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PARTICIPATION COACH

Would you like to help us increase participation in Paddlesport, support club development, increase the range and number of opportunities for young people & adults to participate and ensure there are accessible pathways for progression? Then read on.....

As a result of funding from Sport England we are now able to recruit the following post to the Paddlesport Participation Team

Participation Coach

Chester Canoe Club & Runcorn Canoe Club (8 hours per week) Starting salary £5,000 per annum

We are seeking applicants with the following attributes:

- Commitment to developing both young people & adult participation from across the community in Competitive Paddlesport
- Experience of coaching in a volunteer setting, including session planning
- Can demonstrate a passion and practical enthusiasm for both competitive and recreational aspects of Paddlesport
- The ability to be a team player but also to work on your own initiative and under pressure
- Hold a valid Driving Licence & able to use your own car to support the post
- Able to access remote locations
- Willing, enthusiastic and energetic!

**Closing date for applications Friday 5th March 2010
Interviews to be held W/C 22nd March 2010**

If you are interested in applying for this position and meet the above attributes, please send your **CV** to:

Kate Clark, HR Manager, British Canoe Union, 18 Market Place, Bingham, Nottingham NG13 8AP
email kate.clark@bcu.org.uk

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Job Description - Part Time Participation Coach

The role of the Participation Coach is to deliver both after school coaching sessions for young people and regular coaching sessions for adults at the host Canoe Club which linking into the main club sessions. .

This will include the following areas of work.

Main Duties

- In liaison with the Canoe England Paddlesport Development Officer to make links with the local School Sport Co-ordinator network to establish at least 2 new school club links.
- To visit the schools and promote the sport
- To organise and run beginner courses for school aged children and Adults
- To set up and run a regular after- school and club linked sessions for Paddlers in the foundation stages of Long Term Paddler Development framework.
- To co-ordinate activities to support the paddler pathway eg gym based or pool activities during winter months
- To work with club volunteers to encourage the transition of paddlers into regular club sessions.
- Encourage participation at local events e.g. Go paddling days & Canoe 2012 events

Person Specification

- BCU Level 2 coach – updated with current First Aid
- Good presentation and communication skills
- Experience/understanding of the relevant Competitive disciplines
- Enjoy working with young people and understand their needs
- Flexible and creative approach to coaching
- Experience of undertaking risk assessments
- Prepared to undergo CRB check
- Prepared to undertake further training and development to include the first instance Child Protection training, Paddlepower and BCU Coaching Young Paddler Module.

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Terms

The contract is for 8 hours a week with a starting salary of £5000pa. An additional allowance is available for expenses and for travelling costs outside normal travel to and from the Host Canoe Clubs of £200pa. Training and development costs will be supported by the Canoe England.

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