



Keeping Active, Keeping Healthy

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Pétanque

Melanie is trialling **Friday Evening Petanque**, 6:30 pm each week at the Shipley site through the Summer. We hope there will be good support for this. Come along and please tell family/friends who may like to give pétanque (boules) a try. On the **last** Friday of each month this evening session will include a social gathering with a good **BBQ, music and drinks** after the game. The first one was a great success. Don't miss the second one on **Friday 29 June**. Thanks to everyone who attended and helped, especially Tony the Chef - he certainly looked the part!



Membership & Training

✓ *Annual Membership will be due, and new membership forms will be issued as soon as our Charity status is finalised – we hope during June. We will need all members to complete a new form. Thank you.*

✓ *First Aid training was completed by the main Activity Leaders during May.*

✓ *Data Protection training also done.*

Hills Farm Lane Vets Football

Murph and Chris proudly collected the Winners trophy at the official **Worthing & Horsham District Sunday Awards ceremony**. The winners medals were then presented to the players after the Charity Match. Individual awards went to Sean Costello, Tommy Burnside, Diego Bayon Garcia & Karim Hamouda. Well done lads! Looking forward to defending the trophy next year! Meanwhile Ray and Murph have been busy on the website Player Profiles which make amusing reading...have a look! Trevor's Summer friendly matches are underway, being played at Roffey FC in North Horsham. Fixtures & Results on the website has details.

Training for vets, Holbrook, Tues 7-8pm.

Men's Shed

We now have a very healthy turnout for both the Tuesday and Wednesday sessions, and a Thursdays opening is being discussed. The bird boxes are starting to sell, and more of the bespoke model railway tables have been ordered. Chris, Keith and Phil represented us at the Shipley Village fete on Bank Holiday Monday and chatted to a lot of local people about the project.

Charity Football Match

A fantastic £1,225 was raised on 13 May for Pancreatic Cancer UK and Chestnut Tree House children's hospice. Thanks to the Hills Farm Lane Vets and walking footballers, and everyone else who donated, helped or supported. Hopefully you saw the write-up in the County Times? We'll do it again next year!

Walking Football

Walking football is now back at the Shipley site every Tuesday, and the retainer nets are working! It was great to see lots of the walking footballers taking part in the Vets 11-aside charity game...and testing some of the younger lads!!

The Green Project

Teams from Wood Mackenzie Ltd are coming to help with the site maintenance on 12th June and 3rd July for their **CSR Days**. There is lots to do; please do come and help! See Richard / Phil.

It is lovely to see the walnut tree thriving at the corner of the junior pitch. It was planted in the Autumn by our friend Kate Rowbottom in memory of her late husband Martin, who was a great inspiration for us in the early days of the project, and a crafty pétanque player!



Football Pitch Update

The **main pitch** is closed until mid-August to give the grass a rest. TD Shipley has taken on pitch maintenance including sanding, verti-draining, fertilizer and seeding. We are also working on some drainage solutions.

We are on schedule for August opening of the **junior pitch** when local junior football club, Roffey Robins, plans to make the pitch its permanent home for 9-a-side teams.

The **walking football pitch** is open for the summer and in use.

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The Tuesday morning sessions are also well established with an enthusiastic group of pétanquers enjoying the facilities.

Barbeque In Action

Huge thank you to Gary for his expertise and tireless work building the brick BBQ, which is a work of art. Richard, Geoff, Bob, Ian, Bill and Phil also got stuck into the mud - digging and toiling and Chris knocked up the perfect food preparation table top. The BBQ inauguration was at the Charity match - perfect for preparing and cooking for about 80 people!

