

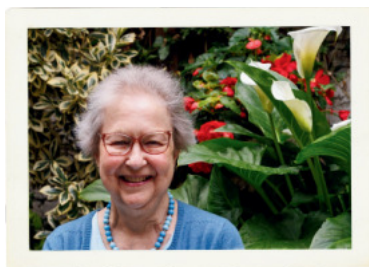


ANNUAL REPORT 2023

HENRIETTA REMEMBERED

Henrietta's loss to not only the Charity but the wider Battersea community will be felt by all....

Col Martin Stratton
CBE reflects ...



BATTERSEA SUMMER SCHEME 2023

Catch up with all our activities from last year...



BATTERSEA BALL 2023

Read more about our amazing evening last year and how to join the fun in 2024...



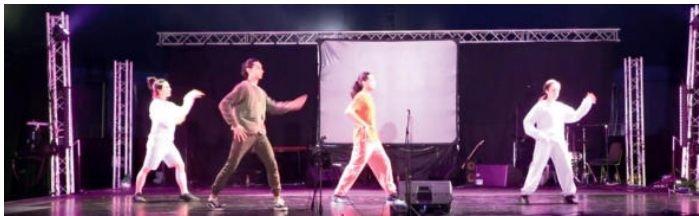
WHAT WE DO AND WHY

For nearly 40 years Battersea Crime Prevention Panel has been awarding grants to local Battersea and Balham initiatives. The main criteria is a strong crime prevention or reduction element. From fish and chip lunches for the older community to mini buses and mentoring we have supported hundreds of projects as well as funding the administrative costs of our own project Battersea Summer Scheme. We cannot do this without your support and the annual Battersea Ball which was as fantastic as ever.

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crime prevention panel

making battersea a better place to live, work and play.

Battersea Crime Prevention Panel has been initiating and supporting crime-reduction and crime-prevention projects in the Battersea and Balham areas for over 35 years. We work with Wandsworth Council, the Metropolitan Police, local businesses, community groups and youth clubs. We are supported entirely by voluntary donations including the proceeds of the Battersea Ball. If you are interested in getting involved with our work or would like more information please get in touch: chair@bcpp.co.uk

PANEL MEMBERS

The Panel meets monthly and is made up of members of the general public, representatives from the Council and Police. We are always looking for new panel members so if you would like to be involved please contact: chair@bcpp.co.uk

"I am the Borough Commander of Wandsworth Borough. I am very grateful to Battersea Crime Prevention Panel, their partners and supporters for all the work they do in Battersea supporting our community."



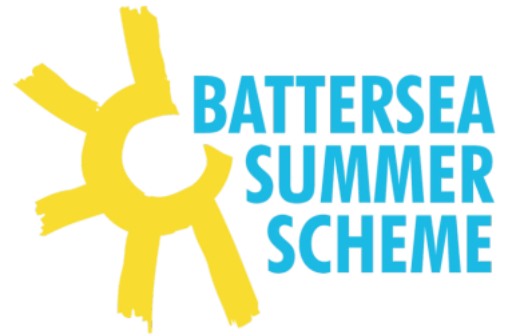
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We had another busy and fun summer with trips and residentials for young people in Battersea and Balham. Sport in the Park changed its name to the Big Play Out and this year we teamed up with Enable who run the Borough's open spaces and SMART Events who run Evolution London in Battersea Park. For the first time, we were partially inside for this wonderful week and so not badly weather affected. Everyone enjoyed being busy again and there were lots of happy smiling faces!

2023 COMPETITIONS

Sadly, due to some unforeseen circumstances, we were not able to run our Come Dine With Me and Battersea Bake Off competitions. These were highly popular in previous years and we are keen to run them again this year.

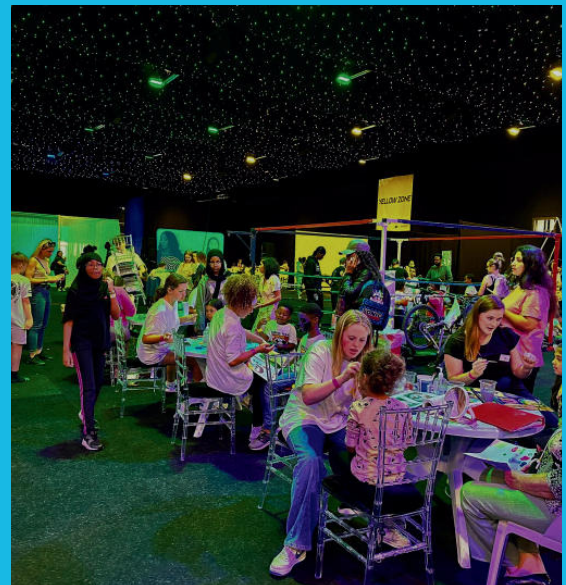


BIG PLAY OUT



There was an exciting change to this year's programme when we joined forces with Enable and Smart Events to bring the Big Play Out. Replacing Sport in the Park, we supported the week with many of our old friends joining us again, the climbing wall, Airhedz circus skills, boxing, tae kwondo and of course Garg and the Sky Birds to name but a few. An incredible week with over 7,000 people through the doors, a lot of hard work but it was fantastic. We will be partners in the Big Play Out again this year from 29th July -2nd August 2024. Look out for more information and save the dates!

