

Norfolk County FA Bulletin

April 2020



WELCOME

Welcome to the latest edition of the Norfolk County FA bulletin. This month's communication is once again steered heavily by the unprecedented and strange situation we find ourselves in, with the football season having been cut short due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

May we start by saying we hope you and your families are all keeping safe during this time.

THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON #NORFOLKFOOTBALL

You will now be aware that unfortunately the 19/20 season is over. We have been updating an ongoing statement on our website, along with pulling together a selection of frequently asked questions.



STATEMENT

To view our latest statement please [click here](#).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

To read some helpful FAQ's please [click here](#).

LATEST GOVERNMENT ADVICE

For the latest advice relating to Covid-19 please visit nhs.uk/coronavirus

NOMINATE YOUR GRASSROOTS HEROES

Football is a game For All. It is people who make grassroots football happen week-in, week-out. From supporters, referees, coaches or volunteers, winners will be those whose actions and behaviour make The FA's PRIDE values part of the game for their clubs, leagues and communities.



To view the nomination categories and to complete a nomination please [click here](#).

NORFOLK FA STAFF

All Norfolk County FA staff wish everyone the best in these challenging times. We can confirm that the Association have placed most staff members on furlough through the Government's Job Retention Scheme.

Should you wish to contact somebody during the coming month please e-mail one of the below e-mail addresses and we will endeavour to help you.

- Info@NorfolkFA.com
- Support@NorfolkFA.com



Gavin Lemmon, Chief Executive: "We need all of grassroots football to pull together when the time is right to do so, with the aim of getting more people involved in either playing, coaching, refereeing or volunteering - and I can't wait for the day when we are all out on the natural or synthetic grass again. Until that time comes, I hope everyone stays safe and well at all times."

LOOK AFTER YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

It is crucial to remember that mental health matters during this very difficult time. The FA's Heads Up campaign shows that mental health is just as important as physical health, and it only takes a second to #KickOffAConversation.



Find out more about The FA's Heads Up campaign [here](#).

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NORFOLK CLUB DEVELOPMENT WEBEX

Norfolk County FA are hosting a series of WebExs with the purpose of updating Norfolk Affiliated Clubs with all relevant information from The FA and Norfolk FA. The WebExs are due to take place bi-weekly on Thursday evenings between 6:30pm - 7:45pm.



You can find information about past and upcoming WebExs by [clicking here](#).

NORFOLK FA LONG SERVICE AWARDS

If within your respective club, league or association you have a person that deserves recognition of the long service they have given, then nominate them for a Norfolk County FA Long Service Award. You can do this either as a surprise for the individual or with them being informed.



Please [click here](#) to complete the online nomination form.

DBS CHECKS DURING THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK

The FA has implemented temporary changes to DBS checks in football for the period that football is suspended due to coronavirus, up to and including the start of the 2020-2021 season. These changes will apply to all roles in football. Please [click here](#) to read more.



THE INSTITUTE OF GROUNDSMANSHIP & COVID-19

The Institute of Groundsmanship (IOG) have created a new section on their website to support those working and volunteering in the grounds management sector.



The section is a central hub collating relevant information in relation to Coronavirus for the convenience of the IOG's members. [Click here](#) to find out more.

FA SUPERKICKS APP

Supercharge your children's play and learning with the free FA Superkicks App. There are 100s of active and creative challenges to get your kids active. Find out more and download the App [here](#).



#NORFOLKFOOTBALLSTAYPOSITIVE

We're encouraging the #NorfolkFootball family to come together and 'stay positive!'. If you have any positive stories, ideas, videos or photos please share them with us!



You can contact us or tag us on Social Media - remember to use the hashtag [#NorfolkFootballStayPositive](#).

AND FINALLY

We will do our best to support you through this period, and though football will return when the time is right, please look after yourselves and each other until then.

Best wishes & stay safe,
Norfolk County FA