

Winter 2018

NEWSLETTER



ESSEX BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS : SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE SINCE 1939

“better to build boys & girls than to mend men & women”



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! **YOUTH CLUB NEWS AND DELIVERY**

Working in partnership alongside Royal Society of Blind Children (RSBC) and Youth Focus we are running the 'Youth Voices project'. Across events throughout the year, young people will meet with influencers from a range of sectors to discuss their views on the things that matter to young people today and persuade professionals to make a real change. **North Avenue YC** have taken part in the first National meeting in London focused on Transport. If you would like to get involved please get in touch with Jay on jays@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org

YOUTH INVESTMENT FUND [YIF] UPDATE

Natasha, Callum and Jamie have all been running various activities and trips throughout the year, working in partnership with **Ab Phab** and **Frenford**.

As part of the Youth Investment programme we will be opening up a new all-inclusive youth club in partnership with **Rainham Royals Youth Club**. The new club will open on Wednesday 9th January 2019 for young people aged 10-25 year olds at Rainham Royals YC. If your club is interested in work with young people with additional needs or wants to set up an evening for young people with additional needs then please contact the office on 01245 264 783

RESPECT

We are thankful to the Jack Petchey Foundation, Essex Community Foundation and various other funders for their support of our Respect Project programme during the Autumn of 2018. Projects have been running in Tendering, Manningtree, Basildon and Chelmsford. Our activity days have proved to be very successful at our new outdoor centre, Layer Marney Outdoors. With the residential weeks away taking place at High Row in the Lake District, with the young people stepping up to the challenges and achieving some amazing outcomes. We are very appreciative of all the funders who have made the projects possible over the years, and are keen to talk with any trust, business or organisation who would like to support our projects in 2019.




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If you want to get involved and receive these benefits for your club or feel you could offer something to our clubs please contact Rebecca on T: 01245 264783 E: reccas@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org for more information on affiliating to EBGC

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

NABGC Conference

EBGC staff members attended the National Association of Boys and Girls Clubs (NABGC) conference on the 8th October at our Residential Centre Maes Y Lade in Wales. This was a great opportunity for all the National members to network, find out what each county is up to and make exciting plans together in the future.

Maes Y Lade Club Weekend

In October we took a group of 9 young people from 2 clubs to Maes Y Lade for a full-on weekend of activities. All of them were able to experience and try new things from gorge walking to caving! Well done to all the young people for taking part! The young people are talking about visiting Maes Y Lade and doing more activities with the rest of their club already. Dates for our club weekend next year will be revealed soon!

Clubs: St Josephs YC & North Avenue YC

NABGC Day at Parliament and Message Bearing Ceremony

We visited the houses of Parliament for the NABGC #BigDayAtParliament & Message Bearing Ceremony which was kindly hosted by Sir David Amess MP. The young people had the chance to meet and talk to a variety of MPs from all over Essex and East London about their youth clubs. The Youth Olympic Boxing Gold medallist Caroline Dubois, Professional heavyweight boxer Daniel Dubois and Steve Bunce the Television, Radio and Sport reporter also attended and spoke to our young people! We were also lucky to have met the Lord Lieutenant of Essex, Jennifer Tolhurst at Essex County Hall to tell her about the day and the youth clubs around the county.

Clubs: St Josephs YC, North Avenue

YC, Ingatestone Boys Own Club and Loughton Youth Project

Pumpkin Carving Competition

Thank you to all the clubs that entered the EBGC pumpkin carving competition. We had lots of entries and although it was a close decision **4youth Brightlingsea** were our 2018 winners. Congratulations on winning 5 Free Day tickets to our Essex Adventure Weekend in June! We look forward to seeing you there. Well done to all of the participants, we hope to see your pumpkins again next year!

Clubs: 4youth Brightlingsea, Ab Phab YC, Bancroft Lion YC, North Avenue Youth Centre, Sampfords YC, St.Annes YC, Thames Phab YC, UMC Phab & Wanstead Youth Club

Night Exercise

This year our Night Exercise was held at our centre Layer Marney Outdoors. We had 20 teams from a variety of clubs navigating a route and completing challenges along the way! This year's winners were **Great Tey Youth Activity Club** and in a close second place we had **4th Brightlingsea Scouts**. In third place we had **Great Tey's** second team!

A huge thank you to our staff and volunteers for cooking hot dogs, running activities and supporting the event! Thank you for attending and we hope to see you again next year!

Clubs: Great Tey Youth Activity Club, PROSPEX, Linford Wanderers, Chelmsford Hylanders, Chelmsford Ice Hockey Club, 4th Brightlingsea Scouts, Sampfords YC & Bancroft Lions CC

Christmas Card Competition

We have recently had our Christmas Card Competition with more entries than ever before. This year our Christmas Card Competition saw 45 entries and the winner is Koreem from **St.Annes Youth Club**. Well done

Our Christmas cards are heading out soon, so keep your eyes peeled!

