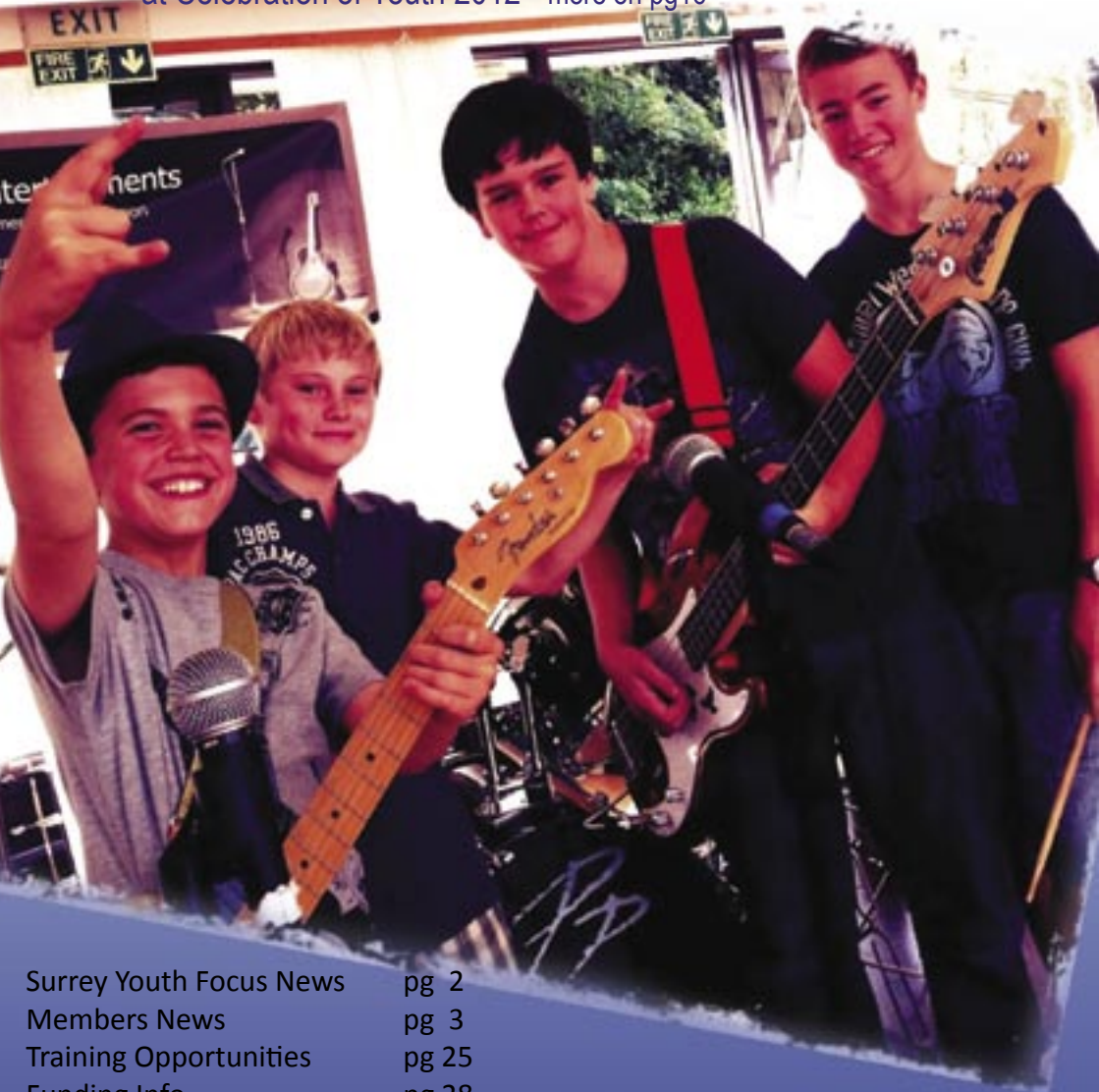


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# Surrey Youth News

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Sweet Revenge  
at Celebration of Youth 2012 - more on pg16



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## “Tipping Point?”

The dictionary defines “stasis “ as a time when opposing forces cancel each other out, or the blood circulating in the body politic slows down. This seems to me to be the “tipping point” time we are at now. I note the absence of much recent public reference nationally to “The Big Society”, or to “Localism” and these seem to me to be running out of steam, being contradicted in many ways by the commissioning process.

The County Council’s own commissioning process for services to young people has almost been completed, and the Surrey Youth Consortium has done pretty well in its bids. It remains to be seen whether the model delivers the outcomes being sought, but it is innovative, and an external evaluation of the whole process will reveal the learning points.

Congratulations to a different consortium led by Surrey Community Action that has been successful in gaining a £600,000 grant from the Lottery to fund the transformation of local infrastructure support services like SCA itself, and the district/borough councils for voluntary services.

The County Council has announced two important new funding schemes. Details can be found in the funding section on page 28.

Meanwhile Surrey Youth Focus’s own

membership has gone up – over 80 member organisations currently.

Our “4x4” Project is launched this month. 4 member organisations will be linking up to 4 businesses to enable an exchange of skills and resources between them. We are grateful for great help from Surrey Chambers of Commerce.

Our uniformed organisations continue to expand and prosper- there are still long waiting lists for Scouts and Guides. However some smaller organisations struggle with issues of funding and recruiting volunteers.

Our sports organisations will hope to benefit from the media coverage of sport at the London 2012(Olympic) Games (27 July-12 August) – for example the Wey Kayak Club (Guildford) has four members in the GB team. We wish the best of luck and will be cheering them on.

Finally we are working to help a group of young mothers in Guildford set up as a charity, so that they can share their experience and training with other new young parents...so maybe this is exactly how the big society has always worked ....people just getting on and making things happen at ground level.

Mike Abbott  
Chief Executive-  
Surrey Youth Focus

## How are your new years resolutions going?

If you’re anything like me, you may be feeling a little guilty that despite the best intentions for January, it wasn’t quite as healthy and fitness-focused as intended!

But it’s not too late! The Eikon Charity is encouraging people to break the norm, and make a February resolution you’ll keep! Sign up to the Nightrider Challenge 2012; if you have a bike, a sense of adventure and the motivation to get fit for the summer, this is the event for you.

The 100 km bike ride will tour the capital’s most famous landmarks, including Tower

Bridge, London Eye and the Royal Albert Hall, and if that’s not exciting enough it will all be happening whilst the nation sleeps. Gareth Squire participated in the event last year and he said: “*watching sunrise over London’s skyline was an unforgettable experience!*”

To sign up for the ride which will take place 9/10 June visit [www.eikon.org.uk](http://www.eikon.org.uk) or call me on 01932 347 434 for more details!

