



**Manchester**  
EVENT VOLUNTEERS  
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## EURO HOCKEY NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2007 18th-26th August 2007 Belle Vue



August 2007 will see the top eight men's and women's European teams from 11 Nations come together to battle it out for the honour of being crowned European Champions.

The tournament offers a direct qualifying route to the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing and England will be keen to capitalise on their home advantage in front of a vociferous crowd.

There are 200 vacancies for volunteers and the roles span all areas of the event.

### **We are looking to recruit and train:**

team liaison officers with international language skills for each of the participating teams, drivers, arena stewards, programme sellers, a hospitality and VIP support team, a tented village support team plus many, many more.

All volunteers with the exception of the ball patrol, who will be drawn from North Regional Youth squads, will be 18 years or over on Monday 13th August 2007 and previous volunteering experience is preferred but not essential.



### **If you are interested in volunteering, please log onto the event website:**

[www.eurohockeymanchester2007.com](http://www.eurohockeymanchester2007.com) and have a look at the ROLE DESCRIPTIONS using the navigational menu on the left hand side. After you have read the descriptions and you have decided you want to apply, click on APPLY NOW which you will also find using the navigational menu on the left hand side.

### **All volunteers will receive:**

Pre-event training, Volunteer team uniform, Food & beverages during event, Free parking. We are recruiting through to mid-February and expect in excess of 500 applications. Why not get involved? It will be a fantastic and exciting festival of hockey, a real show-piece, and who knows what could become of this opportunity?

This is the biggest hockey event Manchester has seen since the commonwealth Games - Come on, sign up and see what happens!

**Please note if you are interested in volunteering for this event you are required to register on-line as explained above.**

**PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU STILL WANT TO BE INVOLVED WITH MEV AND RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTERS, PLEASE READ THE IMPORTANT NOTES AT THE TOP OF PAGE 3**

If you are interested in any of the opportunities in this newsletter and would like to find out more, please return the register of interest or e-mail [info@mev.org.uk](mailto:info@mev.org.uk)

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

At [www.mev.org.uk](http://www.mev.org.uk) you can register for the service and for events, chat to each other in the forums, upload your event photos, download documents, check out the latest news, search for jobs/advice and provide feedback.

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## Street Angel and Night Café Project



The night café opened a year ago in the heart of the city centre, providing a safe space for people leaving night clubs and bars. The project has grown and now includes 'Street Angels' (volunteers on patrol in the City Centre looking after vulnerable people as they leave the bars and clubs).

Nexus is funded and works in partnership with the City Centre Churches, Crime and Disorder Unit, City Centre Management Company, and Greater Manchester Police.

Serving coffee, ordering taxis for people, and being a listening ear have provided the opportunity for volunteers to learn new skills, and to put something back in to the community, at the same time helping to cut down on crime, and ensuring people have a good end to their night out.

We are looking for more volunteers to join us in this exciting project. The night café and Street Angels operate from midnight to 4am each Saturday night. Most volunteers give one night a month, either to work in the café or be on patrol, or both.

If you are a team player, a good listener and have a desire to ensure the safety of those who are on a night out in the city, then we want to hear from you.

In return we will provide you with appropriate training, travel expenses and the opportunity to meet others and see Manchester's night life in a different way!

**If you can give just 4 hours a month then please return the register of interest form or register on-line.**



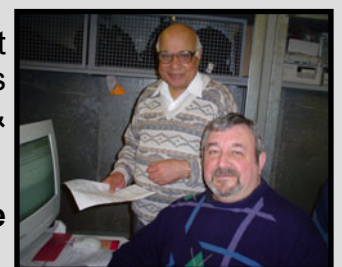
## Chorlton Workshop

Chorlton Workshop is a community adult education centre offering a first step into education for unwaged adults with no previous further education qualifications. It is aimed towards people who are disadvantaged or discriminated against and would be unlikely or unable to take up provision at a bigger college. We prioritise people who are unwaged or low waged, people who do not already have qualifications and people needing childcare for children under 5. We offer free classes in a small scale friendly environment with individual support from our volunteers and guidance from our student support workers. We provide the opportunity for people who have missed out to gain the confidence, basic skills and information to move on to further education, training, paid or voluntary work.

We are looking for ICT volunteers to support learners in a new project that is coming to Chorlton Workshop in January. You will need to be able to use the Internet & Email and enjoy working with computers.

We are also looking for volunteers to help in our ESOL classes. You must have a good level of English and feel confident to work with students in a class room environment. The class times are - Monday & Thursday, 9.30-12pm & 1-3.30pm.

**If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions please register in the usual way.**



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO** see a particular item or section in the newsletter or on the website?  
Log on to **WWW.MEV.ORG.UK** and let us know what you would like featured.

### **MEV QUESTIONNAIRE IMPORTANT PLEASE READ**

You may remember a questionnaire which was sent out to you in the November edition of the newsletter.

