

The Brunswick Club for Young People



**Annual Report
2021**



*Liberation day, prisoner of war camp
Oflag 79, Brunswick, Germany*

From 1945

The Brunswick Club for Young People Chairman's Report 2021

From January to March 2021, The Brunswick Club was closed because of Lockdown 3. As in previous lockdowns, we made our pitch available for family exercise. A popular move, with more than 50 families and over 200 children benefiting from use of the space. In April 2021, we restarted face-to-face delivery: evening football sessions and our Senior Youth Club at the beginning of the month; a 1-week Junior Easter Holiday Scheme in the middle of the month; and our Junior Youth Club at the end of the month.

In delivering these activities we followed the Covid-19 guidelines, issued by the National Youth Agency and the Football Association, for the safe delivery of youth activities during the pandemic. Although there were no longer any legal restrictions on group sizes, both organisations continued to advise caution, so we continued to limit the number of children and young people who could attend.

We also made three major changes to our delivery methods. We moved our Thursday evening Senior Youth Club to Saturday nights, the first weekend opening of a youth club at The Brunswick Club for over 30 years. We limited attendance on our Junior Holiday Activity Schemes to a maximum of three days per week per child, so doubling the number of children who could benefit. And Covid-related changes to our Junior Youth Club - reduced session times, limited numbers, pre-booking required, one activity per session, free entry, and free food - now became the norm.

The rest of the year had its occasional difficulties, as we tried to stay abreast of ever-changing pandemic regulations, and it had its worries, as children and staff were affected by Covid. Overall, however, it was a slow, but constant journey back towards normality. By the end of the year, things had certainly changed, but the feel of The Brunswick Club was now closer to how it used to be pre-pandemic, than how it was at the beginning of the year.

Financially, we remain secure. We ended 2021 with a net income of £80,458, our investments increased in value by £80,227, and we began 2022 with a high level of reserves. Sufficient, we believe, to cope with any problems caused by the developing cost of living crisis and impending energy price rises.

I would like to thank the Chairman of the Management Committee, Boris Dunning, the other members of the Management Committee, and the Trustees of The Brunswick Club, for their dedicated service throughout the year. I would like to thank the Club Manager, Danny Volino, the Fundraising & Development Worker, Piers Player, and the rest of the staff team, for their continuous hard work. And I would like to thank the children and young people who come to the Club, and their families and friends, whose unwavering support help make The Brunswick Club the special place that it is.

And finally, although the year ended well for the Club, it began in sadness with the passing of Mr John Bird, a long-standing member of the Management Committee. John's 65-year association with the Club began in 1955 when he joined as a PT and Games Instructor. He will be best remembered for his single-handed running of the Club's summer football tournament for over 35 years. He joined the Club's Management Committee in the early 1990s and was still an active member up until the day he died. In everything that he did, John was a true gentleman, kind and caring to everyone he met. His energy, enthusiasm, and sheer dogged determination should be an inspiration to us all. God bless you, Mr Bird, you are a true Brunswick legend.

**Nick Browne
Chairman**



John Bird, 19th June 1923 – 21st January 2021

to 1949



*The original Brunswick Club,
two Nissen huts in the heart of Fulham*

to 2021



*Brunswick Under 12s, showing
off their new jackets*

The Brunswick Club for Young People 2021

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Brunswick 4 Life, Friends For Ever

The Brunswick Club for Young People 2021

Review of Activities

Following the end of Lockdown 3 in March 2021, the Club was open seven days a week for the remaining nine months of the year. We offered a variety of activities and services, including:

- a three night a week Senior Youth Club;
- a two night a week Junior Youth Club;
- a two night a week Junior and Senior Table Tennis Club;
- competitive football teams at seven different age levels, from Under 9s to Under 16s;
- six weeks of activities for Junior Club members during half-term and school holidays; and
- two weeks of activities for Senior Club members during the Summer holidays.

In the nine months we were open we also played host to Kixstar Dragon Taekwondo, the Fulham Junior Chess Club, Little Kickers, Aspire FC, Fulham Lions FC, Tiny Feet Sports, and Samba Soccer Schools, all of whom provided regular sessions for children and young people in their respective fields.

Highlights

To a certain extent, given the difficulties of the previous year, the fact that the Club was open for nine months was the biggest highlight of 2021. Other achievements include:

- 948 children and young people coming through the Club's doors at an average of 67 per day;
- 212 children attending six weeks of Junior holiday activity schemes at an average of 41 per day;
- 133 young people attending two weeks of Senior holiday activity schemes at an average of 42 per day;
- 200 children and young people enjoying food, inflatables, and fun at our annual children and young people's Christmas party;
- 123 young people attending an October 2021 Mental Health Awareness Day event organised in partnership with Fulham FC Foundation and attended by Fulham FC footballers; and
- nine young people receiving Jack Petchey Achievement Awards for their voluntary contribution across the full range of Club activities.

Plans for the future

Our plans for 2022 are to continue providing a wide range of services for the children and young people of Fulham, including:

- a welcome return to Hindleap Warren Outdoor Education and Activity Centre for the whole Club in early January;
- weekend football tours to Bognor Regis for four Brunswick football teams in late April / early May;
- a 9-week programme of Holiday Activities, including much-missed day trips to the seaside and local theme parks, for our Junior and Senior Club members during the half term and school holidays; and
- the delivery of a high-quality programme of on-site and off-site activities for the children and young people of Fulham for the full 12 months!

