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Goalball Times

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Welcome

Hi all

As we go to "press" on this our thoughts turn to our Women's GB squad on their way shortly to the Euro A Championships in Turkey. If our team can reproduce the great performances they put in a year ago at the London Paralympics we should achieve our target. We wish them all the best.

Our recent hosting of the Men's Euro C Championships in Worcester has put us firmly on the map as a highly professional organisation that can plan and run successful international events. Not only this but the event also generated us some very valuable income!

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GB Womens Update

Our GB Women's team will be competing in the IBSA European A Championships in Turkey between 1st November and 10th November. The prize at this

Enjoy your read of this newsletter - a lot of good very positive developments in process. Hope to see as many of you as possible at our forthcoming AGM in Birmingham on November 16th.

Cheers.

Mike Reilly

CEO

Goalball Corporate Event Experience



We are very pleased to announce that we have launched our new product "Goalball Corporate Event Experience". This is an exciting unique product for businesses to improve their communication, leadership, and teamwork skills within their organisation. Hopefully this will create a major new revenue source for us for the foreseeable future helping us to further develop and expand our sport. In addition it should increase our awareness and profile, engage us with large corporates, and introduce new people to Goalball.

To find out more please click on this link <http://goalballuk->

competition is qualification to the World Championships (if they finish in the top 4), and once in the World Championships there is an opportunity to qualify for the Paralympic Games. Preparations for the European Championships have taken place already in Sweden and Hungary. In Sweden GB took part in a Nordic Competition against Sweden, Denmark and Finland. GB finished in second place, beating Denmark 6-2 and Sweden 4-0 before losing to Finland 4-2. In Hungary the girls put up a great display finishing 3rd beating Ukraine 2-1 in the 3rd/4th playoff.

Follow us on Twitter [@goalballuk](https://twitter.com/goalballuk) to keep up to date with their progress in Turkey!

C'mon GB

AGM Notice

Note to all members that Goalball UK's AGM will be taking place at 10am (9.30am registration) on Saturday 16th November at The Lighthouse in Birmingham (B19 2LN). This is before the weekend Elite Tournament and it is imperative that as many members as possible attend to ensure the progression of Goalball UK. To download the AGM pack please [CLICK HERE](#) and to download the AGM Report [CLICK HERE](#).

Club Scene

Coaching Conference

Goalball UK are hosting a Coaching Conference in Birmingham on Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th December. This practical conference is an opportunity for coaches to attend a number of workshops and gain valuable experience by learning from other coaches that will then help them improve their club sessions and team performance. The cost of the conference is £50 which includes accommodation for Saturday night and food throughout the weekend. For more information and to book your place on the conference [CLICK HERE](#).

Tracking and Monitoring

We have now begun training clubs on the UPSHOT system



Men 21 & Under and Women (open age) Sessions

Goalball UK have started new individual entry development sessions for Men 21 & under and Women (open age). These sessions are an opportunity for players to gain some additional competitive court time with players of similar ability from other clubs throughout the country. The first session was a great success in Sheffield. The dates for the other sessions are:

2nd February - Rochdale
12th April - Cambridge

For more information and to book on to these sessions [CLICK HERE](#)

with Nottingham being the first club trained. Dates for other clubs training will be confirmed soon. This system is vital to show Sport England how many people are playing Goalball this season so please continue to take registers at all your sessions.

London 'have a go' Session

Goalball UK are looking to launch a number of clubs in London and are holding a free 'have a go' session at London South Bank University on Saturday 23rd November, 12pm-2.30pm. This session is open for anyone to attend - visually impaired or sighted, young or old, male or female, new or experienced. For more information and how to register please [CLICK HERE](#).

Free Membership

If you or any members of your club are not currently members of Goalball UK then please sign up! You are required to be a member to play and officiate in all Goalball UK events. You can become a member by [CLICKING HERE](#).

