

# SPORTSROUND

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

### Celebrate Leeds 2007 Grants

Leeds City Council are pleased to be able to offer up to 25 grants of £400 to community-based organisations for projects and events that you want to hold to help Celebrate Leeds 2007. The scheme is open to all not-for-profit organisations – youth groups, community-based organisations, projects working with elderly people etc. Applications will be accepted from after-school clubs and other school-based projects, but not for direct, curriculum-linked activities. Applications must be made by a group or organisation – grants cannot be paid to individuals. Funds are not available for purchase of capital items, alcohol or for party political purposes. Leeds is looking to fund a wide range of one-day events or longer-term activities as long as they are in keeping with the ethos of Celebrate Leeds 2007 and can take place between June and September 2007. All grant recipients should be willing for their activities to be featured in the press and on the Celebrate Leeds website. This may mean that photographers and /or reporters are present at the event. You might want to gather further information and ideas from the Celebrate Leeds 2007 website at [www.celebrateleeds07.com](http://www.celebrateleeds07.com). Eight strands have been identified and you might want to link your application to one or more of these. They include: Arts/Culture, Business and Commerce, Communications, Environment, Future, History, People, Sport/Leisure. The deadline for applications is 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2007. All applicants will be notified, by the week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> April 2007, whether or not they have been successful. The Leeds Community Foundation is managing the grants programme on behalf of the Celebrate Leeds 2007 team at Leeds City Council. For further information please contact: Amanda Wingfield, Leeds Community Foundation, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 6 Lisbon Square, Leeds LS1 4LY. Tel: (0113) 2422426 Fax (0113) 2422432 or email [amanda@leedscommunityfoundation.org.uk](mailto:amanda@leedscommunityfoundation.org.uk). An application form can be downloaded from the website at [www.leedscommunityfoundation.org.uk](http://www.leedscommunityfoundation.org.uk)

### Access to Employment

The Commissioning process for the 1st round of activity through the Leeds Access to Employment Programme (A2E) is now open for applications. Applications are sought from all sectors to deliver eligible A2E activity which will help to improve employment rates within the Objective 2 Priority 3 target areas of: South Leeds, Gipton, Harehills and Hyde Park & Chapeltown. Funding is available until 31st March 2008 (*The closing date for all applications is 5pm on Friday 16th March 2007*). The primary aim of the programme is to provide a range of interventions that help disadvantaged groups in targeted areas of the City to enter employment and improve their quality of life. The interventions will complement and form part of a range of initiatives currently being developed to tackle

worklessness through the Leeds Local Area Agreement (LLAA) framework and Yorkshire Forward's Sub-Regional Investment Plan (SRIP). Funding to support the 1st round of commissioning has been identified through the European Union's Regional Development Fund (ERDF) Objective 2 Priority 3 Programme, Yorkshire Forward's Single Pot Investment programme and Leeds City Council. The commissioning pack provides potential applicants with full details of the process and criteria for accessing A2E funding and is available to download from the Leeds Initiative website 0113 2478989 [www.leedsinitiative.org](http://www.leedsinitiative.org).

### Leeds Sports Federation Seminar & A G M

A Special Seminar and the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Leeds Sports Federation will be held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2007 from 6.30 pm in Room 105, The Carnegie Stand, Headingley Carnegie Stadium, St. Michael's Lane, Leeds. Light refreshments will be provided from 6.00pm. **Programme of Events:** **Leeds Sport Trust** – Leeds City Council is planning to establish a Sport Trust to take over the running of much of Leeds' sports and recreation programmes and facilities. This could have a major impact on the way in which sport clubs relate to the City Council in the future. This will be your chance to hear how this work and how it will affect you, your members and your sport.

**Taking the Lead : the strategy for sport and active recreation for Leeds 2007-2012** - Your chance to see how the new strategy will affect sport in the City  
**Leeds 700<sup>th</sup> Birthday** – how to associate your events with the official birthday celebrations for the City  
**Annual General Meeting of Leeds Sports Federation Tour of the new Carnegie Stand**

All sports clubs, leagues and associations in Leeds are invited to attend this event. There is no charge for attendance.

### Sports Club of the Year Awards 2007

In association with The Foundation for Sport and the Arts, CCPR is pleased to announce its search for the 14th Sports Club of the Year Award (SCOTY), 2007. CCPR is encouraging national governing bodies and representative bodies of sport and recreation, to endorse up to 3 clubs to be considered as Sports Club of the Year 2007. All Applications need to be endorsed by the Governing Body before being forwarded to CCPR by their deadline of 5pm on 28th February.

### Sportsmatch

DCMS, Sport England and the Institute of Sports Sponsorship are announcing a number of changes to the overall management of Sportsmatch in England. The management function will be taken over shortly by Sport England as part of a wider review of its activities. There will be a greater input from the regions,

particularly on the awards adjudication process. These changes will start to come into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007. The applications process continues and the panel meeting scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> March 2007 will be very much "business as usual". In due course, Sport England will review the operations of Sportsmatch but the intention is not only to continue the scheme but to build on its past success.

