



LANCASHIRE BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

Registered Charity No: 521362

WHO WE ARE! 2019



STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

LABGC is a vibrant voluntary youth organisation operating across the palatine of Lancashire since 1934.

We support a diverse network of over 100 member boys & girls clubs, youth and community organisation, boxing clubs and other activity clubs who provide positive activities on a weekly basis with over 10,000 children and young people.

Our direct delivery programme provides opportunities for county wide engagement of young people including competitive opportunities that progress into National events and competitions.

Our aim is to present our offer that fully reflects our commitment to supporting our member clubs and other groups working with young people.

MISSION STATEMENT

To inspire and enable all young people, especially those considered to be disadvantaged, to realise their potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens.

VISION

To assist and support clubs in providing a safe and exciting club for young people in which they can participate in a range of activities and develop through positive experiences.

- Where they can make new friends and learn about themselves and realise their potential as responsible citizens in their community.
- To maximise the resources of the Association by working in conjunction with its member clubs and the national organisation to achieve its purpose.
- When available, we will share our experience and facilities for the benefit of youth organisations throughout Lancashire.

CORE BELIEFS

By supporting member clubs, together we will be able to provide young people with:

- An attractive, affordable and planned programme of activities and events
- A safe place to learn and grow
- On-going voluntary relationships with caring adults

MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

LABGC member organisations are at the heart of our work. It is our firm view that the work of LABGC is becoming increasingly more important in light of the recent reduction in financial support of young people's services and the current challenges facing young people and the voluntary services across Lancashire that are there to support them.

To best address these challenges, we know it is vital that we work collaboratively with our member clubs and the wider voluntary youth sector and provide activities and support services that best suits their needs; there have been many successes and achievements over the recent 12 months which is a great testament to the on-going commitment of the association staff, club leaders, staff and volunteers who have shown dedication and resilience in continuing to provide good quality services to young people.

We are proud of our solid network of members who all have a shared commitment to ensuring that together we meet the needs of vulnerable and at risk young people often living in deprived communities across Lancashire to steer them away from negative peer influence and risk taking behaviours and enable them to access positive opportunities and new experiences that support their personal and social development so they may grow into caring and responsible citizens.

PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES:

LABGC are able to offer a wide range of positive activities and support to groups of young people.

GAMES2GO:

Team building **initiative** tests, puzzles problem solving and physical challenges that help participants develop communication skills, reward cooperation and strengthen relationships.

SPORTS2GO:

Offering a wide range of indoor and outdoor sports at your venue from everyday sports like football and basketball to archery, dodgeball, pillow-bashing, boxing and much more.

ARTS2GO:

A plethora of Arts activities positively engaging young peoples' creative side, enabling them to explore issues of interest and express themselves through various Art forms, including digital story-telling

TRAILBLAZERS:

A mountain biking project ran from various locations (to suit the ability of your group) around the North West. Lead by a Level II MIAAS MTB Leader, young people will develop their riding skills and techniques, as well as learning how to perform safety checks on bikes and equipment. It's a great team building opportunity, where participants encourage and learn from each other.

QUADSQUAD:

Educating young people on the hazards of driving without due care and attention, consequences of a lack of concentration, how to identify dangers and use the road safely as a driver, passenger or pedestrian. Tutorial followed by Quad riding tuition, skills assessment and quad trail through challenging terrain.

TURFSURFERS:

Turf Surfers is our All Terrain Boarding activity which is led by a Boarder X Racing Champion and ATBA-UK Instructor. All-Terrain Boarding is a fun and exciting sport. A mix of skating, snowboarding and surfing but without the need for snow or sea, just a grassy hill!

ORMSIDE MILL RESIDENTIAL CENTRE:

18 bed residential centre located in the Eden Valley, near Appleby. [Ormside Mill](#) provides bespoke packages of a range of outdoor adventurous activities and educational programmes, including canoeing, climbing, caving, mountain biking, ghyll scrambling, bushcraft and much, much more.....

COUNTY-WIDE ACTIVITY PROGRAMMES:

Including subsidised access to pool competitions, football & boxing tournaments, winter sports activities, multi-arts days, adventurous challenging residential, summer camps, Club Dine With Me, Club challenges, annual events and much more....

ACCREDITED OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE:

Providing a range of personal social development programmes, including young leaders award, first aid, food safety, sports leaders, along with social action projects, Healthy Hearts & Minds, Dance, Smoothie Bike, Bounce Fit, Think It – Make it and support for young people facing multiple barriers to education, employment and training.

BUILDING BETTER OPPORTUNITIES; INVEST IN YOUTH:

In partnership with SELNET (and around 20 other partner organisations) we provide support for young people facing multiple barriers to education, employment and training. Young people who have low self-esteem and few opportunities to engage positively in society are given 1-1 support along with access to personal, social development opportunities and supported work placements in order to increase their employability and or motivation to continue education or training.

BESPOKE ACTIVITY PROGRAMMES:

DIGITAL STORYTELLING – young people developing short stop frame animated films exploring their view of the world around them

UPCYCLING – developing young people’s creative vision in turning old into new

SOCIAL ACTION – young people identifying local needs in their community and developing a project to support that need.

YOUNG PEOPLE’S ACHIEVEMENT:

Our annual awards ceremony recognises and celebrates young people’s achievements, positive development, contribution, support and engagement along with recognising the commitment and dedication of the teams of volunteers who support them.

VOLUNTEER / STAFF TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:

Supported access to a range of opportunities for workforce development, youth work training, awareness raising and training on specific issues pertinent to work with young people.

EQUIPMENT, RESOURCES AND OTHER BENEFITS:

Minibus, catering trailer, meeting / conference room access to club leaders meetings along with a range of equipment and resources to support your work with young people.

For more information about our services or to offer support, please contact

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