YOUR MEMBERSHIP PACKAGE
Your Membership Package

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Thank you for registering your club with Volleyball England for the 2015-16 season – by joining us, you are entitled to a range of benefits which we want to outline below. Not only are you covered by our comprehensive Public Liability Insurance, and endorsed by Volleyball England, you now have a host of tangible benefits and club development support at your fingertips. On top of that, by registering, you are helping the sport we love to grow and develop further.

Club Affiliation Certificate

Public Liability Insurance

Your Club Affiliation Certificate is proof of your affiliation – you may need it to access financial grants and bursaries. A copy of your certificate can be downloaded on your Members Area of the Volleyball England website.

As a registered club, you are protected with our £5,000,000 Public Liability Insurance. A cover note for this should be with your Club Secretary. This ensures all your club activities are covered for the 2015/16 season.

You may also be able to access discount at your hired facility by proving you are fully insured and a member of your National Governing Body – it never hurts to try.

NB – coaches and referees will need to register individually to access their personal insurance coverage.
Member Benefits

Your Member Benefit Package

At Volleyball England, we want to offer you a rewarding and beneficial membership package – as a member of Volleyball England, you can access a whole range of discounts and saving opportunities through our corporate partners, and own online store.

- Money off products on the Volleyball England online store – save money on merchandise, resources and award packs, scoresheet pads, line-up sheets and much more.
- Free DBS checks for eligible coaches, referees and volunteers.
- Six issues a year of our electronic 3-Touch magazine.
- Best price guarantee off bookings made through the International Hotel Group (IHG) (Holiday Inn Express etc...)
- 25% off Human Kinetics and 20% off BLOC Sunglasses
Club Development

Club Development Support

Helping your club to develop is one of the key aspirations of Volleyball England. The Membership Team are here to help and support you, and advise you along the way. We are working in a number of ways to help your clubs, and as a member you are guaranteed access to this development support.

Club Matters

Sport England have launched the new Club Matters tools that will provide you with support, learning and guidance on all aspects of running your club, whether it is large or small, formal or informal. Club Matters have loads of fantastic tools and useful online workshops to help your club volunteers develop their skills and confidence. It is well worth checking out.

The Membership Team are often asked how clubs can generate more income. Club Matters can assign an expert mentor, who can provide expert support and advice in changing your club structure. For example, your club could change from a constituted club to a Charity Incorporated Organisation (CIO) – what does this mean? Well, in short, you member fees become member donations, which could generate an extra £1,000 a year for your club in returned tax and VAT!
Sport England Small Grants

What Is A Small Grant?

A Sport England Small Grant is a financial grant which can cover a variety of costs, ranging from £300 to £10,000 a year. Unlike Sportivate or other funding streams, Small Grant applications are open all year round.

Small Grants can cover any new activity – Sport England will not fund existing activity, individual costs, or installation costs. Here are some things it can fund:

- New NVL Teams
- New Junior Sessions
- New Go Spike Recreational Sessions
- New Regional Teams

Now for the even better news...

How Can We Help You?

As a Volleyball England registered club, the Membership Team would love to assist you with your Small Grant application. We are happy to discuss ideas with you, support your grant, and guide you through the process.

To apply for a Small Grant, your club would require:

- Club Constitution
- Last 3 Bank Statements
- Incoming / Outgoing Spreadsheet
Brendon Hollands (pictured) was a successful recipient of a Sport England Small Grant. To the tune of £6,531 – this enabled Surrey Orcas Ladies to enter the National Volleyball League. After contacting the Membership Team, Brendon received help putting together this bid.

This enabled Surrey Orcas to train more frequently, and also purchase new posts, nets, padding and equipment which was essential for them to enter the National Volleyball League.

It could be your club next – are you looking to enter a new team in a league? Get in touch!

Izik Goldfarb (RIGHT) benefited from a Sport England Small Grant too. Izik noticed that there was a severe lack of qualified referees in the Berkshire area, which was affecting games.