Cycling 100 km is no mean feat so if dance is more your thing we also have a fantastically fun “Zumbathon” from 3-5pm on Saturday the 24th March at Fullbrook School in New Haw (KT15 3HP). Tickets are just £10 in advance and can be purchased at [www.justgiving.com/zumbathoneikon](http://www.justgiving.com/zumbathoneikon)

Many thanks, Jessica Maybanks

### Mike’s Blog

Check out Mike Abbott, Chief Executive of Surrey Youth Focus weekly words of wisdom at <http://surreyyouthfocus.blogspot.com/>



# Amber

transforming lives **A Christmas story from Amber**

Toby joined Amber in March 2011. Having lived rough for six months on the streets and been on the verge of suicide, Toby was desperate to turn his life around. The local council put Toby in touch with Amber.

*"If I hadn't been here for Christmas I would be back out on the streets" said Toby.*

*"I have met lots of great people and this has helped me enormously.*

*Christmas at Amber has given me a sense of family and a sense of want as well as lots of food".*

During his ten months at Amber, Toby has been involved in an extremely comprehensive programme that has helped him turn his life around. He received training and achieved a lot exploring resettlement issues, drugs misuse, alcohol misuse, maintaining a tenancy and budgeting all form part of re-building self esteem and getting the young people at Amber back into independent living, work and society.

Amber has no cooks, no gardeners and no cleaners which mean the Amberteers gain basic skills and behaviour needed for successful independent living – getting up in the morning, cooking, looking after and taking responsibility for their surroundings. They learn how to maintain the property,

keep it clean, look after their rooms and do their own washing. They learn to cook for the whole house as each team takes it in turn to cook each day based on an agreed budget, so they have to plan the menu and do the shopping.

Local Ockley residents invited some of the young people to church on Christmas Eve for their evening mass. One of the young people from Amber, a talented guitarist, joined the church band and played Christmas carols to the congregation as part of the service. A group also attended a Christmas day service which was

followed by a hearty Christmas lunch back at the centre, prepared and served by staff and residents at Amber.

Community Fundraiser Rachel Bartlett said "We are extremely grateful to the wonderful community of Ockley and all others who have embraced our young people and helped make their Christmas special. It is a difficult time for many homeless, unemployed people and so the warmth and kindness that is offered provides a great boost in helping these young people gain confidence through the journey of getting their lives back on track".

Amber is always looking for inspirational ways of engaging its young people with community

life. If you feel you are able to support Amber in any way or are interested in learning more about the work of Amber, please contact

Rachel Bartlett, Community Fundraiser on 01306 627924 or 07879 415716.

## Surrey Clubs for Young People launch 2012 Activity Calendar

Surrey Clubs for Young People are excited to launch the Activity Calendar 2012 (January-July), For those with an active and competitive nature, we

have various sporting events such as our Five-A-Side Football Competitions and Pool Championships.

For those who are more interested in gentler pursuits, from February our brand new Arts Calendar gets underway, with competitions in Creative Writing, Drama, Music Production, and much more!

This year also sees the 50th 100 Mile Canoe Challenge; we are hoping to see some of our previous participants return to celebrate its anniversary and motivate some new faces along the way.

All of our activities give young people the opportunity to meet others from around the county, learn new skills, work towards their Surrey County Colours, and even represent Surrey in national championships. Members of affiliated clubs receive a discount on entry costs, but all are welcome to take part.

If you would like more information about our Activity Calendar, please contact Paul at [paul@scyp.co.uk](mailto:paul@scyp.co.uk) or phone us on 01306 898006.



## Bringing Science to life in Primary Schools



SATRO has a fantastic reputation for delivering hands on activities for young people of all abilities and ages to enthuse them about the world of work.

These include exciting science workshops and enterprise games in primary schools. In the academic year 2010-11 SATRO worked with about 5,000 primary school pupils and 10,000 secondary school students in Surrey, and the South East!

Our events give pupils an insight into the exciting worlds of business, science, and technology and develop their skills in Investigation, Problem Solving, Team Building, Creative Thinking, Effective participation and Work related learning.

We offer a range of topics which support the curriculum and we have developed specific workshops for an Olympic Challenge, Rocks and Soils and Healthy Eating. We also have Enterprise games such as our Junior Business Game and Global Trading Game which are suitable for Years 5 and 6.

We are unique in being able to draw on the expertise and enthusiasm of over 700 volunteers from science and business backgrounds. We at SATRO really appreciate our volunteers. Volunteering is an amazing thing to do, which benefits everyone. Research

suggests that people who volunteer live longer and have better mental health! Also becoming a volunteer at one of our primary science event is a great opportunity to work with young people and see first-hand how much the games inspire pupils.

*"We learnt so much my head was buzzing with excitement"* – pupils response to a science workshop

To find out more about SATRO's work visit [www.satro.org.uk](http://www.satro.org.uk) or to become a volunteer contact [dani@satro.org.uk](mailto:dani@satro.org.uk)



## Queens Scout and Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards for Woking Explorer Scouts

Four scouts from Woking's Explorer and Network Units have achieved the highest award for a youth member in the Scout Association - the Queens Scout Award, and at a special ceremony held on Friday 6th January, they received their certificates from Roxanna Bostock the County Commissioner for Surrey and Michael Joy OBE, the High Sheriff of Surrey.



In front of an audience of friends, family and the Mayor of Woking Cllr Ken Howard, the four Scouts aged 17 to 19 years old gave a detailed presentation of the tasks they had to do to complete all the requirements for the award. These included completing a

### Bagging extra funds.

Over two weekends in December, Explorer Scouts aged 14 to 18 yrs old from Woking, assisted shoppers with packing their bags at both Tesco's in Byfleet and Morrison's in Woking.

The scouts were raising funds both for their own Units and for a forth coming expedition to the Icelandic Jamboree in the summer. They were also able to raise an astounding £500 towards Woking Hospice

*"It was great to be able to share the funds with the Hospice, and it was something the scouts were delighted to be able to do."* said Brian Pinto District Explorer Commissioner for Woking and added *"and thank you to all the shoppers for their generous support."*



YMCA's new Youth Services department based at the Sovereign centre in Reigate, have been busy over the last 9 months, developing new services for young people aged 10-19 in East Surrey.



and then on a Wednesday it's 4.00pm till 6.00pm. Mondays are for sporty people and Wednesdays are for knowledge and art skills.

*I started 10 weeks ago and I have done so far street dancing, cake art, face painting and also what has been the absolute best so far is trampolining."*

To decide what these services should be, surveys were conducted with over 114 young people in schools, 6th form colleges, youth clubs and other community groups across East Surrey. The main focus being to find out the sort of things young people do in their leisure time and what things they would like to get involved in within their communities.

The club will be running regularly now until April 2012, so if interested do drop in and take in an exciting line up of activities. For more info contact; Martine Sheppard (Youth Advisor) [martine.sheppard@ymcaredhill.com](mailto:martine.sheppard@ymcaredhill.com) or call 01737 222859

Out of this research we developed a two week Taster programme aimed at 11-13 years offering activities like Street dancing, Trampolining, Cake art (cup cake decorating) and Animation. Over 15 young people took part and from their positive feedback, a regular YMCA Youth activity club has been created.



