

Winter 2006



Whether you are part of a team or just wanting to get involved in sport, this is the newsletter for you! Its full of sporting articles, coaching courses and contacts that will help you get into sport.

Wychavon Sports Awards

The Wychavon Sports Awards are a chance for the sporting people in the area to be recognised. From the outstanding players to exceptional coaches, these awards are a chance for you to shine. The awards will take place in on the 1st February 2007 from 6.30-8pm, with the Worcestershire Sports Awards following in March 2007.

There are 10 awards to be presented. these are:

- Senior Sports Personality of the year
- Coach of the year
- Junior Sports Personality of the year
- Volunteer of the year
- Club of the year
- Disabled Sports Personality of the year
- Outstanding Contribution Award
- Junior Team of the Year
- Junior Coach of the year
- The Evesham Mayor's Award



If you think that someone you know is worthy of one of these awards contact Emma Gardner on 01386 565497 or email emma.gardner@wychavon.gov.uk

A nomination form is also available on our website at www.wychavon.gov.uk

Forms should be returned to Emma at Wychavon District Council by the 18th of January 2007.



**YOUR
OPINION
MATTERS**

What do you think of the activities and events that the Sports Development team at Wychavon are providing?

Are we doing the things that you want? Do you want to see anything else?

If you have any comments or suggestions please contact Mark Williams on 01386 565229 or email mark.williams@wychavon.gov.uk



An interview with... EMMA GARDNER

NAME AND ROLE

Emma Gardner
Assistant community development officer at Wychavon D.C

BACKGROUND

I have always loved sport and was always one of those people who actually enjoyed P.E lessons. I play hockey for Evesham Ladies and coach gymnastics for a club in Worcester. I am halfway through a degree in Sports Development and coaching sciences at Bournemouth University and am doing a work placement year at Wychavon D.C.

LOVES

Hockey, watching motorbike racing (esp. moto gp), getting together with my friends and having a really good night out

DISLIKES

Marmite and mayonnaise, people who don't try when playing sport and just give up

HOBBIES

Playing hockey, swimming

FAVOURITE MEAL

I have 2 favourite meals - Mums home cooked roast dinner and curry!

FAVOURITE FILM

There are so many films that I really like, but the last DVD's that I bought were the Die Hard trilogy.

FAVOURITE MUSIC

I'll listen to most things but you can't go wrong with a bit of 80's cheese!!

IDOLS

Anyone who can ride in the tour de France which is 3 weeks or nearly 90 hours on a push bike, eventually cycling over 3500 km around France.

HOW CAN YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

I love sport and always have done. This job allows me to look at the organisational side of sport and because I have been involved with the playing side of sport, hopefully I can help to improve the things that are being done.



Triumphant Youth at Evesham CC

It was a fantastic August day when Evesham Cricket Club hosted their first under 16's 6 a side tournament where teams came from all over the Midlands to compete for the CGA Trophy. The event was organised, scored and umpired by the clubs own under 16 players.

The event was funded by Evesham youth cricket sponsors including CGA Trophies, the O2 Shop Evesham, Rilys Restaurant and Tim Davies Scaffolding and also backed up by grant funding from Sports Match.

It was Morris Motors and North Cotswolds who dominated group A with some exciting attacking cricket, while runaway leaders of group B, Badsey were ultimately joined in the semi final stage by Exhall & Wixford after a closely fought decider with Bredon. In the first semi-final the Morris men eased through against Exhall, while in the second semi-final a hat-trick from Badsey's Sam Thompson destroyed a spirited North Cotswolds side.

There was to be no let up from the men from Oxford in the final with the local lads from Badsey restricted to 56 for 2. Motors cruised to victory with 11 balls to spare, a credit to the openers from Motors who scored over 300 runs on the day without losing a wicket.

As a result of the increasing success of the Evesham Cricket Club and in particular the youth section O2 Evesham have announced that they will sponsor the club and the money will be used to further youth development and coaching schemes at the club.

SPORTS MATCH

What is Sports Match?

Sports Match was set up to help fund grass roots and community sport in England. For every pound that a club can raise in sponsorship money, Sports Match will match that so that the club doubles its money. For more information on Sports Match funding visit the web-site at www.sportsmatch.co.uk





Pershore Sk8 Park

NOW OPEN - NOW OPEN - NOW OPEN - NOW OPEN - NOW OPEN - NOW OPEN - NOW OPEN - OPEN NOW

After nearly 15 years of hoping and waiting young people in Pershore have got their wish of a skate park. On the 8th September the park was opened by the council Chairman, Jean Dowty, and the Major of Pershore, Val Wood.

