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The FA NORFOLK

WELCOME

Welcome to the latest edition of the Norfolk County FA bulletin and the last of 17/18. As always, we hope to provide you with an insight into our work via these bulletins, along with what's on the horizon for clubs, including various opportunities to get involved in Norfolk Football.

As the season has finished we would like to thank all the players, coaches, volunteers and referees for making #NorfolkFootball what it is. Enjoy your summer break from the game before the new season gets underway.

BE OUR CHARITY

We're on the lookout for a charity to become our Official Charity of the Year for the next two seasons.



As in previous years, we are holding a recruitment period for the position of our Charity Partner which give will give extra exposure and support to a charity that does a great deal to support people within Norfolk.

Previous partnerships have included 'It's on the Ball', a local charity providing awareness of Testicular Cancer, and the Skin Cancer Research Fund which saw us raise over £10,000 for Skin Cancer Research.

2016 then saw us adopt The National FA's Charity Partner, The Bobby Moore Fund to mark the 50th anniversary of the 1966 world cup victory.

We are now welcoming applications for a new charity partner to work with us through 2018-19 & 2019-20

Click Here to Apply.

SAFEGUARDING IN NORFOLK

Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility. If you have any concerns regarding a safeguarding matter, please contact our County FA Designated Safeguarding Officer,

Ken D'Rosario via **safeguarding@NorfolkFA.com** or call 01603 704050 (Ext. 1; Opt.1 then 5)

LONG SERVICE NOMINATIONS

Do you have a person within your club or league that deserves recognition of the long service they have given? If so, why not nominate them for a Norfolk County FA Long Service Award?

Please submit your nominations via the attached form no later than 1 July for it to be considered by the Board of Directors at the July Board Meeting.



UTILISE THE NORFOLK COUNTY FA NOTICEBOARD

Are you a club looking for players, a player looking for a new team?

The Norfolk FA Noticeboard is where you can advertise anything related to Norfolk Football. Need equipment? Looking for volunteers? Simply e-mail Marketing@NorfolkFA.com with your:

- Name
- Title of Message
- Message
- Contact information
- End date

Please bear in mind that messages will be moderated and may take time to appear on the Noticeboard. If you have any questions/queries, please contact us using the email above.

BECOME PART OF OUR YOUTH COUNCIL

We require 10 enthusiastic and self-motivated individuals to undertake different roles to support the delivery of both our '#NorfolkFootball FOR ALL' Strategy and The Norfolk FA Youth Council Strategy.

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If you are 14-24 and play an active role in Norfolk Football, whether that is as a player, a coach, a referee or supporting the running of a club or league you may well be just what we need to help shape the development of football.



Please note that the closing date for applications is 5pm on Wednesday 27 June 2018, with interviews taking place week commencing Monday 9 July.

To find out more, please <u>click here</u>.

FOOTBALL FUTURES CAMP 2018

The Annual Football Futures Camp is back for another year! If you're 12-18, passionate about the game and need an initial platform to begin your journey, this two day Football Futures Camp can do just that.



Participants will receive specialist training covering 5 different areas of the game (Leadership, Disability, Refereeing, Coaching & Mentoring) delivered by experienced FA and County FA staff across the two days.

Leadership skills will be put to the test by a number of challenges across the camp and it will be a prime opportunity to network with other like-minded young people.

The Camp will take place from 9am-5pm on Thursday 2 & Friday 3 August 2018 at The FDC, Bowthorpe. Places cost £30 which includes a Football Futures t-shirt and gift.

For more information please call 01603 704050 or email FootballFutures@NorfolkFA.com.



A PLATFORM FOR OPPORTUNITY...

On Friday 29th June we are hosting an event for anyone who's aged 12-24 and would like to find out what opportunities are available within the county to get involved in Norfolk Football.

This would be a great opportunity for you to see what support mechanisms we have in place and for you to be inspired to reach your ultimate goals.

The evening will provide a clear insight into what our past and present young leaders have achieved and how you can kick start your journey.

If you have just recently attended a JFL and have completed your 4 hours voluntary work, why not attend and bring your work booklet with you so we can issue you with your certificate of completion!

For more information please email FootballFutures@NorfolkFA.com.

Book your place now!

THE FDC WOMEN'S & GIRLS' CUP 2018



The first ever Women's and Girls' Cup was held at the FDC on Sunday 10th June which was a fantastic occasion for all involved. To view the full the album of photos <u>Click Here.</u>



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PLAY AT THEFDC@OPENACADEMY

PRE-SEASON FRIENDLIES

We are already taking bookings for pre-season friendlies – our pitch can host any format from 5v5 to 11v11 with both midweek and weekend slots available. If you want to get a game booked in then get in touch early to avoid disappointment!