Here is a short report about the club, from one of the young people involved;

*"Hey guys my name is Lucy Hunt, I am 12 years old and I live in Reigate about 10 minutes away from Southpark sovereign youth club. I found out about this youth club because before it became a youth club it was a play area for 3 to 13 year olds and I always used to have parties here.*

*This youth club is for people aged 11-13. It's at 4.00pm till 5.30pm on a Monday*

## Haslemere District Scouts help to spread the light of Peace

The original Peace Light campaign was organised by the Austrian Broadcasting Authority as a great charitable relief mission for handicapped children and people in need, and in 1996 Scouts and Guides in the U.K. were invited to accept the light. Each year since then the light has been distributed, even in the year 2000 in war torn Bethlehem, when a 12 year old Palestinian Scout took the light from the grotto, carried it over the border and handed it to two Israeli Scouts who took it to Tel Aviv, where it was flown to U.K. via Austria.

This year the Light from Bethlehem arrived at Bentley Copse, the Surrey Scout Campsite at Shere, on Friday 16th December. As always happens the flame will have started its journey at the Grotto of Christ's birth where a Muslim Scout passes the flame to a Jewish Scout, and then on to a Christian Scout for distribution around the world, so that people can burn the flame in their homes and churches over Christmas.

Scouts from Chiddingfold collected the light that evening, and on Sunday 18th December the Rev'd Sarah Brough received the light from two Chiddingfold Scouts into her Church at St. Mary's Chiddingfold at the start of Morning Service, where it remained over the Christmas period. Two members of Chiddingfold Baptist Church took a light to their own Church to be shared amongst their congregation, and at the end of the Service 70 Christingles were handed to the children and some

of the congregation, lit from the Peace Light, and taken away to be lit in their own homes.

On Friday evening 23rd December Rev'd Sarah Brough, District Commissioner Frank Kitchener, Ken Lyndup (Group Scout Leader of 1st Chiddingfold Group), and John Stone (PRO) took the Peace Light to Guildford Cathedral where it was received by Canon Nicholas Thistlethwaite during the Evensong Service. Frank gave a brief resume of the history behind the Light and Ken read a short prayer.

Haslemere Scouts are doing their best to get the light distributed more widely, and it is their wish that its distribution may bring Peace and Friendship throughout the world.

John Stone  
Haslemere District Scouts  
01428.717898



Canon Nicholas Thistlethwaite taking a light from the Peace Light and lighting the Cathedral candle



In November 2011 the Matrix Trust ran our third Aspire course; a 7 week course designed for NEET young people aged 16-19 to help them develop the skills and confidence they need to re-engage with education, employment or training.

We had a great time getting to know the young people who attended, learning about their aspirations for the future and helping them to discover and unpack their potential.

Through sessions focused on topics such as communication skills, self-esteem, leadership and team-building we gradually saw each individual growing in confidence with a willingness to share their journeys with their comrades.

Each session included group discussions, fun activities and self-reflection alongside drinking a lot of tea and getting creative

## SEND YOUNG CREATIVES 2012

A showcase of the creative work of young people in the village of Send is to be held in the Church Rooms on Send Road from 2 pm to 4 pm on 25 February. It's hoped to attract exhibitors from a wide age range, from pre-schoolers to students, covering the visual arts – painting, drawing, photography, and graphic design – as well as crafts such as jewellery making, ceramics and textiles.

Many of the older children in the village attend George Abbot School in Guildford, which has specialist status for the visual arts, and others go to Farnham and other art colleges; so there should be a lot of talent to call on.

Entry to the exhibition will be free of charge. Call Linda on 01483 772213 to find out more, or email via the Contact Us page of [www.sendvillage.org](http://www.sendvillage.org)

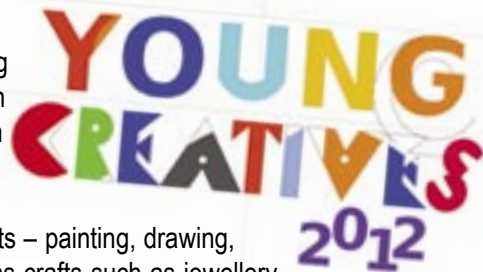
with problem-solving and creating collages.

Getting to know each young person as an individual enabled us to see their strengths, dreams and future aspirations, giving us the scope to encourage them to reach the goals they set themselves to achieve by the end of Aspire.

Since finishing the course the young people have been for apprenticeships and jobs, with one individual signing up to take part in a Princes Trust Team almost straight away after hearing about it!

Our next Aspire courses runs February 20th – March 30th. The first and last 2 weeks of each course are 1:1 sessions to attain individuals' suitability for Aspire, and to help them move on to employment, education or training after completing the course.

For more information about Aspire please contact Debz Whybrew on 01483 574900 or [debz@matrixtrust.com](mailto:debz@matrixtrust.com).



## NEW YORK AND CAMBODIA AWAITS LEADERS FROM GIRLGUIDING IN SURREY

Sophie Lasek, 22, assistant leader of the 1st Sunbury Guides, will visit New York for the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (UNCSW) as a delegate co-ordinator. She is one of three Girlguiding UK members to be selected to represent WAGGGS - World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts - at the event, where she will provide logistical support for the eight-strong delegation and meet leaders and activists to discuss the



Sophie Lasek in Tanzania

status of women and how greater gender equality can be achieved.

Sophie said: *"I was touched and honoured to be asked to represent WAGGGS at the UNCSW."*

Sophie already has extensive experience of international travel and development through Girlguiding. Last year she spent several months working at the WAGGGS Sangam World Centre in Maharashtra, India, and spent the previous summer undertaking development work in Tanzania.

She added: *"I'm excited to meet all the*

*other people from around the world who are also working towards equality for women. I hope I come home having developed strong skills, gained new international friends, and with plenty of ideas about what I can do to promote gender equality and get others involved too."*

Later in the year Rachel Day, 22, from Frimley Green, will be travelling to Cambodia alongside five other Girlguiding UK members to participate in the Guiding

Overseas Linked with Development scheme – otherwise known as GOLD. She will travel to Cambodia and take part in vital community development projects including teaching English to local Guiding members and training volunteers on leadership skills.

The GOLD project has been one of the core opportunities open to members of Girlguiding between the ages of 17 and 30 since its inception 21 years ago, with participants travelling as far afield as Honduras, Madagascar, Russia, South Africa and Thailand.

Rachel, who is currently studying medicine at Brighton and Sussex Medical School, is working hard to raise funds for her trip. Rachel said: *"I'm really looking forward to seeing the impact our training will have on all the girls and young women we'll be working with in Cambodia."*

For more information on how to join Girlguiding UK – the largest organisation for girls and young women in the country – go to: [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk).

## What a Difference a Year Makes!

Last Christmas (2010) we were saddened at the loss of our Founder Patron, Patience, Lady Baden-Powell. The anniversary, 18th December 2011, was a quiet day on site. The only sound here was from the roofing contractors, tapping away methodically at the slates, putting each in place, lining it up, then securing it. The Patience Baden-Powell Centre had its roof on for Christmas 2011, as promised.



