

2017

BTTC ANNUAL REPORT

brighton
Table Tennis Club



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

This year has seen Brighton Table Tennis Club come of age.

We have some of the best young players in the country who have had the invaluable experience of seeing the progress that can be made through their own dedication and training. At the same time, we work with many marginalised communities across the city.

Our newly refurbished club, the Fitzherbert Centre, enables all Brightonians, old and new, to converse in the language of table tennis in which the artificial barriers of class, nationality and ability are transcended.

Furthermore, BTTC has become a valuable city resource, bringing more than £300,000 into Brighton during the year for youth and community work at a time when local budgets are under such intense pressure.

The club has also become a nationally recognised exemplar of how an organically built community organisation can grow while remaining true to the principles and mission on which it was founded.

The trustees and I would like to thank the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton, Table Tennis England, Sport England and Comic Relief for their ongoing support.



CLUB RECOGNITION

During the year the club was recognised as the UK's first Sports Club of Sanctuary for its work with unaccompanied refugee children and young people.

"It was fantastic to visit the Brighton Table Tennis Club (BTTC) and see first-hand the innovative approach to getting diverse communities across Brighton active. The work the club is doing with refugees using table tennis to integrate them into their new community, improve their English language skills and just have fun is ground breaking.

"I CAME AWAY INSPIRED,"

Mike Diaper OBE

Executive Director Community Sport,
Sport England

It also won the first national Community Integration Award for the way it brings together young people from the city and from around the world – from Varndean to Vietnam – through table tennis.

CELEBRATING...

HIGHEST NATIONALLY RANKED BTTC PLAYER

Jodie Morris - U15 Girls 33 in England

Max Wilson - U13 Boys 41 in England

Louis Treffel reached last 12 of the National Championships U10s

TEAM AFGHANISTAN

Team Afghanistan, made up of three newly arrived Afghan unaccompanied minors, took Division 2 of the Brighton League by storm in 2016/17. They finished 4th in a division of 12 teams, a remarkable achievement considering the short length of time that they have played.

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Brighton Table Tennis Club's amazing journey continues...

Brighton Table Tennis Club has enjoyed its most incredible year to date. I would like to thank our amazing team of staff and volunteers who give so much to our remarkable organization, built solely on grassroots collaboration. It has been an amazing journey over the past ten years and yet we still feel like we are at such an exciting beginning.

New partnerships created with Friends, Families and Travellers, the Brighton Housing Trust, Mill View Psychiatric Hospital and High Down Prison have brought the joy of table tennis to some of the most hard to reach and marginalised communities possible.

Alongside our many community partnerships, the development of our elite young players has been transformational. They commit to training for 12 hours each week under the guidance of our fantastic Head Coach and travel in BTTC's blue bus to play in regional, national and international competitions.

In the last year, our Senior British League first team won promotion to National Division A, the highest ever in the club's history. Harry Fairchild won a Gold Medal in the Men's Doubles the Sports Union of Down Syndrome World Championships.

Team Afghanistan, three incredible refugee unaccompanied minors from Helmand, Jalabad and Nangarhar, took the Brighton League Division 2 by storm.

Team Afghanistan members Farhad Barakzai and Naqeeb Saide were among those who qualified as coaches during the year and volunteer helping local young people learn the wonderful sport of Table Tennis.

BTTC is proving that true grassroots work and elite table tennis can be brought together in one club. Everyone who comes through our door is offered a support network of friendship and solidarity. It is the friendships forged through table tennis that make our club such a special place.

The power of table tennis in bringing people together and to smile continues to amaze me daily.

Tim Holtam



**WE ARE THE
UK'S FIRST CLUB
OF SANCTUARY,
WELCOMING
REFUGEES AND
ASYLUM SEEKERS**



OUR YEAR...

Fitzherbert Centre

BTTC's Fitzherbert Centre has been given a complete facelift during the year. The building's owners, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel and Brighton, funded the £400,000 refurbishment of the exterior. The inside of the building has been renovated with the help of a Table Tennis England grant of £100,000.



BEFORE



AFTER

MEDIA STIR

The club has caused a media stir. The Guardian, Huffington Post, BBC and local and regional media have all praised its work.