**We would be grateful if you could complete these and return them to us by Monday 5th March 2007.**

We are close to applying for more funding for our service and the information you provide us is crucial in gaining funds to continue the service for you. We only use the statistical information and your name is never used in any information we provide.

**If we do not receive your questionnaire by 5th March we will assume that you have either moved address or no longer wish to be involved and will no longer receive the newsletter or e-mail bulletins.**

If you need assistance completing the form or have misplaced it, please contact us on 0161 234 1530 or e-mail us at [info@mev.org.uk](mailto:info@mev.org.uk) and we will be more than happy to assist you.

### **MEV COURSES and OPPORTUNITIES**

We recently ran a number of courses for volunteers. Thanks to all of you who showed interest and turned up. A number of volunteers, however, decided not to let us know that they weren't attending.

We would just like to let you know that these courses cost MEV approximately £100 per head (including lunch) but we are fortunate enough to be able to offer them to you for free. If volunteers do not turn up we not only lose a place which another volunteer could have filled but we also lose the £100 per head cost.

This is also the case with events. Many volunteers show interest in volunteering or courses, then do not turn up, leaving us out of pocket or the event organisers short of staff. We do appreciate that people have busy lives and other priorities but if you do find yourself in a position where you cannot attend, a courtesy call would be appreciated in advance. **Many thanks. The MEV Team.**

### **Interested in becoming a Safety Steward at the country's premier cycling venue? Then read on...**



The Manchester Velodrome (the National Cycling Centre) is home of the country's most important track events, the U.C.I. World Cup and the exciting winter Revolution track series drawing the best riders of the cycling world. The venue will host the U.C.I. World Track Championships in the early spring of 2008.

The venue needs to supplement its in-house team of dedicated stewarding staff for events during the coming years and is looking for a permanent, regular team of mature (18+) people to work as event safety stewards in a voluntary (un-paid) capacity, responsible to the existing Stewarding staff. Whilst not being paid a wage, such staff will receive food allowances (or free meals) and travel expenses. The positions cover a wide range of safety aspects, pro-active assistance & public awareness.

An informal briefing will be held at the Velodrome, Sportcity on Stuart Street (adjacent to ASDA-Walmart on Allan Turing Way) in the Boardroom on Thursday 15th February at 7.30pm.

**If you are interested in volunteering for this position please return the register of interest form or register on-line.**

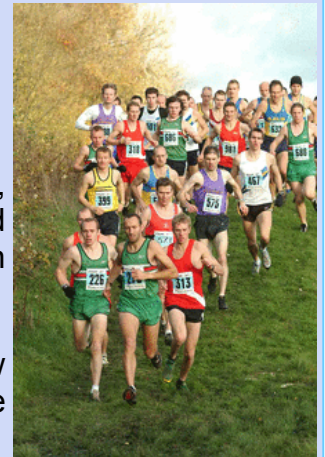


### **DID YOU KNOW?**

**With MEV, volunteering is about personal choice and you can get involved with events which interest you most. You can also take part in a range of training opportunities with local colleges, leading to further qualifications and, if needed, help with finding a job!**



## Sale Harriers Manchester



Sale Harriers Manchester is one of the foremost athletics clubs in the country, boasting an ever-present record in all League competitions. The club was founded in 1892 and refounded in 1910 and has since developed a reputation well known across the country and the rest of the world.

Since the Commonwealth Games the Club has expanded considerably and is now in partnership with Manchester City Council extending their commitment to the community, in addition to national progress.

Sale Harriers Manchester are the most successful athletic club in the UK having been established for over one hundred years and to meet greater demands assistance is urgently required in all sections, such as:

Secretarial, Administration, Publicity, Social, Team Management

**If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions please register in the usual way.**

**Street Collection**  
**Central Stockport**  
**Saturday 21st April**  
**2007 10.00 -16.00**



The Complementary Therapy unit within Christie Hospital provides a complementary therapy service to patients and their carers. Treatments include massage, aromatherapy, creative visualisation, hypnotherapy and acupuncture. The service is not funded by the NHS so income needs to be generated by running courses, putting on fundraising events and donations.

We are looking for volunteers to help out at our street collection to raise money for the complementary Therapy Team at Christie Hospital.

**If you are interested in volunteering for this event please complete and return the register of interest form or register on-line.**

**DID YOU KNOW?** Sometimes event organisers are massively oversubscribed for events, but we ask them to send you a letter if you are NOT required. We believe this is a matter of courtesy and to ensure that you know your interest in that particular event is appreciated. If you do not receive confirmation or letters which informs you that your services are not required, please let us know as we can improve this procedure.

### MEV Merchandise coming soon!

We will shortly be introducing a range of exciting MEV branded merchandise for sale on our website

[www.mev.org.uk](http://www.mev.org.uk)

The merchandise will include **t-shirts, jackets, bags, pin badges, pens** and **mugs**, be sure to check the website often!

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