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# DAILY OUT

**PRIDE GAMES**  
MANCHESTER

31<sup>st</sup> May - 7<sup>th</sup> June

## GAY GOLF GOES NORTH



### Pride Sports Open Golf Championship 2009 'Get in the Swing'

Irons Golf Society is proud to have been asked by Pride Sports, Manchester to organise the first annual Pride Sports Open Golf Championship on Saturday 6 June 2009 at Altrincham Golf Course, Greater Manchester. Irons brings to the party more than 12 years' experience of running golf tournaments and we are looking forward to a cracking day of golf in our first foray to the North of England.

The championship is open to all gay golfers with a handicap of 36 or better. Substantial prizes are on offer in both the men's and women's section, and a buffet supper and the prize-giving ceremony will

follow the golf. Visit [pridegames.org](http://pridegames.org) now to book your place in this special event.

Irons was established in 1996 and is, as far as we know, the first and oldest gay golfing society in the world - a fact of which we are extremely proud (and we challenge anyone to prove otherwise; a prize is offered!). Irons is a friendly and competitive London-based organisation open to all gay golfers with handicaps. Irons plays golf monthly, on a Sunday, in and around the M25. It also organises a number of trips throughout the season - Wales, Bournemouth, Weston-super-Mare, etc - which are open to all members and a growing contingent of our European gay golfing friends. We also organise a yearly golfing holiday abroad.

Irons has a West Country section, and it is hoped that, ultimately, this event in Manchester on 6 June 2009 will lead to a Northern branch of Irons being established to welcome our Northern cousins into the fold.

Do not miss this unique opportunity to join an exciting modern phenomenon - the ever-growing popularity of gay golf. For more information, and to join our group, go to [irongolf.org.uk](http://irongolf.org.uk).

Picture caption: Percy and Clarke, Irons members and organisers of the Pride Sports Open Golf Championship, welcome all Northern gay golfers to compete with them to become the first ever Pride Sports Open Champions.

## OFFICIAL PRIDE GAMES PARTY

Bollox club will be hosting the official Pride Games clubbing event on Saturday 6 June. If you've never been, Bollox is a celebration of queer cultures, where women and men, young and old, hairy and smooth, black and white, Harvey Nicks and Primark - all unite in a quest for a fun night of drinking, dancing and smiling. Musically you'll be entertained with a diverse mix of wonky pop, indie, 80s and electroclash. Nice.

Free with a Pride Games registration pass and £3 for all others. 10.30 - 3am, Everyone welcome.

**REGISTRATION DIFFICULTIES?** If you've been unable to register online and would really like to enter an event, please ring Louise on 07949 604 610 or Trevor on 07941 384 988 and we'll sort it out for you.

Visit [www.pridegames.org](http://www.pridegames.org) for pictures from this years Pride Games!

New for  
2009



## Golf - Northern Pride Open Saturday, Altrincham Municipal Course



## OPENING DAY SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY

Pride Games Fun Day in Alexandra Park - proudly supported by LGF.

The opening festival for Pride Games 2009, centers on the popular Alex Park 5k community run and includes; Community Relay fundraiser (teams of 3 people), Family Zone, Skills Zone, side stalls, refreshments and more. This year's Community Relay will raise much needed cash for 'Positively Healthy', a valued activity programme for HIV+ people. To take part you'll need 3 people to run one lap of Alex Park, passing on the novelty baton along the way. £15 per team, starts 11.30. Late entries accepted. Alex Park is open and accessible for all to enjoy - just turn up and join in! Family Zone and fun races starts at 1pm.

### Opening Soiree @ Lava Bar

Located in the fabulous surroundings of the canal basin, Castle Quay, Castlefield - next to Key 103. Outdoor tables and seating make a perfect setting for our pre-Ceilidh (Scottish Country Dancing) event nearby, with the Gay Gordons. 5pm - 7pm. A free event, £2 for Brochettes and a glass of wine to welcome you and your friends.

### Ceilidh (Scottish Country Dancing) @ Manchester Marriot, Victoria and Albert Hotel

A real Scottish Ceilidh and charity fundraising raffle, is being hosted in the fabulous old converted mill, that is the V&A Hotel. Open and accessible to all and has a private bar. £7 Tickets available online or on the door from 7.30pm. Kilts not essential, but you are! to make this a very special occasion.

## CLOSING FESTIVAL THE QUAYS: SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 10.30 - 5PM

Starting with our annual, measured, 10k run which starts and finish at Salford Quays Water Sports Centre. The run consists of one circuit around the very beautiful Quay's promenades, going past the Imperial War Museum and Lowry Centre - entries available on the day. There will be some side attractions - a chance to make your silly hat ready for the Bell Boat Regatta, information stalls, music and some interactive Line Dancing with the fantastic Prairie Dogs!