We needed to replace our old office/shop building since meeting the needs of a site recording over 31,000 camper days cannot be sustained effectively from a small, damp, dark and cluttered wooden shed. By keeping our costs down, fundraising, pursuing grants and generating income we met the challenge to build a hub for our activities and of course to provide a permanent reminder of our Founder Patron.

The new Centre was inspired by the users and supporters of Walton Firs. The heydays of 'easy' fundraising have vanished and will no doubt be gone a long time but the centre was helped on its way by offers of assistance preparing the site, donations of goods and services and professional expertise given freely.

Soon we will be enjoying the bright new office space, filling shelves in the shop and opening up our training room for First Aid and other courses.

This is not a conclusion to the efforts here, merely a firm footing from which to spring into action again. This is where the adventures will begin for our young people. This is where you will collect your helmet and knee protection to go caving, or meet your climbing instructor. This is where you will post your letter home and give them the news that the adventure course really is as muddy as they feared!

In essence we have succeeded in securing not only the physical Walton Firs site, but also its ability to give young people a place to grow, gain skills and above all to have fun within this safe environment.

Always ticking away is the need to keep all our buildings up to scratch and Dave McIntosh and his team have a plan to do that. The WC/Shower block extension and refurbishment is the focus of our fundraising in 2012. Not as glamorous as the Patience Baden-Powell Centre but as necessary for the continued growth of our midweek school



use. Some funding has been secured and we are hopeful that our event at Dorking Halls on 31st March, and the Kingston & Malden Scout & Guide Band concert at Walton Firs on 24th June, will bring us closer to the £60K target.

If you would like to visit the site or make a booking please contact the warden at [warden@waltonfirs.co.uk](mailto:warden@waltonfirs.co.uk)

Alternatively if you can help with fundraising please contact [stella@waltonfirs.co.uk](mailto:stella@waltonfirs.co.uk).

## Funding Success for 40 Degreez

40 Degreez Centre for Young People was successful in securing a grant for £20,000 from The Henry Smith Charity.

The grant which will be released over the years 2012-14 partially funds three part time salaries. The independent assessor sent to check out the Farnham centre was duly impressed with the work being carried out there with young people and the ideas generated by the young people for future activities, workshops and clubs.

He wrote in his report: "40 Degreez Centre is a prime example of meeting many if not all the needs of today's young people. Not only

*is it a friendly environment in which to meet, its whole ethos is the wellbeing of young people and the work it undertakes demonstrates this fully."*

The staff are extremely grateful to the Trust that has been kind enough to support their work. For more information on 40 Degreez call 01252 727087 or visit the website [www.40degreez.org.uk](http://www.40degreez.org.uk)



"Good" was the overwhelming verdict on the Surrey Care Trust's STEPS Ahead programme from Ofsted, the official education inspectors. STEPS Ahead provides training and support for 16 to 18 year-olds who are unemployed and out of education or training.

- ✓ Good at enabling young people to achieve and improve their economic and social well being
- ✓ Good at giving care, guidance and support
- ✓ Good at working in partnership
- ✓ Good at achieving value for money
- ✓ Outstanding at providing management leadership, direction and challenge.

Surrey  
Care Trust  
changing lives

The next courses start on 5th March, 30th April and 25th June. For more information call programme manager Georgina Waters on 01483 426990.



**The Football Futures programme -  
developing the Beautiful Game in Surrey**

**SURREY COUNTY  
FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION**

A football club is about far more than just the players on the pitch. A successful team needs volunteers to help with coaching, managing accounts, dealing with child protection issues, ground maintenance, first aid, fundraising and web design among many other things. All these roles play a vital part in the development of a winning club.

The Surrey County FA is committed to recruiting new volunteers that can have a positive contribution to football in Surrey. The Football Futures programme is designed to mentor new volunteers (14-19yrs) and provide them with the skills and experience required to make a real difference. The programme creates an effective pathway for young leaders to continue their volunteering experience in FA Charter Standard clubs or other appropriate agencies.

Volunteers can be recognised and rewarded for work in any of the six Football Futures themes – Coaching, Refereeing, Events, Running and Developing the game, Promoting the game and RESPECT.

The scheme is a great way to build up your experience in football and become a role model in the County. It also promotes key skills such as time management and brings together like-minded individuals who just love to talk football!

You can become part of Surrey County FA Football Futures by simply registering your



details and logging your volunteer hours. You will be kept up to date on training courses and special offers as well as volunteer opportunities local to you.

Every year all our Young Leaders are brought together for the annual Leadership Camp where participants take part in team building activities and football workshops, learn new skills, and develop their leadership skills. This year's camp is set to take place in April.

Following on from this, two Young Leaders are then selected to attend the National FA Football Futures Camp, last year the five day event was held at The Royal National College for the Blind in Hereford.

16-year-old Charlotte Cox, from Lightwater, attended the National Camp and wrote a blog about her time there – you can read it at [www.surreyfa.com](http://www.surreyfa.com) in the 'Get into Football' 'Coaching and Volunteering' section..

If you're interested in getting involved in the Football Futures programme, contact Michelle Jeffcoate at [michelle.jeffcoate@surreyfa.com](mailto:michelle.jeffcoate@surreyfa.com) or 01372 384747.



**High Sheriff Youth Awards**  
Helping young people make Surrey safer

**High Sheriff Youth Award flagship project gets underway**

Pupils from St John's School in Dorking welcomed the High Sheriff of Surrey 2011-12, Professor Michael Joy OBE to their Parent Assembly on Wednesday 18th January (below) – and delivered powerful messages to him and other invited guests on the dangers of alcohol, the harm it causes to health, and the impact it has on the community in terms of anti-social behaviour.

Thanks to a grant from the Surrey High Sheriff Youth Awards (HSYA), top year pupils at St John's have been learning about the dangers of early alcohol consumption leading to potential addiction. The comprehensive programme of teacher training and classroom interventions has been developed by Coram Life Education, with funding from the HSYA. St John's is the first school in Surrey to pilot the project.

The High Sheriff Youth Awards scheme provides financial support for groups of young people in Surrey that want to help reduce or prevent crime – in a whole range of different ways – and so make their communities stronger and safer. This project – called 'Alcohol Lessons for Life'

so impressed the High Sheriff and the HSYA Council that a special one-off grant of £5,000 was awarded, to develop the programme and roll it out across five Surrey primary schools.

The programme allows the pupils to take personal responsibility for their actions, make healthy living choices and recognise the importance of respect for other people and the environment. The children are involved in the analysis of the problem locally and the development of responses, such as addressing the litter and damage caused by those consuming alcohol in public areas.

The High Sheriff, Professor Michael Joy, comments: "Surrey has the highest rate of hazardous drinking of any county in the UK. It was this problem that led me to select alcohol abuse as the main theme for my Shrieval year – and to make 'Alcohol Lessons for Life' the flagship project receiving major funding from the High Sheriff Youth Awards.

