



**England**  
**Squash &**  
**Racketball**

## **London & South East Squash & Racketball News**

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## **England Squash & Racketball**

### **Welcome to the London & South East Squash Newsletter.**

This newsletter is how our regional office keeps you updated on local Squash and Racketball news within the London and South East. If you have any news you wish to share or have tournaments or any other events you wish to publicise, please send them to:

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## **London and South East Squash & Racketball News 18<sup>th</sup> September 2009**

### **New London Regional Manager**

Paul Fennell has recently joined England Squash and Racketball as one of the 8 Regional Managers having taken over from Justyn Price.

Paul has been a regular squash player for 20 years after taking it up while working at City University in London. Since that time he has been a keen advocate of all that squash has to offer and was a team captain for many years in the Middlesex leagues. He now plays for Woodford Wells in Div 1 of the Essex leagues.

Most of Paul's working life has been spent in the health and fitness industry. He has managed facilities, worked in the University sector, been involved in corporate health, been a freelance personal trainer/instructor and internet business owner; he is a clinical exercise specialist (cardiac rehab and older people) and has worked in local authority as a service manager. More recently he was employed by NHS London within public health as one of the physical activity team and contributed to the writing of NHS London's 2012 health legacy strategy. He's also had a range of somewhat unrelated jobs including a stint after leaving school as a coal miner as part of a mining engineering course; a concrete pump operator; a health and safety officer and window cleaner.

Paul has also spent many years studying, having achieved a sports studies degree from Newcastle Polytechnic, a Masters in Sports Science from Brunel University and a PGCE (teaching degree) from Reading University.

Apart from squash his other great passion is snowboarding and he usually tries to get over to France twice a season. He is also a fairly regular card player including Nomination Whist, Crib, Black Maria and Texas Hold'Em Poker.

A hearty welcome to Paul.

# Child Protection

**The Independent Safeguarding Authority (ISA)** by Fraser Liversage, September 14<sup>th</sup> 2009

Doubtless you've seen the news this past week about the proposed ISA vetting and barring scheme.

The scheme will be phased in from October this year, but it won't be until July 2010 that those wanting to work with children & vulnerable adults (coaches for example) will be able to apply for ISA registration.

So, how does it compare to the current system? Put simply, a CRB check is nothing more than a snap-shot, frozen in time, of an individual's record on the police national computer. Currently, an England Squash & Racketball CRB is valid for 3 years – clearly not an ideal situation. Under the new scheme, an individual's ISA status will be continually monitored and updated. Moreover, as and when any new information comes to light (from a legal duty placed upon employers, social services and professional regulators to report potential risk) their status will be reassessed (by an independent panel) and if necessary that person will be barred from working with children or vulnerable adults. If this happens interested parties will be notified.

Organisations wishing to engage people to work with vulnerable groups must check their ISA status before taking them on. This will be accomplished using the ISA-online service, which is free to access.

There's lots of good information on the ISA's website: [www.isa-gov.org.uk](http://www.isa-gov.org.uk) notably a PowerPoint presentation from their recent "roadshows". I recommend that you take a look.

Clearly, come July 2010, the ISA are going to be inundated with applications so the legal requirement for individuals to register and for interested parties to check their status won't come into force until November 2010.

A few final observations:

- ISA-registration is **fully portable** and lasts for life, you only need register once
- Staff wanting to work with vulnerable groups **cannot refuse** to become ISA-registered
- The "grey area" surrounding parents needing to register if they give lifts to other people's children seems (to me from reading the info) to fall under the banner of a domestic arrangement and therefore parent's wouldn't have to register, so long as the club aren't organising matters directly. Newscasters have spotted this ongoing point and ministers are now saying they're going to revue things – watch this space!
- Cost of ISA registration is published to be **£64** (inc an enhanced CRB check) for those being remunerated. For volunteers it'll be **free** (like the current CRB system, don't think that you can get away with claiming to be a volunteer if you receive or are ever likely to receive payment for your coaching!). England Squash & Racketball will use an agency to process forms (as we do now for CRBs), so there's almost certainly going to be a small additional amount on top
- 12<sup>th</sup> July 2010 the current CRB form becomes obsolete and will be replaced by a new CRB/ISA form
- Early next year guidelines for Sport's National Governing Bodies will be published by the government – we'll be better placed to keep you informed then
- For the time being you don't need to do anything other than keep yourselves aware of developments
- Currently the CRB system covers about 6.3 million people, under the new scheme it's anticipated that 11 million will be registered. I believe that in practice it'll be no more onerous than CRBs, but a better system. If another "Soham" is prevented it'll all be worthwhile.

