

EFDS Good Practice Club Case Studies.



Based in Bristol, the New Star Patchway Club is one of the first inclusive Judo clubs in the country to Get a BJA (British Judo Association) Clubmark bronze Award.

General background
Club name New Star Patchway Club
Sport / s Judo
Type of impairment the club offers sport for Inclusive
Affiliated to? British Judo Association
Where is the club based? Patchway Youth Club, South Glos, we hire sessions from the youth service
When, how and why did the club start? 1981, by a then young coach, who is still the head coach
1. Engagement
Who set the club up? John Bath, Club Coach
Were disabled people included from the start? No
Do you link with other disability groups / clubs / schools? Yes, we have linked with local schools and have 5 school club links
Do you have disabled people on your committee? Yes It is important to have the right people for the roles.

2. Funding
What funds have you successfully applied for? We are about to apply for Awards for All.
Do you have a designated fundraising person on your committee? We have a separate fundraising committee
Please give us your top fundraising idea! A sponsored swim in conjunction with the Rotary club, 50% to the club 50% to Rotary.

3. Club management

Is the social side important at your club?

Very. We have annual trips and parties, as we feel that if the players and families socialize then it gives them an extra incentive to come.

Have you had help from a National Governing Body of Sport or County Sports Partnership regarding your club's policies?

We have adopted our NGB's policies

Have you achieved Clubmark or are you working towards it?

We have achieved the British Judo Association's Bronze Clubmark and are working towards silver. This has helped as we are the only club in the area to have achieved this, we participate in the School 2 Dojo programme as a Clubmark club.

4. The people

How valuable are your volunteers?

Very, the club is growing and we need volunteers to take on roles and coach!

Do you use qualified coaches?

All have attended the 'coaching disabled performers' SCUK course and are qualified from levels 1-3 NGB awards.

Do you offer incentives to coaches and volunteers?

Yes we do, licenses are paid for and a competing coach has competitions paid for. Kit and training are also funded.

Do you offer training to your coaches / volunteers?

Yes this is very important. Volunteers are encouraged to attend courses both in coaching and club administration.

5. Promotion and marketing

How do you attract new members?

We offer taster sessions in local schools. We also do demonstrations and supply flyers. Word of mouth is also important.

Do you have a person assigned as a media contact for your club?

Yes

Do you have a club website or newsletter ?

Yes our website is: www.nsbjc.com and we have monthly newsletters. New members are important and we are always looking for ways to promote the club locally.

What is your yearly membership? Cost per session etc

Annual membership is £15 per person, £25 for 2 family members and £30 for 3 or more. £2 per session for members, £2.50 for non members.

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