"I was delighted to attend the Parent Assembly at St John's in Dorking to see first hand how these young pupils have responded so positively to the classroom activities, and how they delivered such a strong message about alcohol abuse to their parents."

*If you are connected with a project that involves young people in Surrey who want to help reduce or prevent crime – and the more imaginative the better – please go online to [www.surreyhighsheriff.org](http://www.surreyhighsheriff.org) for details on how to apply.*





## 'Celebration of Youth' A Showcase for Local Youth

On Saturday 24th March 2012, Surrey Youth Focus is hosting the 'Celebration of Youth,' at Esher Church of England High School in Moore Lane, Esher. This annual free charity event takes place from 3pm – 6pm and showcases a number of local groups, highlighting the positive activities that young people do across Surrey. Family Friends and the general public are welcome to come and support the young people.

The afternoon starts with an exhibition of stands displaying the work of a variety of youth organisations, such as; Active Surrey, The Amber Foundation, Disability Challengers, The Duke of Edinburgh Scheme, The Girls Brigade, Matech, Skillway, Surrey Care Trust, Esher Guides, Surrey Police, and the Walton Firs Foundation.

The event provides guests with an opportunity to talk to the young people involved in the projects and learn about the real impact these organisations have made to their lives.

A fast paced show featuring acts from Esher Guides, Surrey Young Carers, Walton Army Cadets and Studio ADHD, the Boys Brigade and others provides the afternoon's entertainment. Highlights promise to be an act called Sweet Revenge – a rock

band from South Godstone Youth and Guildford West Explorer Scouts presentation about their adventures in Nepal.

The diversity of acts reflects the range of activities these youth organisations are involved in – from providing safe ways to have fun, to life changing interventions for young people in severe need.

Guests attending include the High Sheriff of Surrey, the Chairman of Surrey County Council and the Mayor's from Surrey's Borough's and District's.

Surrey Youth Focus is grateful for the financial support from Procter & Gamble (P&G), and for practical help from the Mayor of Elmbridge, Cllr. John Sheldon and Mayoress Cllr Mary Sheldon.

P&G is committed to improving life for children in need throughout the world and each year improves life for more than 50 million children in need via their global cause, Live, Learn and Thrive.



## 1st Hinchley Wood Explorer Unit triumph and win the Esher District Scout Explorer Scope Trophy for 2011



The Scope Trophy is a series of competitions between the Explorer Units in the Esher District. Points are awarded for each competition and the Unit with the most points at the end of the year wins the Trophy! The actual trophy is a large felling axe.

In 2011 there were six competitions - Cross Country, County Night Hike Challenge, Air Rifle Shooting, Ready Steady Cook Backwoods, 5-a-Side Football, and Indoor Games - a varied set as you can see.

Hinchley Wood came first in the Cross Country.

The County Night Hike was probably the highlight of the Scope Trophy. It's a tough 15-mile event held in early March with teams starting between 6:30pm and 9pm and taking 7-11 hours to complete. 1st Hinchley Wood coming achieved the top position of those Units entering from Esher District. Points were gained by completing the various incidents set up along the way, including First Aid and Pioneering and time taken to complete the course.

Ready Steady Cook Backwoods is based on the popular TV programme – each team is given a bag of food and has 45 minutes to produce the best dish! In previous years stoves and pans etc were allowed but for 2011 it was based on backwoods cooking techniques on a wood fire.

1st Hinchley Wood came 2nd in the Shooting competition and 3rd in the 5-A-side football.

The Games Competition includes quizzes, mind games and games such as darts, skittles, table tennis and pool with 1st Hinchley Wood achieving 1st place.

The Trophy events were good fun and challenging and continued in the older age range the spirit of co-operation and friendly competition that are so much part of the Esher District Unit programme. 2nd Molesey the runners up came a very close second and provided good spirited challenge throughout the year.

Thanks to Becky Gardiner, Explorer Scout Commissioner, Esher who presented the District Trophy

Now it all starts again for 2012.

Written by David Shine (1st Hinchley Wood Explorer Scout)

Simon Heather Explorer Scout Leader commented,

*'Well done to Unit members for their success in winning the Scope Trophy.'*

*'We have recently recruited an additional assistant leader, which will allow us to expand the wide range of adventures activities we already provide. Also'*

*'1st Hinchley Wood Explorer Unit through Surrey Scout Council is authorised to provide the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme for Bronze, Silver and Gold levels.'*

For membership details contact Simon on: [shheather@hotmail.com](mailto:shheather@hotmail.com)





Have you ever wished you could make a film or create great sound and lighting for a gig or event?

## Film and Backstage Workshops

charity groups.

David Curran of Matech said: "We get fantastic feedback from the young people attending our workshops and courses. They find them really enjoyable, whilst learning new skills and produce something they can be proud of. Our lively workshops are run by young and dynamic leaders and include an action packed range of activities and are highly interactive."

Some comments from young people who have attended courses:

*"I loved every moment of this project and I would do it again any day, I learnt so much about video editing and filming."*

*"I enjoyed changing the colours and shapes of the lights; it was really interesting and fun."*

If your charity, youth group, or school would like to find out more, please contact David Curran at [info@matech.org.uk](mailto:info@matech.org.uk) or 01483 841480. For more information about Matech, visit our [website: www.matech.org.uk](http://www.matech.org.uk).

Matech Video Workshops teach young people how to shoot, edit and produce a film on a subject of their own choice using professional equipment.

Matech Backstage Workshops offer practical experience in lighting, sound and video, and often culminate in the young people being involved in a live event.

In 2011 Matech provided over 30 workshops and courses to a variety of organisations across Surrey, including charities, youth groups, schools and councils. These ranged from a 2 hour introductory session to structured courses for a half day each week for six weeks.

The hands on workshops are great fun for young people aged 12 - 25. Matech provides positive activities for young people to be involved in, helps them develop skills and knowledge to equip them for the future, and promotes and develops work by local community or



## The Surrey Care Trust launches [www.need-to-talk.org.uk](http://www.need-to-talk.org.uk)

"Need To Talk?" is a free counselling service for young people aged between 16 and 25 provided at the Crescent, Heathside Crescent, Woking.

Elaine Tisdall, Chief Executive at the Surrey Care Trust said: *'We want to make the counselling service more accessible to young people and for many the internet is their first point of call for information. The new website will hopefully raise awareness of the service to both young people and professionals working with them.'*

The counselling service helps young people talk through difficult feelings and problems that are concerning them. These might include relationship difficulties, coping with bullying, unemployment, anxiety and stress, and many other situations which can cause worry and unhappiness. Sessions last 50 minutes and are private and uninterrupted. The young person can decide how many counselling sessions they would like and whether they have one, two, or several sessions, the service is free.

The counselling service is dedicated to working with young people independently of all other organisations. All details of the sessions are private. Counsellors will not normally speak to anyone else about a

young person unless the young person requests it.

If you or a young person you are working



with is interested in the service, you can visit the website, [www.need-to-talk.org.uk](http://www.need-to-talk.org.uk) call 0845 241 0370 or write to Need to Talk, 1 Old Elstead Road, Milford, Godalming GU8 5EE.

