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Balls	£7.00
Ice Packs	£1.00

**Bats – Gray Nicolls, Hunts, and
Newbery's £36.00**

**Coaching Double DVD £23.50
Let's Play Stoolball DVD £19.50**

Promotional items: Car Stickers and Posters to advertise for players

BingoLotto

BingoLotto is a scheme, started in Sweden, which helps grass roots sports. Stoolball England (then the NSA) joined the scheme in a trial period last February and did indeed benefit from it.

BingoLotto is a live one-hour TV Game hosted by Joe Pasquale and Suzanne Shaw. Its unique format allows people who have purchased a BingoLotto Gamecard to watch and play a mix of bingo and Lottery games live from their living rooms. There are up to 100,000 prizes up for grabs each week (including cars, holidays, wide-screen TVs, cash jackpots and much, much, more) and with 1 in 10 Gamecards a winner – the odds are good!

Details of the full launch of BingoLotto are expected very soon and all Stoolball clubs will have the opportunity to join as "Bingo Buddies" which will allow them to sell weekly £2.00 tickets to their members and receive 40p of every ticket sold. For instance, a sale of 50 tickets per week for 52 weeks would yield over £1,000 in a full year, a sum most clubs of leagues would welcome.

SPONSORSHIP

Many Clubs are sponsored through clothing or equipment by local businesses. We would like to pay tribute to all these generous Sponsors by publishing them in our next Spring Newsletter. Please could all clubs let us (The editor, Shirley Reed or Secretary, Kay Price) know either directly or through your local representative the names and businesses of your sponsors.

RESULTS FROM THE 2008 SEASON

CHANCTONBURY LADIES LEAGUE

Established 1972

Team	Played	Won	Lost	D	Points
Aldrington	15	12	3		24
Aldingbourne	15	11	4		22
East Preston	15	10	5		20
Amberley	15	8	6	1	17
Steyning	15	8	6	1	17
Pulborough	16	7	9		14
Burpham	16	6	10		12
Roffey	15	6	9		12
Barnes Green	16	0	16		0

Mr. Vic Laker 01903 814169
Chairman: Sue George 01273 557983

KO Cup Winners Amberley
Runners Up Aldingbourne

SCSA CENTRAL DIVISION (LADIES)

Secretary: Sarah Draper 01444 245159

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Points	Central Junior Division	Pld	Won	Lost	Points
Horsted Keynes	18	18	0	36	Balcombe	6	6	0	12
Lindfield	18	14	4	28	Horsted Keynes	6	4	2	8
Partridge Green	18	14	4	28	Hurstpierpoint	6	2	4	4
Clayton	18	13	5	26	Partridge Green	6	0	6	0
Hurstpierpoint	18	9	9	18					
Blackstone	18	7	11	14					
Bolney	18	6	12	12					
Crawley Down	18	6	12	12					
Balcombe	18	2	16	4					
Cuckfield Village	18	1	17	2					

COASTAL LEAGUE (LADIES)

League Winners East Preston
League Runners Up Aldingbourne

League Runs East Preston
League wickets East Preston
League wickets East Preston

League Wooden Spoon: Burpham

COASTAL MINI LEAGUE – 6 teams

Mini League Winners: Angmering

Runs: Angmering
Run outs: Burpham
Wickets: Aldingbourne
Catches: Aldingbourne

TOURNAMENT: Winners: Slindon Runners Up: Middleton

As always, Coastal Ladies Stoolball League would love to welcome any new teams who may wish to give us a go. Please spread the word. Any new teams wanting help and guidance in our area, please just give them my contact details, we will be only too pleased to help.

SCSA EAST DIVISION (LADIES)

TEAM	Pts
Stone Cross	20
United Friends	19
Burwash	15
Mountfield	13
Little Common	9
Chiddingly	8

Secretary: Mrs. Toni Wheatley 01323 848776

Divisional Tournament Winners : United Friends

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SCSA MID DIVISION (LADIES)

Team	Pld	W	L	Drawn	Points
Ringmer	16	13	2	1	27
Isfield	16	12	4	0	24
Ditchling	16	11	5	0	22
Adastra	16	10	6	0	20
Barcombe	16	8	8	0	16
Plumpton	16	6	10	0	12
Wivelsfield	16	4	11	1	9
Wealdon	16	4	12	0	8
Chailey	16	3	13	0	6

Chairman: Margaret Bertin 01825 769240:
Results Secretary: Pauline Hurley 01273 844265

AUGUST LEAGUE Lily Mead Trophy Winners: Ringmer
Runners Up Isfield

Teams Playing:
Adastra, Barcombe, Chailey, Ditchling, Isfield, Plumpton, Ringmer,
Wealden, Wivelsfield Green.

