

Trustees Report

City of Belfast Boxing Academy 24 / 25

Our plan for 24 /25 was to simply develop boxers' skills, knowledge and understanding of competitive boxing, increase the number of boxers participating in grassroots competitions, increase and sustain parental links and partnerships, develop healthy programmes and to develop and increase female participation. We are delighted that this has been achieved.

We have sustained a core group of coaches which are developing their skills in boxing development through currently working with referees which we hope to continue and extend not only to the coaches but for our boxers.

We have been able to develop boxers through entering competitions where we have had success through having Antrim and Ulster Novice Champions in the Male division and also silver medallists in the Antrim and Ulster championships in the Male and female division. We hope to sustain and develop this into 25/26. We re-established links with boxing clubs throughout the area in 24/25 and this has developed and enhanced our boxers throughout the season with us hosting a series of events where 8 clubs came to the club to support boxer development through interclub sparring. This creates the opportunity for our boxers and members to develop their skills through developmental sparring.

We started a Tuesday evening Box fit class in 24/25, and we hope this will grow and extend in 25/26 thus increasing female participation which will remain a core aspiration within the club.

We aim 25/26 to develop:

- Increase the number of competitive boxers through entering grassroots competitions and creating opportunities for this to happen.
- Continue to develop boxers' knowledge and skills through creating opportunities to attend workshops with referees.
- Increase and sustain parental links and partnerships.
- Develop developmental sections within the junior age groups.
- Continue to increase and develop female participation.

We look forward to an exciting season and hopefully develop people and boxers of the future in the coming year 25/26.

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