Where is it?

It is situated in the Abbey Park near to the water park.

What does it contain?

The skate park boasts two half pipes, two quarter pipes, a jump box, grind box and a 25 degree flat ramp.

What did the project cost?

In total the park cost £99,000 with most of the funding coming from Wychavon District Council and a contribution of nearly £2000 coming from an old skateboarding club founded in 1989.

What do people think about it?

Mr Colin Pierpoint, who founded a skateboard club and raised funds for a park back in 1989, is delighted that this park is now open. He said ' It is nice to know that what I started has made a difference.

What's left to do?

The finishing touch to the park will be the graffiti art, which will be designed and painted onto the park by pupils from Pershore High School.

DID YOU KNOW?

- There are also skateparks at Evesham, Droitwich and Broadway.
- Droitwich skate park was opened in August 2003. You can find it behind the leisure centre on King Georges field. This park contains a quarter pipe, flat bank, grind box and a free standing rail. This is also the only park that is floodlit.
- The Evesham skate park was opened in July 2004. It is situated in the Abbey park just behind the rowing club and contains a half pipe, two quarter pipes, a jump box, flat ramp, grind box and grind rail.
- Broadway Skatepark is has a half pipe at the moment but is currently being refurbished and enlarged.

PERSHORE



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EVESHAM



Evesham Rowing Club

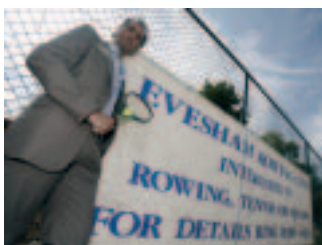
officially open



Evesham rowing club officially opened their new and redeveloped facilities during an opening ceremony with guest appearances from Olympic rower sir Matthew Pincent, comedian and club member Alistair McGowen and U23's world champion rower Zach Purchase. The day started with some racing down the river to show case some of the clubs talent followed by the official opening of the clubhouse by Sir Mathew, Alistair and Zach where a plaque marking the occasion was revealed. The club



house now boasts a new gymnasium, weights room and changing rooms, all with full access for the disabled including ramps and a lift. Alistair then opened the 3 new acrylic tennis courts that have been built alongside the existing ones. This has



doubled the all weather tennis facilities making tennis more accessible within the club. Finally Sir Matthew named the clubs newest fleet of boats

The redevelopment of the club has cost £565,000 and has been funded through grants from the department of Culture, media and sport through Sport England, the Lawn Tennis Association and Wychavon District Council. For more information contact the club by phone or email (see club focus).

Club Focus

Evesham Rowing Club

Facilities

- Six all weather tennis courts with flood lighting
- Three squash courts
- Snooker table
- A weights section
- Function room
- Members bar



Additional information

- There are adult and junior sections to the club. All adults are welcome regardless of age and juniors start at age 9.
- There are 3 junior squads: Boys and Girls aged 9-12, Boys aged 12/13 and Girls aged 12/13.
- Boys train Tuesdays, Thursdays and Weekends
- Girls train Mondays, Wednesdays and Weekends
- Adult novice sessions are run on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Weekends

Contact

01386 446131 email erc@evesham-rowing-club.co.uk
www.evesham-rowing-club.co.uk
 Venue: Abbey Road, Evesham, WR11 4ST

Pershore Junior Rugby

Are you aged between 7 and 17? Do you want to play rugby? Well Pershore Rugby Club is the place to go!! Training is on a Sunday morning from 10 till 12 noon at the Rugby Club. For more information contact Russell Humphries on 07740 067338



COACHING COURSES

Coach Education

If you coach or are involved in a sporting club and interested in improving your knowledge and effectiveness there are a number of courses that could be invaluable to you.

A Club for all

Find out how your club can benefit from welcoming all of the community.

Date: Mon 5th February 2007

Venue: Civic Centre, Pershore

Time: 6-9pm

Coaching Disabled Performers

Develop your own coaching knowledge and skills to coach disabled players through inclusive and separate coaching sessions. This workshop will allow you to extend your knowledge and adapt your coaching to the needs of disabled performers.

