



Pongathon at the Hayward Gallery, London

The ETTA teamed up with social ping pong pioneers Pongathon at Hayward Gallery on **15 November** for the world's first art pong and to demonstrate **Instant Ping! Pong (IPP)**

'Art of Change', at Southbank Centre's Hayward Gallery, is a showcase of cutting edge contemporary Chinese art including Wang Jianwei's 'Surplus Value' A dramatic ping pong table installation that asks for some serious skills, or a great deal of luck to keep a game going.

The seriously corrugated table has inspired the Art of Change Pongathon Challenge... a special challenge where two players form a team to take on the table, with the highest number of successful bounces in 60 seconds being crowned winners. Team GB players Kelly Sibley and David Wetherill took on the table and managed to sustain a rally of nine bounces. This set the benchmark for others to try and beat. The highest score achieved by a challenging team was 12. The winning pair won a free meal for two at Concrete, Hayward's bar/cafe.

IPP was set up in the Concrete bar giving the chance for customers to have a go whilst enjoying their evening drink. Pongathon set up a robot in the gallery foyer, and here both Kelly and David set scores that were unbeaten during the evening. Sky Sports were present to record the event and coverage will be on Sky Sports News, Saturday morning on 17th November.

Coaching

UKCC Level 1 Award in Coaching Technical

Day starting 1st January, 2013

From the 1st January 2013 the ETTA will be introducing an additional day to UKCC Level 1 Award in Coaching course, that will focus on the technical elements of the basic skills, to better equip coaches in their first steps into coaching. The technical day is for potential coaches currently enrolling on a level 1 course starting from January 2013. This is a compulsory part of the learning programme for the course to gain the UKCC Level 1 Coaching Award. The key benefits of this additional requirement in the UKCC Level 1 learning programme will be:

- **Enhanced Technical Knowledge** to equip coaches with more thorough understanding of the technical aspect of the sport
- **Greater Confidence** for coaches to deliver individual coaching sessions with further knowledge to develop players further than the basic elements
- **Essential knowledge base to move into Level 2 Coaching** and be able to meet the standards and requirements to undertake the next stage of coaching
- **Regional Coach will deliver the Technical Day and provide** professional technical knowledge and support for coaches with the latest and most effective technique developments.
- **Links and Opportunities** in the region for coaches can be obtained through the regional coach and provide a good basis for starting your coaching career

For more information please contact: coaching@etta.co.uk



Instant Ping! Pong
anytime, anywhere, anyone

This month saw the first Streetgames workshop for instant Ping! Pong take place at the University of Plymouth (Marjons campus) with over 15 students taking part. The students had a lead workshop by Streetgames outlining the project and the Streetgames ethos followed by a practical session on using the Instant! Ping Pong kit and the variety of games you can play and how to engage people in the activity.

More workshops will be delivered in partnership with Streetgames to try and roll-out the Instant Ping! Pong pack in their pilot doorstep clubs across the country. The workshop will be refined and feedback incorporated from the initial workshop.

Instant Ping! Pong – Version 2

The Instant Ping! Pong pack is currently being redesigned to fit in with the Ping! branding. This will enable the Instant Ping! Pong pack to be easily associated with Ping! and its events and seen as a part of the social programme.



Haywood Gallery, London



Child protection

The Protection of Freedoms Bill received royal assent in May with some parts of the new Act coming into place from September 1st with the rest taking effect from mid 2013. There have been a number of workshops that I have attended and many questions being taken back from the NGBs to the Home Office where we are still awaiting confirmation. The new Act will mean significant changes in the way that CRB checks are carried out and who will be eligible to have a check. I was hoping to attend a workshop at the beginning of November but this has been postponed to February 2013 to allow for the Home Office to deal with the enquiries from sports. Once all the information is available I will deliver a full update at the Development Staff Meeting. I will also be updating National Council. Current advice from the CPSU and the Home Office is to continue the current status quo until further notice.
(Judy Rogers)

Sainsbury's School Games (Level 4)

Table tennis has once again been confirmed in the Sainsbury's School Games competition programme following a successful application to the Youth Sport Trust.

As the profile of the Games has increased, so have requests from other governing bodies to become part of the Games. Funding is limited and there is currently no capacity to increase the number of sports, so it is great news we will be one of only 12 sports involved. The Games will take place in Sheffield over the weekend of 12th - 15th September.

Alongside the governing bodies, Youth Sport Trust has also conducted a full tender process for the event management contractors which has been fulfilled by Fast Track for 2013.

Additional Info:

Sainsbury's School Games 2012 video:
<http://www.2013schoolgames.com/tools/multi-media.php?location=mainsite&projid=1A0567C75D434F24A404F8F4A14A91FF&media=11867&css=/main.css&lang=ENG>

School Games programme:

<https://www.yourschoolgames.com/about->

School Games - Level 2

The YST has recently circulated School Games competition calendar analysis showing Table Tennis as 3rd out of 44 sports, with 74% of SGOs planning to deliver Table Tennis at Secondary Level in the 12/13 academic year. Full details and a updated copy of the SGO list will be circulated to RDMs shortly.

Young Official Award

Resources are currently being revamped and updated along with a tutor training resource to enable more teachers to deliver the award. It is anticipated / planned that this will be available early in the new year.

Young Officials Mentoring

A national programme to support and mentor keen young table tennis volunteers from Premier Clubs and Leagues is currently being developed to enable more YP to become involved in local and national events. It is proposed to send invitations on a first come first served basis to Premier Clubs and Leagues in the New Year, details to follow, input and ideas from RDMs positively welcome.

YST School Sport Conference

ETTA and ESTTA attend the Youth Sport Trust School Sport Conference on the 16th October at Kettering.

As always the table tennis stand was busy throughout the day, with a lot of positive feedback from SGO's and teachers about table tennis in their school. One teacher even commented that it was too popular as children were skipping classes to play on the outdoor tables!

You can download the mini-keynotes, workshops, masterclasses and policy briefings from the conference from the YST website - <http://www.youthsporttrust.org/events-awards/conference/school-sport-conference-2012,-16-october/ssc-2012-presentations.aspx>

Rt Hon Maria Miller MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport and Minister for Women and Equalities and Baroness Sue Campbell, Chair of the Youth Sport Trust visited the table tennis stand and were very impressed with the IPP kit, as well as saying that they were fans of table tennis.

