

Welcome to the latest Clubs Newsletter

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The December 2016 edition of Table Tennis England's clubs newletter is now out.

Dear Clubs,

Welcome to the December edition of the Clubs newsletter. This issue is full of stories and information that I hope will be useful for your club. This includes the relaunch of Ability Club and information on how you can access our Club Table Grant Scheme to grow participation at your club.

It has certainly been a busy couple of months for the Clubs and Disability team here at Table Tennis England. The first pilot Club and Volunteer Conference has been hosted in County Durham with an excellent uptake from local clubs and volunteers. I would again like to thank all volunteers for their attendance and input to the Conference, with an extra thank you to both Brandon and Byshottles Table Tennis Club and Darlington Table Tennis Academy for their role in presenting on the day.

The second pilot Conference will be held in the East Midlands on Sunday February 26. Look out for an email in the new year with information on how you can book.

There have also been some developments regarding funding. Sport England are currently releasing information on their latest funding schemes. The next will be the Community Asset Fund which is set to launch in January. Follow the link in the main content to find out more.

Sport England also released the latest Active People Survey figures last week which showed an <u>increase in both</u> <u>able-bodied and disability participation</u> in table tennis in the last 12 months. A total of 107,100 people aged 16 and over are playing for at least 30 minutes every week, up from 93,500 a year ago – a rise of 13,600.

Thank you for all of your ongoing support and commitment to making table tennis such a great sport for all!

We would like to wish you a very merry Christmas and happy new year.

Best wishes,

Claire Brockwell

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