

Jenna Downing - South Yorkshire Sport Sportivate Roller Sport

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World inline skating champion <u>Jenna Downing</u> visited a <u>Sportivate</u> Girls' Roller Sport project in Sheffield on 22nd May, 4th Sept and 18th Sept 2016 to encourage **18 inactive young females** to try her sport and adopt a longer term healthy lifestyle.

Special feature of this Sportivate roller sport project

The roller sport sessions run by <u>Sheffield Steel Junior Rollers</u> have been funded through <u>South Yorkshire Sport</u>. Jenna was able to offer her full support for this <u>Sportivate</u> project, which is part of a joint strategic approach to sport for 11-25 year olds in South Yorkshire and across England, involving a

wide range of local, regional and national partners to give young participants the opportunity to get free sports coaching over a six- eight week period.

Media Activity

A bespoke press release and poster agreed by <u>Sporting Champions</u> and the deliverer was sent out featuring quotes from World inline skating star <u>Jenna Downing</u>. The press release formed the basis of articles for news outlets.

Social media guidelines (including Twitter hash-tags) were sent to <u>Jenna Downing</u> who was briefed to stay involved in social media conversations throughout the project.





Post Visit

Media coverage post visit of Jenna Downing's visits included-

The Star - http://bit.ly/1Y8ib4T

www.briefreport.co.uk - http://bit.ly/1Uz2deK

www.enginenews.co.uk - http://bit.ly/1X9PCox

Sheffield Steel Rollers FB page

Sporting Champions website - Jenna's blog

Quotes following Jenna's visit included -

Anthony Larsen (<u>Sheffield Steel Junior Rollers</u>) said: "The children and parents found her very inspiring and were incredibly impressed with what she could do on skates."

Lily Gaskell (<u>Sheffield Steel Junior Rollers</u>) said: "Jenna inspired our Junior roller skaters to work hard to achieve their goals and she showed them being a female in a male dominated sport did not hold her back."

Jenna Downing said: "The young people seemed very excited to have me as part of their training session, they enjoyed showing me their skills and tricks and enjoyed listening and watching something a little bit different. Parents also came to listen to me speak with many of them saying it was "very inspiring."



Wow! What a session! We were joined by World Champion, Jenna Downing and got to teach her all about roller derby before getting to ask our own questions about her amazing achievements. We are all feeling super inspired and if you would like to as well, check out these videos of her in action!

https://youtu.be/Zt3ojT26Fu8



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