The "Need To Talk" team will be in contact to arrange an initial meeting where the young person can learn more about counselling and how it may benefit them. Following this meeting an appointment for counselling can be booked.

You can find out more about the Surrey Care Trust at [www.surreycaretrust.org.uk](http://www.surreycaretrust.org.uk)



The Surrey Care Trust has bond places for the Brighton Marathon on Sunday 15th April 2012. This mainly flat course takes you past some of the best sights in Brighton and along the coast.

For more information contact Vicky on 01483 412751 or email [vicky.nash@surreycaretrust.org.uk](mailto:vicky.nash@surreycaretrust.org.uk).



## Evening programmes for clubs, schools and DofE

The evening sessions run by GASP Motor Project were launched originally to teach basic motor engineering skills to young

people who wanted to know their way around a vehicle and behind a wheel. Now they are expanding.

GASP has developed after school sessions specifically tailored for those

who choose motor mechanics as their Skill at Silver level of the Duke of Edinburgh scheme. There is also the option to link motor engineering to acquiring driving skills for the Gold programme.

As well as DofE students – who may apply either as individuals or in a group through their school or youth organisation – our Workshop Manager, Barry Birchmore, and his team have also worked with Year 10 and 11 students. Their focus was on expanding the Design and Technology modules they were studying at school and gaining real life workshop-based experience.

Andy Finch, the new CEO at GASP says: “For any 15 to 17 year olds, what we teach at GASP is an immensely valuable life skill. There’s the chance to

build off-road and track karts and to learn how to drive those karts off-road.”

Each session runs for two hours, with 13-week terms. After completing the introduction course, students are awarded a GASP certificate and may then enrol for further sessions.

By teaching practical skills in a safe and supervised professional environment, GASP helps young people to change behaviours, appreciate the value of teamwork, and prepare for the world of work. It can empower them to progress through education, training and employment, gain confidence and self-esteem, and facilitate a successful transition to adult life.

From May GASP will move to a new purpose built workshop at Albury, on the A25 between Guildford and Dorking. Plans are also underway to launch a mobile provision, taking GASP out to groups across Surrey.

Please contact Andy Finch on 07786939798 or email [andy.finch@gaspmotorproject.org](mailto:andy.finch@gaspmotorproject.org) if you are looking for an evening activity for



young people that promises to develop practical skills, teamwork and self confidence.

This is particularly relevant for clubs and organisations who are members of Surrey Youth Focus – or schools or organisations such as Scouts or Guides with students working towards DofE, and those schools wishing to expand a Design and Technology module outside the school day.

GASP is keen to work with schools and organisations that run Duke of Edinburgh Award Silver and Gold programmes for students.

## A Success Story from Duke of Edinburgh Scheme.

Eleanor Budge winner of a Gold Duke of Edinburgh award talks about her experiences as a volunteer.

I started volunteering at East Surrey Hospital in Nov 2008 on Tilgate ward and although apprehensive I soon settled in thanks to the staff and patients. The time spent on the ward has had a significant effect on me. To be able to sit with a patient or help someone in need is extremely gratifying and I have gained a great deal from working with the staff and, of course, the patients.

I have met so many interesting and inspiring people, who have achieved so many feats in their lives and really help you, as a volunteer, put your life in perspective. Often they change your opinions on things. Being a volunteer is not easy, however it is a privilege when a patient you have never met before confides in you, or sincerely thanks you for your help with a simple task or even just for spending time chatting with them - something most of us could find the time to do.

Whilst the job in itself is highly unglamorous and tiring I believe I have gained so much from my time on the wards whilst giving something back to people who need it. I really would recommend anyone to try it.

Whether I see old friends on the wards or new patients, every week is different which is what makes it so special and why I am grateful to the staff and the volunteer team at the hospital for such an opportunity. My time volunteering convinced me to pursue a career in medicine and I am now studying medicine at Keble college Oxford.

Eleanor Budge.

To find out more about the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme contact Frances Trench County DofE Adviser 01483 519414 [frances.trench@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:frances.trench@surreycc.gov.uk)



## A Challenge to local Companies

OTM Consulting Ltd, Stevens & Bolton LLP and rhw Solicitors are among the first local companies to pick up the gauntlet thrown down by Guildford YMCA, challenging them to raise sponsorship and test their team spirit.

With young people facing record levels of unemployment the YMCA, based in Bridge Street, Guildford is looking to redevelop its basement level to provide a dedicated learning space in which youth workers can support and equip young people. As part of



the huge fundraising effort required, local businessman Richard Fox has conceived a challenge for local businesses, with each company pledging to raise at least £1000 for the redevelopment project.

Richard has devised a Surrey Three Peaks Challenge, involving staff teams in either a 26 mile trek taking in Gibbet Hill, Holmbury Hill and Leith Hill, or a rather gentler option involving road transport - but still including 14 miles with plenty of uphill stretches! The challenge will take place

over the weekend of 28 and 29 April and is a great team building opportunity. Chris Dudgeon said, *"Here at OTM Consulting we are really excited to be 'picking up the gauntlet' for this challenge. It promises to be a great adventure, and raise money for a very important cause"* . We hope that other businesses will also pick up the gauntlet and join us in this endeavour".

CEO Pete Brayne says, *"For some time we have been conscious that our building needs updating. It isn't the best fit for the evolving needs of our residents.... we want*

*to create a space where we can support those looking for employment and training with accessible computer facilities."*

Creating the space will cost and estimated £600,000 of which the YMCA is committing £100,000 from its reserves. It's a huge challenge but there's a huge need, and the Surrey Three Peaks Challenge could raise a significant amount towards it.

To find out more contact Pete Brayne email [admin@guildfordymca.org.uk](mailto:admin@guildfordymca.org.uk) or 01483 532555

## Giving young people in Aldershot a Boost

At a time when youth unemployment is at record levels a new project in Aldershot is helping young people seriously improve their prospects of employment. BOOST stands for Bring On Opportunities, Skills and Training and is a free fourteen week full time course for 16-25 year olds who would otherwise be doing nothing.

The Boost project facilitator, Art Porter, has drawn on his years of youth work experience with Guildford YMCA to devise the course with help from young people themselves. It encourages young people to engage with learning, working towards basic qualifications in Food Hygiene and First Aid, English functional skills level 1 and a City and Guilds level 1. The young people are given group challenges to accomplish that require working together and depending on each other, as well as challenging their expectations of themselves.



A week on Dartmoor took the Boost Group well out of their comfort zone, testing their ability to follow instructions, stretching them to their limits and giving them a well deserved sense of achievement when they accomplished more than they thought possible. They demonstrated their resourcefulness by raising a staggering £250 by running a market stall selling cakes and bric a brac.

The current course is over half way through but a new one will start on 5th March. Anyone wanting to find out more can call Finlay Malcolm on 07717 533066 or 01483 888122.