SCSA NORTH DIVISION (LADIES)

Team	P	W	L	D	Points
Uckfield	18	17	1	0	34
Fletching	18	15	3	0	30
Maresfield	18	12	6	0	24
Newick	18	11	7	0	22
Nutley	18	11	7	0	22
Hartfield	18	8	10	0	16
East Grinstead	18	7	11	0	14
Ashdown	18	4	14	0	8
Bluebells	18	4	14	0	8
Copthorne	18	1	17	0	2

Secretary: Sybil Voller 01444 241243
Results: Carole Browne 01285 764824

SCSA WEST DIVISION (LADIES)

Team	W	L	D	Pts
Angmering	18	0	-	36
Easebourne	14	4	-	28
Horsham Trinity	12	5	1	25
Ashington	10	8	-	20
Clymping	10	8	-	20
Stedham	8	9	1	17
Yapton	7	11	-	14
Eastergate	5	13	-	8
Graffham	4	14	-	8
Wisborough Green	1	17	-	2

Secretary: Mrs. Melissa Mantle 01903 774769

League Tournament Winners: Stedham
Runners Up: Easebourne

Team Runs: Clymping 2419
Team Wickets: Angmering 78
Team Catches: Easebourne 63

Individual Runs: Jayne Bradley (Easebourne) 1352
Wickets: Claire Gammon (Eastergate) 32
Catches: Caroline Gorman (Ashington) 15

SURREY (LADIES) Chairman: Mandy McGachie Secretary: Andree Hartnup 01737 248765

A LEAGUE

Chiddingfold	28 points
Dorking	22
North Holmwood	17
Alfold	14
Wonersh	11
Oxshott	10
Holmbury	6
Forest Green	4

B LEAGUE

South Park	24 points
Oakwood Hill	22
Beare Green	17
Ockley	12
Guildford	11
Smallfields	9
Brockham	8
Ewhurst	3

A new team from Cranleigh will be entering the League next season

WESSEX FRIENDLIES

Ebernoe, Elsted, Fittleworth, Kirdford, Liphook, Lodsworth, Midhurst, Milland, Northchapel, Steep, Three Counties and Tillington.

Milland Charity Knock Out Cup.

Lodsworth batted first making an impressive 190 off 14 overs (Mandy Hyde 52, Jane Hyde 46, Yvonne Woodward 45) and Milland could not match this finishing on 125 (Sue Strike (54). The money raised (£600) was given to the new Cancer Day Unit at St. Richards Hospital, Chichester.

Unfortunately many tournaments, especially the Charity ones at the end of the season, were hit by the poor weather.

WEST KENT LADIES STOOLBALL LEAGUE

Website: www.wkls.co.uk

Chairman: Richard Emsley

Secretary: Mrs. Jenny Keates, 2 Fernhurst Crescent, Southborough, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN4 0TD

League Runs	Lucy Order	Fordcombe	2045
	Ann Hardwick	Langrton	1511
	Reb.Steptowe	Bidborough	1506
League Wickets	Gill Brown	Groombridge	43
	Danielle Parfitt	Hildenborough	40
	Avil Howard	Stonewall Park	39
League Catches	Emma Stanton	Bidborough	30
	Tina Saunders	Groombridge	29
	Lucy Order	Fordcombe	23
League and County Averages Cup			
	Rebecca Steptowe	Bidborough	213.75
Under 18 League Cups			
Runs	Rebecca Steptowe	Bidborough	1506
	Isabel Millar	Bidborough	712
	Hollie Harrington	Four Elms	439
Wickets	Becky French	Penshurst	13
	Rebecca Steptowe	Bidborough	12
	Amy Ailles	Penshurst	11
Catches	Rebecca Steptowe	Bidborough	16
	Hollie Harrington	Four Elms	8
	Isabel Millar	Bidborough	7
	Lucy Saunders	Groomsbridge	7
Under 21s Cup	Amy Ailles	Penshurst	} joint
	Lucy Smith	Groomsbridge	} winners

