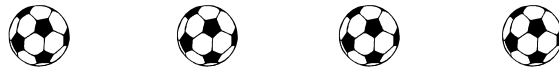




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The newsletter of Oadby Town Football Club



New Clubhouse

We're getting a brand new purpose built facility of our very own! You'll have seen the fencing for the new building is now up – paid for in part by a grant of £5000 from Blaby DC. We will shortly be starting 'the build', the plans for which you may recall seeing at the Presentation Evening back in May. Just to remind you, the brand new facility will have 4 changing rooms, plus one for the referees. A kitchen, toilets, and a seating area which we hope will include a pool table and table football.

In the time that has elapsed we have obtained planning permission, and have applied for a number of grants. Although the money is in place we are still hoping for a



The foundations of our new clubhouse

further grant from SITA to pay for the new kitchen, toilet, chairs & tables. Weather permitting; we are hoping the building will be ready by end of February.

To celebrate the opening we are going to combine this years presentations with a fun day and BBQ at the club ground in May. Watch out for more details!

Sponsors

Thanks to all of our individual team sponsors. Next step a club sponsor! If anyone knows or deals with anyone who would be interested in sponsoring Oadby Town Juniors Football Club, please speak to the Treasurer David Cockram. Even if it's only a little, perhaps they would be willing to sponsor, for example, one of the new dressing rooms - perhaps you know of an Optician who would like to sponsor the Referees Dressing Room!?



How they stand...our teams results as of Nov. 25th

| Team | Div. | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | For | Ag. | points | Pos. |
|------|------|--------|-----|-------|------|-----|-----|--------|------|
| U9 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 3 | 15 | 1 |
| U10B | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 19 | 0 | 8 |
| U10R | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 4 |
| U12 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 24 | 7 | 9 | 3 |
| U13 | D | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 18 | 17 | 7 | 7 |
| U15 | C | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 39 | 0 | 11 |
| U16 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 12 | 8 | 5 |
| U17 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 18 | 9 | 12 | 6 |

Managers Comments

Rob Wilson U10 Blues: This season the boys have been promoted to Division 1 and are finding the competition a very high standard. To date they have failed to gain any points, however, in their last game their performance was 'nearly there' and we don't think it will be too long before they are back into their winning ways. We have the same team sponsor for both u10 teams, and we would like to thank **Ross Transport Co** for their very generous support.

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Well done Michael!

Well done! - To Michael Cockram for passing his Level 2 Certificate in Coaching Football, badge in November. And a special word of support for Chris Hughes who is working towards his Level 3 Certificate in Coaching Football. Excellent guys!

Who's on the Committee?

After 2 years at the helm Dave Austen stepped down as Chairman this year, and is now our Vice-Chairman. So if anyone fancies being Chairman – **Your Club Needs You!** Andy Whitman, the club secretary, was nominated as 'Clubman of the year' back in June at the presentation night, and continues to do a fantastic job for the club, his 'two year tour of duty' ends in May. David Cockram is the Treasurer. Lionel Boyce is our Child Protection Officer. The rest of the committee is made up of team managers and a few parents. **Anyone who can offer support or would like to get involved in the**

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Managers, players, friends and family salute the lads at the annual Oadby Town Presentation Evening

Michael Cockram U10 Reds: The u10 REDS have adapted quickly to a difficult division 2 and have made an impressive start to the season - with 2 wins out of 3 in the league and an impressive cup run, which saw them get to the 3rd round before being beaten in the last minute of extra time. The Reds have also had to cope with a new formation. This means the only way for them to break teams down is to pass their way through, which they have adapted to incredibly well. A special mention goes to co-captain Luke Watson who after switching from the blues in the summer has gone from strength to strength in the heart of the reds midfield.

