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# PAUL HUNTER DAY



## CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF THE PAUL HUNTER FOUNDATION

## SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH, 2016

## HELD IN CUEZONE, WITHIN THE WINTER GARDENS



“The foundation was established in 2006 in memory of Paul Hunter with the specific aim of giving disadvantaged, able bodied and disabled youngsters an opportunity to play snooker”



**THE PAUL HUNTER FOUNDATION HAS HAD DONATED AND RAISED OVER £550,000 IN ITS LIFETIME**

**THE MONEY HAS BEEN USED TO ACHIEVE THE FOUNDATIONS OBJECTIVES SET OUT BY THE CHARITIES COMMISSION**

- PHF has delivered 580 live road shows to over 10,000 children.
- PHF has operated in over 150 different communities in the UK.
- PHF has targeted deprived areas giving away over 2500 cased cues.
- The PHF has worked in all communities reducing anti-social behaviour – Police forces have quoted a 63% reduction of first time entrants into the criminal justice saving huge amounts of tax payers money (source Accrington).
- PHF has relocated and installed 12 full size snooker tables in to the community or schools and repaired over 100.
- PHF has supported budding young snooker players in Germany and Poland, and is actively helping introduce teaching into the school curriculum in Poland.
- PHF has introduced many disabled players to snooker and actively supported their national and regional competitions.



### PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

**10.00** Over 50 invited children take part in the ‘Sixty Second Challenge’ competition.

**12.00** Steve Davis joins the event and plays the competition winner, together with George Marriot who spoke on behalf of the nominated charity at last Friday’s Cue Ball.

**13.15 (approx)** Event concludes.

**14.30** Invited guests, together with the Hunter family take their seats in the Crucible.

**A minutes applause for Paul.**

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## ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE PAUL HUNTER FOUNDATION BURSARY PROGRAMME

Key to Paul's development growing up, he received support with table practice. His foundation wants to build on that and extend it's support which is key to nurturing a junior snooker players talent.

An initial £10,000 has been put aside, with each individual application available up to the value of £500.

This can cover:

- Table practice
- Professional coaching
- Clothing to play in competitions
- Snooker cue upgrade or replacement
- Entry fees and expenses to enter approved competitions

Moving forward the Bursary programme will form a key part of the legacy of the Paul Hunter Foundation.

This will be supported by Ten 'PHF Road-shows' around the UK and Ireland, which will showcase the work of Paul's foundation.

Application forms will be available from 17.00 today via:

**[www.paulhunterfoundation.org](http://www.paulhunterfoundation.org)**

**[worldsnooker.com](http://worldsnooker.com)**

**[wpbsa.com](http://wpbsa.com)**