CLICK HERE

- The BBC clip of Harry F
- Huffington Post video
- BTTC on the i360 video
- Jeremy Corbyn at BTTC



**BETTE,
AGED 98**

OUTREACH

We have forged links with Patching Lodge to provide table tennis sessions for older people. At Brighton Housing Trust's First Base Centre table tennis and coaching are provided for homeless men and women. Regular sessions are run for patients at Mill View psychiatric hospital. More recently, the club has begun weekly sessions at HMP High Down and HMP Down View Women's Prison.



**HEAD
COACH**

“Meet the UK's First Table Tennis Club of Sanctuary that's giving a master class in integration.

Huffington Post



**YAD,
KURDISTAN**

BTTC & THE BRIGHTON HOUSING TRUST

“Working with young people is very positive, especially unaccompanied minors who can find themselves very isolated. Everyone involved can take their learning back into their communities.”

Sue Lukes Chair of the national Community Integration Awards panel



“Table Tennis in our various services has been a revelation, bringing people together, helping to overcome isolation and loneliness, and building confidence amongst the players. It is amazing how this has been achieved in such a short time. It would not have occurred to me that Table Tennis could have such a profound impact, and I am extremely grateful to the Brighton Table Tennis Club for their vision and for adding such value to our work.”

Andy Winter
CEO of the Brighton Housing Trust,

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

An outward facing and open project, Brighton Table Tennis Club involves a broad range of communities in Brighton and Hove and collaborates with social services and schools as well as refugee and migrant communities.



Regeneration

Having its own secure base has been central to the club's rapid development in the past two years. It is now recognised as one of England's leading table tennis clubs and an important community asset in Brighton and Hove that brings significant sums of money into the city to support sport, youth work and the local economy.



RUDI,
AGED 3

NUMBERS

468,000,000 SHOTS PLAYED!

Each week in 2017 Brighton Table Tennis Club ran:

25 sessions at our club house
The Fitzherbert Centre **20** weekly
outreach sessions That's **45** a
week or **2,340** a year!

260 students played across three
campuses at The Met (formerly
City College) where coaches are
provided for **6** weekly sessions.
The club works in **8** primary
and **6** secondary schools. More
than **40** people play at the
50+ sessions at the King Alfred
Leisure Centre each week.

The oldest player, who was **98**,
played a rally of **350** shots with
coach Wen Wei. The youngest
player was **2** years old.

43 Asylum Seekers and Refugees
played in at least **10** sessions

**Total number of players
at weekly sessions was
1,250 or a staggering
65,000 a year!**

(Not including the many players
who use the 30 outdoor tables
across the city)

Between them they played 60
shots a minute an estimated total
of 468,000,000 during the year!

That's right – almost Half a billion
table tennis shots!

But that's not the full story:

24 Level 1 coaches & **6** Level 2
Table Tennis England coaches
were trained

£300,000+ was raised from
national organisations to support
youth and community work and
the local economy in the city



15 YOUTH CLUBS

ST LUKE'S
PRIMARY
SCHOOL

QUEENS PARK
PRIMARY
SCHOOL

BRIGHTON &
HOVE COUNCIL'S
VIRTUAL
SCHOOL FOR
CHILDREN IN
CARE

SPORT ENGLAND

BRIGHTON
UNIVERSITY

BHASVIC SIXTH
FORM COLLEGE

THE PRU

SANCTUARY ON
SEA

VOICES IN EXILE

THE
HUMMINGBIRD
PROJECT

FRIENDS,
FAMILIES AND
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TRUST FOR
DEVELOPING
COMMUNITIES

ACTIVE SUSSEX

DOROTHY
STRINGER

VARNDEAN
SCHOOL

HOVE PARK
SCHOOL

LONGHILL

BLATCHINGTON
MILL

PATCHAM HIGH
SCHOOL

CARDINAL
NEWMAN

BACA

THE CONNECTED
HUB

20 SOCIAL CLUBS

RALWAYS TABLE
TENNIS CLUB

THE GRACE EYRE
FOUNDATION

TEAM DOMENICA

THE OUTLOOK
FOUNDATION

SPORT ENGLAND

TABLE TENNIS
ENGLAND

BRIGHTON
WOMEN'S
CENTRE

BLAGGS -
BRIGHTON &
HOVE LESBIAN
& GAY SPORTS
SOCIETY

COMIC RELIEF

BRIGHTON &
DISTRICT TABLE
TENNIS LEAGUE

MACMILLAN

LEVELLING THE
FIELD WOMEN'S
PROJECT

FRIENDS,
FAMILIES
AND
TRAVELLERS

THE DOWN'S
SYNDROME
ASSOCIATION

SPORTS UNION
OF DOWN'S
SYNDROME

FIRST BASE DAY
CENTRE
FOR STREET
HOMELESS
PEOPLE

BRIGHTON
HOUSING TRUST

THE BAILEY
THOMAS
FOUNDATION

CLUB
SESSIONS

47



BTTTC SESSIONS

RUN WITH OUR PARTNERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

ST LUKE'S
PRIMARY
SCHOOL

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PATCHING LODGE
SHELTERED
HOUSING

