



BOLTON LADS & GIRLS CLUB

## VOLUNTEER UPDATE – May 2018



### Update on what's been happening

**Welcome** to all our new Volunteers - we are really glad that you have joined us!

**May's Volunteer of the Month** is Chris Duffy! Chris was nominated by TWO of our members of staff and chosen because, as a Mentor Chris has made a significant difference to his mentee and has gone above and beyond to support other areas of the Club, including supporting Football Development sessions and the Quarterly Volunteer Forum. *Please remember Volunteers can also nominate other volunteers! Just send in your nominations via email.*

**Holiday Club** - We really appreciate any extra support volunteers can give during School holidays and our Holiday Club. The next holiday Club is running Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June, 8am – 6pm, in addition to the regular evening sessions. Please contact the Volunteering team if you are able to support.

**Bank Holidays** – Please remember the Club will be closed on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May as this is a Bank Holiday.

### We are looking for....

**Drivers** – We are in desperate need of a volunteer to support our basketball team to drive the team to Bury on 31<sup>st</sup> June, 7<sup>th</sup> July, 14<sup>th</sup> July. Drivers must have a category D1 Licence. If you, or anyone you know is interested, please contact Saz, Volunteer Coordinator on 01204 540 139 or [volunteering@blgc.co.uk](mailto:volunteering@blgc.co.uk)

**Footballers!** If you know anyone who is passionate about football and making a difference to young people's lives, recommend that they join BLGC as a Volunteer Assistant Football Coach! Working alongside the Volunteer Football Coach, you will build your team's confidence, teamwork, and ensure they enjoy themselves. Please contact Saz for more info on [volunteering@blgc.co.uk](mailto:volunteering@blgc.co.uk)

**Mentors!** Please have a think if you know anyone who would make a good Mentor, we are running very low on them. Share info with your work/social/community networks (both online and offline), and if you think your place of work would benefit from leaflets or a presentation on Volunteering at BLGC, please contact Gemma on [volunteering@blgc.co.uk](mailto:volunteering@blgc.co.uk) / 01204 540 111

### Future Events:

**Volunteers Week** – 1st -7th June will be Volunteers Week! There will be a ton of activity over social media and around the Club to celebrate and thank you, our incredible volunteers. This week will be rounded off by a special Volunteers Thank You evening on Thursday 7th June, with food, refreshments, and prizes – including our new refer a friend grand prize! This is also an opportunity for anyone you know who may be interested in volunteering to come along and find out more, so come enjoy the fun, and bring a friend! More info will be released next week.

**Volunteers Forum** – Our next quarterly Volunteer Forum is Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June, from 6:30pm – 8:30pm. This is open to all volunteers who want to come along, meet new people, have your say, and help shape the future of BLGC. And if that isn't enough, there will be Pies & Peas too! Please let us know if you will be joining so we can arrange catering.

**Free Training, Cancer Champions** - Bolton CVS are working in partnership with Macmillan to deliver two training dates, providing you with information and skills to become a Cancer Champion. The sessions are free of charge and will take place on the following dates; Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018, both 9.30am – 3.30pm. If you would like to attend one of these valuable courses please ask the Volunteering Team for the link to register.

**Free Training, Safeguarding qualification** – We are working with Bolton Council to provide all volunteers the opportunity to gain a Safeguarding qualification; Level 1 Keeping Children Safe through an online course (takes no longer than 2 hours to complete). This is a great opportunity for any volunteers interested in enhancing their CV and gaining a relevant qualification! If you would like to undertake this qualification, please contact the Volunteering Team.

### THANK YOU!

Thank you all so much for all that you do – for giving up your time for our young people.

**The Volunteering Team – May 2018**

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