



# Chelsea School of Sport Newsletter



## Going for gold

The head of the university's Chelsea School of Sport, Professor Jonathan Doust, has been appointed as a non-executive director of the English Institute of Sport (EIS), which works to improve performances of elite athletes through high-quality sport science and medical support. Steve Cram MBE, Olympic silver medallist and EIS board chairman, said: "I am delighted to welcome Jo and have no doubt that the EIS will benefit hugely from his extensive knowledge and experience in the field of sport and exercise science."

Professor Doust, chair of the British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences, said: "I am honoured to be joining the board, helping provide strategic direction to the organisation in the build-up to the 2012 Olympic Games and beyond."

## School festival success

Chelsea School of Sport students along with the Sussex Sports Partnership organised a festival for children with additional learning needs from seven local special schools. It covered a range of activities including trampolining, mini football, cricket, boccia, new age curling and indoor athletics.



The Chelsea School of Sport students, who were from a range of physical education and sport-related courses, were responsible for much of the coaching which took place. By the end, 70 pupils went home extremely tired but having been involved in a rewarding day of physical activity.

## Money matters

Need more information about funding, bursaries and student scholarships and benefits? Find the answer to your questions at [www.brighton.ac.uk/studentlife/money](http://www.brighton.ac.uk/studentlife/money)



## Student exhibition

Over 30 students showcased their work recently at the Chelsea School of Sport student exhibition. Now in its second year, the exhibition allows students to showcase their work to family, friends and fellow students.

The exhibition was opened by Matthew Syed, columnist for *The Times*, Sports Journalist of the Year, author of the acclaimed book *Bounce* and formerly Great Britain's leading table tennis player. He gave an engaging talk about how it is hard work that gets you to the top of professional sport and how he believes nobody is born with a natural skill for sport.



The work of students was judged and prizes awarded. Head of Chelsea School of Sport, Professor Jonathan Doust, said: "The standard was superb. Our students' hard work and dedicated study has resulted in cutting edge and innovative projects with deep academic analysis."

## Students praised

Kieran Poole and Jack Gracie are the latest Sport Journalism students to enjoy getting their feet wet, with Eastbourne Town FC the scene of the latest splash.

Kieran, currently in Year Two, reports on first team games for the club website and matchday programme and, most helpfully of all, the *Eastbourne Herald & Gazette*. Jack, from Year One, has reported on reserve games and filled in as Kieran's understudy while becoming the club's chief matchday photographer.

"Both lads are a credit to themselves and your University," says chairman David Jenkins. "I am delighted to have each of them as part of our 'team' as they make significant contributions to the good reputation of the football club."

David added: "I am thrilled at having established a good, close working relationship with the SJ team, the University, current and, hopefully, future students."

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## On the coach to Manchester

Picking up on established links between the Chelsea School of Sport and Manchester United, 12 Sport Coaching students recently took part in a field trip to take a closer look at the community and elite coaching programmes at the club. During the trip students were able to liaise with staff and observe community coaching sessions run by the Manchester United Foundation, a charitable arm of the club which specialises in using football as a vehicle to develop social cohesion.

Second year Sport Coaching student Ricky Garzia said: "We had access to all areas at Old Trafford and were invited by one of the youth team coaches to a Q&A session and saw first-hand various community projects that the club run including disability football and street football."



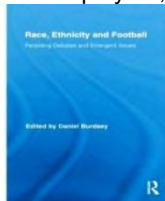
The students were given a tour of Carrington, the first team training ground, and invited to observe the first team training session from the sideline. Ricky added: "We bumped into many players and got a glimpse of Sir Alex himself.

"It was an incredible opportunity to do some networking and take some advice from coaches at the highest level, observe coaching practice and reflect upon it, to see if it can help you grow as a coach. This formed a base for a very in-depth seminar held back at university once everything had a chance to sink in."

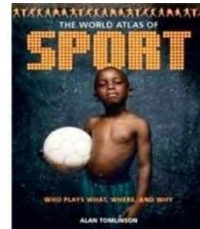
## Books

Our staff have published several books on sport-related subjects in 2011 and here are just two of them:

**Race, Ethnicity and Football** is edited by Dr Daniel Burdsey, Senior Lecturer at the Chelsea School of Sport. As the first edited collection dedicated specifically to race, ethnicity and British football, this book brings together a range of academics, comprising both established commentators and up-and-coming voices. Covering amateur and professional spheres, and focusing on both players and supporters, the book elucidates the linkages between race, ethnicity, gender and masculinity. This volume addresses a wide variety of topics such as the experiences of Muslims, the recruitment of African players, devolution and national identities, case studies of minority ethnic clubs, "mixed-race" players, multiculturalism and anti-racism, sectarianism, education, and foreign club ownership.



**The World Atlas of Sport** by Alan Tomlinson is a beautifully designed and fully illustrated atlas mapping the world's major competitive sports, with comprehensive sections on the politics, economics and scandals of international sporting events plus a gazetteer of each country's sporting profile. Tracing the emergence of sport in its modern forms, it features all sports recognised by the International Olympic Committee, as well as colourful case studies of the sportsmen and women who have emerged as global celebrities and superstars. Alan Tomlinson is Professor of Leisure Studies and Director of Research at the Chelsea School of Sport. He is the author of numerous books on sport, leisure and consumption.



