

AWARDS – Female volunteers are after cash for softballs, bean bags and bibs



CHAMPION FUND-RAISER: Faseeha Abid (6) with members of Gladstone Women Sports Association. (4AL0609501) *Picture: ANDY LAITHWAITE*

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A WOMEN'S sports group is hoping to improve its facilities with a helping hand from *The Evening Telegraph's* Make It Happen awards scheme.

The Gladstone Women Sports Association (GWSA) is a new group which has been set up by 10 female volunteers from the inner-city community.

The team of women received training from the Healthy Living Partnership programme, set up by the Peterborough Primary Care Partnership, to qualify as community sports leaders.

With their new skills, the community-spirited group put them to good use, setting up the association.

They now organise multi-activity sessions for girls and young women on Wednesday evenings at Gladstone Community Centre, Bourges Boulevard, Peterborough.

But at present, the only equipment they have is a borrowed cricket set and a couple of footballs and basketballs.

They hope to be awarded a £1,500 share in the £10,000 give-away to be able to buy soft balls, beanbags, bibs and other team game equipment.

Raheela Naheed, co-founder of the association, said: "At present, we have very little resources in order to fully utilise the community centre. We would like the sessions to be more exciting, with new activities and more equipment for the women to use."

"We would also like to be able to be recognised and establish our-

The girls who live for sport

Your chance to apply for a slice of the action

ALL schemes, groups and charities across the Peterborough area are invited to apply for a share in the £10,000, as long as the money is used to benefit the community.

To be in with a chance of a share in the cash give-away, write to us and tell us how much money you

need and what it is for.

Remember to include your name, address and daytime contact number.

The closing date for entries is Monday, July 19.

Winners will be chosen by a panel of judges, and will be invited

to a special awards ceremony.

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selves by wearing a uniform to promote the group.

"Getting financial help would mean so much to us. There has never been anything like this for Asian women in the community."

In May, *The Evening Telegraph* teamed up with Combined Insurance to launch the exciting £10,000 Make It Happen awards scheme.

Later this year, a panel of judges will decide which of the entries are most beneficial to the community and most deserving of the cash.

The lucky award winners will be invited to a special presentation event.

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