



WOTTON COMMUNITY SPORTS FOUNDATION

Developing a multi Sport and Leisure environment for Wotton and the surrounding area

Welcome to the WCSF Newsletter

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Our Safe Path Project is about to begin!

We are delighted to let you know that construction of the path began this week (wk/beg 19th September) and should be completed by early November. We give a huge THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to this project which will give safe passage from Wotton and Kingswood to all those using Wotton Community Parc.

And thank you for your patience whilst we raised the monies required; gained planning permission for this high quality, smooth surface path; negotiated the lease over our neighbour's land; were part of the team



that brought the speed limit down from 50 to 40mph; carried out a full tender process; and all in just over 18 months.

We are already planning our Opening Ceremony to which everyone will be invited – more details soon.



Our thanks to the following individuals and groups who have made the path possible with their support, contributions and encouragement

Barnwood Trust, Renishaw, Entrust, Jill Tebb and everyone who sponsored our Yard of Path Scheme, Katie Elliott, Wotton Town Council, Stroud District Council, Gloucestershire County Council, Mercers' Company, Wotton Fire Fighters, Baptist Church, St Mary's Church, United Church, The Masons, Heaven of the South, Kingswood Parish Council, Round Table, Lions, Christmas Ladies, Probus, Wotton Recreational Trust, Rio Pools, Wotton's Secret Gardens and Everyone who volunteered their help with the construction.

It is only because you had faith in us that we have been able to reach our goal.

And for this, we thank you sincerely.

Seating

We have plans to add some much needed seating to the Parc in the very near future – both alongside the path and next to the skate park. Huge thanks to Jill Tebb and others who have kindly sponsored picnic tables. If you would like to sponsor a bench or a picnic table, please do get in touch with sarahwatt100@yahoo.co.uk



SAVE THE DATE – Sunday 20th November 10am Wotton Community Parc

Our next tree planting – a spade/fork/trowel, strong boots and wet weather gear needed. Come and enjoy chocolate biscuits and the chance to be part of the future of the Parc.

Wotton Community Parc – People, Activities, Recreation, Community

Sport Wotton's first full Summer Programme



Sport Wotton is the joint working agreement between Wotton Community Sports Foundation and Katharine Lady Berkeley's School to provide a vibrant hub of sporting facilities for Wotton and the surrounding area.

We began working together in March 2015 and this year has seen a huge increase in the use of our pitches and sports hall. In August there were two weeks of football and multi sports for 5-16 year olds, a week of junior hockey coaching, a week of football coaching for 11-16 year olds and free use of the sports hall, tennis courts, dance studio, squash courts, playing field and more, with taster sessions for several sports at a discounted price for 13-18 year olds. Both Star Coaching and Kick-Off Stroud, who ran the summer sports clubs were very pleased with the interest they had, and plan to run sessions again in future holiday periods. See websites <http://www.insidefootball.net/coaching> and <http://kickoffstroudclubs.co.uk/> for details of their other opportunities. GoCre8 hockey are also planning further sessions, see www.gocrea8.co.uk for details of their other courses and coaching. From September, in conjunction with Swan Fitness, we're offering Spin classes on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, which are already proving popular! See <http://swanfitness.net/> for more details and to book a place.

Our clubs – the new season – and how to enjoy it even more!



All our home sports clubs – Wotton Hockey, Wotton Rovers and Wotton Rugby – have made a good start to the new season. To help them and their supporters enjoy their day even more, we have arranged for catering facilities to be on site on Saturdays from 9am-4pm to begin with, and will increase the days and times if demand is high. Enjoy!



Wotton's Secret Garden Trail

On a beautiful Spring day, we sold 500 tickets and raised over £4,000 this year – so we have decided to do it all again next year

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday 28th May 2017

If you would like your garden to be part of the trail, or you can help in any way, please contact Sarah Watt 0787-592-6190 sarahwatt100@yahoo.co.uk



Memory walk, jogging trail, cross country, parkrun – it will be all these things

Coming soon to a Parc near you

all currently being lovingly tended by the volunteers who drive and look after Alan - the new addition to our family. Such fun!!



And our future plans

2 BMX Tracks – S shape for experienced riders and circuit for beginners

Increased parking – including 4+ disabled spaces

Sensory Garden – to be sited near our community orchard and alongside our memory walk

Party in the Parc 2017 – more details in our next newsletter

Why not join us in our plans –

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