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*Child protection continued...*

### For those in **Berkshire:**

Saturday 3rd October 2009

10am-3.30pm

The Hilton Centre Hotel, Pinchington Lane, Newbury, RG14 7HL

Berkshire sport and their partners are putting on a one day event for groups and organisations working with Children and Young People. It's called "**Working Together**" and there'll be National and Local Speakers, Training Workshops, Funding ideas and the **latest information on Safeguarding**.

Book online at [www.cawb.org.uk](http://www.cawb.org.uk) or E-mail [shelly.hambrecht@ccberks.org.uk](mailto:shelly.hambrecht@ccberks.org.uk)

The event is completely **FREE** of charge

## **Tecnifibre British Junior Championships 2009**

Entry forms and Entry Information for the 2009 **Tecnifibre British Junior Championships** is now available on the ESR website [www.Englandsquashandracketball.com](http://www.Englandsquashandracketball.com)

The tournament will run from the 29 October to 01 November 2009.

Two venues will be used – the National Squash Centre, Manchester and The Northern Squash Club, Didsbury.

Draws will be a maximum of 32 and there will be qualifying rounds. **Please note there is no plate for players who lose in the qualifying round.** Should a player be involved in the qualifying round and lose that will be the end of the event for that player.

There will be a plate for 1<sup>st</sup> round losers of the main draw and the last 16 will play out to a finishing position.

Closing date for this event is **Wednesday 14 October**.

## **County News**

### **Oxfordshire Sports Awards 2009**

Nominations for the Oxfordshire Sports Awards 2009 are now open.

The awards evening is taking place at the Kassam Stadium on 13th November.

The closing date for entries is Midnight Sunday 27th September - less than 6 weeks away, so we need to let as many people as possible know and encourage everyone to send in their nominations for Oxfordshire's sporting stars, coaches, clubs, teams and unsung heroes of 2009.

There are photos from last year's awards ceremony and 2008 winners on the website [www.oxfordshiresport.org/Awards2009](http://www.oxfordshiresport.org/Awards2009) along with the entry form details.

Surely you know of someone who deserves to be nominated?.....



# **NATIONAL RACKETBALL DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS 2009**

**10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> October**

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**RACQUETS FITNESS CENTRE,  
THAME**

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**Men's, Ladies & Mixed Events**

**Entry fee: £20 per team**

**Closing date: 25<sup>th</sup> September**

**For more information and an entry form**

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**or visit [www.racketball.org](http://www.racketball.org)**



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# Attention all Level 1 and Level 2 coaches.

Do you live **or coach** within Hampshire & IOW, Bucks, Berks, Oxfordshire, Kent, Surrey or Sussex.

If so, we have some places remaining available to receive a £200 bursary towards Level 2 & £462 towards Level 3 coaching qualifications.

You must:

- be 19+ years old
- be endorsed by England Squash & Racketball (ES&R)
- hold the pre-requisite qualifications for either Level 2 or 3 UKCC
- be currently employed as a coach or coaching voluntarily

Please contact [barbara.peddy@englandsquashandracketball.com](mailto:barbara.peddy@englandsquashandracketball.com) for more information

**Stop press** - only 3 spaces left for Level 3 bursaries worth £462

## Level 1, 2 & 3 Coaching Courses

England Squash & Racketball have spaces on the following coaching courses which are being held in the London & South East regions.