*A vital element of the course is getting some experience of a working environment. Placements can be hard to find and some of the current team are still looking for opportunities. Plantation youth workers are on hand throughout the course to support the young people in gaining their placements. If you can offer something appropriate in the Aldershot area the current Boost leaders Art and Dan Wilson would love to hear from you. Please contact them on 07703 679163.*

The Surrey Sports Conference is an annual event that brings together the key stakeholders and individuals that deliver sporting provision in Surrey. It aims to increase awareness of the challenges and opportunities in their roles.

The 2012 Surrey Sports Conference will be held on Friday 23 March at Kempton Park Racecourse and will include special guest speaker Jeremy Hunt, MP for South West Surrey.

There will be interactive workshops covering topics ranging from Sport England's new strategy to market segmentation to new physical activity guidelines. Also included in the ticket price is an extended networking lunch to help you make contacts within the industry. Tickets cost just £99, with substantial discounts available for volunteers.

Book online at [www.activesurrey.com](http://www.activesurrey.com)



# PEER Productions

## Peer Productions Celebrate 5th birthday

On Friday 6th Jan award winning youth arts company Peer Productions celebrated their 5 year anniversary.

Based at Woking Youth Arts Centre, Peer Productions is a unique social enterprise which specialises in peer education through theatre and film. The company

schools and colleges across the South East and beyond. The company strives to create community arts projects which genuinely change young people's lives.

To mark the occasion, Peer Productions invited all of the young people who have completed their one year full time training



runs a free full time actor training course for young people (aged 16 - 23 years), an inclusive youth theatre for young people aged 8 - 23 years and a specialist drama group for young people (aged 11- 19 years) with learning difficulties.

The company is most well known for its work touring educational plays and films in

course to share their knowledge and expertise with current trainees. Local pub landlady Debbie Harlow at The Garibaldi (who has supported the company since they started) provided complimentary jelly and cream. for the birthday party afterwards.

Nina, Co-Artistic Director of Peer

Productions said "we are thrilled to reach this landmark of running the course for five years. Working with so many fantastic young people, supporting them to develop into young arts leaders, has been amazing. So many are now at top drama schools or are working in the industry. Having so many of them in one room today and hearing about how their careers have progressed is very moving."

Katherine Morgan graduated from the course in 2010 and has just started her second year at LAMDA training to be an actor said, "During my year at Peer

Productions I was offered places at six drama schools...being part of Peer Productions and playing an active role in so many creative challenges really gave me the edge."

Peer Productions is now recruiting young actors aged 16+ for its full time course and young actors age 13+ for their latest youth theatre production, Big Brother - The Musical. To find out more visit [www.peerproductions.co.uk](http://www.peerproductions.co.uk) or call 01483 476825.

## Training opportunities

### Beat the rise in Uni fees!

The University of Brighton is currently recruiting to the BA (Hons) Youth Work and FdA Working with Young People which starts on April 17th 2012, meaning that the fees will still be at this year's rate (approx £1500 per year as opposed to £7,000).

Both courses are part-time work-based learning courses, drawing students from across London and the south-east. Attendance is required on Tuesday mornings and one Saturday per month. Students have to provide their own primary placement and workplace learning facilitator.

This represents a massive opportunity to for practitioners from within the youth people's workforce to train at the existing rates. Students registered for the April 2012 start will continue on these rates throughout their course.

Applicants can download an application form from the University of Brighton website <http://www.brighton.ac.uk/> and can apply directly to Jane Melvin - Course Leader: BA Youth Work/FdA Working with Young People.

Call 01273 64185 or email [j.r.melvin@brighton.ac.uk](mailto:j.r.melvin@brighton.ac.uk)

Applications close at the end of March 2012.



### Babysitting Courses

The British Red Cross provides some “Looking After Other People’s Children” courses for young people in Woking and Banstead. Our interactive courses cover a lot of issues surrounding babysitting e.g. expectations, rights and the law, first aid and challenging situations.

Everyone aged 14 – 18 is very welcome to join one of our courses and there are no previous babysitting experience required. If you are interested then please visit our website [www.redcross.org.uk/babysitting](http://www.redcross.org.uk/babysitting) and register online now.

The 2-day-course will cost £50 and will provide you with any information needed to develop useful skills to become a responsible and confident babysitter!

Youth Organisations can also run the Babysitting Course themselves, please contact Mike Baxter on 01483 749067 or [mbaxter@redcross.org.uk](mailto:mbaxter@redcross.org.uk) for more information.



### Youth Work – The Basics

19th May and 2nd June - two day course

#### Topics covered

- The importance of your role working with young people
- The principles and values of youth work
- The developmental stages of young people, and how they are affected
- Identifying your own personal self development as a youth worker
- How to communicate effectively with young people
- Safeguarding
- The Common Assessment Framework (CAF)
- Health and safety issues when working with young people.
- How to put the skills and knowledge that you learn into practice.

To book a place on this free course contact [marie.silvester@surreyyouthfocus.org.uk](mailto:marie.silvester@surreyyouthfocus.org.uk)  
(£5 deposit required when booking- repayable on attendance)

### Quality Fundraising Training for just £20

The Institute of Fundraising London Region has developed a series of half-day workshops for smaller non-profit organisations to help deliver fundraised income in these challenging times.

Supported by the Cabinet Office, these workshops aim to provide an opportunity for organisations or individuals - even those new to fundraising - to follow a path from strategy to implementation.

- 7th March - Case for Support
- 7th March - Fundraising Strategy
- 8th March - Major Donors
- 9th March - Statutory Fundraising
- 10th March - Corporate Fundraising
- 13th March - In Memoriam
- 21st March - Preparing for Contracts
- 21st March - Volunteering & Community Fundraising
- 27th March - Branding and Marketing
- 28th March - Individual Fundraising
- 29th March - Introduction to Direct Marketing
- 30th March - Lottery Funding
- 30th March - Trust Fundraising

To be eligible the charity must have an income of less than £1 million.

The Institute are also giving away 150 free places on the online Introductory Certificate in Fundraising. This offer is available until the end of March, if you are interested please contact Chrissy Baker at [chrissy@institute-of-fundraising.org.uk](mailto:chrissy@institute-of-fundraising.org.uk) or 0207 840 3795 to secure a place and receive a personal access code. You will then have access to the online course for a year.

There are in addition a range of online courses, free access to the Institutes’ CPD system (normally only available to members of the IoF) and the Five Minute Fundraiser – a set of 9 short videos about how to raise funds.

For more information, to book a course or to view the videos visit the institute website [www.institute-of-fundraising.org.uk](http://www.institute-of-fundraising.org.uk) and follow the link to **help for small charities**.

## Fundraising from Businesses

The Guildford YMCA 3 Peaks challenge (see page 22) is a great example of the opportunities for fundraising presented by companies. As well as raising money the challenge will raise awareness and hopefully inspire other organisations and individuals to support the Y. There are a number of ways to find money and support within a company. -activities that help you might be paid for out of a training budget - think employee volunteering, or marketing - think cause related promotions, not only from a charitable donations budget. What is more often corporate money is unrestricted – something we all need!