### **Certificate for Event Stewards**

It is increasingly important that clubs and associations provide a safe and controlled environment for their patrons in any given situation. Joseph Priestley College has received funding to launch the new NCFE Level 2 "Certificate for Event Stewards". The programme is provided via distance learning and is targeted at Community Sports Clubs who organise tournaments, fundraising events, open days or, indeed, attract spectators. This programme provides the underpinning knowledge and a recognised qualification that will highlight commitment to best practice and overall professional development. In turn this can lead to greater standing in the community, increased membership and supportive evidence for future funding bids. Full details are provided at:

[www.oucourseuk.com/events/leedsvoice.htm](http://www.oucourseuk.com/events/leedsvoice.htm) . Please note that just 100 places are available. If you would like to obtain further information please act quickly. All enquiries and requests for further information should be made to: Des O'Neill, On Course UK on 01423 534 670, or by email on [des.oneill@oucourseuk.com](mailto:des.oneill@oucourseuk.com)

### **Etap hotel**

Leeds Etap Hotel (2, Gateway North, Crown Point Road, Leeds LS9 8BZ Tel: +44 (0) 798 399 07 34 [www.etaphotel.com](http://www.etaphotel.com) ) is opening on 5th March 2007. An information sheet about the hotel is attached. They provide excellent value for money. If clubs or associations are interested, please call the General Manager Astrid Yeremian on 0798 3990734 or e mail [h6002-gm@accor.com](mailto:h6002-gm@accor.com)



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### **Adventure Activities accreditation schemes**

The Adventure Activities Industry Advisory Committee has recently published research into the extent and nature of voluntary accreditation schemes in the adventure activities sector. No less than 23 schemes were investigated and the report identifies the key similarities and differences between these, and concludes that it could be possible to establish an overarching brand, which would assure customers of the robustness of the various voluntary schemes. This scheme would not seek to replace statutory licensing, but to provide voluntary accreditation for non-licensable activities.

### **Community amateur sports clubs**

[www.cascinfo.co.uk](http://www.cascinfo.co.uk), a website dedicated to the promotion of the CASC scheme, has received over 7,500 unique visits since its launch on 16 October 2006. The website provides NGBs and clubs with up-to-date, accessible information about the scheme to help more clubs register as CASCs and reap the significant financial benefits. CCPR continue to operate a helpline for clubs and work with DCMS, HMRC, Deloitte, runningsports, Sport England and Bates, Wells and Braithwaite to administer the CASC scheme.

Figures provided by Deloitte show there are now 4,141 clubs registered as CASCs with an estimated total cash benefit of at least £16.8 million in rate relief, corporation tax savings and Gift Aid repayments. The sports of cricket, bowls, lawn tennis, rugby union and football continue to grow and make up 61% of the total registrations. Help promote the site and the CASC scheme by linking to [www.cascinfo.co.uk](http://www.cascinfo.co.uk) from your own website and by passing this information on to other organisations which could benefit from registration. Please also publicise the success and benefits of the scheme within your organisation and to clubs.

### **Sports stadia, marquees & tents – Smokefree?**

As of July 2007 smoking will be banned at all 'fully or substantially enclosed' venues. According to the regulations, premises are substantially enclosed if 'they have a ceiling or a roof but there are permanent openings in the walls which are less than half of the total area of walls including other structures which serve the purpose of walls and constitute the perimeter of premises. When determining the area of an opening, no account can be taken of openings in which doors, windows or other fittings can be open or shut. This is known as the 50% rule. A roof includes any fixed or movable structures, such as canvas awnings. Tents, marquees or similar will also be classified as enclosed premises if they fall within the definition.' All club-houses will be deemed fully enclosed and most sports stadia substantially enclosed. However some smaller open-ended and temporary structures may not. Member organisations will need to consider whether their premises fall within the definition of 'enclosed'. If they do so, they will need to take appropriate steps to implement a smoking ban. For further information visit [www.smokefreeengland.co.uk](http://www.smokefreeengland.co.uk)

### **Volunteer management at sports events**

A national research project looking at volunteer management practices at sports events is currently in progress. The project aims to evaluate and improve practice and lead to increased support for volunteer managers. To take part, please visit: [www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=777533022545](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=777533022545) and ensure the views of volunteers in your sport are heard. If you would like any further information, please email [tristan.hale@northumbria.ac.uk](mailto:tristan.hale@northumbria.ac.uk).

### **Commission for the Future of Volunteering**

As reported in the December 2006 update, the 'Commission for the Future of Volunteering' is developing a long-term vision for volunteering and has challenged sport to make sure that its voice as the largest involver of volunteers in the country is heard. The Commission has established three themes and is seeking comments/evidence on each of these prior to publishing its final report in October 2007. The Commission has extended its deadline to enable this to happen. Visit [www.volcomm.org.uk/getinvolved](http://www.volcomm.org.uk/getinvolved) for details of how to respond, and submit your responses by 25 May 2007.