BRIGHTON &
HOVE COUNCIL
SPORTS
DEVELOPMENT
TEAM

ACTIVE FOR LIFE

HMP HIGH DOWN

HMP DOWN VIEW

MILLVIEW
PSYCHIATRIC
HOSPITAL

REGENCY WARD

PAVILION WARD

SUSSEX
PARTNERSHIP
NHS
FOUNDATION
TRUST

CLUB
OUTREACH
SESSIONS

15 JOINT
PROJECTS

9 CLOSE
PARTNERS

BRIGHTON TABLE TENNIS CLUB
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted Capital £	Restricted Income £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:						
Donations	2	753	-	-	753	9,943
Other Trading Income	3	80,817	-	-	80,817	63,424
Charitable Activities	4	<u>16,454</u>	<u>103,503</u>	<u>99,492</u>	<u>219,449</u>	<u>26,608</u>
TOTAL INCOME		<u>98,024</u>	<u>103,503</u>	<u>99,492</u>	<u>301,019</u>	<u>99,975</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Raising funds	5	3,823	-	-	3,823	1,415
Charitable activities	6	<u>110,152</u>	<u>4,635</u>	<u>34,000</u>	<u>148,787</u>	<u>82,301</u>
		<u>113,975</u>	<u>4,635</u>	<u>34,000</u>	<u>152,610</u>	<u>83,716</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(15,951)	98,868	65,492	148,409	16,259
FUND BALANCES B/FWD		<u>16,259</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,259</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCES C/FWD		<u>308</u>	<u>98,868</u>	<u>65,492</u>	<u>164,668</u>	<u>16,259</u>

These are an extract from the full accounts which can be obtained from the BTTC office.
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TOURNAMENT SUCCESSES

UK DOWN'S SYNDROME NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Harry Fairchild, Andrew Tonkin & Chris O'Flinn won Gold, Silver & Bronze.

Team GB (all from BTTC) finished 4th in the Team Event at the Sports Union of Down's Syndrome World Championships in Portugal. Harry Fairchild won Gold in the Men's Doubles.

Farhad Barakzai won Silver in the UK Sanctuary Games for Refugees

CORBYN AT BTTC

“ I really enjoyed meeting the staff and team at Brighton Table Tennis Club. It's a club of hope, it's a place of sanctuary, it's a place of joy and it's place of opportunity. Clubs like this our vital to our local communities. They are committed to helping those who need it. Inspirational work. Well done Brighton Table Tennis Club!

Jeremy Corbyn
Labour party leader



BTTC TEAM

TRUSTEES

BILL RANDALL

JOSEPH PATTERSON

LINDA BEANLANDS

PETE WEST

TONY TREGEAR

STAFF

TIM HOLTAM

Founder Director

PEDRO SANTOS

Head Coach

NICK KREEL

Head of Community

JANE RIMMINGTON

Administrator

WEN WEI XU

Founder Coach

SOPHIE HARRIS

PingLish Teacher

LUCIE FAIRCHILD

PingMaths Coach

RAFFAELA KURZ

Elite Coach

GERALYN MEYLER

RicochetPlus

Women's Coach

BRANDON BENNETT

Coach

FRANCESCO FASSARI

Coach

CALEB YULE

Director of Film and Media

SARAH COPE

Impact Manager

RACHEL KUPPER

Facilities

CHRISTYLER

Auditor

VOLUNTEERS

GARY VIDGEON

Facilities Manager

HARRY FAIRCHILD

Coach

IAN FOWLDS

Coach

IAIN GEORGE

Coach

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Table Tennis Club

“ALONE WE CAN DO
SO LITTLE, TOGETHER
WE CAN DO SO MUCH.”

Helen Keller

“SO HYPED
FOR THIS PING
PONG TING !!!!!”

Isaac Lodge

Facebook review

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