

Case study 1

On the 6th of March 2020, we ran a very successful female day of boxing in Lisnasharragh Leisure centre in line with International Women's Day. East Belfast has a significant lower number of boxing clubs than West Belfast. With almost 300 females participating on the day and 5 boxing clubs from the local area coaching on the day (Ledley Hall, City of Belfast, St Georges, Ormeau Road & Eastside). We had 4 local schools from across the City also involved in the day. (Hazelwood, Bloomfeild, Ashfeild & St Colms).

We feel like this gave East Belfast Boxing a positive boost. Also, at this event we had the incumbent Lord Mayor Daniel Baker in attendance as well as local councillor from the Lisnasharragh area Councillor David Brooks. This was a great link in with our local politicians to keep them up to date with the work we are doing in local areas through our programmes. Two of these clubs, City of Belfast BA and Ledley Hall BC have told us that they have had girls from the day visit their clubs for a taster session. The aim of this day was to invite females into the sport and boost East Belfast club membership numbers as a result

Case study 2

Throughout the lockdown period we have ran several online zoom learning courses one of which was our disability inclusion training course ran on 30th June 2020. This was ran in partnership with Disability Sport NI to give our clubs a better understanding of working with people with disabilities both physical and mental. It was great to get this course up and running through zoom as our previous course that was due on 16th March 2020 in Ledley Hall Boxing Club had to be cancelled due to COVID-19. This was well attended by Belfast Clubs we had 12 Belfast participants from across 10 clubs. (St Pauls, Holy Trinity, Mc Cullaghs, Cairnlodge, Dockers, Eastside, Star, Holy Family, Gleann & Midland).

After great feedback from the clubs on this we ran a specific Autism course on 11th August 2020 again in partnership with DSNI. We had 10 Belfast clubs at attendance on this online zoom course with again great feedback from all our clubs. (Star, Ormeau Road, Red Triangle, Mc Cullaghs, Ciarnlodge, Midland, Holy Family, Holy Trinity, Clonard, St Pauls).

Case Study 3

Throughout this we have had a big uptake in all our courses from females within the sport. One of the main underrepresented groups within our sport is female groups and it is great to see so many new female coaches, volunteers and boxers become involved in our sport.

- 23 female committee members trained in various courses across 18 clubs.
- 9 new female coaches passing IABA level 1.
- 34 new female boxers obtaining County Antrim Boxing Record Books.