

The Bradford YOT Olympics 2008

Another succesful sports-based diversionary project - 29th October 2008



Team ISSP were the 2008 YOT and Partners Champions with 66pts from a possible 70pts - a new record!

"Worth a BIG shout and special mention was the overall behaviour of all the YOT's young people. They were a credit to themselves and I was REALLY pleased with them. This definitely made it our best games to date with lots of new records being set - none more so than the 153 young people who took part in the ten teams, along with 36 staff from all organisations. This was an outstanding turnout when you consider the bitterly cold weather they endured for 7 hours. Well done to everyone!"

Derek Nolan

The Events

Football

Won by Barkerend on a penalty shootout against Bradford Youth Service. In fact, the football was so close not only was the final decided by penalties, the two semi-finals were as well, with ISSP and Long Term Team going out on sudden-death kicks.

Wellie-throwing

Won by Barkerend YIP.

Balancing

Won by ISSP.

Rounders

Won by ISSP.

4 x 100m Relay

WHAT a race! Won by ISSP by a neck from Shipley.

100 Meters

Again, what a tight finish to a superb race and effort from the lads with Jordan Regis taking the 'Blue Riband' for ISSP.

Tug of War

Won by Shipley beating ISSP in a pulsating final - check out the pictures to see how much effort everyone put into this event!



Congratulations to everyone who took part in a great day!

BRADFORD & DISTRICT YOUTH OFFENDING TEAM

The Final Table

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| Champions ISSP | 66pts |
| Silver Medal Barkerend | 51pts |
| Bronze Medal Shipley | 50pts |
| 4th Long Term Team | 49pts |
| 5th Bradford Youth Service | 46pts |
| 6th TFD, Holmewood | 40pts |
| 7th West Bowling Youth Initiative | 35pts |
| 8th Barkerend YIP | 32pts |
| 9th Lighthouse Group | 31pts |
| 10th YMCA | 29pts |



Special Thanks

My personal thanks go to Bradford Council for the use of Horsfall Stadium free-of-charge through our reparation work done on the changing rooms, and to Bradford Park Avenue (Kevin) for the use of the club house and PA system. Not forgetting the excellent work from the officials Dave Shaw, Roger Hazelden, Steve Bowe, Mal Saville and top man Steve Walker, along with students Tara, Faye and Ben.

Many thanks to Helen Rodwell, Health Worker, thankfully not needed on the day! Also to Shani White for the excellent certificates and Sue Walker for the presentation ceremony. Finally to all the staff who's presence and support made it a smashing day to remember for ALL the young people.

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