TEAM	P	W	L	Pts
Bidborough	22	20	2	40
Hildenborough	22	19	3	38
Langton Green	22	16	6	32
Groombridge	22	16	6	32
Fordcombe	22	13	9	26
Stonewall Park	22	12	10	24
Four Elms	22	10	12	20
Causeway	22	6	16	12
Edenbridge	22	6	16	12
Leigh	22	6	16	12
Penshurst	22	6	16	12
Speldhurst	22	2	20	4

HAILSHAM STOOLBALL LEAGUE

(MIXED)

This season **Herstmonceux** proved themselves the top team, taking all 3 major trophies. With the League tournament trophy already in the bag with **The Yew Tree Chalvington** runners up, they added the Handicap Knock Out Cup and the League Winners Trophy, both at the expense of **Burwash Common**.

In the KO Cup final, Tony Riggs (57), Emma Appleby (37) and Paul Riggs (46), with a handicap of +13, set Burwash a target of 201. Common's David Baldock, having taken 7 wickets, put them on target with 69, but when he was dismissed, and Steve Wheatley caught by young Lorna Riggs, the wickets kept falling in the fading light. Although George Spooner put in a late rally with an unbeaten 46, they fell short by just 12 runs, as Herstmonceux's Laurie Tonks took 5 wickets. In the League play off final, the Riggs brothers again dominated the Herstmonceux innings, Tony making a good start with 45, but David Baldock will regret missing a caught and bowled chance early in Paul's innings, as he went on to make 110* hitting 8 sixes and 6 fours. This time (with no handicap) Burwash found themselves chasing 202, but when David Baldock fell to a good catch by young Tom Cornell for just 5, it was uphill all the way, with Paul Riggs keeping the runs down, and taking 5 wickets. Nichola Matthews chipped in with 20, and Steve Wheatley made a swift 36, but when Chiff Hermitage was caught by junior Mark Paice on 24, the remaining wickets were a formality and Burwash managed only 147.

The John White Cup final saw **Geebro** take on **Untouchables**. With a +65 handicap and 92 from Alan Williams, Geebro were chasing 220 for victory. Neil Downer put them on target with 55 in the first 2 overs. Susie Cable made 36* and husband John took them home with 81*.

Unison are Division 2 champions with victory over **Ashburnham** for the second year running. Ashburnham's Dick Shephers (28*) was the only batsman able to make an impression, as Sarah Nightingale took 4 wickets. With 102 needed, the Unison reply saw Jon Yates (48) and Bridget Hoad (37) lead the way to a win in the 10th over.

MID SUSSEX STOOLBALL LEAGUE (MIXED)

Contact details: Pam Wood Hill, 17 Orchard Close, Haywards Heath, Sussex RH16 1UU

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Email address available when you sign in.

Team	Pld	Won	Lost	Drawn	No result	Pts
Uckfield Mixed	14	11	1	0	2	22
Maresfield Mixed	14	9	2	0	3	19
Hartfield Mixed	14	6	5	0	3	13
Brook Street	14	6	6	0	2	11
The Plums	14	4	7	1	2	9
Nutley Mixed	14	2	7	2	3	6
Dolphins Volleyball C	14	0	8	3	3	4
Baxters	14	0	2	0	12	0

The Mid Sussex Mixed League is looking for new teams, so please get in touch if your team would like to play

Baxters withdrew from the league in June as they could not raise a team regularly enough. Points have been deducted from all teams to cancel out any won by or against Baxters.