Email theFDCopen@NorfolkFA.com or call on 01603 704050 (ext. 3) to check our availability.

SUMMER FOOTBALL SPECIAL OFFERS AT THEFDC@FLEGG



TheFDC@Flegg are pleased to offer local Charter Standard clubs the chance to continue to use our state of the art 3G AGP facility over the summer months with the following summer pitch hire offers:

Summer Training Offer – June/July

During June and July the FDC @Flegg will once again be running a summer training offer — whereby you can book 1 x quarter pitch for 1 hour per week for £20 per session over this period. (Subject to availability)

You can also book 10 weeks at this rate and receive a 10 percent discount - (£18 per session)

Gameday Hire Offer - June/July

Continue to play fixtures over the summer period whether it be in-house games, matches against local teams or preseason friendlies. Prices for the following formats:

- 11v11 (weekend) £50
- 11v11 (evening) £60
- 9v9-£30
- 7v7 £25
- 5v5 £15

During June and July we will be offering a 'Buy One Get One Half Price' special offer on all of the above formats.

Summer Tournament Offer

We will also give clubs the chance to hold a summer tournament at the centre. You supply the teams and we'll sort the admin! (fixtures, kick off times, update league tables etc.). The tournament can run from 10am-4pm and will cost just £120 for the day.

If you would like to book or require any further information please call 01603 704050 (Ext. 4) or email Elliot.Pride@norfolkfa.com.

TRANSITION FESTIVALS

Norfolk FA Transition Festivals are back this summer and provide teams making a step up in age group, and therefore format, the opportunity to receive support in making the transition.



What can you expect from Norfolk County FA Transition Festivals?

- Experienced FA Tutors and FA Coach Mentors will be pitch side to offer guidance and knowledge on tactics and how to convey the right messages to the team and individual players
- Parents and spectators get the opportunity to enjoy the morning / afternoon of football, taking part in a workshop to ensure the correct environment is set throughout the festival
- Volunteers are upskilled to support teams going into 9v9 football by taking part in a free Assistant Referee (Linesman) Workshop

To find out more about this year's Transition Festivals please email Stacey.Annison@NorfolkFA.com.

To book onto a Transition Festival please Click Here.

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THE UTILITA ENERGY FDC YOUTH CUP

If you haven't already, make sure you enter your youth team into Norfolk FA's biggest tournament - The Utilita Energy FDC Youth Cup 2018.



This year's competition will take place on 7th and 8th July at The FDC (Bowthorpe) with even age groups competing on the Saturday and odd age groups on the Sunday.

As per last year, the U15 & U18 age groups will be hosted at theFDC@OpenAcademy (Salhouse Rd, Norwich) on Sunday 8th July.

Places will be offered on a first come, first served basis. For more information and to enter a team please **Click Here**.

2018-19 COURSE DATES RELEASED

We are pleased to announce that all of next season's courses can now be found on our website on the **Development & Courses page.**



We have been fortunate again to receive funding from Norfolk Community Learning Services (NCLS), Active Norfolk and The FA enabling us to offer half price or discounted places and bursaries on some courses for the 2018-19 season.

The funding can provide discounted places on many of our courses, including: The FA Referee course, The FA Goalkeeping Coaching Award Level 1, The FA Goalkeeping Coaching Certificate Level 2, The FA Welfare Officer's Workshop, The FA Futsal Level 1, The FA Level 1 Award in Coaching Football, The FA Level 2 in Coaching Football.

For full details as well as full T's & C's can be found here and for any queries regarding courses please contact Kate.Dixon@NorfolkFA.com

REFEREEING IN NORFOLK

REFEREE PROMOTIONS

Huge congratulations to Mark Ames who has been promoted to Level 3, Contributory League Referee, and also to the six Referees who have had their promotions to Level 4 confirmed by National FA last month (subject to passing their fitness tests of course!), namely: Ady George, Ahmed Mohamed, Callum Parke, Cameron Saunders, Ashley **Smith and Tristen Watson.**

AFFILIATED GAMES

A reminder that under FA Regulations, Match Officials are not permitted to officiate unaffiliated games. There is a lot of football played in the summer months and whilst most of this is correctly affiliated that is not always the case. If you are asked to cover a match or tournament and are in any doubt as to whether you should, please contact us in the usual way and we will be able to advise you.

STEVE BODDY RETIRES

An emotional evening at Aldiss Park as Michael Banham and Gavin Lemmon thank Stephen Boddy on behalf of local football for 32 years of incredible service to Refereeing.



AND FINALLY, ENJOY YOUR BREAK!

The 17/18 season has now come to an end, have a fantastic break from the madness, enjou presentation days/evenings if you have them and we'll be in touch soon to help you prepare for 18/19... when it all starts again!

Best wishes Norfolk County FA

