



earls barton united fc

Newsletter

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Chairman's Report

The season is well underway and most age groups are in full swing. After the successful fun day and the great weather we have now moved up to the grange for most of our senior sides.

They will certainly be pleased with the playing surface which has not only benefited from the financial investment by the football and cricket clubs but also the amount of hours put in by the cricket grounds crew. Whilst thanking them for their efforts we must also congratulate their first and second sides winning their respective divisions.

On a sadder note we have lost 2 valuable volunteers, Vanessa Connolly has had to withdraw from the committee due to family commitments and Dave Carvell has had to resign as manager of U10 due to increased work commitments. Both will be greatly missed for all the hard work they have put in over the years.

Finally more help is needed especially with the up and coming mini soccer sides, help is required with the under 6,7 and 8. Please do not be shy step up and have a go. We are formulating a plan to take these age groups forward and would really appreciate to have some of you on board please give Geoff Cleaver 01604 466366 a ring or speak to Matt Parsons on a Saturday morning.

Have a good season and don't be scared of coming forward you may think we are coping but we could cope even better with as little or as much help as you have to offer. **Antony Owen - Chairman**

Fun Day

What a great day, the weather couldn't have been better, players, parents and friends enjoyed the games in the sunshine and the club made over £800 in the process.

Many thanks to everyone who helped out on the day in whatever capacity, Roger and his team for doing the Bar-B-Q, players/parents for taking part and making the day a huge success.

The Hidden Cup was found in Macclesfield and the winner of the £25 was Dean Morrow (U11's parent)

The winner of the Premiership football for the Target Game was Kieran Checkley from the U13's.

Unclaimed raffle prizes: Green 148, Green 364, Buff/Beige 34. Any prizes not claimed will be used as prizes at the next fundraising event.

Dates for your diary

70's Fancy Dress Disco

Saturday 18th October @ WMC. Tickets £2 each or £5 Family Ticket

Christmas Shopping Experience

Saturday 29th November 9-12 @ Earls Barton Parish Church Hall



FoneAid

We are collecting old mobile phones for the Foneaid Mobile Recycling Campaign – we get £3 for every phone collected. Please pass on any old phones to your team manager/fundraising committee member - any age, any condition.



Team Round Up

The season is now well and truly up and running, most teams having played at least 3 games.

In the Adult section the 1st team have won 1 and lost 2, the Reserves have lost 2 and drawn 1, the Sunday side have played the most and finding life much better in Division 5 having played 5, won 3 and lost 2. The Veterans league yet to start.

In the youth section we welcome back the U14's so we now have teams right through from U8 to U15. U8 to U10 play small sided non-competitive football. The U11's - played 3 won 1 lost 2, U12's played 2 drawn 1 lost 1, U13's who have lost a few players and are currently rebuilding their squad are finding life tough in the higher division having played 3 and lost 3. The U14's have only played 1 game which ended in a draw and the U15's you have read about previously.

Last year's U16's have stepped up to the County Wide U18 league and finding life a little difficult, played 3 won 1 lost 2, but playing against teams mostly a year older than themselves, all part of the learning curve.

On Monday 22nd Sept Ashley Harrison will sign a **MK Dons scholarship** form being the 5th from our 91/92 age group to secure a scholarship with a professional club - **Congratulations Ashley!**

Bar Help/Manager Required

The Sports Association is a totally voluntary body which runs The Grange and are looking for more people to help run the bar on match days and for social events.

Ideally they would also like to install a bar manager to have total control of running the bar and staffing it. If you have experience in bar work and would like to help in any way please contact Angie on 01604 466265 but remember it is voluntary work at the moment.

New Sponsors

Mineral Star Construction - £1500 for equipment and U12's new shirts

Taylor Roofing Ltd - Mens 1st team new strip

John Lewis Partnership (N'Pton) - U15's Track Suits (pictured right)

Hevey Building Supplies - U10's shirts and £100 to U15's towards their kit

Smart Decor - U11's Track Suits

Many thanks to all of our sponsors - your support is very much appreciated.

U10's Update

The new manager for the U10 Greens and Yellows is **Darren Booker** and will be assisted by **Dave Dodwell** (pictured below). Both coaches are FA qualified and are looking forward to the season ahead. Parents of current and any new players can contact Darren on 0781 8014412 or 01604 811650 or email dbooker@artgroup.com.





U15's Boys

Because of many teams folding this season at U15's we have been in-undated with interest from boys wanting to join our squad which has been really promising.

We have signed 4 new players to bolster the squad to 19 but still having a large core of players that have been with us since the age of 5 or 6!! At this point we have had 3 games - won 2 and lost 1. Luck certainly wasn't on our side last season as there were many games we didn't deserve to lose. We are hoping for a change in fortune this year and the boys have started the season really positive.

As long as there aren't too many girls on the sidelines to distract "some" of the players we should do okay!!!!



Contact Numbers

EBUFC Managers

Youth

U8s	Matt Parsons	07720 700295
U9s	James Cameron	07774 711171
U10s	Darren Booker	01604 811650
	Dave Dodwell	01933 229794
U11s	Steve Biggs	01604 810266
U12s	Martin Gillingwater	01933 382639
U13s	Russell Humberstone	01604 811413
U14s	Scott Bromwich	01604 510979
U15s	Richard Ellson	07527 922512
	assisted by Keith Lawrence	
U18s	Anthony Owen	01604 811645
U15s Girls	Angie Foster	01604 466265
U16s Girls	Wayne Mills	01604 811852

Adult

Saturday Team	Richard Ellson	07527 922512
Sunday Team	Anthony Johnson	01604 466043
Veterans	Bob Darling	
Ladies	Ben Foster	07970 918520

EBUFC Committee

Anthony Owen	Chairman	01604 811645
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Angie Foster	Child Protection Off.	01604 466265
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Lindsay Humberstone	Fundraising	01604 811413

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Girls/Ladies Section

The **U15's** girls had a great start to the season with a win away at Peterborough, the first time we have ever beaten them. Things not been so good since with 3 consecutive defeats but their football is improving and hopefully the results will follow.

The **U16's** also had a great start to the season with a win over Towcester 7-0, not bad considering they went the whole of last season without winning a game. They have signed some new players and things are looking good for them.

Up to six weeks ago the **Ladies** were struggling to get a squad together but have since signed some new players. They have only played 2 games drawing the first 2-2 with Rothwell and just losing out to Kettering 4-3. As the new players settle in I'm sure the performances and results will improve.

U11's - We are now running a new U11's section who train on a Tuesday evening 4.30 til 6pm at the Pioneer. The numbers are steadily increasing and we hope to start them playing matches after Christmas. We are looking for a manager for this team if anybody is interested in getting involved with girls football please contact Angie on 01604 466265.



Please help us to keep our information up to date. Any team/club information, news or photos you wish to put forward, simply email Angie (angie.foster@ntlworld.com) or Caroline (caroline.kendhammer@hotmail.co.uk).

