTSROUND

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## Round-Up of Sports News & Information for Yorkshire Region

### REGIONAL ROUND

#### Yorkshire Coaching Bursary scheme

The National Skills Academy for Sport and Active Leisure has launched a Coach Bursary Scheme for active coaches AND potential coaches and are offering the opportunity to part fund a coaching qualification. The Coaching Bursary is providing funding for Level 1, 2 and 3 courses. With 60% reimbursement of the course cost available to individuals, there has never been a better time to undertake your qualification! The new bursary gives you the chance to improve your skills, gain valuable experience and increase your employment opportunities. In Partnership with SkillsActive and funded by Sport England Yorkshire and the regions Learning and Skills Council, the new Coaching Bursary from the National Skills Academy provides financial support and guidance for all Yorkshire & Humber-based coaches wanting to improve their skills, experience and qualifications. With funding available for training on nationally recognised courses for respected qualifications, this will suit both paid and volunteer coaches at levels 1-3.

You can get:

- Financial support in gaining recognised coaching qualifications (60% of fees reimbursed).
- Access to a structured suite of national governing body coaching qualifications endorsed by UKCC (the new UK Coaching Certificate), helping you to progress from level 1 to level 3.
- Formal recognition of your knowledge and experience, even in the voluntary sector.
- Access to new skills training, the latest techniques and best practice.
- Financial help in converting your experience into recognised qualifications
- The opportunity to become a recognised professional within the coaching industry.
- A chance to step up to greater challenges and more responsibility, whether voluntary, part or full-time. With recognised qualifications, you will appeal to a much wider range of potential employers, opening up exciting new career possibilities.

To qualify for the bursary, you must:

- Be an active coach or plan to be active in the Yorkshire & Humber region
- Be linked to a sports club or organisation
- Provide a valid reference and CRB check with your application
- Pay up front
- Complete the required number of hours for the level of course taken (reimbursed 60% of course costs on completion of hours).

You could receive the following bursary for a UKCC qualification

- UKCC Level 1 - £102 off the £170 course cost
- UKCC Level 2 - £216 off the £360 course cost
- UKCC Level 3 - £720 off the £1200 course cost

You will find further details and an application form at [www.yandh-coachingbursary.co.uk](http://www.yandh-coachingbursary.co.uk) or call: 0114 292 2368

#### 2009 BASES Annual Conference

Working Together to Achieve Excellence: Sport Performance, Physical Activity & Coaching at Leeds Metropolitan University on 1-3 September 2009 (and on 4 September 2009: Post-conference study day – Cardiac Screening in Athletes). Full details at [www.bases.org.uk/annualconf.asp](http://www.bases.org.uk/annualconf.asp) [www.bases.org.uk/annualconf.asp](http://www.bases.org.uk/annualconf.asp)

#### 2009 Harrogate Sports Awards.

The Harrogate sports awards are a fantastic opportunity to recognise and reward the Sports Teams and people in Harrogate District. There are various categories of awards as follows:

Senior Achiever; Special Achievement Award; Junior Achiever; Service to Sport Award; Senior Team of the Year; Volunteer Award; Junior Team of the Year; Community Service to Sport Award; Primary School Award

The deadline for nominations is 31 July 2009. Further information from [glynrobins@aol.com](mailto:glynrobins@aol.com)

#### MA Sport Business

Thinking of developing your career in the world of sport? Thinking you need to upgrade your existing qualifications and skills? Thinking you want to help develop and influence one of the most exciting sectors of business? Then choose the MA Sport Business at Leeds Met. Leeds Met is one of the leading sports universities in the UK and the home of world-class facilities and highly skilled and knowledgeable staff. For further information about the course, please contact the course administrative team. E-mail: [carnegiePROFadmin@leedsmet.ac.uk](mailto:carnegiePROFadmin@leedsmet.ac.uk)

#### First Aid Course

'Emergency Aid Course' on 30 September 2009 at Harrogate High School from 6.30-9.30pm. The Cost per delegate is £20.00 (Minimum age 16). Please ring Chris Rogers on 01423 556734 to book a place

