

Budock Water Playing Field Association
Annual report

Another year of mixed results for the Playing field. Our grand plans for a total refurbishment of the park were sent a blow by the project manager pulling out of the project after quite a number of hours being put in by a small group of the committee.

We were however successful in securing £2000 from Tesco Bags for life which we have decided to spend on an outdoor Table Tennis table and a new springer toy for younger users of the playing field.

We have recently received a £200 donation from Pendennis Shipyard and a further £200 from a local resident towards an estimated £1000 amount of tree surgery which is required in the park – in particular some trees overhanging the road. We still require a further estimated £600 and are awaiting further quotes.

As well as donations of materials from Travis Perkins, we were also given £400 towards a new notice board from Cornwall Council's Community fund through the help of John Bastion.

We have been very grateful for all the contributions this year.

Our events have proved successful from a participation point of view (Christmas tree lightup, Easter Egg hunt, Summer Fun day) although their fundraising capacity was fairly limited. We have held a few film evenings (through Cornish charity - CFyIm) which have been successful when advertised appropriately.

Over the past year we have suffered, together with other village facilities, from vandalism in the park. We had incidents of broken glass being deliberately placed at the bottom of slides and benches being damaged. Recently the large rocking horse has had wood jammed into the mechanism which has stopped it working. How this is resolved we are unsure but are obviously keen to work with other agencies in the village in an effort to try and limit any future damage .

We have lost a couple of members but gained a couple too. The Chairman, is standing down shortly and it is hoped that others from the committee will be able to step in. He is hopeful to be able to continue helping on the committee if time allows.