



Newsletter of Surrey Playing Fields - September 2018

# WANTED. PEOPLE PASSIONATE ABOUT SPORT!

JOIN THE AWARD-WINNING SURREY PLAYING FIELDS TEAM

- The Surrey Playing Fields is an independent, voluntary sports organisation which has been serving the county since 1927, that's an incredible 91 years!
- We were awarded the Queens
   Award for Voluntary Service last
   year. It was primarily achieved
   through the quality of our volunteers
- We're very keen for more volunteers to join the team, particularly those with a passion for sport and relevant skills. If you'd like to know more, please email Heather Dean aandhdean@gmail.com.



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For sports help throughout Surrey
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It also receives funding from Sports Clubs and individuals.

Details are in our Annual Report.

We thank them all.

### Organisations on SCPFA Advisory Committee

Surrey County Council Surrey County Football Association Surrey County Rugby Football Union

Surrey Sports Board Surrey Community Action Active Surrey
Surrey County

Surrey County Lawn Tennis Association

**Surrey Cricket Foundation** 

**Surrey County Athletic Association** 

We are grateful for their support and wise counsel

## **UPDATE ON THE PIPER SISTERS (ARCHERS)**



In the July 2017 issue of 'The Playing Field' you will have read about the amazing Piper sisters from Pyrford who were competing for England at Archery and who had been helped by grants from Surrey Playing Fields. Well they have continued their progress, going from strength to strength.

#### Louisa

In November 2017, at the age of 14, was ranked no1 UK Lady under 18 and No. 2 Senior Lady! She was then invited onto the GBR Olympic Squad.

By April 2018 she was selected for the GB senior team at the Shanghai World Cup where she was ranked 51st out of the top 91 senior archers in the world.

She turned 15 during her second GB senior team competition in Antalya, Turkey.

In June 2018 She was European Silver Team medallist at the European Youth Championships and is currently in contention to represent GB at the Youth Olympic Games in October (Buenos Aires)

#### Eleanor:

In November 2017 she was ,aged 18, ranked no 4 UK Senior lady and was invited onto the GBR Development squad.

This resulted in being selected in April 2018 to be one of 4 ladies to take part at the Shanghai World Cup along with her sister Louisa.

She was ranked 44 out of the top 9`1 archers in the world.

Invited onto the GB Olympic Squad as one of just 5 lady archers (including her sister)

In summary, they are now both on the GBR Olympic Squad of only five ladies (not bad for local Woking girls!), have both debuted this year for the GBR Senior Team out in Shanghai and Antalya and have returned from winning their first joint medal – a Silver Team medal at the European Youth Championships in Greece.

### WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY?

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOUR LOCAL AUTHORITY TO HELP SPORTS PROJECTS IN SURREY

#### What is the benefit of a Community infrastructure Levy?

The government has decided that a tariff based approach to funding strategic infrastructure delivery is fairer, faster, provides more certainty and is more transparent than the current system of planning obligations under section 106 which are negotiated on a site by site basis. It is also payable by all new development which relies on the infrastructure not just by a few larger-scale schemes. At present only about 6% of all planning permissions pay for the cost of infrastructure<sup>1</sup>. However, section 106 planning obligations will remain for site-specific infrastructure and for provision of affordable housing. There is also greater benefit for the local community as a proportion of CIL will pass back to the Town and Parish Councils in which it was raised, although the proportion of money going back to the community is not yet known as we are awaiting the CIL Regulations 2012

#### What is infrastructure?

'Infrastructure' is a broadly defined in the Town and Country Planning Act 2008 but the CIL regulations do not specify the types of infrastructure which the planning authority can fund. We have identified 3 broad categories of infrastructure: -

- Physical infrastructure: e.g. highways, transport links, cycleways, energy supply, water, flood alleviation, waste management
- Social infrastructure: e.g. education, health, social care, emergency services, art and culture, sports halls, community halls, faith, crematoria
- Green infrastructure: e.g. parks, woodlands, play areas, public open space

LAST SUMMER THERE WAS AN UNUSUALLY HIGH NUMBER OF TRAVELLING COMMUNITIES STOPPING ON SPORTS GROUNDS IN SURREY....