EASTBOURNE RED TRIANGLE (Mixed)

Sec: Mrs. Cindy Cavie, 40 The Rising, Eastbourne, East Sussex BN23 7PL

Division 1

Division 2

Team	Pld	W	L	Pts	Team	Pld	W	D	L	Pts
Herstmonceaux	14	14	0	28	Social Services	14	9	1	4	19
Renegades	14	10	4	20	Park Royal	14	9	0	5	18
Red Lion	14	8	6	16	Marshfoot	14	8	1	5	17
Stone Cross	14	7	7	14	BHK	14	8	0	6	16
O.Town Wreckers	14	6	8	12	Yew Tree	14	6	1	7	13
Ocean Vets	14	5	9	10	DPB B	14	6	0	8	12
Little Common	14	4	10	8	Bushwackers	14	5	1	8	11
Woolpack	14	2	12	4	DPB A	14	2	0	11	6

Division 3

Division 4

Divisions 5

Team	Pld	W	D	L	Pts	Team	Pld	W	L	Pts	Team	P	W	L	Pts
Centra	13	10	0	3	19	British Queen	14	14	0	28	Plummer Psns	12	10	2	20
Lamb O.Town	14	10	0	4	20	Taxes	14	11	3	22	DPB Wombles	12	8	4	16
Willingdon	13	10	0	3	20	Jevington	14	8	6	16	Victoria	12	8	4	16
Trojans	14	9	0	5	18	Dark Horses	14	6	8	12	Next generat'n	12	7	5	14
Bor'gh Ex Eds	14	6	0	8	12	Deutwag Ch'gers	14	6	8	12	Ocklynge	12	6	7	14
Remnants	14	5	1	8	11	Holywell	14	5	9	10	Windsor Tav'n	12	3	9	6
Pegasus	14	4	1	9	9	Roselands	14	4	10	8	Hospice Harlequins	12	0	12	0
Central	14	0	0	14	0	Seasiders	14	2	12	4					

Axa Athletic Withdrawn

CUBS MEET STOOLBALL

On Sunday 14th September, a beautiful sunny morning, the East Grinstead District organised a Stoolball tournament for the Cub Scouts. For many of the Cubs, Leaders and parents, this was the first time they had encountered Stoolball, hence the day started with a quick run down on the very basics.

As play got going the rules began to fall into place and the teams seemed to get into the game. The three teams all played each other and there were some excellent catches, great batting, even a few 'fours', along with some very good bowling. By the end of the matches even the inexperienced Umpires seemed to have grasped the rules (well the easy ones!). The last game was between two closely matched sides and was exciting and action packed with a very close score.

All in all everyone had fun, many said they would like to play again and the DC (District Commissioner) asked if we could borrow the equipment again for the adult support team to have a go! Without the help of the National Stoolball Association, we wouldn't have had this experience, so we would like to thank them for the loan of equipment. If our feedback is as positive as it seemed on the day, we will very likely be back next year to do it all again.

ACTION FOR CLUBS AND LEAGUES:

Clubs to look at the Club Accreditation Scheme during the winter months. Details if needed from Kevin Hilliard

01403 259617

**Look through your bat bags in support of the “donate a bat” scheme. Any old bats however rough are welcome,
contact 01403 252419**

SUSSEX COUNTY STOOLBALL ASSOCIATION RESULTS 2008

DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	Seniors Winners Juniors Winners	Central Division West Division	R/Up R/Up	Mid Division East Division
MATTERFACE CUP (Under 17 - 1 st May)	Winners	Central Division	R/Up	North Division
VETERANS CUP (Over 50s)	Winners	West Division	R/Up	North Division
COUNTY TOURNAMENT (Seaford)	Winners	Horsted Keynes	R/Up	Burwash
REST OF LEAGUE TOURNAMENT	Winners	Yapton	R/Up	Little Common
REST OF LEAGUE Losers Section	Winners	East Grinstead	R/Up	Stedham
EXPO CUP	Winners	Surrey	R/Up	West Division
SUSSEX KNOCK-OUT CUP	Winners	Angmering	R/Up	Stone Cross
SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE CUP	Winners	Angmering	R/Up	Horsted Keynes
SUSSEX COUNTY JUNIOR LEAGUE CUP	Winners	Balcombe	R/Up	Newick
DIVISION CHAMPIONS	CENTRAL EAST MID NORTH WEST	Horsted Keynes Stone Cross Ringmer Uckfield Angmering		
GRANTHAM ROSE BOWL	Seniors Under 21s	Mid Div. v West Kent Ladies SL	Winners both games: Winners 1 st game: Mid Division 2 nd game: Kent	Kent
INTER-COUNTY	Sussex v Surrey	Seniors: U.21s	Winners: Winners:	West Division West Division

