

SOUTHERN BOX LACROSSE (SBL)

England & Wales · Charity number 1183368

Details

Other names	SBL, SOUTHERN BOX
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2019-05-10
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION BY ADVANCING THE SPORT OF BOX LACROSSE, AND OF LACROSSE AS WHOLE, IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.

Activities: We promote community participation in healthy recreation by advancing the sport of Box Lacrosse, and of Lacrosse as a whole. To this end, we deliver inclusive opportunities to learn the sport on a monthly basis under the guidance of international coaches, and supplement this with the provision of match days and opportunities to play in tournaments in the UK and abroad.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals
- **What:** Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hampshire
- Hertfordshire
- Oxfordshire
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	-	-	-	-
2023-08-31	£19,957	£17,788	-	-
2022-08-31	£4,799	£3,658	-	-
2021-08-31	£0	£137	-	-
2020-08-31	£8,359	£4,823	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Luke Wylie BSc	Chair	2019-05-10
Robert John Bergius Clark		2019-05-10

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SG142QD

TRUSTEES:

Luke Wylie - Chair
John Pordum - Secretary
Rob Clark - Treasurer

Object:

“To promote community participation in healthy recreation by advancing the sport of Box Lacrosse, and of Lacrosse as a whole, in the United Kingdom, with particular emphasis on the South of England.”

Structure Overview

During the 2022/23 period, SBL's trustees remained the key volunteers for planning and carrying out operations. As such, our structure remains as a board of trustees, with informal working groups operating underneath, for planning and delivery of objectives.

Sam Perry stepped away from the board of Trustees in February 2023, but will continue on as a volunteer to run the 'Capitals' house team - continuing his work in organising playing opportunities for UK players abroad.

We still sit in partnership with SEMLA (South of England Men's Lacrosse Association), to meet our objectives and maximise volunteers available.

We had no change to the board and operational structure this year, as we felt that our levels matched the current needs of the organisation, particularly during a time where the pandemic affected our ability to operate our usual sessions.

Objectives

We identified our objectives for the year as being:

- Launch a Women's program (to run alongside our existing 'mixed' program)
- Utilise the enthusiasm surrounding the European Championships to drive new participants in sessions
- Provide more match play opportunities
- Launch the a domestic league

Performance

Participation

263 registered players since May 2018. Session data has total of unique users at 315 across our lifetime.

SBL has noted that our data collection and player registration methods are very basic and need to be improved to help better track growth. Identification of new players/player groups has been done, but is based on anecdotal information/personal judgement, rather than specific analysis.

Examples of areas identified for the coming 2 years are:

- Universities
- London players (as a mid-week evening offering)
- Juniors

Finances

Founding Dept: £5306

Balance (as of Sept 23): £3587.00

Coming out of the tail-end of the effects of COVID19, the organisation has been able to resume its fundraising activities, which has seen an increase in both income and expenditure. Although the income has grown greater relative to expense, leaving SBL in a positive financial position going forward. The board took the opportunity to pay down some of the remaining debt owed to founding Trustees, and to fund the purchasing of new equipment to outfit the women's programme.

Greenlit Projects

I. Box Lacrosse League

The domestic league was finally launched after several years of postponement and delays due to COVID19.

The league was a big success in terms of attendance. It gave a swathe of new players an opportunity to get real and consistent experience in the game under supervision of veteran players and officials.

II. Women's Offering

The 'SBL Ravens' launched in earnest this year, finally fulfilling the organisation's desire to have a dedicated women's team in line with the 'open' SBL Capitals. The team participated in the inaugural 'SHE-BOX' tournament in Prague, as well in several other exhibition games over the summer of '23.

This team has provided the blueprint, and the majority of the player-base for the newly announced women's indoor national team that will be competing in the inaugural world indoor championships next summer.

Additional Information

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Southern Box Lacrosse

Financial Activities

September 2022 - August 2023

	TOTAL
Income	
Donations and legacies	3,025.53
Sales	15,741.60
Uncategorised Income	1,190.00
Total Income	£19,957.13
TOTAL	£19,957.13
Expenditures	
Advertising/Promotional	963.34
Computer Costs	207.33
Facility Hire	3,301.28
Office/General Administrative Expenses	70.83
Other Professional Services	6,458.81
Raising funds	556.08
Refund	267.50
Supplies	1,609.16
Tournament Entry	3,955.18
Travel and Accommodation	247.07
Uncategorised Expenditure	152.22
Total Expenditures	£17,788.80
NET OPERATING INCOME	£2,168.33
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£2,168.33

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Objectives

We identified our objectives for the year as being:

- Launch a Women's program (to run alongside our existing 'mixed' program)
- Utilise the enthusiasm surrounding the European Championships to drive new participants in sessions
- Expand our offering to include 'roadshow' events, where we take Box sessions out to different areas of the South, rather than relying on interested participants coming to our centre in Woking.
- Expand our 'home' bases to include the newly identified facility at the Oxford Academy, Oxford.