Next follows the infamous Bell Boat Regatta! up to 20 teams will challenge for the Co-operative Membership Challenge Cup and for the amazing cash prizes for gold, silver, bronze and best dressed team winners! team boats booking and payment on line, plus lucky dip boats on the day at £5 per person. Safety cover, showers and changing facilities provided. Bring a towel, a change of clothes and an appetite for victory! Will Outdoor Lads retain their title? This is an exhilarating event by any standards. All welcome.

### Closing Soiree @ Jackson's, Piccadilly Basin, Manchester

The Pride Games finale and closing soiree in the fabulous surroundings of Jackson's Wharf (formerly Moonlight Bar and restaurant). A waterside location, outdoor tables and seating make a relaxing setting to celebrate the end of the fifth annual Pride Games. A complimentary glass of wine and nibbles on arrival with your registration pass, though everyone is welcome to attend. 7pm - 11pm. Free Entry.

For more event details, maps, prices and times see [www.pridegames.org](http://www.pridegames.org)

## SUPER SATURDAY

### Northern Pride Open Golf @ Altrincham Municipal Golf Course

A new event run in partnership with Irons Golf, an experienced LGBT golf club. You'll need a set of clubs. Check out entry standards in registration. Great cash prizes available for winners! Registration includes bacon butties and a supper. You need to register online before for this event - payment online. Golf tees off at 12 noon - bacon butties from 10.30am. Event accreditation from 10am.

### Mountain Biking @ Clayton Vale, Manchester

This year's Mountain Biking event takes place in the beautiful Clayton Vale area of Manchester. Run by event partners Bike Right and comprising of a skills sessions for novices & experts, followed by races and medals! Bikes and gear supplied or bring your own. 9.45am - 2pm. Registration and payment on line.

### Squash Tournament @ National Squash Centre, Manchester

An international Squash Tournament at

the National Squash Centre. This event also signals the birth of a new squash ladder. 10am - 4pm. Registration and payment online.

### 5 a-side Football Competition with Manchester FA

Run by Manchester FA at Salford Sports Village, this five a-side football tournament will accommodate men's, women's and mixed teams. The venue is on a main bus route and easily accessible from Manchester City Centre. 9am - 5pm. Registration and payment on line.

### Athletics Tournament @ Trafford Athletics Stadium

Run by Open Athletics, this year's track and field events will be run at stylish Trafford Athletics Stadium. Jumps, Throws and races. Novices welcome. 10 - 4pm. Registration and payment on line.

### Ballroom and Latin Dance Workshops

A friendly group of new and experienced ballroom dancers will be waiting to partner you under the watchful eye of one of the

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best dance tutors in the country, in the John Thaw Studio Theatre. Registration and payment on line.

### Join us at Tea Dance

To round off this year's Ballroom and Latin Dance workshops, we invite you to join us at the Pride Games Tea Dance. It is being held at John Thaw Studio Theatre in The Martin Harris Centre for Music and Drama, at The University of Manchester just off Oxford Road (behind the Museum). It begins at 4.30pm and runs through till 7pm and includes a very English Tea. All are welcome to attend £7 on the door.

### Friendly & Fun Swim Gala @ Moss Side Leisure Centre

Open to all swimmers to come along and try out a friendly swim gala. Run like a competition but without the pressure. A FREE to enter event sponsored by Northern Wave Swim Club. For more info go to registration. You'll need swim wear, a towel, a drink and £1 for your locker and a willingness to have some fun! includes a relaxation area. Entries on line to order events please. 1pm - 4pm.



### Pride Games Club Night - brought to you by the Bollox Team

Based on a very popular monthly disco and voted for by men and women, as one of the best nights out on offer! you'll have the chance to party with great tunes and fabulous company! just do it! Free with your Pride Games registration pass and £3 to everyone else. All welcome. It's at The Tunnel in Legends, Whitworth St, Manchester. If you miss it you'll turn into a frog!

## DURING THE WEEK

### MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE

#### Women's Netball

Get back into netball with this fun coached taster session open to players of all levels, even beginners! Trinity Sports Centre & High School, £3.00 (by advance ticket purchase)

#### Footy For Fun

Come along to this coaching session for men and women. Ideal for complete beginners and those of you who want to improve your skills on the ball. Access to Manchester Academy from Denmark Road. £3.00 (by advance ticket purchase)

### TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE

#### Rugby League Taster with Salford Reds on their own turf!

Imagine this, an evening playing with professional rugby players, showing you how to play Rugby League - can you resist? You'll need kit - shorts, T-shirt and trainers

and a towel. Open to men and women. 7pm - 8.30pm. Free Entry. Just turn up. Map in the calendar on [pridegames.org](http://pridegames.org)

### WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE

#### Archery & Orienteering @ Mersey Valley Visitors Centre, Sale

Places are available at this Robin Hood style event. Endorsed by the Sheriff of Nottingham himself! Orienteering alternates with archery, to ensure Robin gets home! It's in a forest like location and there's a BBQ to celebrate at the end. £10 per archer. Registration and payment on line. 6pm - 8pm.

### THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

#### City Walk for the over 50s - nice and easy

A friendly group of people from 'Out in The City' will welcome you outside Taurus Cafe Bar (inside if it opens early) and head out on a gentle city walk passing places of

interest along the way. The walk finishes at Taurus for tea, coffee and a chat. This gentle exercise is open to all over 50s. 11am - 1pm. Starts off with a tram ride and heads for a special treat!

#### Day 1 Sailing Course begins @ Hollingworth Lake Water Activity Centre near Rochdale

The first of two days of sailing at the fantastic seaside like location on the edge of the Pennines. It forms part of a two day course towards RYA level 1 certification. Sailing and safety equipment is provided and you'll need a cossie and towel. Lunch voucher included and ask for a lift info@ [pridegames.org](http://pridegames.org). 9.30am - 4pm. Registration and payment on line. A real bargain!

### FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

#### Day 2 Sailing Course & Regatta @ Hollingworth Lake Water Activity Centre near Rochdale

The second of two days of sailing and completion of the RYA level 1 course and certification or a 1 day course for improvers. In the afternoon this is followed by a sailing Regatta for novices and experienced sailors. You can launch your own boat too! otherwise all equipment is provided. Ask for a lift. Registration online for course and competition. Course 9.30 - 12 noon and Regatta 1 - 4pm.

#### Climbing Competition @ Manchester Climbing Centre, with City Climb

Our first climbing competition being run in collaboration with City Climb, Pride Sports and Out Door Lads. Includes Lifetime membership of the Manchester Climbing Centre worth £15. For women and men. Registration and payment on line, All welcome. 5.45 - 9pm.

# DON'T MISS



## MOUNTAIN BIKING Saturday, Clayton Vale



## BIG STRAPPING LADS!

The Salford Reds Foundation are hosting a Rugby League taster event at their ground, Broughton Park FC Rugby Union, 2 Hough End Crescent, Chorlton.

Imagine this, an evening guided by professional rugby players, showing you how to play Rugby League - can you resist? This a chance of a lifetime! Will you score?

You'll need kit - shorts, T-shirt and trainers and a towel. Open to men and women. Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 7pm - 8.30pm. Free Entry. Just turn up. Map in the calendar on [pridegames.org](http://pridegames.org)



Proud City Co-operative will inspire volunteers for the fifth successive year at Pride Games, which is held during volunteer week. Proud City has spent the past year working on the City and Guilds Health Trainers, new competence based level three qualification. This work has already impacted on the health and wellbeing of people around Greater Manchester, and at this year's Pride Games will be encouraging volunteering in support of healthier lifestyle choices. In the current year a new project called V will help people aged 16-25 to do someone a favour. Will you claim your free VT-shirt at the Bell Boat Regatta on Salford Quays June 7<sup>th</sup>?

**proudcity.org**  
*Proud City Co-operative is quality assured City and Guilds accredited Centre.*



Positively Healthy is an innovative project aiming to increase physical activity and sports engagement by people with HIV and is this years chosen beneficiary from fundraising at Pride Games. Positively Healthy is a series of sports and activity taster sessions, which have been running for a year. Dig deep where you see a collecting bucket please.



## Ypride Youth Games Manchester Pride Youth Games 2009 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> June

Pride Youth Games is a weekend sports and physical activity event for LGBT young people aged 16-25. Organised by LGBT Youth North West this year's Youth Games is supported by Pride Sports, Open Athletics, Northern Wave Swimming Club and the Bikeright! company.

This year's programme includes the following:

- Track and Field Athletics:** both tutored training and competition activities
  - Outdoor education activities:** including mountain biking, archery, orienteering and canoeing
  - Swim pool fun:** an early evening in the swimming pool to just have fun and relax after the days events.
  - Open top bus tour of Manchester:** visiting the major sporting sites and well as the modern cultural venues of the City.
  - Bell boat regatta:** a chance to compete with other LGBT adults in the boat race event.
- Cost £40



## BELL BOAT REGATTA SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

This year's Pride Games Bell Boat Regatta takes place at Salford Water Sports Centre. Racing starts at 13.00

Prizes include:

**1st Prize - £200    2nd Prize - £160    3rd Prize - £100    Best Dressed - £100**

*(N.B. The best dressed category is open for your interpretation, although any costumes must not impede your ability to swim and suitable footwear (trainers) and life jackets must be worn in the boats at all times. Although the boats are stable, you are also likely to get wet through splashing).*

Changing and shower facilities available on site. Cost: £50 per boat or £5 per individual.



