

# CLUB SUPPORT PACK 21/22 ISSUE NO.2

# Meet the team



### Ryan Kay - Football Development Officer (Inclusion)

I'm Ryan Kay the new Football Development Officer for Inclusion within both Cambridgeshire FA and Huntingdonshire FA. I'm very excited to come into the community to visit clubs to continue the progression of inclusion football for all. Inclusion football has played a huge part in my life as being born with Cerebral Palsy I found it hard at times playing football within the mainstream environment due to my physical state but then by the age of 15 I started at a local disability football session which made me feel amazing playing on a equal playing field. Within 2 months I was in the England Cerebral Palsy First team since then I went on to compete at IPCPF championships for example: European championship, 2 World Cups and The Paralympic games at Rio 2016.

So, I have a real passion to give opportunity to everyone to express their love for the game in the right environment to build that self-confidence which I can transfer into an important life skill.

We are always keen to have new inclusion sessions be created so if you need any information or advise please email me on Ryan.kay@cambridgeshireFA.com







### Parents in Sport Week, 4 – 10 October 2021

#ParentsinSportWeek Parents in Sport Week is a national awareness raising campaign run by the NSPCC. It aims to highlight the important role parents play in the bigger safeguarding picture of sport. However, to be able to support their child, parents need knowledge. That's why this year's campaign is focused on getting the right information and resources to parents, so that they can play their part and keep their child safe in sport.

Sign up to support the campaign and get access to all of the NSPCC's resources for sports parents by **clicking here** 

# **Coach Education**

ENGLAND FOOTBALL

Please note: All courses are now delivered centrally by The FA.

Please remember to select Cambridgeshire FA as your county when booking courses.

### BT Playmaker by England Football

Are you or someone you know looking to get involved in coaching/volunteering in football? Then the BT Playmaker by England Football is the place to start your journey!

BT Playmaker by England Football is the new, FREE online entry-level football course perfect for anyone interested in taking a more active role in grassroots football.

The course consists of five modules and you don't need any previous football experience or qualifications before signing up.

The course will cover the following topics:

- Make football 'For All'
- Connect with your players
- Create fun sessions
- Keep football safe
- Take your next step

On completion of the course you'll be ready to hit the pitch with confidence. Interested in completing this course? **Click here** 



# **Coach Education**



### **FA Introduction to Coaching Football**

The new FA Level 1 coaching course Introduction to Coaching Football is now live!! Introduction to Coaching Football is the perfect online football coaching course for anyone looking to take a more active role in the game.

Whether you are currently coaching a team or looking to get into coaching, this course will help you create a safe, fun, and positive football environment.

The course blends live weekly webinars, e-learning, community support and a range of resources to provide you with the skills to coach players of all ages.

We will focus on the player, the game, and you as a coach. You will learn from our coach developers who will share their experiences and knowledge on weekly webinar broadcasts. You will also connect with like-minded people via our coaching community to explore and share your stories while gaining advice and support throughout the course.

To pass Introduction to Coaching Football, you will need to work through e-learning modules, unlocking new ones each week, as well as completing a short online assessment. The e-learning can be completed in stages in your own time.

If you are interested in completing this course, please <u>click here</u> to complete the expression of interest form:



# **Coaches Academy**



### Are you a member of Cambridgeshire FA's Coaches Academy?

Our Coaches Academy is an online community of Cambridgeshire coaches which will help you support each other, share ideas, and build positive relationships with coaches around the county.

### Why join?

- Exclusive access to Cambridgeshire FA online Coaching community
- Exclusive access to Cambridgeshire FA CPD events 21/22 season events coming very soon!
- Pre and post qualification support

If you would like to be a member of the Coaches Academy click here



# Female Friendly Club Workshops





## Do you want to grow new women's and girls' teams at your club?

Do you know what an ideal female friendly environment looks like? 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. You will develop your existing understanding of off-pitch and on-pitch considerations and discuss real life case study examples to enable you to build your own gameplan for your club.

### Dates:

Monday 17th January 2022 – 18:30-20:30 Wednesday 25th May 2022 – 18:30-20:30

To book your place on one of the sessions click here

# **Facilities**



To read and download our latest Facilities support pack please click here





Facilities have been prioritised by The FA and we at Cambridgeshire FA are making every effort to improve the facilities around the county. Do you have a project idea? Get in touch!



If you are intending to improve your football facilities, which may involve 3G football turf pitches, changing room pavilions / clubhouses, grass pitch improvements or better indoor / outdoor spaces, please contact Katie Critchley on 07944747310 or via email at Katie.Critchley@Cambridgeshirefa.com

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# Referees



### **Respect the Ref (Purple Shirts)**

Since the Restart back in March 2021, a high number of incidents regarding verbal abuse towards match officials by managers, coaches and spectators has been reported by our new and young match officials. Can we ask secretaries to remind their teams and parents that behaviour of this type is unacceptable and will be dealt with accordingly by the county FA.

A reminder that those officials under the age of 18 will be wearing Purple Shirts to highlight there age, normally being only a year or two older than the players in question.

Can we also ask that should you witness this type of abuse from others during the game, that you use the **ReportIt**! Page on our website. This will enable our Referee Development Officer to offer support to the match official and our Discipline Team to investigate.





### REFEREES IN PURPLE ARE UNDER 18

Cambridgeshire FA, Cambridge & District Colts League and Cambridge Mini Soccer League are promoting a safe environment for young referees. RESPECT the shirt and the individual.

### THINK:

We're only MINORS
I'm still in SCHOOL
I'm going to make MISTAKES
I'm NOT AGAINST your team
I want to ENJOY myself
Will it CHANGE anything?

# **SEE IT**

**REPORT IT** 

**DON'T IGNORE IT** 

www.CambridgeshireFA.com/ReportIt

# **Referee Courses**



Our FA Referee Course are back up and running under a different guise. The course now features online learning plus 11 hours of contact time in the form of 1 evening session and a Sunday day.

In order to sign up for a course the process has also changed due to the pre-required online learning.

Learners are now required to complete the steps outlined below, following this, details to book the place will be provided.

Please note that learners places are not confirmed until Stage 4 has been completed and you have booked on through the provided booking link. For the online learning sections, please ensure these are completed on the candidates (the individual that wishes to attend the course) account. Everyone has an account set already, Please do not create a new account. To find your account details, please visit **HERE** 

- 1. Complete the Expression of Interest: <a href="http://bit.ly/Ref-Interest">http://bit.ly/Ref-Interest</a>
- 2. Complete the Online Laws of the Game: <a href="http://bit.ly/Online-Ref">http://bit.ly/Online-Ref</a>
- 3. Complete the appropriate Safeguarding training
  a.lf candidate is 14 or 15 <a href="http://bit.ly/SG-For-All">http://bit.ly/SG-For-All</a>
  - b.If candidate is over 16 <a href="http://bit.ly/FA-SCC">http://bit.ly/FA-SCC</a> (The cost for this is £30.00 and is not included within the course costs)
- 4. Book your place using one of the booking links that will be sent within 48 hours of Step 3a & 3b being completed.
- 5. Receive the booking links to book your place on one of the below courses.

If you wish to book onto an appropriate course, we encourage you to complete the above steps at the earliest possible opportunity due to high demand

We are particularly looking for individuals who are readily available Saturday AM (Youth Football) and Saturday PM (Adult Football). The cost of the course has been reduced from £135.00 to £110.00

If you have any questions, please email referees@cambridgeshirefa.com



Course Options (Venues)	Evening Session	Practical Day
Cambourne Fitness & Sports Centre (in partnership with Hunts FA)	Thursday 7th October (18:30 - 21:30)	Sunday 10th October (09:00 - 17:00)
William Burt Social Club, Kings Lynn (In partnership with Norfolk FA)	Friday 29th October 2021(18:00 – 21:00)	Sunday 31st October 2021(09:00 – 17:00)
Northstowe Secondary School	Thursday 25th Nov (18:30 - 21:30)	Sunday 28th Nov (09:00 - 17:00)
Northstowe Secondary School	Thursday 27th January (18:30 - 21:30)	Sunday 30th January (09:00 - 17:00)

# **Club Assistant Referees**



A reminder that club assistants should, during the game, act independently from the team. We have received a handful of reports where either club managers/coaches have acted in this role, whilst also providing coaching to their players. This obviously can detract their attention from the role at hand and cause additional pressure to both players and match officials.

The FA are currently devising an Online Assistant Refereeing Module to support club assistants in there role. Once this is ready for release, this will be circulated for you to pass onto your appropriate individuals to utilise for development. In the meantime, a reminder that our 25 minute training video is available on our **Youtube Channel here**.

A reminder that those acting as a club assistant referee should:

- Be aged 16 or over for Adult Football or U16, U17 and U18 matches.
- Be a minimum age of 14 and at least 1 year above the age of team for Youth Football (i.e. a 15 year old can run the line for all age groups up to and including U14).

Once The FA have release the above online CPD (expected late October) this will be circulated.



# **Easyfundraising**



The biggest online shopping season is right around the corner, which means it's the perfect opportunity for your club to earn free donations with easyfundraising.

Shop with all the leading retailers, Amazon, Selfridges, John Lewis, Curry's PC World, and 5,900 others, and turn online purchases into free donations for your club. Ten supporters could earn your club  $\pounds653$  just by shopping during the peak months – it's the one shopping event your club shouldn't miss out on.

Click here to register your club now, and start earning.



# Technology update



A huge thank you to all you club officials who supported and completed the affiliation and player registration process for the season.

On behalf of the The FA and County FA can we apologise for the issues and problems that occurred, we have fed them back to the necessary people.

A reminder that you can find more support for Player Registration, Matchday, Whole Game and Full Time by <u>clicking here</u>

Should you require any further support please email chris.abbott@cambridgeshirefa.com



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