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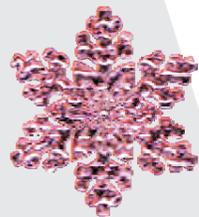


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Welcome to the tenth edition of NPTC Group School of Sport & Uniformed Public Services (SPS) annual newsletter.

Here you will find details of some of the sporting successes and activities that our staff and students have accomplished over the last few months.

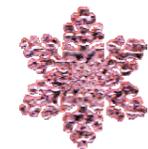
It also introduces some further opportunities and challenges open to students in this exciting department over the coming months.

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BTEC Level 3 Sport - Active Young People Organiser Training

The Level 3 first year students attended Active Young People training sessions run by PASS officers Mark Napieralla and Michelle Hall. The first year students received training to develop their Leadership and Coaching for multi-skills activities. Crymlyn Primary school visited Llandarcy Academy of Sport, to enable the students to implement and practice their new skills!

The student will eventually complete a number of voluntary coaching hours within local primary schools and sports clubs.



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NPTC Ladies Football 6-0 Coleg Sir Gar



The women's football team achieved another impressive win, against College Sir Gar on Wednesday 22nd October. The eight-a-side game was held at Llandarcy with the home team proving dominant from the start. The team comprised of players who were experienced, helping and guiding their counterparts who were new to football. Captain Katy Hosford led the way to an impressive 6-0 victory by scoring two goals, with further two goals each from Hannah Rogers and Danni Allen. The whole team worked well together maintaining composure throughout and a tight defensive structure to come away victorious. Well done girls.

Team effort for NPTC Group

NPTC Group's golfers were in full swing at the Welsh Colleges Golf Tournament held in Henlle Golf Club Wrexham recently. Winning the female competition was Hannah Bowen, shooting an excellent 78 and winning by two shots over Sadie Dewinton-Davies (80) who came second; Mollie Lewis came third and Chloe Saltmarsh, fourth (both on 92) and fifth place went to Sophie Michael (106).

All five now qualify for the Welsh Colleges Team who will enter the British Colleges Golf Championship in Bath next April 2015.

In the male competition, Kieran Matthews, scored 79 putting him in fifth place, placing him as first reserve for the Welsh Colleges team to enter the British Colleges Golf Championships, Dylan Matthews recorded 80, putting him into sixth place in the overall tournament.

He was followed by Luke Colwill (81), Elis Hopkins (85), and Thomas Murray (96).

There was also success in the tennis men's doubles with Jack Morris and Nikki Williams winning and in badminton men's singles for Justin Davies.

Young Ambassadors Event



NPTC Sports Students attend Young Ambassadors Event in Cardiff City FC Stadium

Year two NPTC Group Sports students L-R Shawn Howard, Ellis Pickering, Abigail Johns, Joe Raisbeck and Kieran Davies, enjoy a day sharing ideas and working together!

The fifth annual National Young Ambassadors conference took place at Cardiff City FC. The new group of Gold Ambassadors from every Local Authority area across Wales were recruited to attend the inspirational conference to learn about how they undertake their ambassadorial roles in the coming year and mentor the young sports leaders of the future.

The young ambassador movement aims to empower and inspire young people to become role models and leaders through sport, by developing their confidence and skills in order to increase physical participation in others.

Welsh Colleges Golf Tournament

**Henlle Golf Club Wrexham
Monday 13th October**

NPTC Group entered four male and five female golfers for their respective events.

In the male competition NPTC student Dylan Matthews recorded the best score of 80, putting him into sixth place in the overall tournament. He was followed by Luke Colwill (81) Elis Hopkins (85) and Thomas Murray (96).