A YEAR OF ACTIVITY SINCE THE LAST AGM

- December 2007 Shirley Reed took over as President following the death of Rosemary Hobbs
John Fitzpatrick joined the NSA Management Committee at the AGM and Richard Emsley was elected a Vice President following his retirement as the NSA Insurance Officer.
The NSA joined up to BingoLotto, a fundraising scheme due to be launched in February 2008.
- January 2008 NSA Vice President Margaret Childs died. She was a long-standing member of Wonersh SC, an Umpire and Chairman of Surrey for over 20 years.
Indian Stoolball Federation was formed and the NSA was helping to promote the game in India.
Our Treasurer, Peter Cheesman, announced that he would be retiring at the next AGM after 21 years service
- February EGM was called for 9th March 2008 so that the Constitution could be updated to state that the NSA 'was a non-profit making organisation'. This was necessary to confirm the NSA's inclusion in the BingoLotto Scheme.
BingoLotto launched on 29th February
Indian Stoolball Federation ordered bats, balls, rule books and scorebooks. It was their intention to manufacture/print their own supplies in India.
Insurance hand over from Richard Emsley to Michael Ledwich completed.
- March Sport England confirmed the '**recognition**' of Stoolball as a sport. This was an added bonus following the inclusion of Stoolball in the National Curriculum at Key Stages 3 and 4 from September 2008.
Third Stoolball Convention at Wivelsfield Village Hall: Kevin Hilliard introduced the Club Accreditation Scheme. Melissa Mantle gave a presentation explaining the role Stoolball would play in the National Curriculum. Barbara Fitzpatrick and Pauline Hurley spoke about the NSA website and what a publicity tool this could be for everyone if used effectively. Michael Ledwich and John Fitzpatrick led an open discussion on the Rules of Stoolball and spoke about the next Rules Review which was due to take place in autumn 2008.

The Secretary, Kay Price, submitted an application to Sport England to gain approval of the NSA as the Governing Body of Stoolball.

- April First phase of BingoLotto concluded.
Sport England – publicity for Stoolball following their ‘recognition’. There followed 4 radio interviews, 3 appearances on TV, Large coverage in over 30 local and national newspapers and 2 national websites.
National Governing Body (NGB) application to be assessed in July.
Ice packs added to the list of equipment provided by NSA
Rick Mason produced an excellent discussion document on Logos.
- May Spring Newsletter circulated
CCPR meeting at Woburn House – NSA members met with Jennie Price, Chief Executive of Sport England.
An impressive meeting and a good contact forum.
Donate a bat: There has been an excellent response from clubs who have exchanged old bats for a new ball.
The refurbished bats are then being loaned out to schools on request.
- June SABR (Society for Baseball Research) AGM in London – this featured the film which included Stoolball, Cricket, Bat & Trap and Rounders. The film was the result of the trip last summer to England researching the roots of Baseball. It is an hour long film and Stoolball has a 10 minute slot with interviews. The film comprehensively concluded that Stoolball, taken to America by the Pilgrim Fathers, was the pro genitor of the game of Baseball.
Meeting with Sport England on NGB application – it was agreed to withdraw the application temporarily to enable more changes to be made to the Constitution. Otherwise the application was found to be satisfactory.
- July CCPR Annual General Meeting at St. James’ Palace
Year 7 Plans completed for circulation to schools. Our thanks to Melissa Mantle and Connie Chapman in the creation of these documents.
First NSA sponsored school coaching session.
NGB Forum held at Falmer by the Sussex County Sports Partnership,
Petersfield School Sports Fair – organised by Louise Harris, the local School Sports Co-ordinator, with the aim of improving school sports opportunities for the nine primary feeder schools in her area. Stoolball invited to be part of this occasion.
Five Year Plan circulated.
- August Meeting with Beth Hise (from Australia) who is organising a Cricket and Baseball Memorabilia Exhibition at Lords Cricket Ground, MCC in Melbourne, Australia and Cooperstown, NY in 2010 – Stoolball asked to provide history and memorabilia. David Grantham (grandson of W W Grantham) contacted and agreed to supply an original W W smock as part of Stoolball memorabilia.
Visit to Hunts County Bat premises in Huntingdon.
- September EGM. Approval of revised constitution, including change of name from National Stoolball Association to **Stoolball England**. NGB application will be updated.
- October Triennial Rules Review

