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Ipswich Octopush Club **Development Plan**

OBJECTIVE

Introduce new members

Gain new pool sessions at any suitable leisure centre at times suitable for junior members.

To teach Octopush to new members.

Increase competitive opportunity.

Ensure all members are familiar with clubs child protection 'Welfare of the Vulnerable' policy.

Encourage more members to become coaches.

Write to schools, Put up posters in leisure centres, pass word of mouth.

Lobby Ipswich Borough Council for extra pool sessions at times suitable for junior sessions. Look at other leisure centres for more suitable pool sessions.

Work to British Octopush Association training schedules to reach the Octopush awards.

Encourage all members to attend tournaments and play with the team. (Financial assistance may be required for some members).

Hold club child protection seminars encouraging all members to attend to read and discuss the policy.

Arrange further 'Good Practise and Child Protection' courses for members who have not yet attended a course.

Make coaching courses and referee courses available to all other members.

Encourage junior members to take the referees course and train as coaches. Ensure the club had adequate trained first aiders who may ably assist pool staff in the case of an emergency.

ACTION

	Renew First aid certificates when required by ensuring candidate attends refresher courses.
Find new volunteers for referee, coach and club official positions.	Encourage all members to be involved with the running of the club to ensure adequate volunteers as vacancies occur.
	Arrange grants to buy spare equipment.
Develop a club store of equipment suitable for new members who may not possess the necessary gear.	Encourage members to donate unused equipment to the club.
Find a suitable store room for equipment.	Lobby each pool venue to provide a suitable storage area.
Ensure the club has a stable committee and follows the constitution.	Encourage all members to attend committee meetings and become involved with the running of the club.
	Ensure all procedures laid out in the constitution are properly followed.
	Write to schools.
Increase links with schools and youth organisations.	Post information posters wherever possible.
	Pass word of mouth about the sport of Octopush.
	Arrange 'Come and try it' sessions with schools and youth organisations.
Improve club relations with parents/guardians.	Encourage parents/guardians to become involved with the running of the club even if they do not swim themselves.
	Include parents/guardians in introductory sessions when codes of conduct and club constitution is being discussed.
Make 'First Aid in Sport ' courses available to all members.	Use Clubmark accreditation to gain additional publicity for the club and the accreditation scheme.
Make full use of occupational first aid courses by members within their employment.	

Promote the Sport England Clubmark to other clubs within the British Octopush Association.

Increase publicity by using the Clubmark logo on all literature - showing all that the club is a safe efficient child friendly environment.

Write to schools, parents and guardians explaining how the Clubmark accreditation shows the club is a safe and well run organisation.

Write an article for the national newsletter detailing what the Clubmark means to the club, parents & guardians, and the sponsoring leisure facility management, and how it was achieved.