



**NatWest Island Games 2011**  
**25 June – 1 July**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **VOLUNTEERS, INCLUDING ATTACHES, NEEDED FOR NATWEST ISLAND GAMES 2011**

The Island Games Association is now looking to recruit Attaches for the NatWest Island Games 2011, and an event has been arranged for Saturday 23 October at the Quay Arts Centre, Newport, when the organising team will be on hand to discuss what is involved and to answer any questions.

Attaches play an important part in the NatWest Island Games as they are required to work alongside the team managers for the 24 islands and to act as support drivers and general assistants in dealing with local issues. The role will involve a lot of hours during the NatWest Island Games week (25 June – 1 July) but will be rewarding and enable volunteers to become acquainted with the culture of a particular island. A minimum of two Attaches will be required for each Island.

The organising committee would also like to meet anyone interested in volunteering generally for the Games. Volunteers are crucial to the success of the NatWest Island Games and there is a wide variety of roles to be filled including administrators, car park attendants, general helpers, marshalls, stewards, first aiders and many more.

The event at the Quay Arts Centre will start at 10am for anyone wishing to find out about volunteering for the NatWest Island Games, and from 12 – 2pm, the focus will be on providing information for Attaches.

Anyone wishing to find out more but who is unable to attend the event at the Quay Arts Centre, can register on line at [www.natwestislandgames2011.co.uk](http://www.natwestislandgames2011.co.uk) and click on 'Get Involved'. A questions & answers section about volunteering is also available on the website.

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## NOTE TO EDITOR

1. Could you please refer to the event as the NatWest Island Games 2011 (not “Island Games” or ‘The Games’) at the start of articles and in headlines, and as “the games” mid copy, as appropriate  
Thank you.

2. Background :

- The International Island Games were established in the Isle of Man in 1985 and today include 25 member islands in, or associated with, the nine sovereign nations of Canada, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Norway, Spain, Sweden, UK plus the Caribbean :

Aland (Finland)	Alderney	Bermuda
Cayman Islands	Falkland Islands	Faroe Islands
Froya (Denmark)	Gibraltar	Gotland (Sweden)
Greenland	Guernsey	Hitra (Norway)
Isle of Man	Isle of Wight	Jersey
Menorca (Spain)	Orkney	Price Edward Island (Canada)
Rhodes	Sark	Saareem (Estonia)
Shetland	St Helena	Western Isles
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- In 1999, NatWest became the title sponsor of the Island Games which has become one of the largest participation events in the world behind the Olympics and Commonwealth Games.
- The NatWest Island Games 2011 are being run by the Island Games Association (Isle of Wight) supported by the IW Council, which is also a sponsor.
- The 25 member islands compete every two years around the world in a range of up to 14 sports chosen by the host island from a list of 18.
- The NatWest Island Games were last held on the Isle of Wight in 1993.

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