

Disport Meeting March 2008

Minutes

18th March 2008

Present

Anne Mitchell (chair), Annette Fontaine, (East Cambs District Council) Jo Bull, (Cambs FA) Nadine Thompson (Witchford Village College – Sports Centre) David Cullum (Larkfields) Marianne Thompson – (Sue Ryder Care) Hazel Stimpson (work experience) Andy Munday (Highfields School)

Apologies

Elaine Bridges (Larkfield) Bianca Cotterill (Parent/bizzykidz) Di Baker (partnership Development Manager – Schools) Rebecca Gilbertson (Georgina King, Tracey Orchard Jackie Bradshaw, Elaine Collins, Romana Martin, Jim Hill Michelle Emerson (Paradise Swimming Pool Susan Wiggans (Branching Out)

| Apologies | Actions |
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| Apologies had been announced at the AGM and a couple more members could not attend the meeting. | |
| Minutes | |
| The minutes 18 th January from the last meeting were recorded as correct | |
| Treasurers update | |
| <p>As in the AGM</p> <p>AF had brought a couple of examples of potential funding sources, before any funding bids are out in we need to be sure what the money will be used for and have a good idea of costs to be incurred.</p> <p>The main projects that the group discussed were the possibility of putting on tennis during the summer using the young lives grant (deadline 28th March) and applying for a grant for use of the Mepal outdoor centre who have been very accommodating with Bizzykidz and Highfields School</p> <p>Anne will pass on the Karen Goodman's details (tennis coach) to see if she is able to do this and Andy will talk to David Savage, the manager from Mepal.</p> <p>David will also be invited to the next meeting and a working group will be set up to plan how to the bid.</p> <p>We can also go through the application form at the next meeting.</p> <p>Thetford Forest is also to be added to the contacts on the website for activities.</p> | <p>Anne Andy</p> <p>Annette</p> <p>Annette</p> |

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| <p>There are several activities that have or will happen and Annette get an overview of these:</p> <p>Golf - taster day went really well. Will look at working with On Par to put in a funding bid for something more sustainable.</p> <p>Football – There are currently problems with the availability of the coach so Cambs FA are looking at finding a coach who can deliver the sessions every week. Sessions will restart on 12th April at Ely Community college and the county FA will be looking at organising regular tournaments over the football season months.</p> <p>Courses There are a number of courses available at the moment Through a Fendis grant there is: <i>Including Disabled Children in PE</i> 26th April, Neale Wade leisure centre in March and 2nd July - Hudson Leisure centre, Wisbech. 6-hour practical session looking at how a number of different sports can be adapted for people with a variety of disabilities, highly recommended for coaches, teachers, leisure staff who deliver sports. <i>Coaching Disabled Performers</i> 22nd May East Cambs Council Chamber, Ely and in June date TBC in Fenland. 3 hour theory based course looking at how sports can be adapted, terminology to be used etc. Very useful for coaches but also non-sports delivering staff. These courses will be free of charge to anyone delivering 2 hours of sport as volunteer time. Contact Annette to book a place</p> <p>Cambridge City have also planned some training aimed at sports coaches and volunteers Behaviour Management Training – 7th May – Cambridge 7-9pm Autism training - 24th September - Cambridge 7-9pm (£5) Booking details on website</p> <p>There is also information available about the Dyspraxia Foundation AGM aimed at parents and teachers. Saturday 14th June in London (£45-55)</p> | <p>Annette Fontaine</p> <p>Jo/Jim</p> |
| <p>All details will be sent out and available on the website WWW.ECSport.co.uk</p> <p>Free Gym open day - Taking place at Witchford Village College on Friday 30th May 12-5 will be gym inductions and other activities such as dance</p> | <p>Annette</p> |

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| <p>mats</p> <p>The Gym is IFI (Inclusive Fitness Initiative) accredited which means that staff have received additional training and all the equipment is accessible to everyone and there are reduced rates for people with disabilities.</p> <p>Nadine also mentioned that the sports hall is available free of charge during holidays for activities.</p> <p>Hockey Ely hockey club approached Disport regarding doing hockey for people with learning disabilities. It was agreed that Mondays 6-7 was a good time and hopefully this should be starting on May 12th. Annette to circulate details once confirmed.</p> <p>Fendis Easter holiday activities, are taking place on March 27th (Hudson Leisure Centre Wisbech) 1st April (Neale Wade LC in March) 3rd April (Hudson) 4th April (Neale Wade). People welcome to attend, need to book places with Annette cost only £1.</p> <p>Date for the diary - Fendis Annual Golf day is taking place on 4th July cost will be £3 details going out soon. Contact Annette to book places. Anne may know a few people who will be able to volunteer.</p> <p>Trampolining at Neale Wade sessions have been scheduled. Please call the centre for details. 01354 651 329</p> <p>Next Fendis Meeting May 21st.</p> <p>Sport relief - Ely Disport was promoted at this event – thank you to Marianne for attending to the stall. Unfortunately very little interest but did speak to one parent and gave her details.</p> <p>Chatteris event - Your Big Voice - organised through the Learning Disability Partnership. This event gave service users the opportunity to say what activities that they currently take part in and what they would like to do in relation to activities in East Cambs and Fenland. This information is being collated.</p> <p>Anne also added that some places offer reductions for people with disabilities, including Strikes bowling in Ely - Annette to talk to see if we can promote.</p> <p>Youth Games Plus –</p> | <p>Annette</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>Annette</p> |
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| <p>Rebecca Gilbertson (former swimming development) has taken on the role as coordinator for this. Taking place on 13th June at St Ivo, promoted through the schools, if anyone wants to volunteer let me know and pass details to Annette to forward to Rebecca.</p> <p>Equipment loan scheme The equipment loan scheme is now up and running and so far Highfields and Sue Ryder Care have loaned equipment. The list is to be sent to everyone. Andy also offered that equipment could be hired from Highfields if necessary.</p> <p>British Blind Sports - Now have a regional Development officer who is organising opportunities in sport for people with visual impairments. There has also been a group set up called I-Sport. Details are available on the website. There are Easter activities (closest taking place in Bury St Edmonds and Ipswich, and a goalball club has been set up in Peterborough. The Blind cricket coaching session took place in February and was a very useful day. Regional Officer is Ryan Armes Tel: 01487 843 344 Email: ryan@britishblindsport.co.uk</p> <p>Schools contacts – Annette is compiling a list of all the Special Educational Needs Coordinators to be able to send information through them in the schools.</p> | |
| <p>AOB</p> | |
| <p>It was raised that it would be good to have the Paradise leisure centre invited to attend Disport Annette will ask Jeremy – the centre manager</p> | <p>Annette</p> |
| <p>Next Meeting</p> | |
| <p>The next meeting was confirmed for 14th May 10-12, Larkfield, Ely</p> <p>The suggested agenda items for this meeting are: Awards for al Dancing Tennis Website Football</p> | |
| <p>Meeting closed at 12:20</p> | |

