



Volunteer Powerchair Football Coach

Introduction

We are currently looking for volunteers to help coach our powerchair football players at Tuesday evening training sessions. Training takes place at Kyle Academy in Ayr between 6 PM and 9 PM. The Club has around 12 wheelchair users who range in experience from beginners to those who have been playing in national competitions for a number of years.

Participating in the Club is a great way to give back something to the community. You will be an integral part of helping the players to improve their confidence, self-esteem and help improve their mental well-being through them spending time with others in a fun group setting. This role is ideal for undergraduates and graduates of sports coaching degrees.

Powerchair football is an adaptation of football and no previous coaching experience is required however it would be desirable. An enthusiastic approach, commitment, and a willingness to learn are needed for this position. There will also be opportunities to gain coaching qualifications, through the Club's affiliation with the SPFA and the Scottish Para-Football, as part of the individual's continued professional development.

The Club is committed to increasing opportunities available to participants with a disability and therefore would like to offer inspiring coaches the chance to learn how to coach Powerchair Football. You will be supported to develop your 'personal' coaching skills (communication, organisation, adaptability, and compassion) and your 'how to' coaching skills (instruction, demonstration, observation, analysis, feedback and questioning).

Job description

We are interested in speaking with people that have a background as/or worked in:

- Sports Coaching
- Football Coaching
- PE Teachers and Teachers with a love for Sport
- Experience of working with disabled children/adults

Requirements to be Volunteer Coach

- You must be reliable, honest and trustworthy.
- You must be a people person and enjoy interacting with others.
- Motivate players and be motivated themselves
- Learn rules of sport
- Prior coaching experience within football (all sports) desirable but not essential

- Prior experience working with children and/or adults with disabilities desirable but not essential.
- Be well organised and forward plan.
- Have a willingness to develop personally and learn new skills.
- Communicate effectively.
- Make things FUN.
- Use time efficiently and effectively
- Observe and analyse players' skills and make improvements.

Main Duties:

- Assisting with drills and games.
- Helping to put out equipment ahead of the session.
- Equip players as required e.g. attaching 'Strikers' to powerchairs.
- Organise players with consideration to ability and individual needs.
- Consult with the Head Coach about the aims of the sessions.
- Learn to plan, deliver, evaluate and progress the coaching sessions.
- Undertake organisational jobs e.g. player register, equipment checks, delegate to parents and carers.
- Abide by code of conduct and all club policies

Opportunities:

- Coach at league and cup matches. Offering touchline support and coaching to players.
- Attend any meetings with fellow coaches, players, parents and children where appropriate.
- Develop your own skills by attending SFA coach education courses and any training that is organised by the club.
- Observation of and the chance to deliver Powerchair coaching sessions.
- Opportunity to gain coaching and refereeing qualifications

Availability

- Tuesdays between 6 PM–9 PM

Restrictions

- PVG scheme membership required.
- Minimum age - 16 years old
- A full UK driving licence is desirable but not essential.

Support

Expenses paid: Yes

Taster available: Yes

Training details: In return for your time, full support and training provided including SFA qualifications & Child Wellbeing & Protected Adult training.

Volunteers are welcome to stay with the club as long as they like.

How do you apply?

E-mail your CV and a covering letter to the club at: info@ayrshiretigers.co.uk

You will be asked to fill out an application form, be invited for an interview. Also as part of the selection process the club require a check to be carried out through the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) Scheme for working with children and vulnerable adults