Chris Hughes U9: The team have made a really good start to their 2nd season, and are top of the league in Division 3 with a game in hand. Played 5 and won 5. The team are playing consistently well, with some of the boys attending the Leicester City Development Centres, and one, a six week stint at the Leicester City Academy. The team would like to recognise and thank their previous sponsors - **Terratruck**, and their current sponsors - **Glenmere Timber** for their excellent and much appreciated



The U10s (as the U9s last season) at an organised soccer tournament

support! **Andy Whitman U15:** Would like to welcome new players Jess Bradshaw, Alex Taheri and Tom Marriott to the club. Hopefully together with the return of their keeper Alex Van Roose from an injury sustained in the first game of the season this will enable us to turn our season round. Alex made his come back on the 20/11/05. During his absence several players had to take their turn to play between the sticks but special thanks go to Jamie Crisp and Jack Whitman who played most games in goal during this period. On the 24/11 the team commenced winter training on the dry play area at Holmes Park. Training up until Christmas will be on a Thursday night 8pm for 1 hour.

Dates for your diary:
AGM Monday 5th December 7pm Corus Hotel (TimeOut), Blaby. All welcome!

Craig Smith & Pete Adams U13: After a great finish to last season the under 13's were confident of another good campaign but we have all been disappointed with the start we've had losing 2-0 on the opening day [missing 2 penalties] and scraping home in others we find ourselves sitting mid table but we have every confidence we will get it right and push for promotion. A mention goes to Kyle-Jay Auja who has really impressed so far this season in his new position as centre half. Also a big thank you to all the parents who give up their valuable time in helping out the team/club, they know who they are, and it is REALLY appreciated. **Martin Burchnell U16:** Season has been going okay. KO 3rd round of league cup and county cup both to higher league opposition. The very latest position: Fourth in the table, played 8, won 3, lost 3, and drawn 2. Top scorer and captain Chris Bell playing well in mid park. Some good defending with goal difference of +1.

Neil Kitchen U17: A good start to the season, particularly the first 4 games. A defeat to Stoney Stanton was a close encounter, finally being edged out 2-1. In recent weeks losing out to Hepworth Forrest in another very close fought game, narrowly beaten 3-2. Hepworth and Stanton are 1st and 2nd respectively in the league. Two losses in the County and League Cups. Having firmly established ourselves in the league, we have high hopes of maintaining the standards we've set, and finishing well. Sponsors: **Adroit Roofing**. **Lee Geary - U12s:** We stated the season really well. After five games we were top of division one. We then had a three week break without a game. When we started back we drew and then lost to a team we had previously beaten 5-1. We are now back on track and have reached the last 16 of the county cup and challenging in the league. Recently we signed two quality players in Matthew Baker from Ibstock and Joe Herbert from the Oadby Owls. We are all looking forward to the rest of the season!



U13's

Team Managers

Thanks to all the managers: Neil Kitchen (U17), Martin Burchnell (U16 - even though he's a Spurs fan!), Andy Whitman (U15), Craig Smith & Pete Adams (U13), Lee Geary (U12), Rob Wilson (U10 Blues), Michael Cockram (U10 Reds), and Chris Hughes (U9).



Answer to You are the Ref: B Award an indirect free-kick for obstruction

running of the club please speak to Dave Austen or any of the other committee members, or team managers.

So what exactly does your committee do? - They run the club and without the managers and the committee there just wouldn't be one. Obviously the Clubhouse has been primary focus, but once this is completed we have the opportunity to focus on what it's really all about - 'football! Of course there's more to it than that. We have a ground that needs upkeep and maintenance, Leagues to keep happy, dealing with the FA, child protection, sponsors, administration, organisational presentation evenings, etc.

Newsletter

We're planning to issue the newsletter on a regular basis to let everyone know (players, parents, teams) what's going on. Let us know how your teams are getting on. Who's scoring the goals? Who's keeping them out? Who's making the crunching tackles? This is your newsletter, so any suggestions for articles and features are welcome. Suggestions for articles and features. Contact the editors: Neil Sharpe or Gary Bradshaw in person or via email: neilsharpe@supanet.com, gary.bradshaw@bt.com.

You're The Ref!

The centre forward is running onto a superb cross from the left hand side. As he makes his run the defender steps across to block his way just inside the penalty area. You blow your whistle and:

- A** - Award a penalty to the attacking team
- B** - Award an indirect free-kick to the attacking team
- C** - Wait for the players to surround you before sending as many as possible off