Clubs: Thames Phab YC, North Avenue YC, Newport YC, Ab Phab and Way2000

EBGC Rep Football Team

This season, has seen the EBGC's Rep Football Team go from strength to strength. The team this season is comprised of players from: **Island Boys FC, Linford Wanderers FC and Wickford Town FC**. The opener to their season saw them beat Southend Utd with a convincing 3-1 win and most recently saw off a talented West Ham Utd coming from behind to win 2-1. Managing the team is Callum Alexander with support from volunteer Paul Squibb. EBGC's kit sponsor is Utilize. Extended thanks to Clive Lodge who offers the team facilities to train at Wickford Town F. C.

National Boxing Championships

This year saw the return of the NABGC Boxing Championships to the Dagenham Roundhouse for the opening rounds. EBGC hosted 3 shows before passing on the mantle to Surrey CYP; this was a very successful weekend of boxing with the standards being as high as ever. This included both the Essex and London stages of the competition. The championships progressed to the finals which were held in Manchester and Bridlington, EBGC had a fantastic 30 boxers taking part in the 4 finals from a range of our affiliated clubs. Out of these 30 boxers we are happy to say that we had 14 boxers crowned as National Champions. We would like to congratulate all clubs and boxers on their efforts throughout the championships.

Clubs: 5 Star, Attleborough, Billericay and Wickford, Canvey ABC,



Centurians ABC, Chadwell St Mary ABC, Chalvedon ABC, Chelmsford ABC, Colchester ABC, Dagenham P&C BC, Dale Youth ABC, East London BA, Essex Uni BC, Fairbairn ABC, Fenland Sparta ABC, Gateway ABC, Haringey P&C BC, Harrow ABC, Harwich ABC, Hockley ABC, Holland Shore ABC, Islington BC, Northolt ABC, Norwich City BC, Pound Lane ABC, Repton BC, Southend ABC, Sudbury ABC and Top Yard SOB, West Ham BC, White Hart Lane BA

The National Champions are listed in the table below:

EBGC National Champions			
Name	Club	Class	Weight
Alby Hill	Chadwell St Mary	A	44 kg
James Fernley	Lansbury	A	52 kg
Patrick Doherty	Chadwell St Mary	A	54 kg
Uzair Maqbool	ELBA	B	46 kg
Roberto Lacourt	Repton	B	52 kg
Simon Tidy O'Donnell	Powerday Hooks	B	60 kg
George Liddard	Billericay & Wickford	B	66 kg
Dennis McCann	Repton	C	52 kg
Maisey Rose Courtney	Repton	C	54 kg Female
Adan Mohammed	Repton	C	56 kg
Michael Burke	Repton	C	64 kg
Harli Whitwell	St Ives	C	64 kg Female
Uthman Nawaz	ELBA	C	91+ kg
Lily Devlin	Attleborough	D	54 kg Female

A massive thankyou to all the clubs, coaches and volunteers in supporting this event!

AGM

Next year's AGM will take place on 10th May 2019 at Gosfield Golf Club. To book your place please email Natasha at natashaw@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CENTRES

Layer Marney Outdoors

Following the successful launch of our new outdoor activity centre, Layer Marney Outdoors, we are now accepting bookings from clubs for Spring 2019 from April 1st onwards. Located in the grounds of the stunning Layer Marney Tower, near Colchester our outdoor learning centre offers a range of water and land based activities. Our centre is accredited with the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality badge and Adventure Mark. The Essex Boys and Girls Clubs delivery team are flexible and knowledgeable with the ability to create tailor made programmes to support your objectives, and fit in with your time schedule. Activities include archery, bushcraft, crate stack, kayaking, laser tag, raft building, team challenge and woodland challenge.

For more information or to book please contact:
bookings@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org
 or telephone 01245 264783

Maes Y Lade

Happy Christmas from Everyone at Maes y Lade! Thanks so much to all the clubs that have been to visit this year as part of Young Leader Training, Easter Cup, Individual Club Trips, Canoe Training and Club Weekends. Once again in 2019 there will be lots of opportunities to get out into the Welsh Mountains, rock climbing, explore some of the best group caves in the UK, paddle down rivers, jump into gorges and mountain bike on local trails!

