

# Basketball forward

Cheshire East Basketball Forum News

## Inspire Basketball Leagues

The Cheshire East Basketball leagues are the first of its kind in the Cheshire East area giving young people the opportunity to compete at a local level. Young people will be able to design, take part, officiate, or simply volunteer some time to support. All Teams have to do is register in advance with the Basketball Forum Chair Bill Baxter.

The league project includes partners, Cheshire Jets, England Basketball, Cheshire & Warrington Sports Partnership Trust, Cheshire East Leisure and Play Development, Schools Sports Partnership for Sandbach, Ruskin and Macclesfield areas, as well as the participating clubs.

Basketball is a sport exploding onto the scene and supported by the new Leagues. This will enable us to ensure Basketball fulfils its full potential. Click here to see Paul Deighton's (Chief Executive of LOCOG) visit to Cheshire where he learned a few skills from the people behind the project.

<http://www.radiowaves.co.uk/story/130502/title/PaulDeightonALifeChangingMan> [www.nwbeinspired.com](http://www.nwbeinspired.com)



To carry on this great work and make the leagues even more competitive we are looking to recruit more teams. We are Recruiting U15s & U19s Teams now

Please contact Cheshire East Basketball Forum Chair:  
Bill Baxter 07960794431

## Time to Get Involved - Volunteer

Sports volunteers rarely use the term 'volunteer' to describe their activities, they see themselves as coaches, umpires, referees, team managers, club personnel or event organisers. Behind the scenes there are treasurers, committee members, planners, researchers, IT website managers, journalists and photographers. In short, there is a vast array of roles supporting sport without which it would not be able to function. For more information about volunteering.

Please contact Sport and Play Development Officer: 01270 685783.

With this in mind, the Cheshire East Basketball forum funded the development of volunteers and club members to complete a Referees course and Table official course. It is hoped to see those candidates on the court supporting the leagues soon. Thanks to all that made this happen. If you are interested in personal development and would like to support the Clubs and leagues contact Bill Baxter 07960794431 for latest training course information.

With support from the Cheshire and Warrington Sports Trust the Basketball Forum has been able to access funding support from the Sports Unlimited programme. This funding has been used to support the start of the leagues, improve facilities and enable clubs to expand and purchase new equipment.

At the end of last term the Basketball Forum hosted a skills and drills session followed by matches. The event was a great advert for the clubs and the work undertaken.



Killer Competition at the Sports Unlimited Event  
18<sup>th</sup> July 2010

Look out for the new Cheshire East Basket Ball Forum  
Webpage:  
[cheshireeastbasketball.weebly.com](http://cheshireeastbasketball.weebly.com)

If you wish to have more links on the web pages please submit to Christopher Geal on email: [GE1AS@alsagerschool.co.uk](mailto:GE1AS@alsagerschool.co.uk)