



## Keeping Busy, Keeping Active

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### Membership

Thanks to everyone who has filled in their Membership Forms. Don't forget to Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer.

### End of Month Pétanque & BBQ

Over 40 people have come along to the end of month BBQ and Pétanque evenings – the last one was on 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug (delayed a week due to holidays). Having got better at estimating numbers (we were not prepared for the success of the June event!), there was plenty of food, with good variety of options.

Everyone chipped in £5 for their meal, and copious amounts of cold drinks were served in "Ben's Bar" in the clubhouse. Four games of pétanque were fiercely contested, on such a beautiful summer evening.



### Hills Farm Lane Vets Football

We have a new League Team Captain for this year since Murph has made the decision to step down. The baton has been passed to Darren (Big D) who will be leading the team through what promises to be an exciting season defending the title. Good luck Darren! Trevor's summer friendly matches have been played at Roffey FC while the Shipley pitch rests. The results have been mixed, but the lads have enjoyed the games.

HFL Vets AGM is organised for 4 Sept after training. Interested Vets members can attend.

**Training for Vets, Holbrook, Tues 7-8pm.**



### Dates For Your Diary...

**Pétanque & BBQ Friday 31 August from 6:00pm at Shipley site.** EVERYONE come along, it is a really nice evening! Friends and family also welcome. To help us estimate catering, please let us know if you intend to come.

**Vets Football AGM, Holbrook 4 Sept** after training. All Vets members welcome

**Thakeham Village Day, 15 Sept.** Come and support our stalls

### Walking Football

#### Prostate Cancer UK Walking Football Month, September 2018

When you look at the statistics, prostate cancer most likely exists in every walking football team in the UK - 1 in 8 men get prostate cancer, and 83% of men don't know their risk; that's why **this September Walking**

**Football.com is calling on teams across the UK to organise a Walking Football festival, tournament or event** to raise funds for Prostate Cancer UK and awareness of a disease killing one man every 45 minutes. At HSCP Walking Football Club we will be doing something to support this initiative. Ideas welcome, and more details to be discussed at the forthcoming sessions.

Meanwhile the Bobby Moore Fund with the Football Association is planning a Walking Football event in 2019, to raise bowel cancer awareness. They are looking to recruit a Cancer Research UK supporter/patient Walking Football team to take part in the 2019 event. To hear more about the event, to participate as a player or volunteer please email

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### Men's Shed

The Men's Shed UK organisation is planning its "AGM and SHEDFEST 2018" event in second half Nov. It will include various workshops and exhibitions etc. It might be fun for a group from Shipley to go. If anyone is interested please let Phil know.



### The Green (Brown?) Project

The lack of rain is of real concern, not only for the pitches, but also the new trees, planted in October at the request of the Planners, to create a barrier between the junior pitch and road. Being 100m from the water source causes a watering challenge. We fear we will lose some. Richard and others have been doing their best but if everyone could do a rain-dance please....

### Pétanque

The plants may not like it, but this weather is perfect for pétanque! Don't forget that the pétanquers now meet on **Friday evenings from 6:30 as well as Tuesday mornings (11am)**. The Friday evenings are increasingly popular and recently some of the participants have rounded the evening off with a pint at the local pub, making for a very sociable evening. All welcome.

### Football Pitch Drainage

It seems ridiculous to worry about waterlogged pitches now, but we may find ourselves in the same situation as last year if we don't act. With some help, Richard has been slaving to get the pipe drainage laid aside the junior pitch and around the walking football pitch (although we still need to dig 3 more channels). Hard labour, especially in 30+ degrees. Fingers crossed it makes a difference through the winter.

### Thakeham Village Day

Join our HSCP stalls on 15<sup>th</sup> September to help spread the word. All support and help would be greatly appreciated at this village fete, just 6 miles from Shipley.

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