



# WAG 'Newsflash'

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## 'Sport Makers'

**Wharfedale Activity Group is holding a free workshop at Ilkley Rugby Club on Thursday 16th February 6.30pm –9.30pm to encourage people to organise and lead sporting activities.**

Wharfedale Activity Group is encouraging people aged 16 and over to get involved and show groups how they can encourage more people to access their club, increase participation and gain some recognition. It is working in partnership with West Yorkshire Sport and Bradford Council's Volunteers in Sport project.

The project is helping to build an Olympic legacy throughout the Wharfe Valley.

As well as having the chance to be involved with the Olympics locally, the workshop will give people support and ideas.

Participants will receive a free Adidas tee-shirt and bag and a certificate after the completion of ten hours volunteering.

They will also be entered into a draw for Olympic tickets and will have the opportunity to learn new skills or take further qualifications.

Sport Makers is part of the National Lottery's Places People Play legacy programme that is bringing the magic of a home Olympic and Paralympic Games into communities across the country.

To sign up to attend the workshop visit [www.sportmakers.co.uk](http://www.sportmakers.co.uk)

**For more information contact James Heddon on (01943) 603348 or 07932 762603 or [james@kivca.org.uk](mailto:james@kivca.org.uk)**



### What are Sport Makers?

*Sport Makers are simply, people who make sport happen.*

*Some might organise sport informally for themselves, their friends, colleagues or neighbours, for example;*

- *Organise a friendly tennis session to help work colleagues get to know each other*
- *Encourage friends to do a run in the local park once a week, celebrating with lunch afterwards*
- *Organise a fundraising event for your village with the help of other Sport Makers*
- *Create a sport event or festival with other people for your local community*

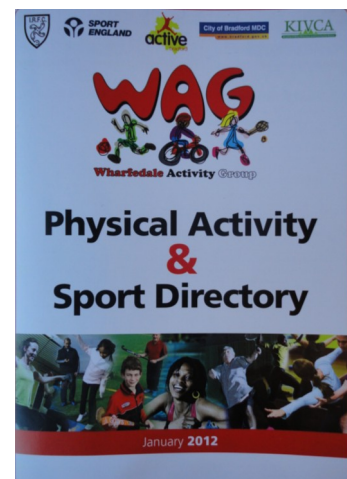
## 'WAG Sport & Physical Activity Directory'

Wharfedale Activity Group and Active Bradford have worked in partnership to produce a directory which details information of groups and clubs delivering sport and physical activity throughout the Wharfe Valley.

Copies of the directory are located in libraries, GP surgeries and a number of community associations. The directory can also be accessed on the WAG page of the [ilkley.org](http://ilkley.org) website and details of club information are available on the Active Bradford website [www.activebradford.co.uk](http://www.activebradford.co.uk)

It is hoped that the directory will encourage more people to get involved in sport and physical activity. Information is now readily available for people to find out what activities are going on and how they can access them.

The directory highlights the diverse range of high quality sporting opportunities available throughout the Wharfe Valley. Should your club details not appear in the directory or on the Active Bradford website please contact James.





**'Ilkley and District Volunteer Awards'** are celebrating the hard work and dedication of groups or individuals who give time and effort for the benefit of others or, who have helped to improve the activities in your community, organisation or club.

One of the award categories is **'Encouraging Sporting Activity'** and Wharfedale Activity Group would like you to nominate a valued volunteer who has made a real difference to your club.

Other categories include Community Involvement (25 years and over) and Community Involvement (24 years and under)



## Volunteer Awards

- Do you know someone who deserves recognition?
- Why not nominate a person or group to receive an award for outstanding service to our community.
- Nominations can be received from a member of the community or any voluntary organisation. Nominees must be unpaid members of the organisation.

Nomination forms are available from:

KIVCA  
Riddings Hall, Riddings Road,  
Ilkley LS29 9LU  
Tel. 01943 603348  
email: [info@cvs.ilkley.org](mailto:info@cvs.ilkley.org)



Deadline for nominations is Friday 9th March 2012

**Award ceremony will be held on Thursday 29th March 2012**



## Olympics in the Wharfe Valley

2012 is a very exciting year for everybody involved in sport, with the Olympics and Paralympics being the main highlight.

Wharfedale Activity Group will be at the forefront of promoting and supporting Olympic themed activities and events throughout the Wharfe Valley. There is a huge opportunity to inspire and encourage more people to become involved in sport and physical activity.

In partnership with Ilkley Grammar School we are holding two events at Ilkley Rugby Club.

An **'Olympic Multi-match'** day on July 4th will see students from Ilkley Grammar School and St.Mary's Menston compete in teams against each other in a series of events.

An **'Olympic Exhibition Day'** on 2nd July will see ten primary schools take part in a number of different sporting activities.

Wharfedale Activity Group hopes to work with many clubs and groups to hold events, activities and festivals to mark the Olympics.

James is putting together a calendar of events of what is happening in the Wharfe Valley, if your club has any ideas please get in touch.

WAG will also be promoting an Older People's Olympic Challenge and a family themed sporting event.



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