

Scoring victory against hatred

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LEEDS SCHOOLS and clubs are being urged to sign up for a memorial football tournament to honour thousands of men and boys killed in a genocide 22 years ago.

The charity Remembering Srebrenica is looking for 8,372 children to play football on Wednesday July 12 in honour of the 8,372 men and boys who were killed due to their Muslim faith in the genocide in Bosnia-Herzegovina in 1995.

Thousands of boys and girls across the UK have taken part in this tournament in memory of the victims over the past two years.

Alina Khan from the Edu-

cation Safeguarding Team in Bradford, who organised the event last year, said: "Football is a great way to bring young people from different faiths and backgrounds together.

"This event allows us to remind our community where

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hatred can lead, and the importance of team solidarity, regardless of background.

"It's so important that young people feel empowered to challenge all forms of hatred; after all it is them who will become our future leaders.

"This event contributes to

the work that young people have been involved in as part of the Stand up, Speak out, Make a Difference programme across the district, which promotes pupil voice, active citizenship, and develops critical thinking."

The tournament is supported by the FA, English schools FA and Kick it Out, as well as a number of high-profile footballers, including former England Women's football captain Casey Stoney MBE and Bournemouth and Bosnia goalkeeper, Asmir Begović.

For more information, go to www.srebrenica.org.uk/8372-srebrenica-memorial-football-tournament/ or teachers and coaches can email tournament@srebrenica.org.uk.

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GET SET: Andrew Wellock (front) and Andy Lambert practising for their charity fundraiser

Charity challenge for cancer survivor

A CANCER survivor from Ilkley is taking on a 160-mile canoe challenge to raise £5,000 for a local charity.

Andrew Wellock is undertaking the challenge with his friend Andy Lambert for Cancer Support Yorkshire,

beginning in Liverpool on July 9 and finishing in Goole a week later.

Mr Wellock said: "I can speak at first-hand about the wonderful work this organisation does, and how grateful I am for everything

they did for me and my family." Mr Wellock survived tongue and throat cancer, while Mr Lambert's brother, Mick, died from cancer. To donate visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Andrew-Lambert9,

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