



Cairngorm Adventure Triathlon Funding support for young athletes in Cairngorms National Park

The Cairngorm Adventure Triathlon is a fun outdoor challenge event held each September at Loch Morlich Watersports. The CAT is a not-for-profit event, and any surplus funds raised are this year being set aside to support young people living in the National Park area who show outstanding promise in any sport.

The CAT team recognise that lack of funds can be a real barrier to local young people with talent and ambition who want to fulfil their potential and get the most out of their sport. Grants are intended to help young athletes to pay for training, equipment, or any other expenses which will directly contribute to progress in their chosen sport or activity.

It is estimated that approximately £1000 in total will be available. Grants will be awarded to one or more successful applicants following the event. Priority will be given to applicants who can demonstrate a clear need for help towards specific costs which would otherwise be difficult to cover.

Allocation of grants will be decided by the CAT committee whose decision is final.

Criteria for applicants

1. Applicants must be permanently resident within the Cairngorms National Park area.
2. Applicants must be between the ages of 16 and 21 when the application is submitted.
3. Applicants must be involved in a specified sport or activity on a competitive basis and be able to demonstrate commitment and ambition.

Conditions of grant award

1. Grants will be awarded as soon as possible after the CAT event, and must be spent within six months of receipt.
2. By accepting a grant, recipients are agreeing to their name and photo being used in publicity relating to the CAT, including the CAT website, press releases, etc.
3. Within eight months of receipt of the grant, recipients must submit a brief written report detailing what the money was spent on and the benefits gained, particularly how this has helped progress in the sport or activity. Recipients are also asked to send in photos of themselves in action for CAT publicity.
4. Grants must be spent on the items specified in the application. If this is not possible for any reason, recipients must notify the CAT Committee and gain approval for changes in use of the grant. The CAT Committee reserve the right to withdraw funding if the intended use changes significantly.

Application process

Applications must be received by 17th September 2010.

If you would like more information or a chat before applying, please contact Penny Lawson (details below) or Tim Pott, 01479831227 or email info@cairnngormadventuretriathlon.org

Please submit all of the following:

1. A written statement telling us why you think you should be awarded a grant. As a guide your letter should include details of the following:
 - your level of achievement in your activity so far
 - your targets for the future
 - what you need funding for and how it will help you improve.
2. Details of the total amount you are requesting and a breakdown of exactly what it will be spent on, with accurate costs for each item.
3. Two letters of support/references from people who know you and are familiar with your sporting activity. These could be teachers, coaches, etc and should not be related to you. Please include their phone numbers so we can contact your referees if necessary, and please check that they are willing to be contacted.

Post or email the above to:

Penny Lawson, CAT Committee
Easter Culreach
Grantown on Spey
PH26 3NH
penny@nethy-pottery.freeserve.co.uk
01479 821114

Applications will be treated as confidential.