In the female competition NPTC's Hannah Bowen won the girls competition, shooting an excellent 78 winning by two shots over Sadie Davies (80) second place followed by Mollie Lewis third and Chloe Saltmarsh fourth (both 92) and fifth place to Sophie Michael (106)

All five NPTC female golfers qualify for the same tournament; a tremendous achievement! (Pictured below)



Stephen Galsworthy Memorial Shield (Disability Football Tournament)

Llandarcy Academy of Sport hosted the Stephen Galsworthy Memorial Shield; an annual disability football tournament hosted by NPT PASS and NPTC Group. The tournament saw secondary school children come from across the borough for a fun filled day of competitive football played in good spirit. The tournament is just one of many community tournaments hosted in partnership with NPTC Group's Sport and Public Services department, with a strong emphasis on disability sport.

Here students from the BTEC Level 3 Coaching Development and Fitness Class 2B undertook leadership and refereeing duties. Victoria Radmore, organiser and Disability Sport Wales Development Officer commented, "I would like to take this opportunity to remark on the NPTC Group Sport Students; they were exemplary and professional in their conduct throughout the tournament. They are a credit to the college and I look forward to working with them again after Christmas."



Welsh Schools Trampolining Championships 23/11/2014



A strong contingent of NPTC Group gymnasts were entered into this year's Welsh Schools Trampolining championships held in Pontypool. Jessica Morris produced both clean and difficult routines, marginally missing the podium finishing fourth in the elite division. Ria Hughes found success in the intermediate competition, completing two technically solid routines making her a silver medallist therefore qualifying for the zonal competition to be held in January. The novice girl's team consisting of Katie Barnett, Sophie Hughes and Casey Williams produced solid routines contributing to the overall team placing of seventh. Ria Hughes also represented the college as judge in the morning competitions. Well done girls and good luck for January Ria.(below left)



WRU Touch Rugby Festival



A team of eight NPTC Group girls took part in the WRU festival held at Llandarcy Academy of Sports on November 26th. The girls won their first game 5-0 against Ysgol Llangynwyd, thanks to a try from Molly Davis-Briskham. Zoe Parfitt scored all three tries against Pembroke College including a well executed interception try to complete a convincing defeat 15-0. Finally the girls came up against the more experienced Barbarians team consisting of college girls who play at a high level across clubs in Wales. The girls were strong in defence but unfortunately lost by three tries. Tara Finnegan later went on to play full contact rugby with the Baba's team who won all four of their matches, with Tara scoring three of their tries. Well done girls.

BTEC Level 2 Sport

The group have recently completed a number of Outdoor Adventurous activities- here they are pictured after their Gorge Walking!



BTEC L3 Sport Yr2 - Outdoor Adventurous Activities Week

At the beginning of the term, the second year students took part in a number of Outdoor Pursuits; Group 2B are pictured below after safely navigating up to the summit of Pen-Y-Fan in Brecon.



Below are 2A in the surf at Aberavon Beach!!

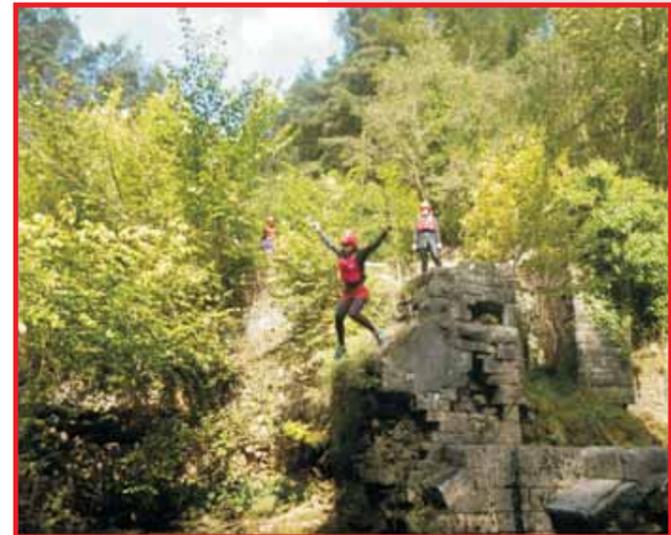


BTEC L3 Sport Yr2 - Outdoor Adventurous Activities Week

2A & 2C on their Kayaking trip!



A brave student takes the plunge during Coast Steering!!



NPTC Group Men s Football

Men's 1st Team Football



Cat 2 Wales league saw NPTC Group Neath take on Merthyr College at the Llandarcy Academy of Sport. After losing a whole first team, it was an opportunity for new first and second year students to stake a claim for a place in the starting 11. After going 1-0, 2-1 and 3-2 down, NPTC clawed their way back into the game with goals from Matt Rowley, Adam Griffiths and a brace from Man of the Match Joe Raisbeck to take a thrilling 4-3 win. A new year, lots to work on but the dedication, commitment and attitude of the boys could not be faulted.

Men's 2nd Team Football



Our second team game up against a very strong Coleg Sir Gar team and after a poor first half were 4-0 down. NPTC pulled a goal back through Callum Sullivan but went on to concede four more, for an 8-1 loss. Man of the Match was debutant Josh Hutchinson.

NPTC Group Men s Football

Men's 3rd Team Football



Rugby 2nd Team



NPTC Rugby second team have kept going through a difficult fixture list. The team was disrupted early on due to players moving between the first and second teams but the core of the team has been constant throughout, with good performances from Lee Addis, Rhodri Jones and Sam Davies. We still have four league fixtures left before moving into the play offs.

Well done boys!

NPTC Group Netball

A force to be reckoned with! British Colleges 1st Round Result NPTC 70 - Deeside 22



(Newly sponsored by the PRINCIPALITY BUILDING SOCIETY, NPTC NETBALL team proudly wear their new kit)

The team made the 4 hour trip to Deeside and still produced an outstanding win, with all 12 players having court time. Director of netball Helen Jones stated, "I'm extremely proud of the team; they deservedly won the game and produced some excellent set plays and performances". She continued saying, "We have been working hard on our shooting and this result emphasized the 70% success rate, an excellent win for the young team with all players contributing equally.

The team will now progress to the second round of the British Cup to play the winners of Sir Gar & Cross Keys.



Welsh Cup Bridgend 08/10/2014

NPTC Group took on an excellent Category one Bridgend College, in the first round of the Welsh Cup. In horrendous conditions Neath Campuses put on their best performance of the season. Excellent defensive organisation and quality counterattacking football led to glorious chances for Matthew Rowley (Engineering), Joe Raisebeck (Sport) and Callum Wright (Sport). Despite having the lions share of possession Bridgend did not make any clearer cut chances of note. In the 63rd minute the deadlock was broken by a poacher's goal from Liam Thomas (Plumbing). That is the way the game stayed despite intense pressure from Bridgend. NPTC missed a chance to go further in front from a Liam Thomas drive. An excellent performance of hard work and application and a mention has to go out to Matthew Stafford (plastering) for an excellent debut in goal.

Women s Football

NPTC Group Victorious at Welsh Colleges Football Festival 03.12.2015

NPTC Group were victorious in the first of the Welsh Colleges five-a-side league tournaments to be held this year. NPTC were also the hosts of the new event with colleges travelling from across South West Wales to enter a team. Three Llandarcy sports students, Vincent Murray, Callum Davies and Curtis Thomas were also involved in officiating during the event. NPTC girls won all of their games with all the goals coming from Sophie Cardy and Katie Hosford.

NPTC RESULTS:

NPTC 1-0 Gower B NPTC 2-0 USK College
NPTC 2-0 Gower A NPTC 2-0 Coleg Sir Gar
NPTC 2-1 Pembroke College



NPTC Women's Football team @ the festival!
(L-R) Megan Berry, Sophie Cardy, Katie Hosford, Dani Allen, Zoe Parfitt & Tara Finnegan.



Ashley Bendle
Martial Arts

Ashley Bendle is following an A Level programme in College having achieved excellent GCSE results in Birchgrove Comprehensive School. As a martial artist she is fully committed to her training, spending a great deal of time in a range of grappling and skills sessions. She also regularly competes for her team at the Chris Rees Academy, where she has competed locally, nationally and internationally. As a member of her team for over 12 years she has won many championships including the Welsh, English and British and also fought in the World Pros. Such is her commitment that she hopes to be able to compete in the World Championships in the near future.



Josh Cole
Rugby

Josh is currently studying on the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport. He is an outstanding rugby player and is fully committed to his College course. Josh has played for the Ospreys regional side and Wales at both under 16 & 18 level, he is also a member of the Osprey RFC C group, where he combines his College studies and a near full time training programme. Josh has represented the College at rugby for the past two seasons where he has been an excellent asset to the squad and he has also represented the College in athletics in last year's schools championship.



Hannah Bowen
Golf

Hannah Bowen arrived at NPTC Group from Llangatwg school to study A Levels. Hannah has ambitions to become a professional female golfer, she currently has a handicap of five. She has represented various teams and achieved many accolades. During the last two years since she has been in College, Hannah has become West Wales Girls Champion, first in junior Welsh qualifier 2011.

Hannah has also represented NPTC in both Welsh and British Colleges competitions at St Andrews in Scotland and Bath in England, 2014. This year Hannah won the Welsh Colleges golf championships in Wrexham and will represent Wales again next year in the British Colleges competition.



Nia Williams
Tangsoodo/Taekwondo

Nia Williams is following the A Level program in College having achieved excellent GCSE results in Dwr Y Felin Comprehensive School. As a martial artist she is fully committed to her training, spending a great deal of time completing a range of skills sessions travelling to Cardiff for specialist coaching. She is currently a World Champion in TangSoodo and is British bronze medalist in Taekwondo ITF. She has also had numerous bronze, silver and gold medals in the lightweight division of the Welsh Championships. She currently fights for clubs in Aberdare and North Cornelly. She has also represented Wales and the UK in the World Championships. She is looking forward to competing at the Europeans this February in Germany where her next goal is to place highly in the European Championships.



Jodie Newell
Judo

Jodie is currently studying the BTEC Level 3 at Llandarcy Academy of Sport. Jodie's sport is Judo where she competes in the under 70kg category. As an International Judo competitor she is fully committed to her training, spending a great deal of time in the gym and practicing her skills and strategies on the Judo mat.

Jodie became Welsh Champion for the sixth year running and in January 2014 she retained her British Title at U18's level for the fifth consecutive year. Jodie has also travelled to Spain and Portugal where she was placed fifth and third to collect a bronze medal.



Morgan Ireland
Netball

Morgan Ireland is currently studying AS Levels PE, human biology and history, having achieved 15 GCSE's from Dyffryn Comprehensive School. Morgan excels in netball where she represents the College, Afan Nedd Tawe, and ANT Hub. Morgan is an important member of the College netball squad and is a likely candidate to captain the academy next season. Within the last month Morgan has been selected for the Junior Dragons squad and also wales U17. We would like to congratulate her on this achievement and wish her well for the remainder of the season.



Katy Hosford
Football

Katy has been a permanent member of the Swansea City Ladies Football team over the last two seasons. Her football achievements have seen her representing Wales at Under 16, 17 and 19's, gathering a total of 19 caps. Katy has recently come back from an international tournament in Turkey playing against Italy, Turkey and Kazakhstan, where she scored her first international goal at under 19 level. She has visited countries such as Finland, Turkey, Denmark, Ireland and Scotland and has been lucky to play against a variety of international sides in home tournaments. Katie is captain for the College football team and is also currently the Welsh Colleges captain, leading the side against as England Colleges and Australian schools. Katy has a passion for psychology where she has obtained an A grade at As Level and is looking to combine a career in psychology with her football, playing at the highest level possible.



Sport Scholarship Winners 2014 - 2015