



Lacey's Gym

In November access community trust gave notice that they would be leaving Boston Lodge.

Boston Lodge needed extensive repairs and it wasn't cost effective. It was then therefore decided that the club needed to find somewhere asap.

The club moved to new body gym on Leyland Court units 3 and 4. Within 3 and half hours. The team stripped the old club and six weeks later we had a basic setup for the club.

We used all existing equipment and have faced many financial challenges. The club was registered as a community Amateur sports club all not for profit.

Lowestoft Boxing academy then registered Lacey's boxing academy as the England boxing amateur boxing. Being the fourth amateur club and the original academy in the area.

Are chosen market is to help people who have a Barrier to sport. This being a financial one. The club secured a sponsor who got 30 pairs of gloves, wraps and skipping ropes which were all donated to young people who didn't have their own. Internal fund raising towards a new boxing ring. It's all in its early stages.

The local mayor Sonia Barker officially opened the club on January 8th. Special mention to her and the new body team for making it happen.

We are actively working with local schools in particular Woods Loke on a purely voluntary basis. The local Army Cadets where two coaches also volunteer there. As well as the 4th Scouts. Reaching out to the local community offering boxing in a purely non contact form.

Bringing the community together.

This year we hope to apply for funding to set up two mobile clubs on the Gunton estate and the Whitton to tackle low level anti social behavior. Target county lines and really engage with young people who are otherwise very bored with nothing to do.

The club is going from Strength to Strength the founder was nominated for a Queens Honor and has been invited to the Royal Garden Party 8th May for services to boxing.

The club is more than a boxing club it's working with a diverse range of people. We do not discriminate on the grounds of your sexual preference or however you identify as. We have trained both gay lesbian, trans ect. Many people of different color and creeds. It's also attracted people who are from Lithuania, Albania, Romania, and Ukraine.

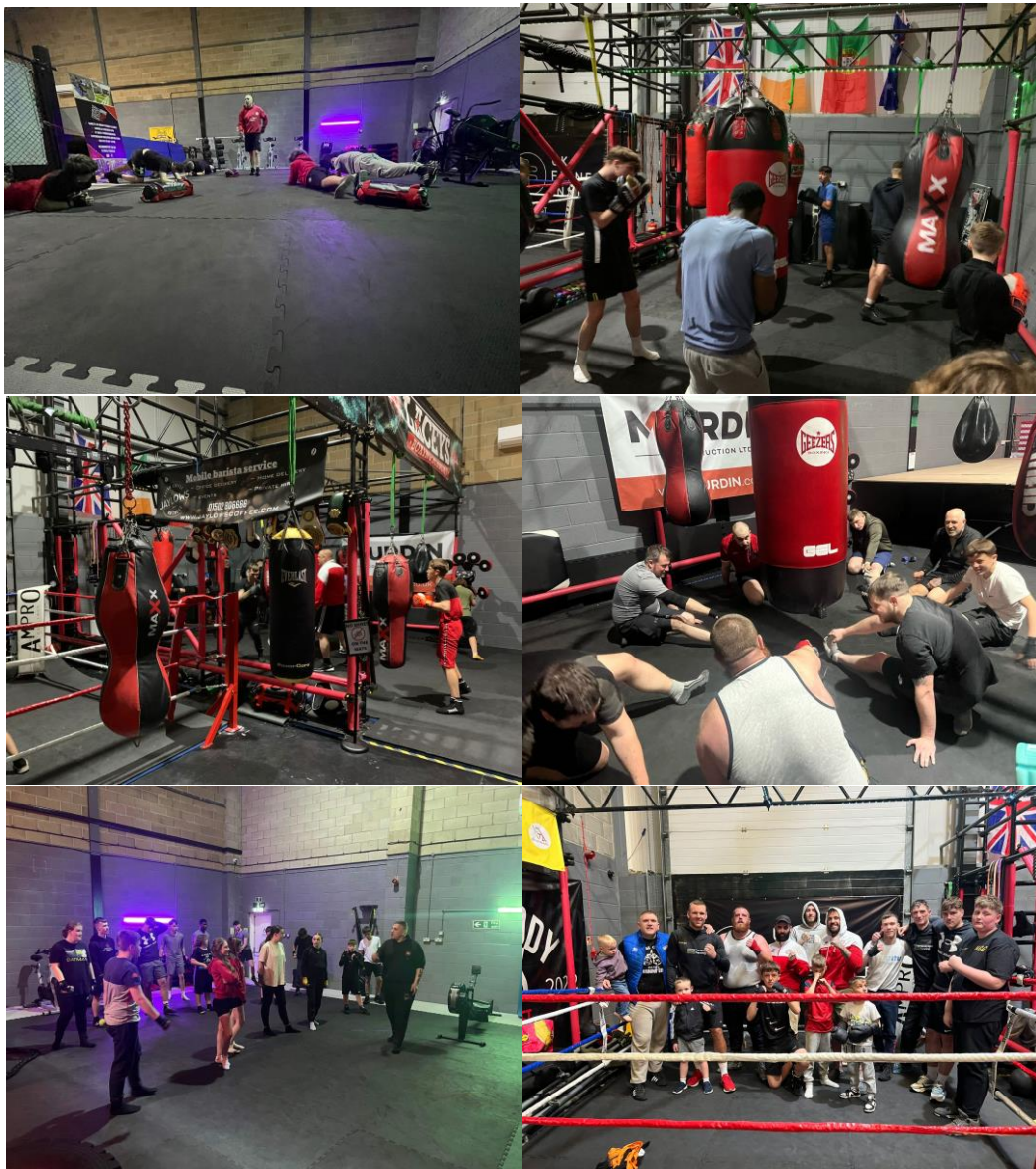
With that diversity and add in our volunteers who are ex servicemen men there is a real sense of community engagement.

The hardest part is securing funding for our projects. More equipment is needed and lack of gloves so many just don't have them. We plan on finishing the 22ft ring adding 12 new bags and getting some more flooring.

It's a working progress and we really enjoy working with the local authorities and council . To help get people fit and healthy.

The proudest achievement this year was from Denim Brooks who 9 months ago turned up to the club. Who was born with cerebral Palsy. Having been turned away from other clubs and sports due to insurance purposes. He passed his medical and in March took part in a adapted boxing demo bout. Completed the three rounds proved he is able bodied and done what he said he wanted to do.

Witness this was the best part of the year how he has over come so many obstacles and is a true fighter. A great ambassador for boxing and our club. A real credit to himself. He is boxing for his first title in July. We are then making a application for him to become a affiliated amateur boxer.






*The Lord Chamberlain is
commanded by His Majesty to invite*

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Poole

*to a Garden Party
at Buckingham Palace
on Wednesday, 8th May, 2024 from 4 to 6 p.m.*