

Club Affiliation Handbook

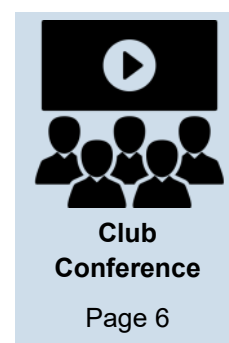
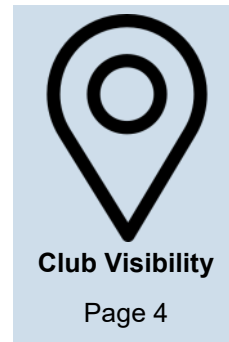
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Thank you for affiliating your club with Volleyball England.

By joining us, you are entitled to a number of benefits, which we want to outline below. Not only are you covered by our comprehensive public liability insurance, and endorsed by Volleyball England, you now have access to benefits and club development support. On top of that, by affiliating, you are helping the sport we love to grow and develop further.

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Insurance

SPORTS INSURE

With club affiliation you will be protected with our £5,000,000 Public Liability Insurance

Key information on the insurance

Volleyball England have teamed up with Sports Insure to provide a comprehensive insurance service for clubs, players, coaches and officials. Sports Insure have created a member portal which includes everything you need to know with regards to your cover. This includes:

- An insurance cover note for all members,
- Personal accident insurance,
- Specific breakdown of cover for players, club committee, coaches and officials,
- Instant access to reporting an incident and making a claim,
- Advise on risk assessments when running your club,
- FAQs.

Specific insurance information will be communicated to you when affiliated. You can also visit the [Insurance home page](#) to find out more.

The contact details for our insurance provider can be found below:

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Competitions

Volleyball England provide a range of events that support the competitive performance playing structure for Volleyball. However it is not just limited to the competitive aspect of the game, as we also support junior events and mass participation events, in order to provide the enjoyment participants seek in one of the worlds most popular sports.

As a member your club will have access to [official Volleyball England competitions and events](#). Volleyball England competitions and events generally run between September and May in line with the regular Volleyball season.



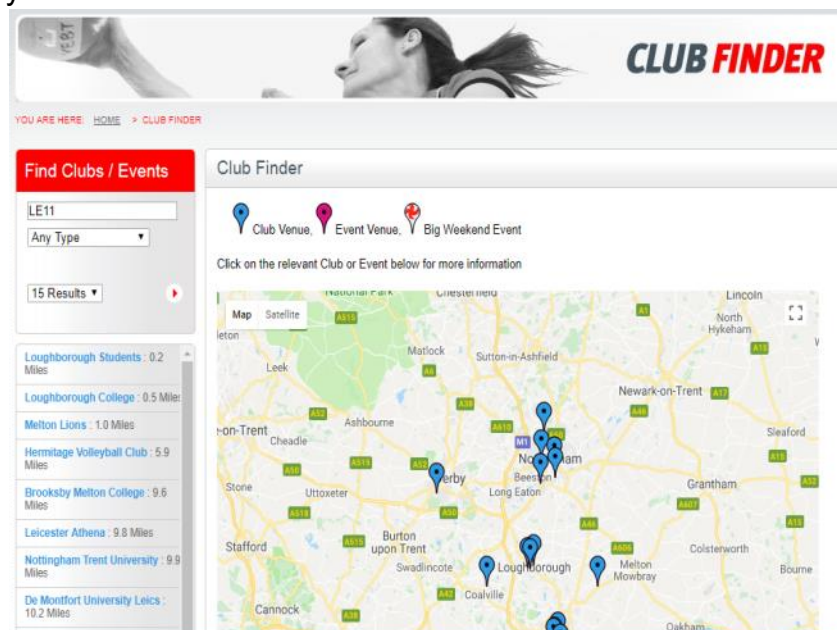


Club Visibility

All affiliated clubs appear on the Volleyball England's [online club search](#).

This is an excellent tool for helping both new and existing members find a club nearby to join and take part in our great sport.

The club finder enables VE to advertise your club name, venue location, key contacts and provides a link to your club's website.



