## **Norfolk County FA Bulletin**

December 2020



### **WELCOME**

Welcome to the latest edition of the Norfolk County FA bulletin and the last of 2020. As always, we aim to provide you with all the latest information.

### **NORFOLK FA MOVES HEADQUARTERS**

Norfolk County FA Headquarters is moving from Meridian Business Park to the FDC, Bowthorpe.

Please see below for the new full address for Norfolk County FA:

Norfolk County FA theFDC Clover Hill Road Norwich NR5 9ED

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OPENING TIMES

Our three Football Development Centres will be closed between Thursday 24 December and Sunday 3 January.



We will continue to be operating the core functions of referee appointments, discipline & regulatory services and safeguarding via our Designated Safeguarding Officer. To read more and view contact details please <u>click here</u>.

# COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL

Earlier this month, The Football Association issued updated guidance for 'non-elite' football in England following confirmation from the UK Government that organised sports can return from Wednesday 2nd December. To read all the latest guidance please <u>click here</u>.

The FA also published responses to a number of frequently-asked questions related to our updated 'non-elite' football guidance following the new local restriction tiers announced by Government.



To read the latest FAQs please click here.

## NORFOLK FA WINS AT 2020 COUNTY FA RECOGNITION AWARDS

Norfolk County Football Association has landed the Respect and Insight & Data awards at the 2020 County FA Recognition Awards. The awards are for the #NorfolkFootballisPositive Campaign and the Regulatory Services Dashboard respectively.



The Awards, which were hosted online for the first time due to Covid-19 restrictions, recognise and endorse the best projects, products and services launched by County FAs over the past season while sharing best practice and learning from around the country.

To read more and view videos about the awards please <u>click</u> here.

## NORFOLK FA PARTNER WITH THE OFFSIDE TRUST

Norfolk FA are pleased to announce The Offside Trust as their new Official Community Partner.

The Offside Trust is a national organisation set up by survivors for survivors of child sexual abuse. They are committed to supporting any survivor of child sexual abuse in sport and working to make all sports, including football, safer for children.



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Working alongside governing bodies, charities and organisations that deal with safeguarding, their aims as an organisation are to end abuse in sport and support the healing journey of survivors of abuse, so that kids can be kids. To read more please <u>click here</u>.

#### THE NORFOLK FA NOTICEBOARD

The <u>Norfolk FA Noticeboard</u> is where you can post content related to #NorfolkFootball such as advertising for players, coaches or volunteers.

We are using an improved platform for the 2020-21 season. Using Padlet, you are now able to post opportunities or advertisements on the noticeboard without the need to contact Norfolk FA directly. Posts can include hyperlinks such as email addresses and websites, not to mention graphics and photos.

The Noticeboard will be regularly monitored by Norfolk FA staff and we reserve the right to remove unsuitable or inappropriate posts.

## THE NORFOLK FA COACHES CLUB — BECOME A MEMBER NOW!

Norfolk FA has launched the Norfolk FA Coaches Club for the 2020/21 season.

This new club will allow Norfolk coaches an opportunity to commit to their development by accessing events and exclusive coaching content across the year.



Via their training brand 'Finesse', <u>Harrod Sport</u> will be offering exclusive discount on the range for Coaches Club members, access to special offers, and frequent opportunities to win Finesse products. To read more please <u>click here</u>.

Find out more and become a member now!





### **FEMALE FRIENDLY CLUB TRAINING**

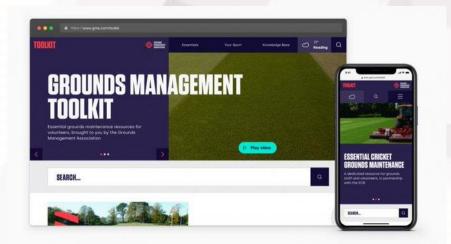
We are pleased to announce that booking for The FA's 'Female Friendly Clubs' training is now open!



This interactive online workshop is aimed at both club committee members and coaches, and will provide you with practical advice to help you create the right environment at your club to grow female participation. To read more please <u>click here</u>.

## NEW GROUNDS MANAGEMENT TOOLKIT

The Grounds Management Association (GMA) have launched their online 'Grounds Management Toolkit', a training resource aimed at supporting volunteers maintaining football, cricket, rugby league and rugby union pitches.



The new website consolidates information from the Sport England 'Groundsmanship' website and has re-shaped some of its written content into short videos and easy-to-digest seasonal maintenance guides. To find out more please <u>click here.</u>

#### AND FINALLY

We will continue to do our best to offer support and guidance throughout this period, and we ask that everybody continues to pull together and support one another as much as possible.

Best wishes & Merry Christmas,

**Norfolk County FA** 

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