Performance

Participation

93 registered players since May 2018. Session data has total of unique users at 250 across our lifetime.

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Examples of areas identified for the coming 2 years are:

- Universities
- London players (as a mid-week evening offering)
- Women's Game
- Juniors

Effects of COVID 19

The global pandemic, understandably, had a marked effect on our ability to meet our objectives.

The women's, juniors and league projects were all due to launch between March and June 2020. All were postponed due to government restrictions on sport. Jr section has been placed on hold for now, but the women's program has got firm plans in place for finally being launched in Jan 22.

We were able to hold 3 roadshow events this year, on top of a handful of sessions in our regular facilities. Bristol, Milton Keynes, Oxford and Central London, all were serviced in this period, with the Bristol and MK roadshows providing around 10 brand new participants each.

Finances

Founding Dept: £7412

Balance (as of Sept 21): £268.07

Single largest area of expenditure (after venue hire) is buying Box-specific equipment to be used by participants, and this trend will likely continue during the next phase of SBL's development. We have sufficient equipment to run our sessions for now, but sizing means that we would struggle to outfit similar numbers of players in junior or womens sessions. As such, more outfield protective equipment will be needed for the organisation to be able to successfully sustain a women's program, and a junior program in the future. SBL is committed to the building of a sustainable domestic game, and this includes the appropriate remuneration for referees, and any other support staff. This year we have been able to ensure that referees are properly compensated for their involvement, which has been a big positive step for the game, but has of course had an impact on finances.

Due to the legacy effects of COVID 19, we were unable to run the Tasko cup last summer as was planned. As such the founding debt is still the financial priority moving forward, however we expect to be able to reduce the total down across this year.

Grant funding is being explored to assist with the costs of Junior and women's sessions.

Greenlit Projects

I. Box Lacrosse League

Facility availability during the winter months prevented us playing the league over the timeframe we felt was needed for this project to be a success, and as such we have made an advance booking for the league to run Dec 22-Jan23.

The structure has been adjusted slightly to better suit the growing needs of the community, with it now being planned to be played across the winter break period. This gives better availability for all involved, as there won't be any clashes with the Field Lacrosse season, which is on it's winter break.

Full details of how the league will run can be found in the league founding document, which is available upon request.

II. Women's Offering

Another casualty of COVID 19, the Women's programme project has had it's progress slowed this year, however planning has been finalised for an SBL women's team to attend a tournament in April 22. As such we have got a suite of 3 introductory sessions booked in to provide a pathway for brand new players to learn and then compete in this tournament under the SBL banner.

Additional Information

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Financial Activities

September 2021 - August 2022

	TOTAL
Income	
Donations and legacies	994.86
Sales	3,804.41
Total Income	£4,799.27
TOTAL	£4,799.27
Expenditures	
Advertising/Promotional	340.63
Computer Costs	137.67
Facility Hire	81.25
Office/General Administrative Expenses	651.24
Other Professional Services	311.00
Refund	160.00
Supplies	732.53
Tournament Entry	819.26
Travel and Accommodation	288.59
Uncategorised Expenditure	136.17
Total Expenditures	£3,658.34
NET OPERATING INCOME	£1,140.93
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£1,140.93

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2020-21

16/10/2021

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We still sit in partnership with SEMLA (South of England Men’s Lacrosse Association), to meet our objectives and maximise volunteers available.

We looked to expand the board during this year, both to expand the internal skillset, and in advance of Mackenzie Peace stepping away from the organisation in September. A job listing was put out via our media channels, trustee WoM and channels and via the England Lacrosse website. We received no applications and so closed the process to re-evaluate options.

Objectives

We identified our objectives for the year as being:

- Launch a Women’s program (to run alongside our existing ‘mixed’ program)
- Launch a Juniors program
 - Including upskilling our trustees and volunteers to meet the safeguarding needs of this project
 - Including acquiring sufficient equipment to outfit juniors
- Establish the UK’s first Box Lacrosse league, to provide an exit route for those engaged with our outreach efforts.
- Grow our store of equipment to include full sets of pads, so we could better meet the needs of new players

Performance

Participation

93 registered players since May 2018. Session data has total of unique users at 250 across our lifetime.

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Effects of COVID 19

The global pandemic, continued to have a marked effect on our ability to meet our objectives.

The women's, juniors and league projects were further postponed due to government restrictions on sport, and have a relaunch date due to uncertainty around future regulations.

There was no 'SBL' Roadshow for 2021 – and next to no participation or costs were involved during the 2020-21 period.

