

Harborough District Sports and Activity Alliance

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**Welcome to the first newsletter and e-mail from the
Harborough District Sports and Activity Alliance (HDSAA).
We hope to keep you informed of the activities of the Local
Sports Alliance which has recently been formed.**

**The HDSAA has taken over the duties of the Harborough
District Sports Association and will also represent the
interests of local sports clubs**

Aims

**The alliance aims to make sport and active recreation
accessible for all people throughout the Harborough District,
enabling them to fulfil their potential through sport and
physical activity.**

What does the sports alliance do?

**In a nutshell, due to the reorganisation of Sport England
£5,000 is available to invest in local sport and recreation.
The sports alliance will also support a number of projects
from its action plan and also consider grant applications up
to £250.**

Projects

There are five projects in the pipeline for next year

- **Communication**
- **Active Lifestyle**
- **Community Sports Development**
- **Club/Coach Development**
- **Diversionsary Activities**

Communication

Every organisation needs to get information out into the community, and the HDS&AA will have a web page at www.llrsport.co.uk. We aim to send out newsletters, e-mail alerts, press releases, posters and flyers promoting local sport and recreation events. For more information on this project contact Jayne Wisely, Community Recreation Manager Harborough District Council 01858 821288 / j.wisely@harborough.gov.uk

We are always keen to hear your views and suggestions or indeed information to be circulated through our Newsletter. Please contact us to make the newsletter a success.

Active Lifestyle

Healthy living in the workplace, walking activities in the District, General Practitioners referral schemes and dance activities will be embraced by this project. For more information contact Jo Elliot, Health Promotions Officer Harborough District Council 01858 821034 / J.Elliott@harborough.gov.uk

Community Sports Development

Parks, open spaces, community settings will be used to encourage more people to become involved in sport and physical activity, a festival of sport, leisure card and "Play Sport" are some activities we want to promote. For further information contact Jayne Wisely, Community Recreation Manager Harborough District Council 01858 821288 / j.wisely@harborough.gov.uk

Club/Coach Development

Each Club / coach needs to develop, therefore this groups aims to help and encourage clubs, coaches, volunteers, and players to start, stay and succeed in sport and physical activity at a level appropriate to their needs. For further information contact Ineke Ward, Recreation Development Officer Harborough District Council 01858 821284 / i.ward@harborough.gov.uk

Diversionsary Youth Activities

Sport & physical activity is an excellent tool for attracting and engaging young people who might otherwise be reluctant to become involved therefore we are putting a programme together to get young people more active,

activities include, a football initiative, drop in activities on the park and extreme sports. For more information on this project please contact Ineke Ward, Recreation Development Officer **Harborough District Council 01858 821284 / i.ward@harborough.gov.uk**

Grants

Grants were recently awarded to;

- **Luke and Lorna Marlow who are both in the British Cycling Talent Team.**
- **Jennifer Paris who has been selected for the England U21 rounders team.**
- **Alice Phillips who is in her second season playing county hockey and has been selected to play rounders for England**

School Sports

The Blaby and Harborough School Sports Partnership now comprises of 45 primary schools, 6 high Schools and 3 Upper schools. School Sports Co-ordinators and Primary Link Teachers will begin to implement a development plan for sport throughout the districts schools.

This will no doubt lead to more sport in schools, delivered by trained personal, increasing participation for both fun and competition

What happening around the District?

Youth Games Creates Another Success Story

Following on from the success of the Leicester-Shire & Rutland Boccia team we are pleased to hear about Sam who represented Harborough at the Disability Football Festival. Sam has had his first run out as an under 14 player for Borough Alliance Football Club.

His Manager said 'I managed to get him on for the last 15 minutes and he did brilliantly and nearly scored a goal but was thwarted by the keeper. It was so good to see him playing I am going to sign him on as a squad member'.

The Club who worked with Ineke Ward, Harborough's, Recreation Development Officer to coach the disability players prior to the Youth Games, were impressed by Sam's enthusiasm.

Keep up the good football Sam and congratulations to Borough Alliance Football Club for integrating a new player.

Kibworth Rugby Club gain Sportsmatch Award to expand their Community Coaching

Kibworth Rugby Club have recently been successful in their application for a Sportmatch award. Funded by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport the money will be used to fund the Primary Schools Tag Programme, Girls Rugby and a new 'Tag to Tackle' Scheme.

County Information

Basketball Level 2 Coach Award - Being held on Saturday, 4th & Sunday 5th February 2006 and Saturday, 18th & Sunday, 19th March 2006 at Beauchamp Community College, Oadby, Leicester. For further details go to: <http://www.llrsport.co.uk/immediacy-620>

Cricket Camps for Kids at the National Academy – Sunday, 5th February 2006 For further details go to: <http://www.llrsport.co.uk/main.asp?page=0>

Laughing Fit – A FREE Arts & Health Event Being held on the 10th February 2006 at Leicester City Football Club, Leicester from 9.30 am – 3.00 pm. For further details go to: <http://www.llrsport.co.uk/main.asp?page=0>

Leicester – Shire & Rutland Sports Partnership News Update - Keep up to date with all the latest news from the County. For further information go to: <http://www.llr.co.uk>

Regional Information

Awards for All – More Money Available - Now is the best time to apply to Awards for All, as they have an increased budget for the East Midlands region and can therefore fund more applications. Don't wait until the £10,000 programme is launched later this year. Awards for All expect very high competition for funds at that time. For more information please contact the Awards for All team on

0115 934 9304 or to get an application pack call 0845 600 2040 or visit www.awardsforall.org.uk and go to How to Apply.

Sport England East Midlands News Update - Keep up to date with all the latest news from the region. For further information go to: http://www.sportengland.org/eastmidlands_index.htm

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