## THE CO-OPERATIVE - GOOD WITH PRETTY MUCH EVERYTHING!

Representatives from **The Co-operative's North West & North Midlands Membership Team** will be present at the Pride Games Sport For All event on Salford Quays 7 June, providing information about membership and the Co-operative Group's extensive range of businesses and services.

Pride Games attendees will also have the opportunity to take part in a number of activities around the Membership Trailer and win prizes supporting the various campaigns currently run by The Co-operative.

The Co-operative is providing fruit and water to participants of the 10K run and the Bellboat Regatta taking place on the day. Further information on membership and our current campaigns and events is available on [www.co-operative.coop/membership](http://www.co-operative.coop/membership)

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## WHAT TO DO WHEN

Over the next week there's plenty to get involved with. For full details see: [www.pridegames.org](http://www.pridegames.org)

### SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY

Alexandra Park, Moss Side

#### CHARITY FUN DAY

10:30am-4:00pm

Community Relay Race  
Alexandra Park 5km Run  
Family Zone  
Climbing Wall  
Rugby League Skills

### MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE

5:30pm: Women's Netball Taster,  
Trinity Sports Centre

6:00pm: Footy for Fun (football taster)  
Manchester Academy (Astro)

6:30pm: Climbing Taster,  
Manchester Climbing Wall



### TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE

7:00pm: Rugby League Taster  
(with Salford Reds),  
Broughton Park FC Rugby  
Union, 2 Hough End Crescent,  
Chorlton.

8:00pm: Swim Taster (including social)  
Moss Side Leisure Centre

### WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE

6:00pm: Archery & Orienteering,  
Mersey Valley Visitors Centre

6:00pm: Badminton Taster,  
Sports Development Centre

7:00pm: Volleyball Taster,  
Barlow RC High School

8:00pm: Women's Swim Taster (inc.  
social), Chorlton Leisure Centre

### THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

9:30am: RYA Level 1 Sailing Course,  
Hollingworth Lake

11:00am: City Walk for over 50's,  
Taurus, 1 Canal Street

7:00pm: Water Polo Taster,  
Miles Platting Pools

7:30pm: Women's Basketball Taster,  
Stretford Leisure Centre

### FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

9:30am: RYA Level 1 Sailing Course &  
improvers sailing course,  
Hollingworth Lake

5:45pm: Climbing Competition,  
Manchester Climbing Wall

6:00pm - 11:00pm: Registration &  
Reception, Ramada Hotel  
Piccadilly

### SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

9:45am: Mountain Biking, (skills  
sessions & races), Clayton Vale

10:00am: Golf - Northern Pride Open,  
Altrincham Municipal Course

10:00am: Men's & Women's Football,  
(Manchester FA),  
Salford Sports Village

10:00am: Squash,  
National Squash Centre

10:00am: Athletics (Track and Field)  
Trafford Athletics Club

1:00pm: Northern Wave Swim Gala,  
Moss Side Leisure

### SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

10:00am: 10km Run, Salford Quays

1:00pm: Bellboat Regatta,  
Salford Quays

### CULTURAL EVENTS

Throughout the games there are many cultural events taking place.

### SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY

5:00pm: Lava Bar, Castlefield

7:00pm: Scottish Ceilidh,  
Thompsons Arms

### SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

1:00pm: Ballroom & Latin  
Dance Workshops,  
John Thaw Studio Theatre

4:30pm: Tea Dance,  
John Thaw Studio Theatre

### SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

12 noon: Line Dancing  
(spectator & participative)

8:00pm: Closing Soiree,  
Jacksons, Piccadilly Basin



The Gay Gordons (Manchester), the North West's Newest dance group are very proud of the fact that we have been asked to host a Scottish Dance and Ceilidh evening at the start of this year's Pride Games Week.

What started out as an idea between 3 friends a little over a year ago has become one of the L.G.B.T.'s most talked about group in recent months. The group was started last September and have recently held 2 dance demonstrations on Canal Street, with both bars asking for to return again this summer. We also have another 4 displays planned during the summer as well as taking part in Manchester Pride.

A great point of Scottish Country Dancing is the contact and interaction between dancers and strangers do not remain strangers for long. The Pride Games Ceilidh is being held in the Victoria and Albert Hotel on Water Street and is only our 6th such event and promises to be the biggest. We start with a pre-dance reception at the LAVA Bar and all ticket holders are entitled to a free glass of wine. The dancing will consist of a mixture of Ceilidh dances and easy Scottish Country Dances. All of which will be walked through and some will be danced twice. During the event we are holding a charity raffle in aid of Booth Hall Children's Hospital and Positively Healthy. Both are good causes and need support.

Come along on the night and have a real good energetic night of fun and laughter. All for just £7 a ticket.

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