MEASURES TO PROTECT SITES FROM ILLEGAL INCURSIONS.

Private land owners are responsible for the removal of unauthorised encampments on their land.

Being the victim of unauthorised access onto your land can be both a major nuisance as well as a costly experience, particularly in having to clear up any waste that is usually left behind.

The site protection measures below will not guarantee unauthorised access, but will make your land less inviting.

#### Mounding

Having either a mound or a ditch makes it difficult for a vehicle and trailer/caravan to gain access without risking damage to the vehicles. It can also help in limiting joy-riders vehicles being abandoned on your land.

Mounds are generally formed using rubble/subsoil as a base, with a suitable topsoil finish for either grass seeding/planting.

#### Gates

A strong, robust gate will help deter access. The gate will need to be able to be secured with a toughened padlock. Metal gates/barriers are more desirable than wooden gates.

#### **Height Barrier**

toughened steel padlocks and 'boxing' in the connection, you will make it more difficult for access to be gained. If this is coupled with a metal field gate it will also help to restrict access for joy-riders etc.

#### Fencing/Barriers (> 1.8m)

There are many different types of fencing available. The most robust is steel palisade.

Euroguard fencing is also a strong barrier. Wooden close-board fencing generally looks better but is more vulnerable to damage and vandalism.

#### Fencing/Barriers (<1m)

Metal posts and rails are more robust than similar wooden styles. A secured height barrier will restrict access to vehicles over 1.8m high. By also using

Wooden/metal/concrete posts will deter informal access, but will not be sufficient to deter those more intent on gaining access.



### **HISTORY**

- Boccia originated in Greece, where players threw large stones at a stone target
- Originally designed for people with severe cerebral palsy, it is now enjoyed by players from many sectors of the community
- Practiced in over 50 countries worldwide
- Ranges from recreational to a variety of competitive events Became a Paralympic sport in 1984.

# WHAT IS IT?

Boccia is a disability sport that tests muscle control and accuracy. Players propel balls to land close to a target ball. Two sides compete as individuals, pairs or as a team of three over a set number of ends. Each side has six balls (red or blue) each end to try and score points. Points are accumulated over the course of a match to find a winner.

Sounds simple? It is to get started, but the tactics of the sport offer both tension and excitement as the game plays out.

A ball can be rolled, thrown or kicked. If a player is unable to throw or kick the ball, they can use a ramp. If players are unable to release the ball with their hands, they can use assistive devices – head/hand pointer.

The sport is played indoors on a 12.5m by 6m court, usually in a sports hall but any suitable flat playing area can be used.



## THE WILDCATS

The YMCA East Surrey Boccia Team, The Wildcats, recently took part in the Boccia England Pan Disability National League Competition. This is a team competition for players from all classifications (BC1 - 8) These classifications cover both physical and learning disabilities.

After 2 days of intense competition in the Surrey League, where 13 teams from around the County came together to play each other both 'home' and 'away' the Wildcats came out on top which qualified them for the National League Finals in Sheffield. This is where the top 15 teams from around the Country come together for one final day of competition to decide the final placings for this season.

The Wildcats played together really well, not letting the occasion get to them they kept their heads and had some incredible matches. Unfortunately they lost in their quarter final by just 1 point but due to their fantastic efforts the team finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place overall.

This is an amazing achievement and improvement on last year's result of 7<sup>th</sup> place which was in itself an amazing result for their first time in the competition.

Roll on next season!

Katie Gatt - YMCA Boccia Club Head Coach

The photo is of some of the Wildcats team (Matthew Gosling, Matthew Sullivan, Jonathan Sullivan and Ben Ratford) - other team members (not pictured) are Stuart Sharkey and Robert Hayes.

# **Surrey Playing Field Contacts**

We have a contact for each council area in Surrey. We have one officer who looks after county wide projects; he can also put you in touch with the officer who is appropriate for your request. The details are shown below:

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