

Coulsdon Athletic Youth Football Club

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Respect

We ask all parents to
support your child's
coach/Manager.

They are giving up
their time to provide
your child the
opportunity to play
football.

We ask you to
remember it is your
child, that is playing
football for their
enjoyment and
pleasure.

A supportive parent
can make a positive
impact for us all.
Log on to the F.A.
website and complete
the Respect session

Coulsdon Times



Coulsdon Athletic 2019/20

Welcome to our first quarterly edition of our club newsletter. The Coulsdon Times, we hope the use of this newsletter helps keep all at our club informed of our progress, needs and issues. We are a developing local Football club based on the Ethos that we will never turn a child away regardless of ability. We aim to provide a fun friendly atmosphere, enabling children to develop and enjoy their football.

We are not a win at all cost club.

This approach seems to work as numbers have risen dramatically over the past few seasons.

Parents we need your Help

As a club we look to get as many parents involved as possible whether it be through coaching or assisting our coaches and managers. If you can offer this support, we can provide training in the way of courses and qualifications all FA accredited.

Meet the Chairman



Lee Byatt

“Having played football for most of my life, the most rewarding moments have come from being part of the journey that our developing young players are embarking on. Sport can give you so much more.”

Club Secretary



Scott Morley

If Managing and coaching is not your cup of tea, there are many other ways of supporting your child’s chosen club.

Running the line seems to be a BIG ISSUE why not form a Rota amongst parents to run the line, this will give each of you the opportunity to watch your child play, If you are not sure of the current rules we can provide training in this area ,just ask

. . Putting up the nets, putting out the corner **flags** are just small things that can help a great deal, it will enable your



team’s manager/coaches to prepare their team for the game.

We are looking for parents to sit as reps on our committee, helping with such things as fund raising, the list is endless.

Come and join our team and inspire those around you to get involved.

A BIG WORD OF THANKS.

Before we go any further, I think that it is important to say big word of thanks, to two longstanding members of Coulsdon Athletic Football Club. Derek Harris and Dapo Ojo have been involved in many different roles, within this

Happy New year to you all.

I would like to inform you all some important dates.

This year we have decided to make the [Coulston Athletic Mini Soccer Tournament](#) even bigger.

[On Saturday 30th May](#)

We will be holding the tournament for our younger teams These being our there

Under 7s, 9s and 11s.

[On Sunday 31st May.](#)

Under 8s, 10s & 12s.

Two weeks later [Sunday 14th of June](#) we will be Holding a tournament for the under 13s, 15s and 16s.

To do this we need lots of help from Volunteers. By the end of January, we will have a volunteer rota drawn up if you can help us out. Whether it is cooking, serving, selling programs or parking attendants.

football club over a prolonged period. Their efforts cannot go unmentioned. Their belief in doing the correct thing for many local children has kept this club going.



Well done Gentlemen!

The main Topics of this edition of our newsletter is;

RESPECT and RESPONSIBILITY

Responsibility

All of us must take responsibility for our behavior when we are in association with our and other people's children.

Managers and Coaches must understand what is acceptable, having to be mindful of our language and actions always. It is the hardest job in the world keeping everybody happy, that includes players, parents and supporters.

Parents support your child's coach/manager and be respectfully to all players and opposition supporters.

Players listening and having a positive attitude when training and playing will enable you to develop and enjoy your football even more.

Safeguarding

Coulston Athletic Football Club are committed to providing a safe and friendly environment for our players and support the Football Associations Respect Campaign, who have

If you can volunteer on the day your child is not playing then hopefully, we will get enough parents that you will be able to watch all your games.

Our tournament last year was a great success thanks to those that helped on the day, it went a long way in enabling us to keep our club fees down.

Very soon there will be club logoed sports ware available from Onestopsports.co.uk ,

Look for us in club shops. Gloves, hats, as well as many different items of clothing .

One last and very quick note from myself is [SUBS](#) - please can we ensure that [SUBS](#) are sorted by end of the month (unless we have a agreement in place already).

Have a fantastic and competitive rest of the season.

adopted a new endorsement to present the Respect message.

The Football Associations message is "We only do positive" this is to promote what is expected of Clubs and its members, so basically leading by example.

All too often the players day is spoiled by bad behavior from the side-lines, this often comes from both sets of supporters and invariably effects the players.

Some examples of how the players environment becomes hostile;

- **Persistent Dissent to the referee, this is often picked up by players who are following their parents lead.**
- **Supporters that are too vocal shouting out orders to players, which confuses them because it is often different from what they are taught by their coaches leading to issues between the player and coaches.**
- **Confrontation with the opposition supporters often then picked up by the players of both sides, which then leads to disciplinary issues on the field of play.**
- **Players being singled out by supporters who chastise them.**
- **Threatening and violent conduct between supporters and against match officials that often end in a game being abandoned.**

These are just a few of the issues that can change the environment at a match or cause distress to the players, there are many others.

The Club is responsible for its supporters, we would ask you all to reflect on what you might do to improve the match day experience, it may be that we need to report unacceptable behavior from the opposition supporters to the League.

Having been involved in youth football for many years the Club Officials are aware that issues can erupt very quickly at matches, it might be a mistake by one of the match officials or a clumsy challenge by a player.

Instead of fueling the issue we could all calm the situation down through doing something *Positive* perhaps asking the aggrieved person to calm down, let the referee or the team coach deal with the issues. This is all very well but what if it is the opposition that are at fault, we should take note of the circumstances and report them to the Club. If you would prefer you can report them to the Clubs Child Welfare Officer Derek Harris.

Lets all try to improve the match day experience at our Club.

Regards
Derek Harris
Club Welfare Officer

Club Presentation.

Date to be confirmed



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Corrigan Ave

We continue to negotiate a 25 year lease with Sutton Council so we can attract additional funding for the refurbishment of the Pavilion at Corrigan Ave. this process has been hampered by the councils rapid turn over of personnel , and their inability to understand that the lease on the building must not compromise the future of the football club.

We can see the condition that it has been left in for some time. £60,000 pound is what the council have spent maintaining its present condition.

We have been tidying up the pavilion, we would like to tidy it up to a greater degree. So, any volunteers?



Future editions.

We will be introducing you all to our teams and our managers, with squad photos and Managers statements from each of our age groups.

Your Club. Your input

We would like our parents and supporter of our club to have your say so, if there is any thing you would like to put into our newsletter.

Kindly forward your article to leebyatt.5156@gmail.com