Funding

Please contact your local County Sport Partnership (CSP) who will be able to help you find local funding streams. To find your local CSP [CLICK HERE](#). Please get in touch with Becky on becky.ashworth@sysport.co.uk if you would like help with funding bids and if you are planning to use Goalball UK as your reference.



IBSA Goalball Euro C Men Championships 2013

Between 5th - 8th September 2013 Goalball UK hosted the IBSA Goalball European C Men Championships at the University of Worcester which saw 9 teams from across Europe compete for the 3 prestigious promotion places to the European B Championships. Great Britain started the tournament extremely positive and won all 8 group games to finish top after the Round Robin fixtures. The next 2 games did not go Great Britain's way and they

Get Equipped Fund

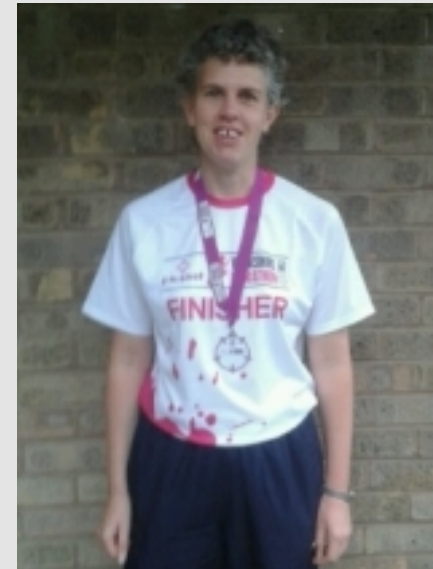
Sport England have recently launched their £1million Get Equipped fund. The funding is for equipment that will help increase the number of people playing disability sport. The grants offered are between £300 - £10,000. We see this as an exciting opportunity for Goalball Clubs to apply for the Goalfix Lightweight Goals and eyeshades ([Goalfix website](#)) to increase the quality of Goalball delivery in your clubs. If you are thinking of applying, or have started the process, please keep us informed as we can offer support with your bids and/or provide a reference for your application. There is a detailed application process as it is public money so please don't leave it until the last minute to apply. The deadline for applications is Monday 2nd December 2013.

For more information about the fund and how to apply follow the link <http://www.sportengland.org/funding/our-different-funds/get-equipped/>

Tournament News

Results from all tournaments and all future tournaments together with the league table and top goal scorer stats can be found on the Goalball UK [website](#)

Great Britain's day and they unfortunately lost to Portugal in the Semi Final and then to Italy in the vital 3rd/4th playoff match to finish 4th overall. Although the result was not in favour of Great Britain there are still positives that can be taken away from this experience as they buckle down and train for the future. Congratulations to all that took part and thank you to everyone who came down and supported the team.



Well Done Kathryn

Kathryn Fielding ran the

Top Goal scorers

Male

Intermediate South	David Scott 14 (RNC)
Intermediate North	Dan Hudson 23 (Scarborough)
Novice	Sam Hoskin 16 (Thames Valley) Leo O'Rourke 16 (Northampton)

Female

Intermediate South	Lisa Dyer 5 (Cambridge)
Intermediate North	Amy Ottaway 15 (York)
Novice	Sophie Unwin 10 (Nottingham) Kali Holder 10 (Winchester)

Tournament Results

...ing from the inaugural Yorkshire Marathon in York on Sunday 20th October and in doing so has raised £1000 for goalball. A big thank you to everyone who sponsored her. You can still sponsor her by [CLICKING HERE](#).

Need Pads?

March Sports are offering 10% off their advertised price for knee and elbow pads to all goalball players/clubs. [Click here](#) to visit the website. For more information please email Kathryn@goalballuk.com

Get in touch

Do you have a story for



Reading Novice	Cambridge
Nottingham Intermediate South	Winchester
Sheffield Intermediate North	York

Upcoming Tournaments

Birmingham Elite (& AGM)	16th & 17th November
Lincoln Novice (John Oakley)	7th December

the next newsletter?

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Wolverhampton Intermediate South	18th January
Rochdale Intermediate North	1st February



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