#### Promote your club for FREE this summer!

This summer Harrogate District Council are inviting all sports and activity clubs, in the Harrogate District to have the opportunity to market their club to prospective new members by offering a trial session or series of sessions during a promotional period of time, likely to be either a specific week or month around September /

October 2009. The idea behind this is for clubs to offer at least one trial session for adults, juniors, or both, which we will advertise for you in a promotional leaflet, to be distributed to households, schools and individuals across the district to come and have a go at a new activity to see if they like it before they commit to joining. The session does not have to be anything new, it can be an existing session that you simply open up as a trial session for one week. Your club will also control the numbers so you can take as many people as you want to, or have the capacity to. The benefit for clubs is that when prospective members come for a trial there will be committee members and/or coaches available to speak to about how to get involved in the club. This is your opportunity to sell the club and hopefully gain some new interest! There are still some places left for clubs to offer a session. Please contact Lindsay Spicer for further details on [Lindsay.spicer@harrogate.gov.uk](mailto:Lindsay.spicer@harrogate.gov.uk) or 01423 556725 or visit [www.harrogate.gov.uk/sportsdevelopment](http://www.harrogate.gov.uk/sportsdevelopment)

## NATIONAL ROUND

### Secretary of State for Culture, Media & Sport

The recent reshuffle has seen Ben Bradshaw appointed as Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport. Having previously held junior ministerial posts in both the Department of Health, and the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Mr Bradshaw should have some understanding of the broader aspects of sport and physical recreation. The reshuffle also saw Andy Burnham MP move from DCMS to head up the Department of Health. In his new role Mr Burnham has already made clear his conviction that increasing levels of physical activity is key to improving the nation's health.

### Draft legislative programme

Prime Minister Gordon Brown has again set out a draft legislative programme well in advance of the Queen's speech. The document is strongly weighted to dealing with the recession and the recent political crisis. Nonetheless there are some points of note include:

- Continued devolution of decision making to the local level – meaning that many funding streams, projects and programmes will be focused at local rather than national level
- The need to address climate change and increase levels of physical activity will see continued emphasis on active travel, including a National Cycle Plan
- An aspiration that all teenagers should undertake at least 50 hours service – potentially a volunteer cohort for sports clubs

### National Skills Academy Teams up with IFI

The National Skills Academy has demonstrated their commitment to inclusion by teaming up with the IFI and introducing a standard requirement amongst all health and fitness organisations associated to the network. All new and existing Centres of Excellence and Academy Providers that have fitness suites which are utilised to accredit health and fitness training courses must have either already achieved the IFI Mark or be able to demonstrate that they are working with the IFI to gain this accreditation.

### Combat excessive regulation in sport

Sports clubs and other voluntary organisations are literally watching their money go down the drain as water companies start to bring through surface area-based charging. The Water Industry Act 1991 classes only two categories of customer – domestic and non-domestic. From 2010, all non-domestic customers will be charged according to the surface area of the site rather than through the rateable value of the property; this means that many sports clubs and other voluntary organisations such as religious buildings and village halls will end up paying more than ten times their original rate. In addition to drainage charges, clubs are also facing significant increases in installation and supply fees for water, gas and electricity. CCPR has launched a petition to urge the Prime Minister to instruct utilities companies to charge community sports clubs affordable rates for services. Please support this by signing up here:

<http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/saveourclubs>

### Free guide on working to generate income

The economic climate has brought a new urgency to the debate about collaborative working, as the need to achieve more with fewer resources becomes increasingly important. Collaborating can open up routes to new income sources. This guide covers fundraising events, joint trading, payroll giving, legacy giving and appeals. To get your free guide visit <http://www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/cw>

### Securing a better deal for sport

The role of Sport England in protecting playing fields has been expanded, as new figures demonstrate our success in safeguarding sports provision in local communities. The change means that landowners - including councils - will be required to consult Sport England on any proposed development that would affect, or lead to the loss of, a playing field of 0.2 hectares or larger. The lower limit had previously been 0.4 hectares.