Date: Monday 5th March 2007

Venue: Civic Centre, Pershore

Time: 6-9pm

For more information about generic coaching workshops and courses in the area including child protection, first aid etc. contact Sue Bentley at Herefordshire and Worcestershire County Sports Partnership on 01905 855498 or email: s.bentley@worc.ac.uk



Course 2 - 13th-19th March Inclusive - 9am-6pm

Course 3 - 10th-16th July Inclusive - 9am-6pm

For more information on these courses contact Matt Jones at the Worcestershire FA on 01905 827261 or email mattjones@worcestershirefa.com.

Cricket

Level 1 Assistant Cricket Coach Award - Pershore High School, Pershore

Course - 14th Jan and 21st Jan - 10am-5pm

Assessment - 28th Jan - 10am-3pm

For more information about other courses or a booking form contact The Worcestershire Cricket Board on 01905 429147 or email at worcsicricketboard@talk21.com. For more information on courses or anything related to your sport contact your NGB or visit their web-site

Tennis

Tennis Level 1

Venue: Pershore Tennis Centre

Dates: Jan 13th and 14th and Feb 24th

Times: 9.30-5.30

For more information contact the Herefordshire and Worcestershire LTA office on 01684 577243



Football

Level 2 Certificate in Football - Worcester

Course 1 - Women Only

6th-11th Feb Inclusive - 9am-6pm

Sports Directory

For more information about sport and clubs in the area can be found in our sports directory which can be found on our website at

www.wychavon.gov.uk or a book can be sent out on request. It is filled with contact details for sports clubs, national governing bodies (NGB's) and other sport related organisations.



Football - www.thefa.com

Cricket - www.ecb.co.uk

Canoeing - www.bcu.org.uk

Angling - www.paauk.com

Rugby Union - www.therfu.com

Golf - www.golf-foundation.org

Netball - www.england-netball.co.uk

Hockey - www.englandhockey.co.uk

Funding

Awards for all

What is Awards for All?

Awards for all is a Lottery Scheme that has been set up for small groups and is supported by The Arts Council England, The Big Lottery fund, The heritage Lottery fund and Sport England.

Can I apply?

If you are a small group and looking for funding for arts, sport or local community projects you can apply.

How much can I apply for?

You can apply for between £300 and £10,000 but no more than £10,000 in 2 years.

How do I apply?

For more information or an application form you can phone 0845 600 20 40 or visit the website at www.awardsforall.org.uk



thebigboost

What is the Big Boost?

The Big Boost is a grants scheme run for young people aiming to benefit the community. It is run by UnLtd, The Scarman Trust, The Princes Trust and Changemakers.

Can I apply?

You can apply for this fund if you are between the ages of 11 and 25. There is a questionnaire on the website that you fill in and it will tell you whether you are eligible for the grant or not.

How much can I apply for?

If you are between the ages of 11 and 16 you can apply for a grant of £250-£1,000. If you are between the ages of 16 and 25 you can apply for a grant between £500 and £5,000.

How do apply?

You can contact the Big Boost on 08454 10 20 30 or email them at info@thebigboost.org.uk or visit the website at www.thebigboost.org.uk

FLOSS

 (funding lots of super stuff)

What is FLOSS?

FLOSS is the board in Worcestershire that distributes the funds from the Youth opportunity fund. This fund was set up in 2006 so young people could decide what their money was going to be spent on.



Can I apply?

You can apply if you are aged 13-19 and the project that you are proposing will benefit Worcestershire.

How much can I apply for?

You can apply for up to £2,500 and this can be all at once or at different times for different projects.

How do I apply?

For more information or an application form phone Joe Green on 01905 827489 or email jgreen1@worcestershire.gov.uk

For more information on funding you can also visit the Sport England Website at www.sportengland.org.uk or visit the Wychavon District Council Website at www.wychavon.gov.uk and search for funding.

Vale of Evesham Running Group

Want to start running in Evesham?

A new and informal running group has been formed in Evesham

Who can join in?

All ages and abilities are welcome from absolute beginners to marathon runners.

Where do they meet?

Outside the Trumpet, Merstow Green, Evesham just before 7pm on Monday nights

Where do they run?

Through Evesham, keeping to well lit streets and footpaths during the dark evenings. Routes are varied so you can run long fast routes or slower shorter ones.

Other information:

If you are under 18 you need to obtain parental permission and on dark nights all should wear bright/reflective clothing. **For more information contact** Colin Tether 01386 429141

