

SportTayside & Fife

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Working together for Sport

Scotland's National Rugby Coach

Frank Hadden, Scottish Rugby's National Coach, was the Keynote Speaker at the SportTayside & Fife Rugby Seminar at Madras Rugby Club, St Andrews, Fife.



Frank Hadden Biography

Frank Hadden is coach of the Scotland National Team. He was appointed during September 2005, replacing Matt Williams. He coached the Merchiston Castle School (MCS) 1st XV after being appointed Head of Physical Education at the school in 1983. He coached several Scottish Age-Group teams before being appointed assistant coach of the Caledonia Reds in 1997. He was later appointed coach of Edinburgh Gunners (now Edinburgh Rugby) in 2000, prior to becoming Scotland coach. He has since coached two notable victories over England and a win against France in the 2006 Six Nations Championships. Frank was Head Coach during the 2007 World Cup in France and coached Scotland to a win against Argentina during the 2008 Summer Test Series in South America.

A series of Coaching Updates were included during the day. They were delivered by former Glasgow and National Coach, Hugh Campbell and Dunfermline Rugby Club Development Manager and former Edinburgh coach, Phil Smith. SportTayside & Fife Convener and former Olympian, Donald Macgregor, opened the seminar, set the scene and introduced the keynote speaker.



Over fifty coaches attended the event, which also concluded a long-term Rugby Mentoring Programme involving coaches and clubs from St Andrews, Kirkcaldy and Crieff. Paul Hunter, East Fife Rugby Development Officer and mentored coach said:



'...Being included in the Mentoring Programme this year, has expanded my knowledge, which I have utilised as a coach and more recently as East Fife Rugby Development Officer...'

Due to the favourable response and enthusiasm for the event, SportTayside & Fife would like to hold an annual event. This would allow the Partnership to work with the local clubs in the community, to showcase rugby development and high profile coaches working across the coaching pathway.



clubgolf

Local Juniors Experience Tournament Golf

A significant number of school and club groups from the region attended the Johnnie Walker Championships this August held at Gleneagles, venue for the 2014 Ryder Cup.



Each group was treated to a one hour coaching session from PGA professionals involved in the **clubgolf** programme. During the coaching session the youngsters were given instruction on bunker play, putting and the full swing. In addition to the free coaching session provided by **clubgolf**, the children were able to watch Europe's top professional golfers play during the tournament days, as the last few places on the Ryder Cup team were decided. Many of the groups left with more they bargained for as players were generous in stopping for pictures, autographs, and signed golf balls.



Coach Education

The coach education brochure for the coming year is now available. There are three Level One courses planned for Tayside & Fife between January & April 2009. The Level One is available to anyone wishing to get involved in junior coaching. A Level One advanced course has been organised for March 2009. This is for current Level One coaches wishing to delivering Stage Two of the **clubgolf** programme. Contact the **clubgolf** Regional Manager for more information.

Coach Mentoring Pilot

A Coach Mentoring Pilot has been running at Dunning Golf Club. The aim of the pilot is to identify areas where coaches could be assisted to enhance their coaching, thus improving the coaching experience for the children.

A Coach Mentoring Programme will be available to clubs by the end of the year.

Coaching Open University Sport!

The Open University is now providing courses and awards designed for sport...

An Introduction to Sport, Fitness and Management, Working and Learning in Sport and Fitness. These courses commence during October 2008 until June 2009 and cost £610.00. They are accredited with 60 points and are SCQF Level 7. Sports and Fitness Awards (FELS) are also available. These are: Certificate of Higher Education in Sport, Fitness and Management (120 Credit Points), Diploma of Higher Education in Sport, Fitness and Management (240 Credit Points). A BA BSc Open Degree is available with 300 credits (360 Credit Points for Honours) SCQF levels range from 7-10. Open University also offer: Exploring sport online (10 Credits. SCQF Level 7) and This Sporting Planet (15 Credits. SCQF Level 7) and commence during September 2008 up to July 2009. For further information contact Lore Gallastegi, Education Staff Tutor; Open University in Scotland, l.gallastegi.ac.uk

Scholarship Support

Would you like to improve your coaching skills?

SportTayside & Fife is currently supporting learning and developing coaches across a number of sports. Apart from the designated target sports, coaches from a further six sports will be considered for support during 2008-09. The sports are: Water Polo, Football, Badminton, Curling, Cycling and Squash. Thirteen coaches have benefited from CPD programmes and almost £3000 of financial support. The CPD programmes include UKCC qualifications as well as SCUUK generic workshops. For further details go to: www.SportTayside-Fife.co.uk



VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Designing Roles and Tasks for Volunteering Training Session will be delivered across the Partnership by Volunteer Centres. The main objective of the introductory sessions is to explore how tasks and roles can be developed to meet organisational needs. For regular training details contact the volunteer centre in your area or go through the website.

PARTNERSHIP EDUCATION DUNDEE

Course: Safeguarding & Protecting Children
Date: October 29th
Time: From 6.30pm
E-mail: alex.knight@dundee.gov.uk

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Course: Safeguarding & Protecting Children
Date: November 5th
Time: From 6.30pm
E-mail: jmlawson@pkc.gov.uk

For further courses and workshops go to www.SportTayside-Fife.co.uk

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