Free DBS Checks

A affiliated club benefit is that all DBS checks are fully funded by Volleyball England. The checks are valued at £12.50 per applicant. Number of DBS checks awarded per club will be determined on a case by case basis.

To apply for a check email info@volleyballengland.org with the following information:

- A short summary of how the DBS applicant meets the regulated activity requirement e.g. 'I coach team X once a week and there are three under 18s in the group' You can refer [here](#) to view the list of current criteria.
- Full name of applicant
- Valid email address for applicant

After this information has been received, if the requirements are met, then the applicant will receive a unique link via email from which they can complete their application at their own discretion.



Funding support

The HUB team at Volleyball England know that applying for funding for a club or project can seem daunting. That's why we have created the [funding guide](#) for affiliated clubs, this will help clubs to find where to apply, assist putting grant applications together and provide fundraising/sponsorship ideas.

The HUB team will also provided clubs affiliated clubs with project plans to help organise the bid and flow charts taking clubs through a step by step process.



Read about [Newcastle Panthers VC](#), one year after their successful application was made to Sport England for a small grant of £9,125.



Annual Awards

The [Annual Awards](#) is a prestigious and long-standing date in the calendar that recognises those special individuals who go the extra mile to create a fantastic environment and experience for Volleyball in England, from grassroots to NVL level.

As a member you are eligible for nominations for Volleyball England annual awards, including the category, club of the year.



Time Out Newsletter

Be sure to sign up to our monthly *Time Out* Volleyball England [e-newsletter](#) and receive it straight to your inbox!

The newsletter allows members to keep up to date with all the latest news associated with our great sport.



Please ensure that you subscribe to the newsletter by visiting the homepage on the Volleyball England website, select the Time Out newsletter block towards the bottom of the page and hit the **subscribe now** button!



Club Development

Volleyball England has a team of staff specialised in supporting clubs with their development needs. The key areas of support include

- **Governance** - advice on how to most effectively run and administer your club
- **Club finances** - financial advice on how to most effectively manage your club
- **Safeguarding** - ensuring your club is safe, welcoming and compliant with legislation
- **Development plans** - tailored advice on creating your clubs 1, 3 or 5 year plans
- **Growing your club** - sharing knowledge of best practice examples across the country
- **Starting a new club** - a clear step-by-step process for establishing a new club
- **Becoming junior ready** - advice on the requirements for starting a junior section
- **Community development** - sharing the networks and knowledge to increase engagement



Club Conference

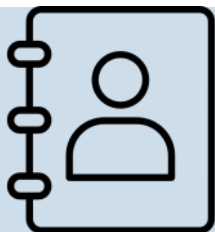
The [Volleyball England Club Conference](#) held at SportPark in Loughborough, offers members the chance to attend a variety of workshops led by experts and professionals. The 2019 Club Conference was comprised of a number of workshops including;

- Marketing your club,
- Venues,
- Funding,
- Developing junior sections,
- Your club website.



The event will offer a host of benefits to affiliated clubs including;

- Discounted entry fee,
- Wide range of workshops led by industry experts such as 2019's Volleyball England board member and owner of a PR agency, Simon Griffiths and Kara Griffiths, head of communications at a large higher education institution leading the 'marketing your club' workshop,
- Rated 8.5/10 by members in 2019,



Contact Information



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Vicki is responsible for coordinating the delivery of Volleyball England's strategy in relation to our core market; providing support to the core market network of clubs, volunteers, officials and coaches.

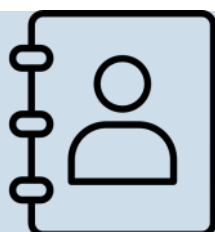


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Laura's role is to provide support for the membership team, answering members queries, updating documentation, monitoring transactions, and providing guidance on VolleyZone.

Our [HUB team](#) work across a number of different projects and are always happy to assist with your queries.



Social Media Channels



www.facebook.com/VolleyballEngland



www.instagram.com/VolleyballEngland



www.twitter.com/VballEngland