We cannot thank our young, corporate and community volunteers enough for all their support at the Big Play Out, we could not have managed without you. If you would be interested in joining us this year, please do get in touch: bss@bcpp.co.uk



DAY TRIP PLACES

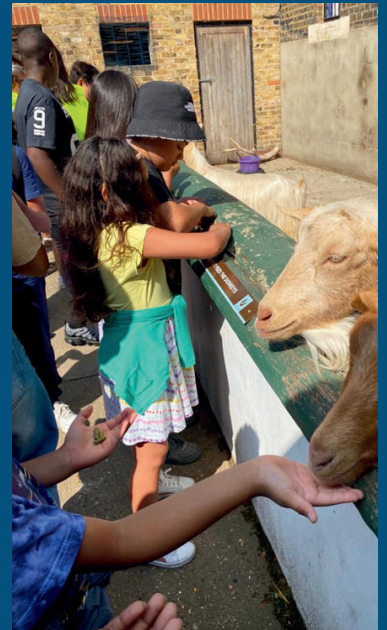


We work very closely with local youth groups, Wandsworth Borough Council youth services and young offending teams to reach those people most in need.

This year we had over 2,500 day trips to numerous destinations. As ever trips to the beach were very popular and enjoyed by all. For many this was a first and there was a lot of laughter. Shells were collected and splashy paddling encouraged!

Adventure Island with its associated beach was again well visited. Other activities included outdoor challenge courses, water challenge venues, rock climbing trampolining and skiing. Also GoApe in Battersea Park which was generously donated by them.

This year we had two residentials to a farm in Devon, two trips to Bewl Water with lots of water based activities and to an activity centre in Buckinghamshire. For many this is their first time away from home and it is a great opportunity to boost their confidence and interact positively with both peers and mentors. They take on challenging activities which broaden their horizons and develop their independence and confidence.



ACCOUNTS 2023 – 2024



We are extremely grateful to all our individual donors, charitable organisations and businesses who respond to our appeal letters thereby enabling us to run all the activities in this report.

The mental health and wellbeing of the young people of Battersea and Balham is at the forefront of our minds. We want to ensure that every young person in the clubs we work with has the opportunity to take part in an activity, day trip or residential trip.

Your continued support would ensure we can keep our promises to the clubs, we can keep on expanding our summer programme and help the young people to gain some valuable support and mentoring. It is all about having fun and learning new skills and enabling them to make better life choices.

To support us, please go to our website and follow the links to Total Giving or scan the QR code below and PLEASE if you can tick the Gift Aid box.



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Or you can send us a cheque in the enclosed envelope:

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Summary Accounts for Battersea Summer Scheme

	2020 – 2021	2021 - 2022	2022 - 2023	2023 - 2024
Income				
Bank Interest	0	0	0	0
Big Play Out	5,000	0	0	3,500
Trips Income	0	16,383	29,280	18,837
Trust Donation~	9,750	27,338	16,255	9,650
Corporate Donation~	1,006	1,018	594	494
Public Donation	47,302	36,509	34,801	32,202
Gift Aid	10,360	8,435	6,830	8,337
BCPP	34,000	17,000	17,000	30,000
Total Income	107,418	106,683	104,760	103,020
Expense Categories				
Big Play Out Costs	0	0	6,735	23,757
Day Trips	5,251	49,824	71,849	62,268
Residential Trips	1,624	18,974	9,825	19,077
General Office	6,269	7,355	9,808	10,480
Salaries inc HMRC & Pension	27,116	26,950	28,874	30,540
Total Expense	40,260	103,103	127,091	146,122
Income less Expenditure	67,158	3,580	-22,331	-43,102

Note:

The figures quoted are an overview of our income and expenditure.

A full copy of the accounts is available on request from the office.

~ Excludes ring fenced donations towards specific projects



BATTERSEA BALL 2023



The famous Battersea Ball, our main fundraising event for both the Charity and Battersea Summer Scheme, was held at Evolution in Battersea Park and was a huge success with nearly 950 attendees dressed up in their finery to celebrate all that is best about the community in Battersea. They were also in a generous party mood and raised an amazing £56,000 for the charity.

This years Ball is on Friday 22nd November and promises to be even bigger and better than last year. Make sure that you put the date in your dairy and keep an eye out on our website (sign up for alerts) and socials for further information.

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS, SPONSORS & VOLUNTEERS

If you like what we do and want to support your local community, why not be involved in this year's Ball?

We are also always looking for volunteers, sponsors or new committee members to help with some of our other activities.

To find out more go to
www.batterseaball.org.uk or
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HENRIETTA CROKER POOLE MBE



The Trustees were saddened in October by the death of an indefatigable and gracious founder Panel Member, Henrietta Croker Poole MBE. She devised and ran the ambitious Summer Scheme in 1988 which increased in size, scope and content every year and provided summer and other challenging activities for some 5'000 young and teenagers of the area. She was also a founder of the fundraising Battersea Ball which grew to raise in excess of £55,000 a year. She remained a key member of the Panel till she died. Her commitment and endeavours were recognised through the Person of the Year Award by Wandsworth Council and subsequently the MBE awarded by HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Col Martin Stratton CBE
Trustee and former Chair of the Panel

Henrietta was an extraordinary individual who brought joy, compassion, and inspiration into the lives of so many. Her dedication and enthusiasm as a member of the Battersea Summer Scheme Teams were truly remarkable.



Henrietta is one of the most wonderful souls I have met, full of energy and smiles. No matter what the stresses were here at the office, she changed the mood as soon as she walked in through our doors. I feel very privileged to have met somebody like her and am deeply saddened by this news.