Get in touch with David
davidh@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org for more information of how you can get involved

High Row bookings:

For more information about High Row please contact Clive on 01245 264783 or email clivee@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org

EBGC Summer Golf Classic

Next year's Summer Golf Classic will take place on 3rd July 2019 at Gosfield Golf Club. To enter a team or to find out more information contact natashaw@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org

Jailbreak 2019

The Essex Jailbreak is back! On 27th April 2019, clubs will be escaping from HM Chelmsford Prison to see how far they can get without spending any money! This fundraising event is free to enter for affiliated clubs and all money raised will be split 50/50 between your club and your chosen charity. Where will you go? To enter a team or to find out more information contact natashaw@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org

VTEAM

In 2018, the VTEAM contributed over 3641 hours and counting to EBGC projects and events! How amazing! In the Autumn Respect Project 10 volunteers contributed 1022 hours to many of the projects! In partnership with Essex County Council's Youth Service we organised another Intro to Youth Work. Volunteers from Bergholt Youth Group attended to build their skills and for them to learn more about the potential roles and opportunities they can get involved with. Volunteers & EBGC Staff members supported Teenage Cancer Trust with their cheer squad at the Royal Parks Half Marathon, despite the rain, it didn't stop them enjoying a brilliant day supporting a fantastic cause.

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who have been supporting our events, projects and training.

For more information about upcoming events please visit our website or email katiep@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR AFFILIATED CLUBS

<p>EBGC Basketball Championships Saturday 26th January 2019 9:30am– 12pm Location: Frenford Clubs, The Drive, Ilford, IG1 3PS Who for: All club members u14 & u16 categories Cost: £2 per entry How to enter: Email keithc@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Keith Cranmer</p>	<p>EBGC Cross Country Saturday 9th February 2019 10:45am registration Location: Stubbers Adventure Centre, Upminster, RM14 2TY Who for: All club members Cost: £1 per runner How to enter: Email keithc@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Keith Cranmer</p>
<p>EBGC Club Activity Day Saturday 16th February 2019 Location: Stubbers Adventure Centre, Upminster, RM14 2ty Who for: All club members aged 11-17 Cost: £8 per person How to Enter: Email keithc@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Keith Cranmer</p>	<p>EBGC Winter Skills Course Saturday 23rd to Friday 1st March 2019 Location: Scotland Who for: All club members aged 16+ Cost: £330 for over 18s, £140 for 16-18 year olds. How to Enter: Email steveh@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Steve Hutson</p>
<p>EBGC Clubs Pool Championships Monday 11th March 2019 Location: Ingatestone, Pemberton Hall, 3B High Street, CM4 9ED Who for: All club members aged 11-17 Cost: £1 per person How to Enter: Email keithc@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Keith Cranmer</p>	<p>EBGC Clubs Laser Tag Saturday 16th March 2019 Location: Layer Marney Outdoors, CO5 9UX Who for: All club members aged 11-17 Cost: £5 per person (& teams of 4) How to Enter: Email keithc@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Keith Cranmer</p>
<p>EBGC Clubs Cricket Trials Saturday 23rd March 2019 Location: Frenford Clubs, The Drive, Ilford, IG1 3PS Who for: All club members aged 11-17 Cost: FREE How to Enter: Email keithc@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Keith Cranmer</p>	<p>EBGC Clubs Cycle Day Saturday 30th March 2019 Location: Hadleigh Park Who for: All club members aged 11-17 Cost: TBC How to Enter: Email keithc@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Keith Cranmer</p>
<p>Jail Break Saturday 27th April 2019 Location: Chelmsford HM Prison Who For: EVERYONE! (Young people must be accompanied by an adult) Cost: Free to enter How to Enter: Email natashaw@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Natasha Woodruff</p>	<p>Essex Adventure Weekend Friday 14th - 16th June 2019 Location: Stubbers Adventure Centre, Upminster, RM14 2TY For who: All club members aged 11-17 Cost: Tickets Available: Day, Weekend Self Catered & Weekend Catered. Tickets starting from £16 How to enter: Email rebeccas@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org Organiser: Rebecca Stanley</p>

EXCITING OPPORTUNITY

America Challenge September 2019 nominations NOW OPEN!
 The 3 week trip to visit America BGC & the Smokey Mountains is exclusively for EBGC & NABGC members aged 18+ For more information call Callum on 01245 264783 or email calluma@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org



FUNDING FOR CLUBS

Essex Community Foundation: ECF always notify us when funds are available. Sometimes these are in specific areas and we will email these details out. They also offer Phone-in Funding Surgeries for specific areas and these details will be emailed out to clubs in the relevant areas. They are always helpful if you need funds for specific projects – contact them on 01245 356018 or email grants@essexcf.org

Variety: The Children's Charity Youth Club Grants Committee – Funding through this source is very limited at present but contact suep@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org if you require funding for equipment for your club and she can advise you of their current situation.

Santander: Any registered charity can apply for Santander Foundation Discovery grant which supports applications that follow their 3 priorities of Explore, Transformer and Change maker. Application forms can be picked up from any Santander branch.

If you require funding for any project then speak to us! Contact the EBGC office and we will be able to help you.

THANK YOU TO ALL CLUBS, VOLUNTEERS, SUPPORTERS & FUNDERS FOR ALL YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT!