



East Midlands Inspire Programme Update June/July 2010

Welcome to a summer Inspire Programme update for the East Midlands, keeping you up to date with the region's latest Inspire Mark projects, key milestones and the opportunities of being part of the Inspire programme

Statistics

We now have 72 projects and events recognised by the Inspire Programme in the East Midlands. In terms of Regional performance the East Midlands is placed 3rd Nationally.

*Accurate as of 12/07/10. For further information please e-mail:

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Recent projects:

SQUARELIGHT Lead Organisation: Northampton Borough Council	Inspired by the regeneration of the East End of London, SQUARELIGHT provides a colourful 365 day energy efficient lighting display for Northampton Town Square.
Sports Zone Lead Organisation: Lincolnshire Sports Partnership	Provided a wide variety of 'Come and Try it' sports activities and demonstrations to visitors of all ages at the annual Lincolnshire show 23 rd -24 th June 2010.
People in the Parks Lead Organisation: Mansfield District Council	This project gives local communities the chance to access a variety of physical activity opportunities in their local green spaces.
Working Together for 2012 Lead Organisation: Visit Lincolnshire	The project promotes the opportunities of 2012 to ensure a strong legacy for the tourism sector in Lincolnshire.
Family Skate Plus Lead Organisation Nottingham City Council	Approved by Torvill and Dean; this project gives 30 families from the St Ann's ward of Nottingham the opportunity to forge friendships and try something
Corby Celebration Festival Lead Organisation: Corby Borough Council	The project gives the community of Corby the chance to be part of Open Weekend and celebrate the 1 st anniversary of Corby's East Midlands International Pool.
Sport@Val Lead Organisation: Voluntary Action Leicester	Sport@val aims to recruit, train and support more sports volunteers by visiting clubs, schools and colleges targeting people who may not previously have considered volunteering.

Get Sporty Lead Organisation: Northamptonshire Sport	Get Sporty is a county wide project that will drive participation in the lead up to 2012, increasing the range of sports specific opportunities available to communities.
Lyric Lounge Lead Organisation: Writing East Midlands	The Lyric Lounge is an accessible, temporary spoken word venue presenting a series of events with an ambience to attract young people and a range of culturally diverse participants/audiences.
Sowing the Seeds for 2012 Lead Organisation: Quad	Ten visual arts organisations across the East Midlands are collaborating on a region-wide programme of International Artist Residencies.

Spotlight – Quicksticks Hockey



Children across the East Midlands have been developing their hockey skills this summer thanks to a festival run by England Hockey & Supported by the National Hockey Foundation and East Midlands Development Agency. In total nearly 600 young people took part in introductory festivals of hockey within School Sports Partnerships. Many then went on to play in a regional festival that took place on the 10th July to coincide with the opening of the Women’s Champions Trophy. Participants of the Leicester Quicksticks Hockey Festival pictured with England International Kerry Williams

Spotlight – Sports Zone



Following in the footsteps of the 2012 road show that visited the Lincolnshire Show in 2007 the Sports Zone, organised by the Lincolnshire Sports Partnership, provided visitors to the 126th Lincolnshire Show 23rd-24th June with a variety of ‘come and try it’ sports activities and demonstrations. Visitors of all ages enjoyed table tennis, power chair football, hockey, cricket and much more.

Spotlight- Erewash Sports Academy Award



Celebrating their success; the Erewash Sports Academy Award gives young people in Erewash the opportunity to take their first steps in Sports leadership as well as encourage them to be more physically active. All participants on the programme will achieve at least four qualifications including; Sports Leaders level 1 or 2, NGB Young Organisers/Officials awards, and first aid certificates. Pictured with Councillor Mike Wallis the council’s lead member for culture and leisure.

Spotlight- Active Ashfield Games



On the 3rd July hundreds of people turned out to represent Active Sutton, Kirkby, Hucknall and Selston at the first ever Active Ashfield Games. The Games which was funded by Ashfield District Council, NHS Nottinghamshire and the East Midlands Development Agency was a community games for all ages and abilities, and encompassed competitions for the workplace, adults with disabilities, youth service and Surestart (0-5) family activities.

Coming Soon- SO Festival 2010



SO Festival 2010 will build on Skegness' traditions to present a festival of transformative events that will delight the public with magical and unforgettable experiences. The SO Festival promises **four fantastic days of free, exhilarating events!** From Thursday 22nd through to Sunday 25th July be prepared to be entertained and amazed as Skegness is transformed into a colourful carnival of dance, street theatre, music, comedy and more! To find out more visit www.sofestival.org

New Photo Slideshow feature

If you are an Inspire Marked project or event and have photographs and quotes from participants then please send them to us so that we can feature your project in our new online photo slideshow.

To view the slideshow please [click here](#)

Keep us Informed

If you are already part of the Inspire programme please share your stories, events, photos and project milestones with us so that we can spotlight your project.

Inspire Marked events should also add their details to the London 2012 explore map.

To submit an event [click here](#)

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