

Powerday boxing development activities and outcomes July 2017 to March 2018

This report charts the successes achieved and challenges faced by the Powerday sponsored London Amateur Boxing Association investment programme in the last nine months to March 2018.

Dale Youth Amateur Boxing Club - Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea

The 'Dale' have been resident in their new facility in Grenfell Tower for only 11 months before the tragic fire took hold last summer, the club lost everything in the disaster. Having helped the club originally access and fund the facility and equipment Powerday immediately once again came to the clubs assistance and found a temporary home for the club in close proximity to Grenfell Tower to continue their work and commitment to the local community, who had been sadly affected.

Powerday is currently leading the negotiations for the new base to be confirmed and delivered with other partners in the very near future and are committed to seeing the club re-housed and in sustainable facilities for the long term, to produce more World and Olympic Champions such as George Groves and James Degale and grow the health and well-being opportunities across the Borough and beyond.

Powerday Hooks Amateur Boxing Club - London Borough of Ealing

Through a close affinity with the Crossan Family and Steve Newland (Former Coach of Olympic Gold Medallist and World Champion - James Degale), Powerday has now become the sponsor of the Club Hooks and is currently refurbishing a former scouts hut in the London Borough of Ealing and upgrading a very dilapidated facility to provide a voluntary community sports club which will be fit for purpose.

The facilities will be converted into sporting space with new central heating, electrics and improved changing provided for male and female users. Powerday is supporting the project to engage with young people who, in main, are negatively affected by the Indices of Multiple Deprivation and a lack of sporting opportunities in the area. The club is rated nationally amongst the top 20 in Great Britain and has produced a plethora of national and international champions, whilst providing recreational activity for those hard to reach young people and groups. The club has one of the largest membership roles in London boxing and indeed has a large waiting list, in partnership Sport England have recognised the value of the project and funded the new equipment for the club.

Investment: Powerday sponsorship plus Sport England Small Grant Award £10,000

Repton Amateur Boxing Club - London Borough of Tower Hamlets

The world famous Repton Boxing Club in Cheshire Street, Tower Hamlets, has a major roof restoration project taking place after years of maintenance the roof structure is in need of replacement. The Repton is the oldest established amateur boxing club in England and is without doubt the most successful having produced Olympic and World Champions such as: John.H.Stracey, Darren Barker, Andy Lee, Maurice Hope and Audley Harrison.

Moreover it is the large user base and members who have benefitted from a unique London Sporting iconic club for over 138 years.

Powerday, through the development programme, has in partnership assisted the club in currently accessing over £150,000 towards the project which will be delivered this year. Funding in partnership has been gained from the London Marathon Charitable Trust and Sport England, with other new partners due to be finalised in the very near future.

Investment- London Marathon Trust £100,000 and Sport England £50,000

Fairbairn House Amateur Boxing Club - London Borough of Newham

The renowned and historic Fairbairn House ABC has been synonymous with British boxing for over 100 years and has for the last decade been placed outside of its former natural home in Newham. Through the support of Powerday and the London Borough of Newham they are due to return to their roots during this summer.

The club has been supported by Powerday in finding a new club HQ in the Manor Park area of the borough and the facility is spacious and well served by good current facilities for changing and ancillary space. The project does require some conversions to take place and a £50,000 Sport England Inspired Facilities Grant has been accrued to underpin a further substantial grant award from the London Borough of Newham which also equates to £50,000.

The club is just finalising the planning issues and will have access within a month whereby the relevant works can commence and another iconic voluntary sports club will be saved, re-housed and sustained for many years to come.

Investment: London Borough of Newham £50,000 and Sport England £50,000

Earlsfield Amateur Boxing Club - London Borough of Wandsworth

Powerday, in partnership with Earlsfield ABC last year, accrued the funding to develop and deliver a new mezzanine floor in the club premises. This new space is to provide more flexibility for equipment to be used and currently Powerday Development Project is seeking funding to fully equip this new space with contemporary training aids and equipment. The funding will be in place by the summer of this year and will offer up access to more women, OAP'S and MIND users who are also resident on the Club site and operate during the daytime.

Times Amateur Boxing Club - London Borough of Islington

Founded in 1927, the Times Amateur Boxing Club has been at the centre of the Kings Cross and Caledonian Road community since establishing itself there in 1958. Throughout this period the club, which has a membership in excess of 150 people (ages 8 – adult) from the London Boroughs of Camden and Islington, has earned a strong reputation for helping young people achieve personal and public success, including a number of noted, national champions.

Through the support we have received from Awards for All (National Lottery), which was delivered in partnership with Powerday and the Crossan Family Foundation, a much needed club refurbishment programme was completed. The improvements made to the infrastructure and equipment will ensure the continued success of the club, benefit the community and allow all those involved to enjoy our voluntary offer of sport and provide access to improved facilities.

Investment: £10,000 Awards for All Big Lottery