

Club Professional Development programme

The rollout of the programme started in March 2011 and four one day Level 1 workshops have been held so far:

Feedback from the CPD Management team has been excellent; workshops have been well prepared and delivered. Attendance and feedback have been very good:

- Personal & Management Skills (rated 4.4 by participants) led by Graham Tomkinson and Victoria Groom(*) and held at RTC on March 17th
 - o Attendees were C Chapman, J Dodgson, L Gordon, S Blaber, B Snell and J Lumley)
- Equipment (rated 4.8) led by Steve Ronaldson and Nick Wood held at Seacourt on March 28th
 - o Attendees were L Gordon, J Lumley, A Williams, B Snell
- Marking (rated 4.7) led by Andrew Lyons, Nick Wood and Nick Waring (*) held at Queens on April 14th
 - o Attendees were B Snell , J Lumley, A Williams, L Gordon, Nick Jones
- Coaching (rated 4.5) led by Danny Jones and Nick Wood and held at the Oratory on May 19th
 - o Attendees were J Lumley, A Williams, L Gordon , P Hetherington, B Snell

(Ratings by participants are 5= excellent and 1 = Poor)

(*) – External experts brought in to provide special skills in the areas of personal skills and voice management respectively

The CPD programme is being financed by the T&RA. The attendance fees from the attendees have been collected using the T&RA online system.

The criteria regarding the Professional Certificate programme is being circulated to all professionals at UK clubs by Nick Wood.

The Level 1 Assessment workshop was held on September 19th/20th, 2011 at which all 4 candidates attended. Attendees were given advice during their earlier workshops as to how they prepare in the areas of racket maintenance, ball preparation, coaching, marking. Some were better prepared than others!! Fees in all cases to the attendee were successfully collected by the T&RA.

Next steps:

Level 2 programme: this will start with the Personal and Management Skills workshop (led by Graham Tomkinson and Chris Bray with external skills support) on November 8th at Queen's for which there are 7 confirmed attendees - all of whom are Head professional or ex head professional. The attendees were by invitation and chosen for their enthusiasm and willingness to help. The Level 2 Marking & Refereeing course led by Andrew Lyons will be held on December 8th at Queens. The first Level 2 workshop for Equipment will be held on November 28th and led by Steve Ronaldson. Fees will be £75 to the attendee in all cases.

The next round of Level 1 workshops will be held from February 2012.

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