

YSS Newsletter June 2022

A warm Summer welcome to all our Friends, Supporters and Alumni.

YSS Finally Launches

Young Speakers Scotland was officially launched on Thursday, 24th February 2022. The launch had to be delayed because of Covid restrictions but we are delighted to report that many of our supporters braved the snow to join us at Norton Park Conference Centre.



As part of the official launch, we had the privilege of hosting an in-person show debate giving the current members (and a former member) of the Scottish National Team a long awaited opportunity to swap laptop cameras for podiums, tables, and chairs.

Proposition Team Strategic Planning

It was good to see many familiar faces in the form of ESU members and volunteers, and former team members from as far back as 1993, the year when Scotland finished as the runner-up at the World Championships in New Zealand.

Update on Speak Up Scotland

Our Speak Up Scotland programme continues to develop as more schools are requesting workshops.

"This workshop was one of a kind: very innovative, informative, illustrative, interactive and most importantly FUN!!"

Zainab Adeleye

School Captain

King's Park Secondary School, Glasgow.



King's Park Secondary School Workshop

We will be delivering our first expanded workshop with Glasgow schools on 10th June 2022, hosted by Govan High School.

What's Coming Up Next

Our first summer camp will take place on Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th July at Norton Park, Training Suite. We have put together a programme of fun activities to take forward the learning from SUS workshops and look at advanced skills of debate and public speaking. Part of the summer camp experience is networking and building new contacts so we're looking forward to welcoming participants from many regions of Scotland.

Another exciting event coming up on Sunday, 24th July is a debate competition hosted by Edinburgh University with the National Teams from Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales and England and we hope you will be able to join us to support our Scottish Team. This is an introductory event to our summer camp, showcasing advanced debating skills.

All our news is available on our website: www.youngspeakersscotland.org.uk

How to support our charity

As we continue to expand our operations, you may like to develop your relationship by training to become a judge at events, or joining us for our fundraising events.

Thank you for supporting the work of Young Speakers Scotland. If you wish to make a donation, you can find our bank details below.

We look forward to continuing our valuable relationship.

With very best wishes

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Chair

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