

The 2014 international training weekend will take place on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 October 2014. Players can choose whether to attend at the Gwent Bridge Academy in Newport Gwent <http://www.bridgewebs.com/gwentacademy/> or at Cricket Pavilion Colwyn Bay http://colwynbay.play-cricket.com/home/grounds_view.asp?id=3968

On the Saturday, David Burn will be the main presenter in the South and Michael Byrne the main presenter in the North. On the Sunday, an in-house team will lead the training at each venue. On the Sunday, we will be aiming to team up mentors with pairs looking for a mentor.

The sessions will start at 12.00 (12 noon) on both the Saturday and on the Sunday and will finish by 18.00 (6 pm) each day. The cost for attendance is £10 for one day or £15 for both days, except free for juniors (age under 25). Please pay on the day.

Anyone seeking to represent Wales in the foreseeable future (Open, Ladies, Senior or Junior) should attend. Any other WBU members who judge themselves as likely to benefit from training at this level are also welcome to attend. Ideally you should attend with your regular trials partner, though there will be players without partners who can form partnerships on the day, so please come even if you do not have a partner. If you cannot attend both days, you are welcome to attend for just one day.

Whatever your plans, we would like to hear from you as we need to know who is coming for catering and administrative purposes. Please endeavour to let us know your plans by Thursday 9 October. If you just turn up on the day, we cannot promise to have enough food or handouts available for you.

Please also note that we plan to hold further training days during the season, one in December with a focus on open team players and one on Saturday 11 April 2015 with a focus on Ladies and Seniors team players. Anyone planning to enter the Ladies or Seniors trials should make a note to keep themselves free on 11 April 2015. Players expected to attend those further training dates will receive details in due course.

Entries please, stating which venue you intend to attend, by Thursday 9 October to Alan Screen: alanscreen@sky.com