Cost of living crisis

We are monitoring the impact of the developing cost of living crisis on our members and, as a result, continue to provide most of our services free of charge. We are aware of the impact on the Club's finances that would be caused by the predicted rise in energy prices. However, we believe these will be moderated by government intervention. If that does not materialise, we are confident we have sufficient reserves to cope should the crisis continue.



Go Karting, Senior Holiday Scheme, August 2021

The Brunswick Club Trust

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				
Donations and legacies				
Donations	18,180	-	18,180	2,178
Members' subscriptions	22,290	-	22,290	18,542
New Generation Giving	5,631	-	5,631	9,326
Grants receivable and released	34,232	-	34,232	34,071
Charitable activities				
Club activities and trips	1,706	-	1,706	13,742
Grants and service level agreement for youth work	-	162,088	162,088	140,641
Other trading activities				
Lettings and pitch hire	78,028	-	78,028	55,294
Vending machines	7,800	-	7,800	6,806
Investments	11,177	-	11,177	9,906
Total income	179,044	162,088	341,132	290,506
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Raising funds				
Fundraising and publicity	12,418	-	12,418	11,880
Charitable Activities				
Club activities and trips	91,986	131,231	223,217	220,642
Other				
Lettings and pitch hire	16,144	5,105	21,249	20,487
Vending machines	3,790	-	3,790	3,345
Building refurbishment	-	-	-	11,591
Total expenditure	124,338	136,336	260,674	267,945
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	54,706	25,752	80,458	22,561
Other recognised gains/(losses)				
Realised gains/(losses) on investments	7,107	-	7,107	3,074
Unrealised gains/(losses) on investments	73,120	-	73,120	35,073
Net movement in funds	134,933	25,752	160,685	60,708
Funds brought forward: 1 January 2021	857,686	6,980	864,666	803,958
Funds carried forward: 31 December 2021	992,619	32,732	1,025,351	864,666

The Brunswick Club Trust

Statement of financial position as at 31 December 2021

		2021		2020
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets		82,052		82,052
Investments		757,605		587,283
Total fixed assets		839,657		669,335
Current assets				
Debtors	4,187		2,939	
Cash at bank and in hand	194,750		211,953	
Total current assets	198,937		214,892	
Current liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13,243		19,561	
Net current assets		185,694		195,331
Total assets less current liabilities		1,025,351		864,666
The funds of the charity:				
Restricted funds		32,732		6,980
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	530,098		505,327	
Designated funds	462,521		352,359	
Total charity funds		992,619		857,686
		1,025,351		864,666

Copies of the full accounts are available on request or can be downloaded from our website:

www.thebrunswickclub.org.uk



Parachute games, Junior Holiday Scheme, August 2021

HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh (1921-2021)

Everyone at The Brunswick Club was saddened by the death of His Royal Highness Prince Phillip. Prince Phillip was a great supporter of The Brunswick Club. He attended the official opening in July 1949; he re-visited in July 1972 for the opening of the extension to the Club; and he visited again in May 2000 for our 50th Anniversary celebrations (all pictured below). We would like to take this opportunity to thank HRH Prince Phillip not only for his support of The Brunswick Club but also for his service to the entire nation. He will be greatly missed.



Hindleap Warren 2023 Appeal



High wires at Hindleap Warren

Since 1945 the support the Club has received from the founders, their families, past members and friends, has made it possible for us to provide an excellent range of services and activities for the children of Hammersmith & Fulham and beyond. In the current economic climate, our need for financial support remains as pressing as ever.

This is especially true as the cost-of-living crisis begins to hit the income of the families whose children come to the Brunswick. We are currently providing most of our youth club activities for free. We won't be able to do this forever. However, with your support, we will still be able to keep the fees we charge to a minimum.

It costs us just over £2,000 a week to provide Junior and Senior Youth Club sessions; it costs us just over £6,000 a week to provide Junior and Senior holiday activity schemes; and it costs us just over £9,000 to take 80+ children and young people to Hindleap Warren Outdoor Activity Centre on our annual winter weekend residential.

We raise the money to pay for these activities from rental income and sales, contracts with the Council, grants from charitable trusts, donations from companies and individuals, and children's fees – and the more we raise from all the other sources, the less we have to charge the children. So, please, help us to keep children's fees as low as possible. Use the form on the inside back page to donate to our Hindleap Warren 2023 Appeal. Every little bit helps. Thank you.



Working together at Hindleap Warren

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The Brunswick Club Trust

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Our aim is to keep children and young people positively occupied during their leisure time. Our goal is to help the children of today become the responsible young adults of tomorrow. If you would like to support us with a donation, please complete and return this form to the address below.

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The Brunswick Club 2021



*Liquid Leisure, Senior Holiday Scheme,
August 2021*

The parents' / carers' view:

"Knowing my child is being active, having fun in a safe environment, while I can work without having to pay extortionate childcare fees... Brunswick is a lifeline."

"The kids love the staff and enjoy spending time with their friends. My younger son, in particular, has gained so much confidence in himself."

"My daughter absolutely loves it, thank you all so much."



*Jack Petchey Youth Achievement
Award Winner, November 2021*

The Junior Members' view:

"It keeps you fit, and you make new friends."

"You get to learn things about football, and you get better at it!"

"There are kind people here and it is fun to do."

"I learnt how to work together in a team."



*Dodgeball, Junior Holiday Scheme,
August 2021*

The Senior Members' view:

"Brunswick helps young people get out and about, meeting new people, improving socialising skills, pursuing hobbies."

"It gives you something to do and keeps you healthy and fit and out of trouble."

"It gets young people off the streets and makes them more confident."

"Brunswick keeps young people active and helps them have a lot of fun."

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