Projects in Progress: Bi-fold leaflet.
New Logo.
Music to go with a video clip of Stoolball for the website.
Coaching booklet (nearing completion) and lesson plans for Primary/Junior Schools.

Primary and Junior School Coaching

We are in the process of setting up a Test Market in the Horsham area to offer coaching to a number of Primary and Junior schools, either during curriculum time or as an ‘after school’ club, during the Summer Term of 2009. One of the conditions of this coaching development scheme is that the schools’ Head teachers will be asked to enter a team or teams (both boys and girls) in an end of term competition where certificates and awards will be presented.

Stoolball England has been very fortunate to have two volunteers who are prepared ‘to deliver’ this programme of Stoolball coaching development which will start just as soon as their training needs have been met. It is fortunate that they already have enhanced CRB checks through their local school, but they will be attending a Safeguarding Children course, a First Aid course and a Stoolball Level 1 course in the near future.

An application for funding this and further programmes is being drawn up in conjunction with the Sports Development Staff from Horsham District Council. **We are looking for more volunteers, so if you would like to be involved in any future initiatives in your area, please let us know at 01403 252419.**

April 2008 – 2009

1. Lesson plans for Year 7 and circulate to schools. Create similar plans which would be suitable for Primary and Junior schools and follow up with coaching “test market” coaching programmes – **ongoing**.
2. Advertise availability of Coaching DVDs in Physical Matters journal (**done, resulting in contact with major sports m/f**)
3. Build up a relationship with school sports suppliers to ensure that they all carry adequate stocks of equipment, (wickets in particular) - **ongoing**
4. Contact all schools in SE Region by e-mail to state our case in support of Stoolball and announce our support package – DVDs, equipment loan scheme and local club support – **to be circulated with relevant lesson plans in the New Year.**
5. Continue to provide help to India to assist them in the development of Stoolball in their Country – **ongoing**.
6. Identify and recruit a Press Officer. **The position is still vacant, any volunteers welcomed**
7. Follow up the GCSE Examination Board’s criteria for Stoolball.- **ongoing**
8. Actively encourage appointment of Welfare/Liaison Officers in all clubs - **ongoing**
9. Produce bi-fold publicity leaflet for distribution to Schools, Education Authorities, Local Authorities, Sports Centres, Libraries etc. -**ongoing**
10. Actively produce support for BingoLotto within Leagues and Clubs –**ongoing**.
11. Identify at least 1 club in every League capable of achieving Club Accreditation -**ongoing**
12. Achieve recognition for Stoolball England as the Governing Body of Stoolball in the UK -**ongoing**
13. Consolidate contacts with Sport England, CCPR, County Sports Partnerships and other similar sporting organisations.
14. Produce appropriate logo for Stoolball England - **ongoing**

MEDIUM TERM OBJECTIVES

1. All clubs to have an effective web site page
2. Examine best ways to move Stoolball into other Counties.
3. Expand base of Schools playing Stoolball, particularly in the South East.
4. Consider possibility of a Regional Knock-out Cup as a forerunner to a National Cup.
5. Monitor development of the game in India and examine possibilities of an International with them.
6. When financially viable, identify and appoint a Stoolball Regional Development Officer(s) for UK/SE
7. All Clubs to have appointed a Welfare Officer
8. Identify major sponsor for Stoolball (Bank/Sports Company/Multinational Health Food Producer etc)
9. Recognise at least 10 Accredited Clubs
10. Identify and approach Patron for Stoolball England.

LONG TERM OBJECTIVES

1. Stoolball being well established within the Home Counties and becoming better known in the UK
2. Stoolball established and self-sufficient in India.
3. Development Officer(s) appointed and operational

4 Every club/league/association to have a well established web site.