



OUR SPORTING LIFE

OUR SPORTING LIFE is a series of 100 exhibitions across the UK exploring our addiction to sport and our sporting heritage.

OUR SPORTING LIFE will reveal hidden sporting histories, forgotten heroes, objects and stories in communities.

The exhibition will be on display **at ten different venues across Surrey** during 2011 as part of the county's involvement in the Cultural Olympiad and the build up to the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. **Godalming Museum will be hosting this exhibition from June 21st – July 9th.**

Surrey boasts a wealth of sporting heritage. One of the county's sporting firsts is the earliest reference to a baseball match in 1755. The crossbar on football goals was introduced after a match in Reigate in the 1880s and the third cricket stump was added after a controversial match in Surrey in 1772. Up until 1897 an annual Shrove Tuesday street football event was a regular feature in Dorking. Many sporting legends and forgotten sporting heroes were born or have lived in Surrey. Visit the exhibition to find out more.

Here at Godalming Museum, we have a wonderful archive of material relating to sportsmen and women in Godalming and surrounding villages. We will be using this archive to produce a small exhibition and activities special to this area of Surrey to be on show at the same time as the touring exhibition.

Keeping up the tradition, there are many sporting organisations in Godalming today, and the Museum would like to invite you to let us have information about yours. There will be space for leaflets to make people aware of your particular sports and activities.

The exhibition is from June 21st – July 9th, but we would welcome your printed material at any time before that date and preferably by Saturday June 11th. We can store them in readiness for the exhibition and possibly incorporate some into the display.

Please deliver them to the Museum labelled F.A.O. Nansi Taylor, Exhibitions Organiser.

Godalming Museum looks forward to your involvement in the exhibition which we are sure you will enjoy and also give you an opportunity to introduce new recruits to your sport and make visitors aware of the diversity of **GODALMING'S SPORTING LIFE**.

Alison Pattison Curator

Nansi Taylor Exhibitions Organiser

If you have any queries, or would like to discuss any aspects of the exhibition please contact Nansi Taylor or Alison Pattison at the Museum on 01483 426510 or email nansitay@hotmail.com