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April 2024



We are celebrating our 10th birthday! What a great journey it's been so far, and we look forward to building on our continuing vision of an active healthy city for everyone. A celebration event is planned, watch this space! [#SB10](#)



Inspiring the Athletes of the Future

The [School Games](#) action continued into April with the Birmingham Secondary School Athletics Final. Since the beginning of 2024, over 50 schools across the city have taken part in Birmingham School Games events. Activities on the day included indoor shot put, long jump, hurdles and relay races. The event held at the Birmingham University Sports and Fitness Centre gave the young people a fantastic opportunity to utilise the superb Munrow Sports Hall facility. The event was buzzing with activity, music and cheering.



Rugby Reaches Out

Check out this video about the Birmingham Community Rugby Project's walking rugby sessions. England Rugby tasked Sport Birmingham with strengthening connections with local rugby clubs, working through them to diversify their current rugby provision in the community. Click [here](#) for more information about the project.

The Positive Impact of HAF Continues into 2024

Throughout 2023 and 2024, Sport Birmingham has been involved in the delivery of [Holiday Activity Fund](#) (HAF) camps in priority neighbourhoods across Birmingham. Over the past two years, camps have been delivered at Aston Manor, Bishop Ilseley School, Arena Academy, Holyhead School and Holford Drive. Activities on offer include football, boxing, giant board games, basketball, skateboarding, DJ and dance events, music workshops, hair and beauty, round table conversations and free nutritious hot lunches. Click [here](#) for the full story.



Sport and Sanctuary at Stockfield

The Stockfield Youth Club was formed by the Stockfield Community Association (SCA) and the Sport Birmingham Make a Difference (MAD) project through a Clarion Futures Youth Ambassadors programme. We asked one of the MAD volunteers Tiana what the youth club means to her and how it has helped,

"The youth club is very meaningful to me and it has helped me so much. It's a safe space where I can come to take my mind off school life and just play sports and have fun. It has really helped me with my life skills, work experience and confidence as a young person and it's really helping me to set up a future and build my character. The youth club means a lot to me and I'm confident that it means a lot to everyone else that attends, so I'm glad it's there for myself and others."

Click [here](#) for the full story.



Funding, Volunteering and Training Update

SUEZ Community Fund

Grants are available for community projects delivering capital improvements to public amenities. Click [here](#) for more information and eligibility criteria. **Closing date 15th May 2024**

The Asda Foundation Empowering Local Communities Grant

The grant programme aims to empower Community Champions and grassroots groups to apply for what's important in local communities. It's designed to support a broad range of activities helping to transform communities and improve lives. Click [here](#) for more information. **Closing date 24th May 2024**

GB Archery Superhero

GB archery are inviting nominations for unsung community heroes. The overall winner will receive £200 towards their club with the other 2 runners up receiving £100 each. For more info click [here](#). **Closing date for nominations 30th April 2024**

Get Grants Free Training

The following workshops are available for FREE!

- Introduction to Fundraising for Beginners
- Introduction to Bid Writing for Charities and Community Groups
- Introduction to Using Data to Increase Fundraising Success

For more information click [here](#)

Do you want to help out?

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Mental Health Awareness Week 13th-19th May

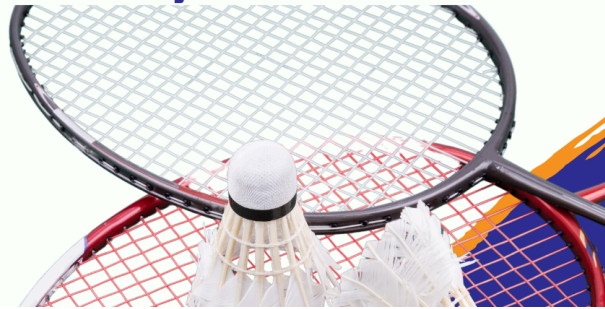


The theme of this years [Mental Health Awareness Week](#) is "Movement: Moving more for our mental health". It can be difficult to get enough exercise. The mental Health Foundation offer a range of resources including a downloadable How to Guide 'Look after your mental health using exercise' that can be accessed [here](#).



DSAuk West Midlands Badminton

Saturday 04th May
12-2pm
Billesley Tennis centre.



For more details check out the DSAuk events page [here](#)

Forging New Partnerships

At Sport Birmingham, our mission is clear: to create a healthier, more active Birmingham by promoting the benefits of sport and physical activity. This goal requires more than just passion; it demands strategic alliances with like-minded organisations who share our vision for a healthier, happier community. Enter [Tricorn Cafe](#), a vibrant establishment known not only for its exceptional cafe and social meeting space but also for its dedication to supporting our initiative. Their decision to partner with Sport Birmingham signifies a shared commitment to the well-being of our city and its residents. For the full article click [here](#)



[Click here to find out more about partnering with Sport Birmingham](#)

We are recruiting

We are recruiting for a new Chair of the Board of Trustees, which results from the current chair reaching the end of their maximum term with us. This is a very special and important role to lead the organisation into its next period of growth, influence and impact. For more information on the role and to apply click [here](#).



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