

# Lancashire Boys & Girls Clubs Let's Club Together!

## News Update – September 2011



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### Funding Award

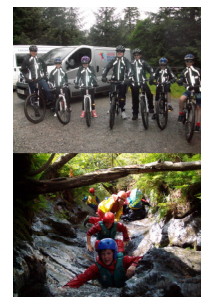
Lancashire Boys & Girls Clubs receives £9,700 towards training programme. These include a residential training weekend for club leaders and volunteers which will cover various practical aspects of club based work. Additionally, an archery leader coaching course, quad bike leader competency training, & mountain bike leaders course, will be organized over the next 12 months. This programme will provide new training opportunities to enhance the skills of club staff to maximize the existing activities and projects currently available to young people via member clubs. Watch out for more details.

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### Summer Camp

14 young people from Burnley Boys & Girls Club, Fleetwood CYP, Marsh Community Centre, Clitheroe Youth, Blackburn YMCA and Rossendale Children & Parent Support took part in this year's Summer Camp which took place at Scarness Campsite on Lake Bassenthwaite.

A week highly anticipated by the group, which included mountain biking at Whinlatter Forrest, canoeing on the Lake Bassenthwaite, archery, ghyll scrambling and many more activities and games. To read the full story, visit our website [www.labgc.org.uk](http://www.labgc.org.uk).



### National Citizen Service – end of project

Congratulations to all the young people who took part in the Lancaster National Citizen Service pilot programme.

The programme ran over the summer with a challenging two week residential and a Social Action project, whereby the young people chose to raise money for a headstone in memory of Mackenzie, the son of a young woman on the programme that lost her son to still birth. They also designed a website for other young parents who may have had similar experience to share their story: [www.bornasleep.org.uk](http://www.bornasleep.org.uk)

The young people did incredibly well and achieved a lot in a short space of time, over coming personal barriers to achieve their goals. Well done to all those young people who took part.



### Club2Go

After the recent launch of the Club2Go project which was inaugurated by football legend Jimmy Armfield CBE DL, the van has now started running sessions in Blackpool and Fleetwood. For details about the venues, please visit our website [www.labgc.org.uk](http://www.labgc.org.uk).



## FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



### Life Through a Lens - Competition 2011

(Wednesday 1st September- Wednesday 1st November 2011)

Young members are invited to explore their creative side and capture "Friendship" in a digital photograph and email it to [andygunn@labgc.org.uk](mailto:andygunn@labgc.org.uk) for a chance of winning a prize for their club!! All photos will be showcased at the Clubs Got Talent Evening. Closing date: Wednesday 1st November 2011.

### Member of the Year 2011

Young people do great voluntary work in our clubs and if it wasn't for their commitment, our clubs would struggle. The LABGC Leslie Eckersley Member of the Year is an important event to celebrate and recognise this fact and those young people and their positive contribution to your club. Club leaders are invited to nominate junior (11-15) and/or senior members (16-21). Final interviews will take place at Lancashire Boys & Girls Clubs headquarters on **Wednesday 19th October 2011, 7pm-9pm**. Winners for both junior and senior awards will receive a trophy, certificate and a donation towards a club project during the Clubs Got Talent evening. **Closing date: Monday 10th October 2011**. Nomination forms are available from our website [www.labgc.org.uk](http://www.labgc.org.uk)

## (Adult) Volunteer of the Year 2011

You are invited to nominate your Volunteer of the Year 2011, who you believe have made a positive contribution to your club through donating their spare time. This is a great chance to celebrate the time and effort that volunteers give.

The winner will be presented the award on your behalf at our forthcoming Clubs Got Talent, which this year we are holding on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at the Thwaites Empire Theatre in Blackburn.

All you have to do is complete the nomination form and return it to us as soon as possible, closing date being on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011.



### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011 – Thwaites Empire Theatre, Blackburn

We are delighted to announce that AmeB alias Amy Burns, winner of the 2009 Clubs Got Talent and now recording artist has kindly accepted to support this year's event. Amy will start by performing in clubs during audition nights and motivating participants.

Entry forms have now been sent out to the clubs and auditions will be taking place between the 10<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> October at your club. For any further information, please contact Sylvia on 01524 65106 or by email [sylvia@labgc.org.uk](mailto:sylvia@labgc.org.uk).

As per last year, an award ceremony will open the evening and we are looking for some young people full of confidence to present. For any suggestion, please get in touch. This will be a great opportunity to celebrate young people's talents and positive contributions and participation. Tickets will be £3 per adult and £1 for under 18yrs old non members. 2 tickets will be reserved per club (club leader + 1) and it will be free for young members.



### Programme of Events 2011-12 – OUT NOW!!!

The new programme of events 2011-12 is here and has now been distributed to member clubs. This year we are taking a different approach to the programme. You will notice that there are “**core**” & “**additional**” events. The “**core**” events are fixed and are due to happen on the dates advertised, the “**additional**” events are likened to a menu so ones that may happen and at shorter notice e.g. 6 weeks. But it's YOU the clubs that dictate which will go ahead from YOUR feedback. So the most events which prove to be the most popular from the feedback we receive from **YOU** will go ahead, it's in **YOUR PROGRAMME, YOUR DECISION!**

## Participation Awards 2011

Between February and September, there has been 1 event that has been a ‘scoring’ one: Summer Camp. So the top 10 scores on the doors at the moment are as follows: Clitheroe Youth (100pts), Burnley BGC (70pts), Blackpool BGC (60pts), CEEP (50pts), Bolton LGC (40pts), Blackburn YMCA (40pts), Marsh CC (40pts), Tommy's Fleetwood CYP (30pts), Lancaster BGC (20pts), Staining YC (20pts).

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES

### Sports2Go



The association is taking the Sports2Go into the community to provide opportunities to get involved in a range of sports and physical activities and to have fun!!! (Activities include: Tri-golf, volleyball, football, tag rugby, archery, pillow bashing, and earthball....etc..). Group dynamics and team building activities providing personal and social development skills can also be delivered. For more information, please contact Andy on 01524 65106.

### Trailblazers

This is a mountain bike skills programme which can be delivered in your community. It includes bike checks, safety and riding skills, developed through fun challenges. Further riding sessions on more advanced trails can then be booked. For more information on bookings, call Andy or Sylvia on 01524 65106

### Quad Squad

The Quad Squad has had a busy summer with the visits of Jamea Masjid Youth Group, Clitheroe Youth, Fleetwood CYP, NCS group, Lancaster PAYP and Wigan YPS and is now looking forward to getting your club booked in! For details about bookings, contact Leon at the office on 01524 65106.



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