UKCC **Level One** Certificate in Coaching Squash  
Southdown Sports Club, Lewes, East Sussex  
October 10 & November 29 2009

UKCC **Level Two** Certificate in Coaching Squash  
Warlingham Squash & Racketball Club, Warlingham, Surrey  
October 10/11 & December 12/13 2009

UKCC **Level Two** Certificate in Coaching Squash  
Greenacres, Newbury, Bucks  
November 14/15 & January 26/27, 2010

UKCC **Level Three** Certificate in Coaching Squash  
National Squash Centre, Sportcity, Manchester  
January 25/26/27/28, April 12/13, July 6 2010

### Please note:

**The Level 3 Course at Esporta Croydon has been cancelled due to lack of numbers.**

If you would like to book on any of the above coaching courses please email: [Louise.Pickford@englandsquashandracketball.com](mailto:Louise.Pickford@englandsquashandracketball.com) for further information.

## Referee Workshops

During the past 6 months ESR Referee Development Officer, Martin Roberts has been working to produce a new Referee Training Programme to take effect this coming season. Most of our existing Instructors have undergone specific training to improve the quality and standardise the workshop deliveries. Currently, we have some 13 Instructors in England who have been given the responsibility of a designated area where they can liaise with the Regional Office, county associations and clubs.

The intention is to provide three main types of Referee Workshop:

1. **The ESRB Referees Workshop.**

A full 3.5 hour workshop for the initial training of all referees to 'P' (Provisional) Grade. The workshop will include instruction of all the rules (including Racketball) and the cost will also include an examination fee.

2. **ESRB Junior Academy Referee Workshop.**

1 hour short introduction to the interpretations of Rule 12 and some practical work.

3. **ESRB Junior Referee Workshop.**

2 hour workshop designed for juniors under age 16. ES&R certificate for all attendees.

If your Club or County Association is interested in running one of the above Workshops please email [Barbara.Peddy@englandsquashandracketball.com](mailto:Barbara.Peddy@englandsquashandracketball.com) for further information.

## Club and Coach Development Workshops

If you are a club who are working towards your England Squash Club Charter, or a Coach looking to keep your coach Licence up to date, please use the following websites to find out details of course local to you. These include: Equity in Your Coaching, Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Sport, How to Coach Disabled People in Sport and A Club for All.

Alternatively, check local availability by visiting [www.runningsports.org](http://www.runningsports.org)

### Middlesex and London Boroughs:



<http://www.proactivelondon.org/courses.asp?section=0001000100010007&sectionTitle=Training+and+Courses>

### Kent:

[http://www.kentsport.org/coaching\\_sporcoach\\_qual2.cfm](http://www.kentsport.org/coaching_sporcoach_qual2.cfm)



### Surrey:

<http://www.activesurrey.com/content-582#1167>



### Sussex:

<http://www.sussexsport.org/main.asp?page=684>



### Hampshire:

<http://www.sport Hampshire iow.co.uk/courses>



### Oxfordshire:

<http://www.oxfordshiresport.org/courses.asp?section=881&sectionTitle=Courses+to+support+your+personal+development+or+the+development+of+your+club>



### Berkshire:

<http://www.berkshiresport.com/main.asp?page=863>



### Buckinghamshire

<http://www.buckssport.org/servlets/sfs?t=/contentManager/onStory&e=UTF-8&i=1172035124225&l=0&active=no&ParentID=205&StoryID=1204130147704>



## Communication

The aim of is to keep the squash community up to date. **Please do submit news from you club or county about upcoming events, results, individual or team achievements, and any volunteers whose work you wish to recognise publicly.**

We would also be grateful if you would print a copy of the news and add it to your club notice board. If you know of anybody who would like to be added to the circulation list for *London & South East Regional Newsletter* please encourage them to send their email address to us.

Finally, if you wish to unsubscribe from *London & South East Regional Newsletter* please email UNSUBSCRIBE to [barbara.peddy@englandsquashandracketball.com](mailto:barbara.peddy@englandsquashandracketball.com)

We look forward to receiving your news and promoting your activities.

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