### **CCPR Treasurer**

After nine years as chief executive of the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA), Harrogate resident John Crowther has resurfaced to take another high-profile sports job. He is to become treasurer of CCPR (the Central Council of Physical Recreation).

## More for Less

A new book shows sports people and golfers how to achieve peak performance - by actually doing less. Roy Palmer's book, *Zone Mind, Zone Body* was written after he spent over ten years developing his techniques and applying them to his own sports, running and martial arts. He also works with men and women in many other fields of sport and, as a consequence, has proved that his theories really do work. "It's all about getting in the Zone," says Roy. "That's when everything seems to come together with no real effort, a perfect golf shot, or a personal best run, for example. Lots of athletes have experienced the Zone but it is usually random and unpredictable and for most, completely unobtainable. The book uses actual accounts from athletes who have experienced the Zone and explores vital clues as to what this mysterious state is. More importantly it explains how it can be achieved more often, using practical, proven techniques. *Zone Mind, Zone Body* is available on-line from Amazon, from most good bookshops or directly from Roy's website [www.fitness-programs-for-life.com](http://www.fitness-programs-for-life.com).

## Whatever happened to the Leisure Society?

Hosted by The Chelsea School, University of Brighton, Eastbourne UK on July 3-5, 2007, LSA 2007 "Whatever happened to the leisure society?" aims to turn the leisure studies multi-disciplinary gaze to the shifts in leisure practices, industries, cultures and economies over the past 30 years or so. The call for this timely reflection aims not only to consider work--leisure shifts but also seeks to evaluate developments in the theorising of leisure. The conference is aimed at academics, including researchers, research students, and lecturers in leisure studies, politics, economics, history, sociology, cultural studies, cultural policy, social policy and media studies. Practitioners in the leisure services (public, private and voluntary) will be attracted to the conference by distinctive policy and practice-based contributions. Practitioners from the cultural industries, including market researchers, industry analysts and cultural commentators, will also find the conference of interest. Themes include: Post-industrialism, the knowledge economy and the 'leisure society'; Post-work and post-youth; Creative and cultural industries Media economy Identity and consumption; Leisure practices and spaces; (*themes listed are intended to be suggestive rather than restrictive. Please don't hesitate to put your ideas forward to the Committee*). Also, submissions are invited for Open Stream presentations. Speakers include CL Cole, Jennifer Hargreaves, Ian Henry, Kevin Hetherington, Kate Oakley, Will Straw, and Sue Thornham. Queries concerning content of submissions (Second Call for Papers: Deadline March 31, 2007) to Jayne Caudwell [J.C.Caudwell@brighton.ac.uk](mailto:J.C.Caudwell@brighton.ac.uk) ; Conference Information / Administration : Myrene McFee [mcfee@solutions-inc.co.uk](mailto:mcfee@solutions-inc.co.uk)

## UK School Games

The second UK School Games will be increased by three sports to eight sports this year, with an additional £2.3 million of National Lottery funding having been awarded to the Youth Sport Trust. After the success of the inaugural UK School Games, held in Glasgow last September, the extra funding is in place to develop the UK School Games until 2011 and to run the 2007 Games, to be held in Coventry from Aug 23-26. Some 1,600 competitors will be housed in one athletes' village on the University of Warwick campus. Badminton, volleyball and judo have been added to fencing,

gymnastics, swimming, table tennis and athletics, with an increased disability sport element added in table tennis and swimming. Sitting volleyball and blind judo, both paralympic sports, will be introduced in 2008. The UK School Games were created for the best school age competitors who are chosen by their sport's governing body. It is not a school versus school competition. The event, with an opening and closing ceremony and medal ceremonies, aim to replicate major multi-sport Games, such as the Olympics, Paralympics and Commonwealth Games. **2007 UK School Games venues:** The University of Warwick (athletics); Coventry Leisure Centre (badminton and swimming); The Ricoh Arena (fencing and table tennis); The Sky Dome, Ice Arena (gymnastics); The Alan Higgs Centre (judo and volleyball).

## Coast for the Most

The BMC is part of a coalition of Britain's leading outdoor organisations calling for Natural England to recommend that ministers introduce a permanent, multi-user, right of access around England's beautiful coastline. The Natural England board meets in Sheffield on 21 February to thrash out its policy on coastal access. The Ramblers' Association, British Canoe Union, British Mountaineering Council, British Caving Association, CTC, Central Council of Physical Recreation, Equestrian Access Forum, International Mountain Biking Association UK and the Open Spaces Society have joined forces to lobby for inclusive access rights along the coast on behalf of the public. The group is calling for a coastal zone - where informal and responsible recreation rights are guaranteed - which will promote people's health and wellbeing and generate income for local communities. In protecting the coast for access we also make it more able to withstand the impact of climate change and rising sea-levels. Within the zone, a code of practice should define the new access and set out rights and responsibilities. It is important that access can be regulated to protect wildlife, and legitimate privacy issues and to take account of coastal developments. New grant schemes should improve the management of coastal land and increase the benefits for wildlife, landowners and the public. And there should be new planning guidance for the coast.

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