

March 2010

The Semi Final rounds of the National Cup & Last 8's take place this weekend!



The Semi finals are taking place at the National Volleyball Centre in Kettering this weekend!

The matches will take place in conjunction with the Under 16 & Under 18 National Championship Last 8s, as in previous years offering the young players an opportunity to watch some of the best players in the country.

The men's competition sees the same 4 teams that made it through to semi finals from last year. This time Malory Eagles (London) will face Newcastle Staffs, and Malory's opponents from last year, London Polonia will face Sheffield.

In the women's competition, the top 3 Division 1 sides have made it through to the semi finals. The 4th team, Leeds Carnegie (from Division 3 North) are new to the Cup and NVL this season and will be taking on last years Cup winners Swiss

Cottage. Polonia Ladies, Shield Finalists from last year will face Tameside in the 2nd semi final.

The time of the matches on Saturday are as follows:

Court 1 (Men's matches)

5.30pm warm-up, 6pm start - [Malory Eagles \(London\)](#) Vs [Newcastle Staffs](#)
Immediately followed by [Sheffield](#) Vs [London Polonia](#)

Court 2 (Women's matches)

5.30pm warm-up, 6pm start - [Polonia Ladies](#) Vs [Tameside Cottage](#) Vs [Leeds Carnegie](#) Immediately followed by [Swiss](#)

Spectators Info: The last 2 years have seen some 200-300 spectators watch the matches. Seating will be available and you do not have to purchase tickets to come and watch.

13th & 14th March - National Squads Training weekend

The National squads will be meeting in the second weekend in March for their monthly training sessions at the National Volleyball Centre. The squads include the Cadets, Juniors and Sitting Teams.

The Men's GB Sitting Team will be involved in some scrummage matches against Tendring Volleyball Club on the Sunday afternoon.



19th March - GB Men's Sitting Team leave for the Sitting World Cup in Egypt



A squad of 10 players and 4 support staff will be heading out to Egypt on the 19th March to compete in the Sitting Volleyball World Cup.

Head Coach Ian Legrand said " *Training has gone well and we are taking a strong team to Egypt. We are hoping to build on*

the success from the Europeans last September".

The squad selection will be confirmed via the Volleyball England website next week.

You can track their progress via the [Sitting Volleyball pages](#) of the website and the [Volleyball England](#) page on Facebook.

20th & 21st March - **Under 15 National Finals**

The Under 15 National Finals are this year taking place at Camp Hill School in Birmingham .

The [Boys](#) competition will take place on the Saturday followed by the [Girls](#) competition on the Sunday.

The teams in the final have not yet been confirmed. You will be able to view the finalist via the Under 15 pages of the website shortly.

If you require anymore information at this stage please contact [Suzy Stevenson](#) (UK Schools Competitions Officer) at Volleyball England.



31st March - **New Team Application Deadline for entries into the National Volleyball League**



Applications for new teams to enter the National League for the 2010-11 season are being sought.

This is a really exciting time to be part of the National Volleyball League as the new structure comes into play next season.

Download an application form here: [New Team Application Form](#)

The deadline for applications is 31st March 2010

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Amy Seaman in the VE Office (a.seaman@volleyballengland.org)