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# Special Olympics Wales Newsletter

## Some dates for your diary

**29<sup>th</sup> June:** Special Olympics Wales Regional Athletics Competition to be held in Bangor interested contact Stephen Walker Tel: 0789 074 7417. Email: [steveiwalker@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:steveiwalker@hotmail.co.uk)

**30<sup>th</sup> June 2013** Kayaking Training date at Cosmeston Lakes Penarth

### Important:

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July:** We are to have a photo shoot with

**John Griffiths AM Minister for Culture and Sport** at the Senydd, Cardiff Bay. at 11am we need as many of the Team Wales members to attend as possible please in our Team Kit.

**Please confirm attendance by Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June Please.**



The Welsh Badminton players with their Medals at the Special Olympics Wales Regional Badminton Competition, Wrexham



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## **16<sup>th</sup> June:** Competition Managers Training Day:

This was **cancelled**, to be re-scheduled to hold later in year.

**KIT COLLECTION FOR BATH:** We are waiting for the embroidery to be finished; the collection days will be either the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of July to be the confirmed I will confirm day and venue in Cardiff as soon I can, everyone will have to attend to try on kit, as after collecting your kit on this date we will not be able to exchange any items.

## **Wrexham & Bangor**

I will arrange a date to bring the kit up as soon as I know it's ready. Possibly Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> July Bangor can be same day or any day either side.

## **Photo Shoot**

Can all athletes & coaches that have kit wear their white polo shirt and track suits, those that don't have any kit can you wear Navy or Black joggers and a White or Red polo shirt. I have some spare kit so will try to get to some of you or bring on the day of the photo shoot. Head Coaches and Officials can wear Blazers. Thank you.

## **BATH**

The Head Coaches will be visiting Bath University on the 20<sup>th</sup> July to view the facilities, and report back to the members of their squad...

## **Coach Pick-Up Points**

We are still waiting our time slot for the Welsh Team to arrive at Bath so as to inform the Coach companies of pick up time.

### **Pick up points will be:**

Coach 1: Bangor & Wrexham University,  
Coach 2: Haverfordwest, Port Abraham, Swansea West, Services and Newport,  
Coach 3: Cardiff (Leckwith Athletics Stadium)?.



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## BATH 2013

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## BATH 2013

**All details to be confirmed by the end of June.**

### Travelling to games:

We are looking at the Welsh region travelling to the games by Team Coaches, the first will set off from Bangor and pick up at Wrexham before continuing to Bath, the second, coach will leave Haverfordwest pick up on route in Llanelli, Swansea and Newport, the 3<sup>rd</sup> coach will leave Cardiff before proceeding to Bath, more details of times etc. to follow. **CONFIRMED ONLY PICK-UP TIMES WAITING FOR**

**There will be no food until we arrive at the Opening Ceremony so please make sure that you eat before arriving at Bath.**  
**CONFIRMED**

The Opening Ceremony is going to take place in the Royal Crescent Bath between 6-9pm this will mean that the teams will have to start leaving the university at 3.30pm; this will be done using a local coach company. **CONFIRMED**

### At the Games:

**There are already large numbers of parent registering to attend the swimming Pam will give you more information on this.**

There will also be a couple of sports competing in the evening if you wish to see them these at present are Short Mat Bowls, Boccia, Rhythmic Gymnastics, and Football.

There will be First Aid station at each venue and a Medical Centre in the University manned by Doctors 8am – 9pm

There will be Healthy Athletes this will be in the student union building between 5.30. - 9.30pm

Head of Delegation & Head Coach manuals will be out in July and I will encourage all HC to share this information with other members of their squad.

Our accommodation is in Woodland Court which is single en suite rooms, they have card entry system, lifts to all floors, and each block has a kitchen which is fitted with fridge, microwave and kettle.

**ACCOMMODATION CONFIRMED 16/06/2013**

Ground Floor Flat 1: 10 Pin Bowlers

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Flat 2: Badminton / Swimming

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Flat 3: Boccia / Bowls / Football / Gymnastics  
/ Tennis / HOD / Families

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Flat 4: Athletics / Golf



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If you are interested in being involved in Special Olympics as an athlete or volunteer please contact **Jeff Savory** to find out where the nearest opportunities are.

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## MEMBERS PAGES

### CLUB PROFILE

Any group wishing to be featured here please send in the details, must fit in this space.

**CARDIFF & VALE GROUP** includes the following clubs these are:

**Cardiff Strikers** 10 Pin Bowling: Club night is Wednesday at 8pm at Cardiff Bay.

**Cardiff Shadows Badminton Club:** Sessions Thursday 4.30 – 6pm National Sports Centre, Sophia Gardens

**SO Kayaking Club:** Sessions in North Dock Llanelli on Saturday's check for times and dates and the last Sunday in the month at 1.30pm Cosmeston Lakes, Penarth

**Cardiff & Vale Golf Club:** Friday evening 5.15pm at St Andrews Major Golf Club, Barry

**Cardiff Chameleons:** Club Sessions held at

**Swimming:** Monday at Pentwyn Leisure Centre at 8pm and Tuesday at Llanrumney Leisure Centre at 8pm.

**Green Bowls:** Every Friday at Sophia Gardens

**Cycling:** For session Day & Times contact Jeff details below

**Boccia Rollers:** Boccia, Bocce and New Age Kurling Club session Friday 2-3pm Cadaxton School Sports Hall Barry

**Penarth Gymnastics Club (Barry)** Sessions held every Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

For further details on any of the above activities, Please contact Jeff Savory 0780 316 5581 or Email: [jeff@specialolympicswales.co.uk](mailto:jeff@specialolympicswales.co.uk)



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We are glad to report that **Kevin Egan** is home from hospital after his operation and recovering well, It was great to see him at the Welsh Regional Badminton Competition assisting his father Peter as Games Director, I think Kevin did most of the work Peter was sat behind a table all day.

Well Done All.

**Happy Birthday  
from all at  
Special Olympics Wales  
to:**

**July**

- 4<sup>th</sup> Pamela Bailey (Swimming Head Coach)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Callum Hearn (Swimming)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Andrew Beynon (Boccia Coach)
- 12<sup>th</sup> Susan Gaynor Jones (Athletics)
- 15<sup>th</sup> Paul Taylor (Football)
- 16<sup>th</sup> Hannah Charnley (Athletics)
- 18<sup>th</sup> Gareth Lloyd (Gymnastics)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Andrew Martin (Swimming)
- 25<sup>th</sup> Rose Perris (10 Pin Bowling Escort)
- 27<sup>th</sup> Kevin Egan (Badminton)
- 30<sup>th</sup> Jean Jones (Gymnastics Head Coach)

**August**

- 4<sup>th</sup> Tracy Cosgrove (10 Pin Bowling)
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Dawn Champion 10 Pin Bowling Coach)
  - 19<sup>th</sup> Ann Jenkins (10 Pin Bowling)
  - 20<sup>th</sup> Tom Mottram (Football Coach)
  - 21<sup>st</sup> Alan Beech (Shot Mat Bowls)
  - 25<sup>th</sup> Ron Coles (Athletics Coach)
  - 29<sup>th</sup> Martin Heffron (10 Pin Bowling)
- We will still be at Bath for Martin birthday (Cake ?)

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