

Fact File

In each issue we put the spotlight on one of the centres that run sports leadership courses, and get the lowdown on everything from why and where to who and how...

Who?

The Everton Foundation, formerly known as Everton in The Community (EITC). It is the charitable arm of Everton Football Club.

What?

The Everton Foundation instigated a range of engaging sports related activities, programmes and initiatives with the aim of making a difference to the lives of people on Merseyside. These programmes, including Sports Leaders UK awards and qualifications, have huge potential to engage all members of the community, regardless of their age, sex, ability or background. The Everton Foundation was recently made a Sports Leaders UK Outreach Centre.

As well as volunteering, it works on several other community engagement programmes in the areas of mental health, women in sport, disability, social inclusion, education, health, community engagement programmes, soccer schools, International camps and it is also home to The Everton Tigers professional basketball team.

How?

The Everton Foundation delivers 10 of Sports Leaders UK's 11 courses. The newest awards on offer are the Day Certificate in Sports Leadership; the Young Leader Award; the Maths Leader Award; and the Literacy Leader Award.



The Everton Foundation has successfully delivered accreditations to over 100 candidates in the past three years. It now hopes to increase this number to 100 people per year.

Why?

Sports Leaders UK awards and qualifications offer an extensive range of excellent accreditations for people of all ages and abilities. They give the candidates great skills and experience, such as how to adapt a session and be professional in their approach. All of these things could lead them to employment or further study.

The Everton Foundation gets great feedback from candidates. The courses are well delivered, enjoyable and they develop useful skills. Candidates are keen to progress, such as from The Level 1 Award in Sports Leadership to The Level 2 Award in Community Sports Leadership to The Level 3 Award in Higher Sports Leadership. Plus there are a number of qualified tutors working within The Everton Foundation who deliver the courses with enthusiasm and commitment.

When?

The Everton Foundation began running Sports Leaders UK courses three years ago.

Where?

The Everton Foundation delivers courses all over Merseyside. One of the main places for external delivery is SFX College, although it works with many other high schools too.

GET IN TOUCH:

Tutors, teachers or assessment centres

If you'd like help or advice on running a course, visit www.evertonfoundation.org or e-mail the Volunteer Coordinator, Scott Black, at scott.black@evertonfc.com.

Candidates

If you'd like to attend one of The Everton Foundation's courses, you can request a volunteer application form and information pack from Volunteer Coordinator, Scott Black by email at scott.black@evertonfc.com, or call The Everton Foundation office on 0151 530 5253. Scott did The Level 3 Award in Higher Sports Leadership himself six years ago so he knows his stuff!



Young people from SFX College, West Derby Comprehensive and Calderstones Community Comprehensive pose proudly with their Sports Leaders UK certificates at Everton Football Club



A fond farewell

The *Leader* was saddened to hear of the death of footballing legend Sir Bobby Robson, who

lost his battle with cancer in July. Sir Bobby featured in the Autumn 2008 issue of *The Leader*,

sharing his thoughts on what makes a good leader and his love of the beautiful game.