Alumni dine with Jamaican Olympians

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Auction winner Dr Ronjon Nag and guest with Usain Bolt

Dining with members of the Jamaican Olympic team was a unique experience for two of our alumni.

The Jamaican track and field teams are using the University of Birmingham as their training venue pre-London Olympic Games. With the likes of Usain Bolt and Yohann Blake in attendance, the dinner was an opportunity to welcome the Jamaican athletes and thank them for choosing the University to host their preparation camp.

Both Dr Ronjon Nag (BSc Electrical Engineering 1984) and Alex Merry (BSc Sport and Exercise Sciences 2009) attended this special event as a result of winning tickets through an auction and raffle competition respectively.

All proceeds from the raffle and auction will support the development of our new, state-of-the-art Sports Centre, which will include an Olympic-length swimming pool, the only one in the city, sports halls and training areas that will be used by regional amateur sports clubs and local schools, alongside our students and staff.

With the University already established as a world leader in sporting research and performance, it is hoped the new sports centre can further enhance our reputation as a world-class sporting institute. Having already produced sporting heroes such as Chrissie Wellington, Hannah England and Adam Pengilly, the new facilities will act as a training base for the elite athletes of the future.

To discuss how you can help support the new sports centre project please contact Christian Burden (+44(0)121 414 8204) or make a donation today by clicking **here**.

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