

RUNHALL PLAY AREA

REPORT 2017

Runhall Play Area is still proving popular with a great many people and continues to be managed by a small band of volunteers.

Our last annual RoSPA inspection went well and again only minor issues were raised which are being addressed. The hedges have been trimmed and new fencing erected on The Green side which now completes all the fencing required. We also purchased two new picnic benches which has improved the play area enormously.

We are currently investigating installing a basketball hoop and hope for this to be in place before the summer.

Our committee still remains slim and we are constantly looking for new members.

Our only income is from fundraising and this year we have been extremely lucky again in our bid to receive a parish council grant to cover the cost of our play area insurance and we thank the parish council for this.

Fundraising

We again raffled a Christmas Hamper during the festive season and raised over £150. A donation was also given to the play area in the sum of £300.

In September, we held our first big event "Runfest". Despite the pouring rain everyone had a wonderful time listening to the 'Macarnos' and taking advantage of the bar and BBQ. We raised a staggering £750 profit and due to the wonderful positive feedback, we are again planning another festival with more music on the 1st July.

We continually keep an eye on our purse strings to ensure we are able to pay for the insurance, RoSPA, Play Area Association membership and general expenses for the upkeep of the area to ensure the play area is safe and able to remain open.

Finally, our grateful thanks go to all the volunteers who continually offer their help and support in whatever way they can each year.

LIZ HOLMES - Chair