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Introduction

Welcome to the Squash Wales Child Protection Newsletter for October 2005.

We intend to publish a Newsletter periodically to summarise our web-site information and provide details of interesting information on Child Protection from Squash Wales, see www.squashwales.co.uk

Squash can and does have a very powerful and positive influence on people - especially young people. Not only can it provide opportunities for enjoyment and achievement, it can also develop valuable qualities such as self-esteem, leadership and teamwork. These positive effects can only take place if squash is in the right hands - in the hands of those who place the welfare of all young

people first and adopt practices that support, protect and empower them.

The reality is that abuse does take place in sport and in some cases coaches have been convicted. Squash Wales believes that every adult has a legal and moral responsibility to protect the young people and disabled adults in squash from abuse.

These procedures have been produced to offer guidelines to everyone in squash (i.e. organisations, administrators, coaches, instructors, officials, teachers, parents and young people). We all have a duty of care towards young and vulnerable players and can help to protect them from abuse.



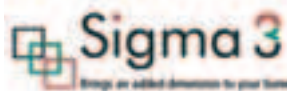
Squash Wales Steering Group Formed

Squash Wales aims to create and maintain a positive profile for Child Protection, where it is high on people's agendas, and where child protection has become a talking point in clubs, on coaches' courses, and in the training of officials.

A Child Protection Steering Group has been formed to help drive these messages positively into the counties and into the clubs. The aim is to increase the network of designated child protection officers, ultimately seeking to identify a nominated person in each junior club. If you are interested in being your club representative, then please contact Mike Workman, at the Squash Wales Office.

If you have any queries or any issue that you may need to discuss in relation to child protection, then please do not hesitate to contact Mike Workman, Squash Wales Lead Officer at:

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UKCC Leads the Way Forward for Squash Wales Coaches

In accordance with Squash Wales Child Protection Policy (which can be found on the Squash Wales Website) and the UKCC all Coaches must firstly sign a Personal Disclosure Form and secondly have a full CRB check, as a volunteer coach this will be free of charge.

- Complete a Code of Conduct and Ethic Form
- Complete a Child Protection Personal Disclosure Form
- Complete a Child Protection Full CRB Check

Benefits of the Licence Scheme

A Licence Scheme is viewed by many, particularly the Sports Council for Wales, as a positive, step forward which enables coaches to increase their knowledge of coaching methods and sports sciences and keep abreast of development within the sport.

Coaches who have not been in a learning environment for some time are given the opportunities to experience a new enthusiasm for coaching and bring themselves up to date with new techniques and tactics. In addition to this they are also able to exchange ideas and views with other coaches from a Squash Wales perspective.

The Licence Scheme will enable us to monitor coaches' activity levels, as well as promoting the services of Licensed Coaches to Schools, Leisure Centres, Local Authorities, affiliated clubs and counties who can then make an informed choice when employing a coach.

Squash Wales are pleased to introduce a Coach Licence Scheme as from 1st September 2005. The Scheme is accessible to all Coaches with a Squash Wales qualification or equivalent. This is an exciting initiative, which will enable Squash Wales to raise coaching standards by ensuring that Coaches are offered continuous professional development opportunities such as Shadow Mentoring Workshops and Seminars.

Squash Wales are committed to a scheme whereby each coach meets a minimum standard, which is a prerequisite to gaining the Coaching Licence.

The basic requirements are as follows:-

- Hold a Squash Wales coaching qualification or equivalent - level 1 and above
- Be a current member of Squash Wales including liability cover
- Attend a Good Practice and Child Protection workshop - 3-hour duration (this will be free of charge to Squash Wales registered Coaches)



The 'UK Coaching Certificate' - what is it all about?



In the past each governing body for sport had developed their own unique coaching qualification structure which has resulted in a lack of harmonisation between sports throughout the UK and often between Wales and other Home Countries. The UK Coaching Certificate (UKCC) is an initiative to endorse coach education programmes across 31 sports within the UK. Whilst each sport will continue to have unique sports specific element, there are many elements of a coaching qualification that are similar across all sports, and therefore it is hoped that this concept can be used to adopt a standard approach to qualifications which will be endorsed and quality assured. It will mean that by 2006 there will be a five level UK wide framework for coaching qualifications. To a coach this will mean:

- You can transfer your qualifications across to other sports more easily, and it will be transferable across the home countries
- The training provision will be quality assured
- There will be a quality assured administration and management structure in place

This will hopefully lead to a more professional and effective coach education system! The 31 selected sports are currently undergoing the process of re-aligning their existing coach education qualifications to the new standards. Each sport is at a different stage in this process, but the first twenty will be ready to deliver the qualifications by 2006. To find out more about the UKCC click on the link below Show me more information on the UK Coaching Certificate www.ukcoachingcertificate.org/web/sports/

- Any qualification you undertake will be recognised anywhere in the UK



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Child Protection - Good Practice Courses FREE to Members in North and South Wales



Squash Wales will hold a good practice and child protection courses on 20th November in Conwy 2005 and 30th November 2005 in Cardiff.

The course will help you to:

- Identify good coaching practice to promote a positive relationship with children.
- Identify sport situations and coaching practice that might constitute either poor practice or possible abuse.
- Identify ways of dealing with your own feelings about child abuse and state what constitutes neglect, physical, sexual and emotional abuse.

- Recognise the signs and symptoms of abuse and appreciate why reporting it is often so difficult.
- Identify appropriate action if a child discloses he/she has been abused, identify appropriate action if abuse is suspected and explain the role and responsibilities of other experts (e.g. police, social services).
- Describe appropriate practice that reduces the likelihood of abuse occurring.

The course is free for Squash Wales individual members, Squash Wales recommend that all active coaches attend this course. For further information please contact Mike Workman at mike@squashwales.co.uk

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Squash Wales National Child Protection Register

Name	Coach - Role	Qualification	Level Disclosure	Licence
Bob Perry	National	3	Full	Y
Matthew Crowley	National	4	Full	Y
Chris Robinson	National	3	Full	Y
Christina Rees	National	3	Full	Y
Greg Tippings	National	3	Full	Y
Nick Birt	National	3	Full	Y
Andrew Evans	National	4	Full	Y
Matthew Crowley	Lead CORE - East	4	Full	Y
Andrew Evans	Lead CORE - North	4	Full	Y
Hugh Griffiths	CORE - W	2	Full	Y
Peter Dineen	CORE - W	2	Full	Y
Christina Rees	CORE - W	2	Full	Y
Chris Robinson	CORE - E	3	Full	Y
Bob Perry	CORE - E	3	Full	Y
Mark Davies	CORE - N	2	Self	Y
Nick Birt	CORE - E	3	Full	Y
Stephan Roberts	CORE - N	3	Full	Y
Delwyn Hopkins	CORE - N	2	Self	Y
Tim Bridle	CORE - N	2	Self	Y
Phil Carnall	CORE - N	3	Full	Y
Staff				
Phillip Brailey	Chairman	-	Full	N
Chris Robertson	National Coach	4	Full	Y
Mike Workman	Director of C & D	4	Full	Y
Bob Perry	S.East Development	3	Full	Y
Christina Rees	S.East Development	2	Full	Y
Chris Robinson	S.East Development	3	Full	Y
Andrew Evans	RPO North	4	Full	Y
Phil Carnall	RDO North	3	Full	Y
Mike Howe	RDO West	3	Full	Y
Karen Workman	Child Protection	-	Full	N

