



Borden Sports Association



Monthly Report July 2022

Football

The football league season is in summer recess although training has already begun. A friendly match at home against Whitstable will be played this Wednesday evening (20th) kick off 6.15pm. This last Saturday (16th) friendly witnessed a 4-4 draw.

Good news, a Borden Village Youth under 8's side has been created to train and play at our facility. They will train on Thursday evenings and play Saturday mornings. This is an excellent initiative to engage young players at an early age providing them with a valuable sporting interest which greatly enhances both their mental and physical growth. Our thanks go to Kevin Little and Aaron Hodge who provide the time to run this new initiative.

Full details of the coming season senior matches, once scheduled will be found on the website <http://bordenvillagefc.hitssports.com/default.aspx>

Cricket

The Saturday cricket side continue to play occasional friendly matches due to the lack of numbers available and are away next week the 23rd to Otterden.

The Sunday side have just witnessed a win against Rainham Sunday (17th) which has kept them in a favourable league position. They hope to play a friendly fixture at home next Sunday 24th.

The cricket stats & club information particularly for new interested players can be viewed at www.borden.play-cricket.com

Anyone interested in playing regular cricket is asked to contact the cricket section via the details on the website.

Pavilion

Our annual tractor insurance of £319.72 will be paid this month from Sports Association funds. This allows the football and cricket pitches to be kept in the excellent condition that they currently hold.

Within the pavilion 'Five Year Plan', money has been agreed and afforded for the following: -

Refurbishment of Showers / shower heads in Home Team & Away Team changing rooms

Estimate £3500.00 +VAT

Refurbishment of Ladies/ Gents WC's

Estimate £2000.00 +VAT

The current showers fail to work efficiently as installed in the original 1980's build. Currently players are unable to wash properly following sporting activities and complaints have been received from visiting teams especially football during poor weather periods. It is assessed that the shower replacements may fall below the estimated price.

In the rest rooms the original urinals and toilets are still serviceable and only the wash basins and surrounds require replacement due to malfunction through age, again installed in the original build.

With the Financial Committees recent agreement that the allocated money is available and with the works having been previously agreed within the five year plan councillors will be requested at the next Parish Council meeting to approve a recommendation to forward these necessary works.

Clive Sims
Chairman
Borden Sports Association