

Welton Imp Walking FC Footballers achieve Rapid Growth and Health

Welton Imp Walking Football Club has achieved staggering growth in since foundation in Oct 2015, but is still expanding by searching for players to return to this version of our wonderful game or perhaps just start playing in later retirement.

Tucked away in a leafy corner of Welton Village is one of the best artificial grass FA Approved 3G football pitch facilities in Lincolnshire, which inspired a few local senior Weltonian retired footballers with other locals to start adapting to playing Walking Football and reawaken the fun and craic with health benefits attached to FOOTBALL in 2015.

To begin with it was just a few friends enjoying the thrill of playing football again but the UK national surge in the popularity of this gentle form of the beautiful game came to Welton and membership boomed and now attracts over 40 members with support by a local sponsor Imp Travel. Hence the name, (W Imp WFC).

Every **Thursday at 10:45 am** a group of around twenty plus 55 years old ageing men (females-also welcome) gather and play football for an hour to the mixed sounds of “shouted advice” & “loud appeals” with generally good natured banter. This is followed by a gathering to the Welton Sports & Social Club to down a pint or cuppa, sharing their comradeship and topical banter coming from all walks of life. Playing safely in 6 v 6 or 9 v 9 teams on the all-weather AGP 3G plastic pitch with free car park, toilets and changing rooms.

Welton Imp WFC have since entered into various local interclub competitions and leagues. The Welton Imp teams have enjoyed success including recent friendlies with Gainsborough Trinity WFC, Louth Town WFC and, Boston United, Notts County and Grimsby Corinthians WFC who are arguably one of the top Walking Football teams in the UK.

Welton have also played in local competitions meeting various other teams from Gainsborough, Spilsby, Boston and Stamford. Welton are able to more than hold their own against other clubs but the **objective**, (as should be with all other walking football clubs),

...". is primarily enjoyment and friendship playing within their abilities and any age/health related restrictions."

So popular are the WIWFC Thursday sessions that Welton Imps have the additional, weekly slots on **Mondays at 10:45am, at Manor Park** and **FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSIONS FOR BEGINERS (14:45 -16:00)**.

We are now welcoming new members. If you are over 55 female or male, retired, reasonably mobile or returning from injury or bad health and love football come along on **Thursdays or Mondays or Fridays at Manor Park**.

-Contact **John Mulhall** on 07881851500 or johnmulcon@aol.com or just turn up Friday, Thursday or Monday to initially just watch or play at 10:45 -12 noon (Mon & Thur or Friday at 14:45 -16:00.) Suitable casual sports clothes and soft moulded soles trainers to be worn. Dressing Rooms and Showers provided. Free Car Parking on Site next to pitch in Hackthorn Road Welton LN2 3PA .

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GROUP PHOTO: SOME OF OUR PLAYERS AS PER Welton Imp WFC at CLUB AGM IN OCT 2017



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