So what kind of support might you get from a company?

- **Marketing related** – sponsorship, promotions, licensing, cause related, events
- **Employee related** – Charity adoption, Volunteering, payroll giving, employee fundraising
- **Others** – Donations gifts in kind, secondments, mentoring.

Corporate fundraising may be about using corporate resources to generate money rather than just asking them to give you money. A business might sponsor a fundraising event for example or give a gift in kind. If you can match a gift in kind it to a line in your budget then it is the same as having money!

BUT corporate fundraising is NOT a quick win and how do you get started?

A scattergun approach of sending a hundred letters to local business may bring in the odd donation but is unlikely to generate anything big. Business decisions are based 20% on technical merit (you are a good cause but so are a lot of other charities) 80% of the decision comes down to relationships.

So how can you find out who to approach? You might be surprised who much information you have access to–

- Your staff, trustees and volunteers
- Local papers and the Internet
- What other charities are doing
- Current supporters
- Chambers of commerce and Rotary groups
- Old information in your filing cabinets
- Driving or walking around your neighbourhood.

Do remember that people need to trust that you will use any information they give you carefully and not damage their relationship with the company you want to approach.

The reasons why a company might help you will vary – in some cases it is very business focused – how can you help their bottom line, other times it will be more emotionally motivated. You need to find out what is important to them. BUT be 100% confident that you helping them to do their job – they will benefit from a relationship with you. You are not begging, they are not doing you a favour.

Think of a hook to get a conversation going. The best way is always going to be a personal introduction but even without it you can refer to news about the company in the press, ask for advice, suggest a way to promote their products linked your to you cause or invite them to an event.

And then what? If all goes well you can build on the relationship, deliver on what you promise and say thank you. If they say no - well, pick yourself and say thank you anyway - you never know when another chance may come along and that relationship may mature in time.

## Community Foundation for Surrey



Although the Community Foundation for Surrey does not publish a simple list of their donor funds and their guidance criteria, they do have lots of donor funds which will support Youth projects.

The easiest way to check if there is a fund for you is to complete their online enquiry form. It is very simple you need to answer the following questions

- What does your organisation need funding for?
- Where the project will take place & who will benefit (e.g. young people) :
- When are you hoping to start your project?
- How much funding do you need?:

You can find the form on <http://www.communityfoundationsurrey.org.uk> and click the Apply for a Grant button on the right hand side or go directly to <http://www.communityfoundationsurrey.org.uk/application.html> Alternatively phone Louise Phillips Grants Officer on 01483 409226

**Places People Play**  
**Sportivate**

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2012 will be a big year for sport. Is your group currently looking to run sporting activities for 14-25 year olds to celebrate the Olympic year? If so consider applying for Sportivate funding by 2 March 2012

Funding can be spent on coaching fees, equipment, facility hire, training and marketing.

It's easy, go to [www.activesurrey.com/sportivate](http://www.activesurrey.com/sportivate) to find out more - 90% of applications are successful!

Wey Kayak Club, a member of Surrey Youth Focus, has accessed Sportivate funding to run 6-week introductory kayak courses for 144 young people. A further two members of Surrey Youth Focus are in the process of getting their applications approved.

Sportivate funding can be used on all sports. Projects underway include waterskiing, squash, rugby, dance and baseball.

Contact Andrew Freeman at Active Surrey on 01483 518943 to discuss your ideas. Don't miss the opportunity for your group to be part of the London 2012 legacy.



## Funding from Surrey County Council

### Members Allocations Fund

Each individual Surrey County Councillor has some £8,000 to award to local community groups or projects in their area.

To apply for them approach your local councillor. However this may seem intimidating to many. A first step in making the approach could be through the Community Partnership & Committee officer for your area (see table right).

### Surrey County Council Leader's Initiative

The Community Improvements Fund is a new fund to support local community-based initiatives, which make a real difference to the lives. Bids are welcomed between £10,000 up to a maximum of £50,000. The funding is intended primarily to cover capital costs linked to community infrastructure projects.

Proposals for funding for local projects should be submitted to your local Surrey County Councillor and/or Community Partnership and Committee Officer (see table right) . Guidance notes, and an application form are available via the SCC website [www.surreycc.gov.uk/communityimprovementsfund](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/communityimprovementsfund) . An online application form can be found through the following trail on the SCC website *Apply for It > A-Z of non-highwaysforms > C > Community Improvements Fund.*

Copies of the printed forms and guidance can also be found on the Surrey Youth Focus website [www.surreyyouthfocus.org.uk](http://www.surreyyouthfocus.org.uk).

Completed applications for funding will be submitted to the Community Improvement Panel for consideration. The Panel will consider all the bids using the evaluation criteria outlined, and advise the Leader as to which bids to approve.

Successful bids will be required to provide evidence of spend and the outcomes/impacts of the project.

The fund is open to bids now with an initial deadline of **5th April**. The first panel will meet on 7th April 2012. Further panel meetings will take place quarterly with associated deadlines.

### Youth Small Grants

Not yet open but coming soon there is to be a new £200,000 small grants programme for small scale voluntary activities like expeditions, tents etc . This will be ideal for Scouts, Guides, Army Cadets etc.

The funding will be held by the 11 County Council Local Committees, and there will be application process in which evidence of young people leading/supporting the bid will be needed. This fund is intended to support small voluntary youth organisations with grants of £500 to £1,000 and exceptionally up to £5,000.

The scheme will operate from April 2012, and will be by application to the Commissioning and Development Team within the SCC Youth Support Service for assessment and recommendation to the Local Committee.

### SCC Community Partnership & Committee officers

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### Steven Gerrard Foundation- Deadline: 9 March 2012

Grants of up to £10,000 per year for a maximum of three years are available to registered charities which have a track record of at least two years delivering effective support to disadvantaged children.

Projects, can be new or existing, and should focus on one or more of the following themes:

- Children with disabilities.
- Children and health.
- Children and family breakdown.
- Street children.
- Children and education.

Projects should also address at least one of the following

- Enabling all children to reach their full potential.
- Meeting children's immediate and long term needs, as outlined by children themselves.
- Placing children's safety and well-being at the heart of what the group does.
- Sharing learning to enable projects to develop and grow.
- Supporting projects which deliver quality over quantity.

The following are examples of what might be funded:

- A physiotherapy project for children with disabilities to help them become more mobile.
- A drama project which helps children with mental health issues to gain confidence.
- A mentoring project for children affected by family breakdown to support them in making key life choices.

More information and application forms can be found on the foundation website [www.stevengerrardfoundation.org/](http://www.stevengerrardfoundation.org/)



*“Next to doing the right thing, the most important thing is to let people know you are doing the right thing”*

John D Rockefeller

Dont miss your opportunity to tell everyone you are doing the right thing. Send your articles and photos for the next copy of Surrey Youth News to [kate.peters@surreyyouthfocus.org.uk](mailto:kate.peters@surreyyouthfocus.org.uk)

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