

Yate Amateur Boxing Club Development Plan





Her Royal Highness Princess Anne visiting YOSC, Yate in January 2019 – the venue will become the home of Yate Amateur Boxing Club (here inspecting the shooting facilities)

Who we are

Yate Amateur Boxing Club is an independent boxing club, set up in 2010, run by experienced local coaches under the England Amateur Boxing Association structure. We provide for all levels of skill, introducing local young people to boxing, through to supporting and training boxers to win at regional level, with boxers invited to join the Western Counties Squads. The club provides training from basic introduction level through to carded juniors and seniors registered with the Amateur Boxing Association. Yate Boxing Amateur Club is open to young people from all social groups. Some attend because of an initial interest in boxing, whilst others are directed to the club by youth agency workers.

Yate ABC's May lands a great win

Boxing
YATE ABC's Sam May represented the Western Counties against the Royal Air Force on Monday in a welterweight contest.

May started the contest well by using his jab and his footwork skills.

May eventually got to his opponent by dropping him in the third round with a right hand and giving him a standing ten count.

May won the bout on a unanimous decision.

Sport round-up

CHIPPING Sodbury completed their fine Gloucester Premier League campaign with a 19th win out of 22 matches as they topped the division and head for promotion.

They travelled to Gloucester Spartans and came away with a 31-19 victory.

Dan Bradley scored the opening try for Sodbury, and number eight Matt Cook got another.

Joe Horton gratefully received a pass from Bradley to score another as Sodbury relaxed and began to stretch their legs.

Bradley also set-up Gavin Edgar for another touchdown, and Jason Pertchey, who put his head down and smashed his way through the remaining defenders for a hugely popular try.

That wrapped up a league title where Chipping Sodbury have scored 731 points and conceded 305.

They were ten points ahead of second-placed Barton Hill at the end of the season.

Yate ABC's Sam May (centre)

Current Position

Our current venue is a portacabin. Its owners, South Gloucestershire Council, have declared it unfit for occupation and it is under immediate threat of demolition. It no longer has any heating, meaning equipment is deteriorating, and is too small to accommodate both male and female boxers or to be suitable for para-boxers. There is no alternative boxing facility accessible to young people in this area designated as an Area of Priority Social Need. The nearest equivalent Boxing Club is 9 miles away, costing £5.30 for the bus journey, making it prohibitive for many young people.

Our vision

Our vision is to develop a purpose built, inclusive boxing club, run by volunteers on a social enterprise model, particularly supporting young people in the area of Priority Social Need to access the personal and physical development opportunities provided by boxing.

Yate Town Council have offered a site, for us to develop a purpose-built facility, in association with the wide range of sports clubs and facilities at Yate Outdoor Sports Complex, at Broad Lane Yate. The Town Council is providing professional support and is offering matched funding for the project.

Our model integrates boxing into the range of other facilities offered at Yate Outdoor Sports Complex, across a range of sports including athletics, outdoor shooting, rugby, football and hockey but also integrating with the work done at Yate Outdoor Sports Complex with young people who are currently excluded from education, to help instill discipline, self-control, and respect, whilst building self-confidence, life skills, and health and fitness.



Our partnerships

- Building phase

Yate Town Council is providing a site, professional services and matched funding. The Boxing Club is providing expertise and contributing in cash and kind to match the funding. The project is being delivered through the Yate Outdoor Sports Complex Project Board, which has a track record of delivering major enhancement projects at YOSC.

- Delivery phase

Once operational the building phase partnerships will be augmented through the delivery phase by supports and advisors including the police and a range of supportive local businesses. The club will continue to operate as a separate club under England Amateur Boxing Association structures, but in conjunction with Yate Town Council and Yate Outdoor Sports Complex, who will provide catering, changing room, club house and toilet facilities.

Further partnerships are being developed with sponsors and other groups to secure and support the social enterprise vision for this facility



Our new home

The new facility will be located at the rear of the YOSC site (see red star), close to the YOSC club house, and changing rooms to maximise cost effectiveness through shared use of toilet and changing facilities. It will utilise a metal construction, to match another building on site, with interior blockwork to provide insulation and make structural provision for equipment. The total size will be 18.288m x 12m, 3.6m high to eaves. Water and electricity will be provided.

The new building is being delivered to a tight schedule because of the intention of South Gloucestershire Council (who own the current building) to demolish our current home, and the importance of securing a warm dry venue for users, leading to occupation of the new building by February 2020.

It will be equipped with a welfare area, heating, safe storage to maximise equipment life, training facilities and a permanent ring.



Financial information

Core Building Capital

The capital cost plan for the core building is £230,000. This is being jointly sponsored by Yate Town Council providing matched funding. Some matching funding has been secured, but **the project is seeking at least £100,000 in capital funds** towards the building, plus more to kit it out. For VAT reasons, grants will need to be paid to the Town Council who are actually contracting for the work.

Grants are being sought from public and private sector sources to complete the funding or to provide practical assistance in kind. Naming opportunities exist for large donors, together with banner advertising at the YOSC venue with a footfall of thousands.

All donations to the core building costs in cash or kind are match funded by Yate Town Council.

Fitting out costs

Existing equipment will be relocated, but much of it is beyond its useful life, because of the damp conditions in which it has been stored. The new building design includes suitable storage to ensure replacement equipment has a maximum life span. The project has been deliberately designed so that sponsors can have a direct tangible impact on the 'visibles'. Sponsors can therefore be assured they will be able to see the impact of their funding.

Sponsorship of new training equipment and protective equipment for young boxers is being sought, within a total target of £15,000 including:

30 m of matted flooring	£1700
Steel mounting frame	£2,000
3 m of mirrors	£ 500
Gloves – completely new gloves for juniors	£700
Protective Equipment - complete new protective equipment for juniors	£2,000
Additional Speed Bags	£200 each
Additional Heavy Bags	£300 each
New AIBA Approved Ring	£6,500

There are opportunities for sponsorship for all budgets.

Revenue costs: financial sustainability

The revenue costs of operating the building, as part of Yate Outdoor Sports Complex will continue to be met from the small fees paid by users for each session, coupled with lettings to other groups when not in use for boxing. A robust budget has been developed which demonstrates the continuing financial viability of the club following this project, with enhanced income to match enhanced costs, derived from extra capacity and reduced costs e.g. a dry building will mean costs of replacing equipment will decrease.

Supporting needy young people

Many of the young people using the facility are from low income families, with young people doing odd jobs and working in shops to raise the very modest session fee (£2 for juniors currently per night). The Club provides financial support for those in need to cover England Boxing registration fees and for young people to travelling to away bouts.

Donations to the club for that purpose to ensure no young person is limited by financial need are invited as part of this business plan. **Its target is to have a fund of £5,000 from which to meet the needs of disadvantaged young people.** Grants and fundraising events for this fund are encouraged.

Operational plans

The current club provides five regular training evenings a week (two for under 14s, 2 for seniors and one for veterans) with events on other evenings and weekends. Numbers are limited by the size of the space to 30 people. Only male boxers can be accommodated at present because of the limited changing facilities. However, in the new facilities, female and disabled boxers will be capable of being accommodated and the club will be able to expand numbers. It has sufficient qualified trainers to be able to expand to meet demand.

Currently the Club operates through a voluntary committee, and qualified volunteer coaches. It plans to continue this approach, to ensure all donations and receipts are directly applied to the provision of boxing opportunities.

CONFIDENTIAL CASE STUDY

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