*The University of Brighton Students' Union provides students with a range of opportunities to join clubs and societies where they can meet like-minded people and share common interests. The union also promotes the formation of new clubs and societies. For more information visit [www.ubsu.net](http://www.ubsu.net)*

For all the latest news visit the Chelsea website [www.brighton.ac.uk/chelsea](http://www.brighton.ac.uk/chelsea)

### Term Dates 2012/2013

24 September - 14 December 2012  
7 January - 22 March 2013  
15 April - 7 June 2013



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## Sport matters



University of Brighton student Laura Owen has recently returned from South Africa where she captained the England in the Under-19 Indoor Cricket World Cup. The team reached the final for the first time before losing to Australia. Laura said: "Coming home as finalists we were happy, and we now look forward to the next World Cup held in New Zealand in 2013 to hopefully put the disappointment of South Africa behind us and bring home the trophy." She added: "People ask what it is like to represent

your country in your chosen sport and the only answer I can offer is that it is a true honour. With the three lions comes a lot of responsibility and inevitably there were nerves before each game but irrespective of this an immense sense of pride and patriotism. The South African people made us feel so welcome and provided everything we needed as a team. The experience I had in South Africa is something I will hold with me for the rest of my life."



## Sports Federation

The Sports Federation is the student body's sporting programme and consists of 60 student-led clubs ranging from football and rugby to clay pigeon shooting and snowboarding. Clubs either compete in the British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) programme or run activities and events outside the BUCS programme such as Parklife which is the banner for recreational and social sport and is open to all regardless of ability. Brighton competes at the highest level of BUCS competition with teams in the premier league. For more information on sport at the University of Brighton visit <http://www.ubsu.net/sport>

## Living in Eastbourne

Eastbourne is surrounded by beautiful countryside and has a growing student population. There is also a large variety of bars, restaurants and clubs at hand to spoil you for choice.

Wednesdays are sport social nights where everybody heads out in fancy dress to their respective team meetings and ends up in Atlantis nightclub, situated on Eastbourne pier. TJ's nightclub is the popular student destination on Fridays with different weekly student-aimed events and acts.

The Student Union also arranges events throughout the year with student nights and charity events. All the events are priced specifically for students with entrance fees designed to fit student budgets.

## Any questions?

We know that once you have found the information about the course you wish to study by attending our course-specific Open Days, your mind will turn to questions about student life. So to help you get answers from a student perspective we have student ambassadors from across our range of courses ready to answer your questions. If you have been made an offer to study with us and want to know more, why not join the Facebook group? This is a closed group so you will need to search for Chelsea School of Sport student ambassadors 2012 and request membership. Alternatively, we can arrange a student ambassador to contact you via email if you prefer.



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Students from Chelsea School of Sport have been awarded sports scholarships in football, water-skiing, athletics, lacrosse, rowing, cricket, softball, dressage (equestrian), swimming and sanshou. Visit [www.brighton.ac.uk/studentlife/money/scholarships/](http://www.brighton.ac.uk/studentlife/money/scholarships/) for further information about applying for scholarships at the University of Brighton.



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## Meet some of our student ambassadors...

### Kieran Poole

I am currently in my second year studying Sport Journalism BA (Hons). When I first came to the Chelsea School of Sport, I immediately felt welcomed by staff and students. I was worried



that the step up from school into university would be difficult, but with the vast amount of personal and academic support here, I soon felt very comfortable. I love sport and the sports and facilities on offer

here are unbelievable. Eastbourne boasts some of the most beautiful landscapes in England, making the Chelsea School of Sport a great place to study.

### Robyn Stone

I started at another university and quickly left due to its lack of support and unfriendly nature. After my physical education teacher told me about the Chelsea School of Sport I decided to go to an open day. I knew immediately that Chelsea School of Sport was the right university for me. I



am now a second year student studying Physical Education QTS and I can honestly say that what you see on an open day is what you get when you are a student here. I am very happy with my choice of university, not

for its great reputation and academic excellence but because everybody is very friendly and the lecturers are always supporting you throughout your studies and beyond.

### Georgia Marriott

I am studying Sport Studies with Physical Education BA (Hons). With the anxieties of receiving A-Level results and leaving home for the first time, I was made to feel

welcome from the first day. I chose my course because it gave me the option of adding a 'with PE' route in the second year. The course allows me to choose a variety of different modules, helping me to keep my options open about career choices.



Since beginning my studies at the university, I have taken part in new sports, made new friends, studied hard and volunteered in the community with "active students". I am thoroughly enjoying being captain of the university swim team and being a student ambassador.

### Nadine Brelstaff

I am a second year Sport Coaching BSc student and I'm originally from Glastonbury in Somerset.



When applying for universities I looked at many all over the country and as soon as I arrived in Eastbourne I felt as though the long drive had been worth it. The friendly atmosphere of the university

made me feel at home: I knew that this was the place for me. Coming to the Chelsea School of Sport has led to countless opportunities to further my professional development - coaching in schools and clubs in the local community and also abroad has played an important part in this. I have really enjoyed my time in Eastbourne and can't wait to see what the next two years bring.

### Harrison Lechley-Yuill

I am a second year Sport and Leisure Management BA (Hons) student at Chelsea School of Sport. Before attending the open day, I was set on going to another university; however, after visiting such a beautiful place and seeing how passionate both staff and students are about sport and the high standards of academia,

I thought this was the place for me. Arriving in September for Fresher Week reinforced those thoughts and my first year was a brilliant year. Now



my second year is gearing up to match those high standards, especially with placement on the horizon.

### Christopher Coldicott

I am in my second year of the BSc(Hons) Sport and Exercise Science degree. Before I came to the open day here I thought I had my heart set on another university but when I visited I knew this was the place for me. All the staff were friendly and the ambassadors were helpful



and enthusiastic. It's such a nice place to study and because it's a compact campus university everyone knows everyone else and making friends is really easy!

With lots of sports on offer and the state of the art laboratory facilities, Chelsea School of Sport was the best choice for me.

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