### Putting a face to trusteeship

NCVO is developing profiles of board members from across the Third Sector and from a variety of backgrounds to talk about the role, their experience on the board and to offer advice to others interested in a similar position. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please email

[Governanceandleadership@ncvo-vol.org.uk](mailto:Governanceandleadership@ncvo-vol.org.uk) with 'face of trusteeship' as the title. Anyone who provides NCVO with a profile will receive a £25 NCVO voucher to spend on publications/events.

### Support to protect sport's integrity

During a debate on the regulation of on-line betting MPs stated their support for the central role of national governing bodies in protecting the integrity of their sports from potential corrupt betting practice. The minister's response included an assurance that he would explore further with the Gambling Commission what support could be given to governing bodies with regard to this. You can read the full debate here

### Survive and Thrive

Reduce the risk of having your own economic crisis by putting some work in the key areas of your organisation. NCVO's Sustainable Funding Team have five top tips to help you weather these hard economic times. See <http://www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/sfp/?id=12100>

### Launch dates of vetting and barring scheme

Home Office minister Meg Hillier has signalled a phased implementation of the vetting and barring scheme for those working with children and vulnerable adults. As of 12 October 2009 employers will be required to refer relevant cases to the Independent Safeguarding Authority in instances of harm to children and vulnerable adults. The ISA will then decide whether to bar these individuals. However, the ISA will only begin taking registrations from individuals wishing to work with children and young people in summer 2010, and registration will become compulsory in November 2010. As of 12 October 2009, sports organisations will be required to notify the ISA of any individuals working with children and vulnerable adults that are known to have caused 'harm' as defined by the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006. At present sports organisations can refer to ISA but in October this becomes a requirement. The current CRB process undertaken by many national governing bodies will remain unchanged until July 2010 when more posts will become 'eligible' for a CRB. In particular, there will be more access to CRBs for those working with vulnerable adults. Standard disclosures for those in sport will almost always be replaced by enhanced disclosures. Unfortunately there is no improvement in 'portability' of disclosures. From November 2010 it will be a legal requirement for people in sport working with children to register with the scheme and this will be phased in over a five-year period.

### New costs and regulations for sports visitor visas

The cost of a sports visitor visa has risen from £65 to £67, with an extended multiple entry two-year visitor's visa rising from £205 to £215. Changes in those nationals needing a visa should also be noted, especially by organisations hosting international events. The need for nationals of South Africa, Venezuela, Bolivia, Swaziland and Lesotho to have visas is being phased in during 2009. Further details can be found on the [UK Visas website](#). New guidance for sports visas can be found on the [CCPR website](#).

### Guide to Planning Applications

Sport England, in partnership with the Department of Communities and Local Government, has published a new guide to planning applications aimed at sports clubs who want to improve their facilities. *'Making a planning application'* provides practical advice that will help clubs across the country prepare their case and application in order to maximise their chances of success. Step-by-step guidance is provided on the five stages of applying for, and securing, planning permission:

- Reviewing the options
- Preparing the application
- Submitting the application
- The decision
- Implementing the decision.

The handbook has been drawn up with help from the Planning Officers Society and a working group that included The FA, the RFU, the ECB and British Tennis. You can find [Making a planning application](#), on the Sport England website. Hard copies are available on request; please send an email to [planningforsport@sportengland.org](mailto:planningforsport@sportengland.org) including the postal address to which you would like the guide sent.

### CCPR conference presentations now online

Following the success of CCPR's 37th Annual Conference, *Running on Empty: Sport in a Recession*, you can now listen to the presentations and exclusive interviews with presenters available [here](#).

### Health and Wellbeing in Education

*10-11 November, Birmingham.* This Conference brings together both healthcare and education professionals, encompassing early years right through to higher education. Delegates will include sports leaders, occupational therapists, healthy school coordinators and pastoral leads. Its focus is to provide the tools and ideas to enable children, young people and their families to prevent ill health and maintain healthy lifestyles.

For more information, please visit the [website](#).