With the help of Ian, our Membership & Funding Officer, Izik successfully received a Small Grant to cover the cost of training 35 new Grade 4 referees – ensuring plenty of cover for the Berkshire region.

If you’ve got an idea for a development project in your club or region, let us know! We’re happy to help.
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Club Accreditation

VolleyMark is Volleyball England’s Club Accreditation System, in line with the nationally recognised Clubmark initiative. Achieving this standard highlights that your club has met the benchmark requirements of a safe, sustainable and forward thinking club. It opens up a range of benefits and lets potential members know that your club is recognised as best practice by Volleyball England.

To find out more information on VolleyMark, please contact a member of the Membership Team.

Your County Sports partnership

Your local County Sports Partnership (CSP) are able to help you locally with club development. They will be equipped with a strong knowledge of your local area, and all the tools and resources to help you and your club.

CSP’s have funding streams open throughout the year, so it is always worth checking what financial bursaries are available if you have project ideas in mind, or come into difficulty.

To find your local County Sports Partnership visit:

http://www.cspnetwork.org
Our Brands

How Do They Work?

At Volleyball England, we have two brands that we’d encourage clubs to use.

Using this branding at your club makes your sessions easy to find and identify, and ties in to a nationally recognised programme, allowing you to access more funding and development support.

Let’s Play Volleyball

Let’s Play Volleyball is up to ages 16 – ideal for your junior sessions and any Satellite Clubs.

We have resource packs branded Let’s Play Volleyball which are suitable for use across a variety of ages, and can be delivered by any coach or PE teacher – new in stock are our lightweight, soft touch Let’s Play Volleyball balls.
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Go Spike

Go Spike is our recreational brand – for players over the age of 16. Any recreational sessions, or session suitable for beginners, should ideally be branded Go Spike. Supplying numbers of attendees to us also helps us highlight the number of people playing volleyball to Sport England.

The Go Spike Big Weekend takes place every year, marking the start of the summer season. This is a great chance for you club to host a free, come-and-try session, engaging members of your local community and raising awareness of your club and sport.

We also have loads of Go Spike branded products, ideal for getting your recreational volleyball activity started.
Key Contacts

Membership Team

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I have over 5 years’ worth of experience in writing grants, and aim to help you with your volleyball club development. I’m here to help you with any development ideas you may have, and provide a first rate service to you and your members!

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I will be responsible for helping you through the registration process and directing any of your enquiries. I’m happy to help you write any Small Grant applications, and talk through ideas for club development – if you have an idea for a project, please do get in touch and I’ll be happy to help.

Volleyball Relationship Managers

If your club is in an Investment Zone (Greater Manchester; Teesside, Tyne and Wear; East London and Essex; Black Country and Staffordshire; and Dorset and Hampshire) you will have access to one of our Volleyball Relationship Managers. These staff members are tasked with increasing participation and developing the provision of volleyball within each Investment Zone, and will be happy to help will all aspects of your club development. You can find more information about our VRM’s online.
Dates for the Diary

Annual Events

Registration Deadline – 1st September (30 Days Grace Period)
Start of National Volleyball League – 26th September
VEBT Kicks Off - April
National Cup Finals – 2nd & 3rd April
Super 8’s Finals Weekend – 7th & 8th May
Go Spike Big Weekend – 28th, 29th & 30th May
Volleyball England AGM – Date TBC
Coaching Conference – 12th June
Referee Conference – Date TBC
Go Spike Big Weekend – 27th, 28th & 29th August

It is also worth making a note of Key Dates within your region – for example, when your Regional Association meets up, funding cycles (contact your local CSP) and your own AGM’s.
Social Media
Where Can You Find Us?

www.facebook.com/VolleyballEngland

www.twitter.com/VballEngland

www.instagram.com/VolleyballEngland

www.volleyballengland.org

You can also find Go Spike on social media @Go_Spike
www.gospike.net