

To whom it may concern,

We at Marlborough Boxing are looking and have been looking for a training venue for quite a few years to no avail.

Marlborough boxing itself has been running for over 130 years, with my family being involved for over 50 of those years.

We are a non- profit sports club (as you know this means all club fees go back into the club and no one is paid for their services)

Marlborough has produced many South Island and New Zealand champions, including myself.

We would like to provide a training facility allowing the youth of Marlborough free boxing training, to benefit those who do not have the ability to pay.

We are a multicultural club welcoming all, as well as all ages (presently ranging from 10 to 80 plus)

Boxing is more than an Olympic and Commonwealth sport, being that it is ideal for youth that have come from difficult backgrounds, some being bullied, abused or neglected in certain ways, having no parental guidance or father figures etc. The club offers a sense of self -worth, boosts confidence, promotes fitness and provides a safe structured training environment for all (as well as learning the science of boxing of course)

We also aim to hold annual boxing tournaments in Blenheim inviting officials, clubs and their families from all around New Zealand, and of course while here visitors inject money into our economy therefore helping support Marlborough as a whole.

Mainly we want to help the less fortunate and struggling youngsters to get a better life and a start towards fulfilling their hopes and dreams, as we know they are our future.

Yours Faithfully

Raymond Madsen

Marlborough Boxing