### Supporting Youth Ability and Talent

*Wednesday 16th September 2009, Brunel University.* This year's event is a collaboration between Brunel University's Centre for Youth Sport and Athlete Welfare, Loughborough University's Institute for Youth Sport, the BASES Paediatric Exercise Special Interest Group and the NSPCC/Sport England Child Protection in Sport Unit. The event will offer keynote speeches by doctors Tess Kay (on the family) and Hamish Telfer (on coaching), as well as the first public presentation of data from an NSPCC national prevalence study on young people's experiences in sport. Full details of the venue, programme, registration and accommodation options are available [here](#).

### International Sports Science and Sports Medicine Conference

*20-22 August 2009, University of Northumbria, City Campus East.* This conference will bring together national and international experts, alongside those who work in the world of elite sport to look at a range of issues in the build-up to the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and beyond. Keynote speakers include Dame Tanni Grey-Thompson, Professor Jiri Dvorak, FIFA Chief Medical Officer and Nick Broad, head of science at Chelsea FC.

### Data Protection and Communications

*Thursday 24 September 2009, London.* NCVO is holding a data protection seminar to find out how to apply best practice in all marketing and communication channels and so ensuring that your organisation does not fall foul of the law. To find out more or to book visit the [NCVO website](#) or call Matt on 020 7520 3160.

### Big Lottery Fund

BIG's Awards for All programme is the Fund's biggest-ever commitment to a small grant scheme supporting community projects, offering a more easily accessible programme and quicker decision times. A total of £45 million is available in England, offering Big Lottery Fund grants of between £300 to £10,000 to grassroots groups in the community and voluntary sector, health bodies, schools and parish or town councils. In Wales, grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available with a total of £2.4 million available. Application forms are available from [Awards for All](#) or by phoning 0845 410 2030.

## Sports Clubs Survey

The Sport Industry Research Centre is currently conducting an online survey of sports clubs on behalf of CCPR, which aims to reach as many clubs, across as many different sports as possible. As a 'thank-you' for filling the survey your club will be entered into a prize draw for £200 of Decathlon vouchers for your club or a weekend in a top class London hotel. The survey will remain open until the end of July. To begin the survey, please click on the following link: [CCPR Survey of Sports Clubs](#) . If you have any queries regarding the survey, or would like to discuss it further, please either contact [D.Barrett@shu.ac.uk](mailto:D.Barrett@shu.ac.uk) .

## INTERNATIONAL ROUND

### New EU funding streams for sport launched

The European Commission has launched new European funding streams for sport. As the European Commission has no competence in sport until ratification, all of the projects must be in areas that the Commission is allowed to act. The projects will have a maximum of 80% EU funding, requiring 20% of co-financing. The projects will focus on health, education, disability sports and gender equality, as follows:

- **Health-enhancing physical activity:** Projects will aim to promote physical health through sport. The fund will support European networks and exchange best practice to allow people to be more active in their daily lives. The stream will fund five projects for a total of €1.4m. Projects must have at least four member state partners.
- **Promoting education and training in sport:** Projects will support activities aimed at promoting sport and physical activity in a school environment and at encouraging sport organisations and sport clubs involved in the training of young athletes to share knowledge in this area. It will particularly focus on combining sports training with education for young people. The stream will fund five projects for a total of €1m. Projects must have at least nine member state partners.
- **Promoting European values by encouraging sport for people with disabilities:** Projects will support the integration of disability sport components into mainstream sport events in order to improve the sustainability of sport competitions for people with disabilities. This includes the provision of appropriate instruction, training and resources as well as the organisation of competitions combining the participation of athletes with and without disabilities. The stream will fund three projects for a total of €1m. Projects must have at least nine member state partners.
- **Promoting gender equality in sport:** Projects will support networking and exchange of best practices in view of strengthening women's access to decision-making positions in sport. The stream will fund three projects for a total of €0.6m. Projects must have at least four member state partners.

For more information, please visit the [European Commission website](#)

### Should non-nationals in competition be treated equally?

The European Commission has launched its tender for a study to analyse the legality of excluding non-nationals from individual championships. The

Commission last year - in answering a European Parliament question on the legality of non-nationals taking part in the Belgian swimming championships - commented that excluding non-nationals in national championships could be justified on sporting grounds. However new research may see a new approach. For details of the study, please click [here](#).

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