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## **BOXING CLUBS WINS VARIETY CLUB SUPPORT**

On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March, Sittingbourne Amateur Boxing Club received a visit from the youth charity, Kent Youth, for the hand over a cheque for £350 from the Variety Club of Great Britain. The cheque was presented by Rupert Allinson, a Trustee of Kent Youth, and received on behalf of the club by Head Trainer Charlie Rumble.

Paul Clark, Welfare Officer at Sittingbourne Boxing Club, said: "We would like to express our sincere thanks to both the Variety Club and Kent Youth for this valuable grant for new equipment. We will be purchasing much needed headguards and skipping ropes for the club.

The Variety Club of Great Britain makes a number of grants throughout the year to Kent based youth groups through the umbrella charity Kent Youth. All clubs affiliated to Kent Youth are eligible to apply and anyone wanting more information about the grants or affiliation to Kent Youth should email [info@kent youth.org](mailto:info@kent youth.org) or visit the web site [www.kentyouth.org](http://www.kentyouth.org)

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**Notes to Editors:**

1. Kent Youth is a county-wide young people's charity. Established in 1936, it provides:
  - young people focused capacity building support and infrastructure for over 200 locally based children and young people's groups across Medway, Kent and Bexley
  - peer mentoring and peer education programmes for young people
  - targeted work to enable young disabled people to achieve inclusion in mainstream community groups
  - activeyouth sports and dance youth volunteering projects
  
2. Affiliation to Kent Youth is open to all Kent, Medway, Bromley and Bexley based youth groups, organizations and clubs and provides them with:
  - Information and advice
  - Model documents
  - Training
  - Access to funding opportunities
  - Activities programme
  - CRB checking service
  
3. Key statistics about Kent Youth:
  - 200 + affiliated youth groups
  - 18,000 children and young people
  - Approximately 1,500 adult volunteers
  
4. Photograph Attachment shows Rupert Allinson (Trustee Kent Youth) handing cheque to Charlie Rumble (Head Trainer) at their training night on 11<sup>th</sup> march 2010.

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