Finances

Founding Dept: £7412

Balance (as of May 2020): £3033.56

There was no income during the 2020-21 period, with very little outgoings, mainly those costs to service the ongoing license fees.

I. The Tasko Cup 2021

Was scheduled to be played over 31st July-2nd August. In light of the COVID19 situation, the event has been postponed. Replacement dates are being explored but will likely fall in the Dec/Jan window (2021) to avoid conflicts with other tournaments and the field season.

II. Women's Offering

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The 2 sessions planned had 70 registered participants, with a female equivalent to the SBL Capitals (not officially announced as of yet) due to attend a tournament in April as a follow up.

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September 2020 - August 2021

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Income	
Donations & Legacies	0.00
Sales	0.00
Total Income	0.00
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Expenditure	
Advertising	0.00
Computer Costs	137.67
Hire	0.00
Other	0.00
Total Expenditure	137.67
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Net Income/(Expenditure)	(137.67)

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The women's, juniors and league projects were all due to launch between March and June 2020. All were postponed due to government restrictions on sport, and are yet to be given a relaunch date due to uncertainty around future regulations.

In spite of this, we were able to deliver adapted outdoor sessions in 5-a-side cages in Milton Keynes and London (in the short window of autumn 2020 when this was permitted). These sessions were well received as an opportunity to get back out participating in physical activity after lockdown, and as a more geographically accessible means of participating in our outreach efforts. 60 people attended across both sessions, with roughly 25% of these being new participants. Following on from the success of these events, the board opted to greenlight the 'SBL' Roadshow for 2021 - a series of outreach events in different areas of the South, away from our usual base in Woking, to continue this theme of taking the opportunity to participate in healthy physical activity via Box out to the people, rather than asking them to come to us.

Finances

Founding Dept: £7412

Balance (as of May): £3033.56

Single largest area of expenditure (after venue hire) is buying Box-specific equipment to be used by participants, and this trend will likely continue during the next phase of SBL's development. We now have 3 full sets of Goalkeeper pads (which has been a significant financial investment), but much more outfield protective equipment will be needed for the organisation to be able to successfully sustain a women's program, and a junior program in the future. SBL is committed to the building of a sustainable domestic game, and this includes the appropriate remuneration for referees, and any other support staff. As such this is another cost that is being integrated into budgeting of events.

Projected income from all three projects set for 2020 was due to be enough to clear all founding debt owed to the trustees. As such, we are in a period of financial consolidation. Steady income from our sessions over the last 3 years had put us within distance of clearing the founding debt (owed to the 3 founders, 0% interest, no set payment date or other terms - including early repayment). However, the impact of COVID meant that we took the decision to deliver the Milton Keynes and London sessions in Autumn of 2020 for free. Aside from the postponed 2020 projects, the board has decided to focus on clearing the organisation's debt, before additional high cost or capital projects are pursued. We plan to take temporary ownership of the long running 'Tasko Cup' this coming year, as a commercial project to generate sufficient revenue to meet this goal.

Grant funding is being explored to assist with the costs of Junior and women's sessions.

Greenlit Projects

I. Box Lacrosse League

Was initially due to launch in May of this year, but was postponed in February due to the COVID19 crisis. The replacement date has been provisionally set for Dec 2021.

The league aims to build upon the success of the 'Resolution' series of match days, offering a competitive outlet for Box. This is in contrast to our more education focused training events.

At the start, the league will consist of 3 teams, all owned and operated by SBL. The league will consist of 4 match days, played across 4 months. Teams will be decided by a draft and supported by a trading system.

Full details of how the league will run can be found in the league founding document, which is available upon request.

II. The Tasko Cup 2020

Was scheduled to be played over 31st July-2nd August. In light of the COVID19 situation, the event has been postponed. Replacement dates are being explored but will likely fall in the Dec/Jan window (2021) to avoid conflicts with other tournaments and the field season.

The aim is to have the 4 active English box teams and 2 Scottish and Welsh teams, joined by teams from Europe and NA to help elevate the English game to the levels seen on the continent thanks to international tournaments. The total of teams with registered interest in attending currently sits at 10.

Tasko 2020 is also planned to have a women's exhibition tournament, with interest from 4 teams currently.

III. Women's Offering

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Financial Activities
May 2019 - August 2020

	TOTAL
Income	
Donations and legacies	200.00
Sales	7,503.10
Sales of Product Income	656.33
Total Income	£8,359.43
TOTAL	£8,359.43
Expenditures	
Advertising/Promotional	180.22
Computer Costs	251.03
Facility Hire	1,308.34
Office/General Administrative Expenses	143.68
Refund	222.00
Supplies	1,427.49
Tournament Entry	750.56
Travel and Accommodation	540.06
Total Expenditures	£4,823.38
NET OPERATING INCOME	£3,536.05
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£3,536.05